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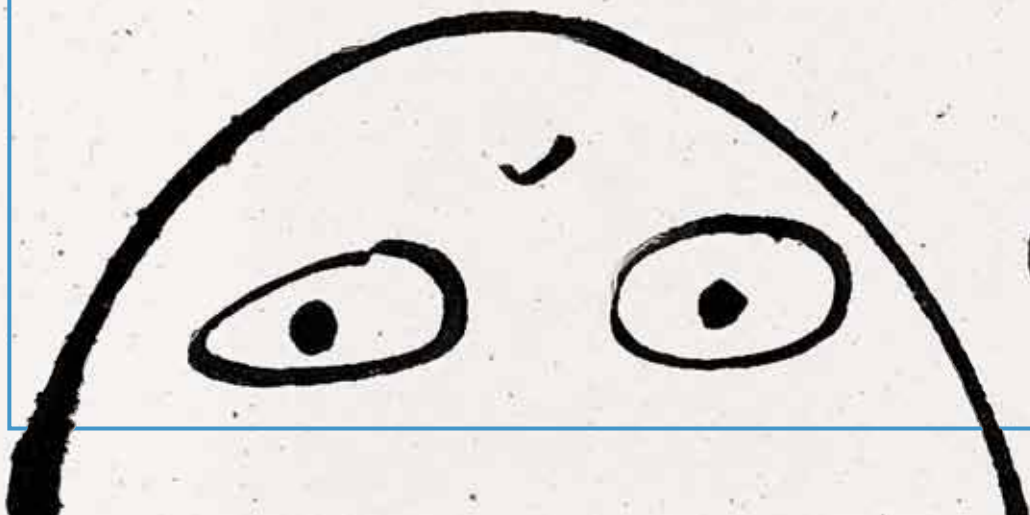
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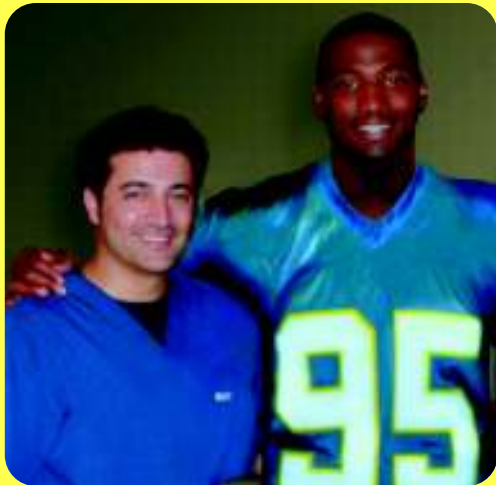
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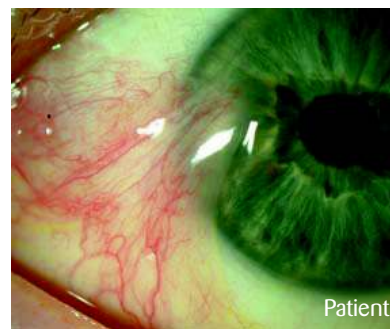
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**Spooky** You might call it MySpace for La Migra. **Alan Bersin**, ex-San Diego schools chief and President **Barack Obama's** "Border Czar" in the Department of Homeland Security, has set up an online social networking site called "Our Border: A Southwest Border Civic Network." As of last week, the site had 211 members and 80 photos, mostly of Border Patrol operations, the partially completed border fence and, of course, plenty featuring Bersin himself.



Alan Bersin

In order to get things warmed up, and apparently to collect a little intelligence on the side, someone using the handle "DHS Richard" invited new members to introduce themselves: "This network and these connections will only last if we know each other, if we take a moment to talk about why each of us is here. What brings you to this site? Are you a DHS employee, a community leader, an activist?" To encourage participation, he offered a reward: "We'll be watching the forum and looking for the two best introductions. Those two members will receive a phone call from DHS Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Special Representative for Border Affairs Alan Bersin."

Among the 17 users who took the bait and provided their identities were "a former senior intelligence analyst for the State of California"; "the supervising Criminal Intelligence Analyst at the Arizona Counter Terrorism Center"; a "co-founder of the Border Patrol Auxiliary"; an ex-Secret Service employee currently working for the Transportation Safety Administration; and "the president of a small company with a focus on homeland security and keeping America safe." Like Facebook, the site allows users to "friend" each other. Thus, government agents are getting better acquainted: "DHS CBP and Ben DHS are now friends."

**Tax dollars at leisure** How are you going to keep the cops down on the farm once they've seen Coronado? That seems to be the question facing the federally funded National Institute of Justice, which is hosting the Technology Institute for Rural Law Enforcement at the Marriott in the distinctly upscale beachside town. "There is no registration cost and all travel, food, and lodging expenses are paid. However, only 35 individuals will be selected to attend," says the invite about the four-day late-October get-



Coronado Marriott

together. The event "is designed for the command staff or supervisory personnel of rural and small law enforcement agencies containing less than 50 sworn officers. Participants will receive information and assistance on existing and developing technologies, work through problems relating to technology implementation, and exchange technology lessons learned, that are of importance to the rural and small law enforcement community."

**Scott Barker**, deputy director of the Rural Law Enforcement Technology Center, said the Marriott was picked because other governmental agencies, including the institute, have used it in the past. A testimonial from **Crawford Coates**, senior editor of San Diego-based *Law Officer* magazine, who attended an event in May, touts the freebie as "Not a bad deal, especially when it's 70 degrees and sunny, as you peer between sessions across the glittering bay at the skyline of downtown San Diego." He adds, "There was something there for everyone, plenty of opportunity to network when class got out and the beautiful island of Coronado to explore."

**Stand-in money** UCSD political science professor **Peter Gourevitch**, who has taken over as acting dean of the university's School of International Relations and Pacific Studies while full-time dean **Peter Cowhey** is away on extended leave advising the Obama administration on trade policy, is making a pretty decent salary.



Robert Gleason

According to recently released documents, Gourevitch's annual base salary is \$216,583, plus an additional \$7200 in "stipend, add-ons, etc." for a total of \$223,783. The appointment was effective August 1, 2009, and runs through January 31, 2010. According to a database of UC salaries maintained by the *Orange County Register*, that's significantly higher than Cowhey's annual pay rate for 2007, which totaled just \$201,921. In addition to his professorial duties, last year Gourevitch hosted a weekly show on the university's TV station about the nation's presidential campaign. ... San Diego County's Republican Party has been raking in some late-summer cash. The Bahia Resort Hotel, owned by the wealthy Evans family, gave \$6839.50 on August 20; the same day, Sempra Energy kicked in \$2500. On July 15, GOP mayor **Jerry Sanders** appointed Evans Hotels chief financial officer **Robert Gleason**, a Democrat, to the regional airport authority board.

— Matt Potter

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**PUC Loves SDG&E**

By Don Bauder

**W**all Street absolutely loves the state's Public Utilities Commission (PUC). That's a major reason why backcountry

folks may have to swallow San Diego Gas & Electric's loony scheme to shut off those rural residents' power during fire season. Michael Shames, head of Utility Consumers' Action Network, says bluntly, "The PUC is owned and operated by the utilities."

He is referring to the five commissioners. The PUC's staff and administrative law judges are balanced and can be tough on utilities. But in all too many cases, they are overruled by the commissioners, whose mission is massaging utilities and maiming consumers.

On September 10, the commission meets to consider the implementation of SDG&E's so-called Emergency Power

Shut-Off Plan. The utility, a unit of Sempra Energy, proposes to turn off electricity



Rancho Bernardo home, 2007

to 57,000 backcountry customers and 125,000 residents during periods of high fire

danger. That's the total that would suffer. But during any given 12- to 72-hour period, 18,600 people would be affected, says SDG&E. The commission earlier issued a temporary restraining order preventing the utility from unilaterally implementing the plan prior to the September 10 meeting.

The idea is vigorously opposed by water districts,

schools, disability rights advocates, and others. They point out that if a wildfire broke out in a powerless area, people might not get critical information because their phones, TVs, and computers wouldn't work. If they learned of the fire by word of

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## They Have No Concrete Proof

By Dana Wyant

**O**n April 12, 2007, I did some concrete work in the backyard of my Rancho Peñasquitos home with the help of my wife,

son-in-law, and two close friends. I rented a cement mixer in Poway, which my friend towed home with his truck. I took careful precautions, and when a small amount of cement spilled onto the road, I had tools ready for proper cleanup. After finishing the concrete work, all the tools and equipment were cleaned in a dirt hole in my front yard. I have worked with concrete for contractors and friends and neighbors, so I am well aware of how to manage the job

had noticed what appeared to be concrete residue in the gutter in front of three homes and mine. She took samples and pictures, and she asked us if we knew of anyone who had done work recently. I responded that we had the week before. My first mistake.

Flores said that she thought the residue might have come from my residence and that there would be an investigation. My neighbor and I assured her that concrete residue could



Dana and Gael Wyant with Ginger

equipment with her to do the cleanup. I again assured her there was no way the mess had come from me, but I would not mind doing the cleanup. Not worried about an investigation, as I knew a proper one would find me innocent, I promptly put the matter out of my mind. Silly me.

On March 14, 2009,

questions, I could call the administrative hearing coordinator. I called the number, asking when the investigation had been done and how the City had concluded that I was the responsible party. I was told that I could request arbitration but that the bill would increase the longer I delayed payment. It sounded like a warning to pay the fine immediately or risk paying increasing administrative costs if I held off while I appealed. Of course, the fact that the City had waited almost two years to investigate and assess my fine didn't matter.

I spoke to an attorney, and he said that he could help, but he would need a \$5000 retainer to start. As I couldn't afford that, I decided to attend the arbitration on my own. I felt confident that if someone unbiased listened to the witnesses and me, they would find me not guilty. Mistake number three.

I have lived in my house since August 1978, and I know most of my neighbors. Before attending the hearing, I asked 10 or 12 of them if they had been questioned by the Storm Water Department. Not one had been contacted or knew anything about the matter. I also discovered that runoff flows past my house from 18 houses above mine, any of which could have done the concrete work.

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Photo by code compliance officer Diana Flores

properly, including the environmental concerns.

On April 19, 2007, I was outside chatting with my next-door neighbor, who had helped on my backyard project, when a storm water code compliance officer named Diana Flores stopped at my home, saying that she

not have come from my project. We explained how we had taken every reasonable precaution to avoid spills. She asked me to sign paperwork — which I did, mistake number two — and then asked if I would clean the residue that was left in the gutter, as she had no

almost two years later, I received a legal-sized envelope with a "Civil Penalty Notice and Order" informing me that I was the responsible party for a "discharge of construction waste" and that the civil fine and administrative costs totaled \$1547.80, due April 9. If I had

## STRINGERS

### Fishlike

**La Jolla** — Todd Robinson of the La Jolla Swim Club set the men's Catalina-to-California-mainland swim record on August 25, with a time of 8 hours, 5 minutes, and 44 seconds.

Beginning from Catalina Twin Harbors at around 12 a.m., Robinson swam in the dark with a few of his

closest friends to keep pace. From the start, he left his pace person in his wake. The water temperature was 68 to 70 degrees F. The latter part of the swim was much tougher, as the water temp dropped to around 60 degrees.

Also, a 2-to-3-foot south swell was running about then and made

the final dash across boulders that much harder.

Some of Todd's training workouts included six laps from the La Jolla Cove to La Jolla Shores, a distance of about 12 miles. The female record is 7 hours, 15 minutes, 55 seconds.

By Ron Hamilton, 8/26

### Fire Up, Power Down

**Jamul** — Residents on Sloan Canyon Road in Jamul spent several tense hours on Friday, August 28, waiting as fire crews worked feverishly to extinguish a brush fire burning at the rural dirt road's only entrance and exit. The blaze began at approximately 2:40 p.m. at the intersection of Lawson Valley Road and Sloan Canyon Road.

According to a resident, a woman in a white Ford F350 truck swerved to

avoid an oncoming car, hit a telephone pole, and careened into a chain-link fence before crashing into the nearby 15-foot-deep ravine and creek bed. Downed power lines from



Firefighters on Sloan Canyon Road

the telephone pole are believed to have sparked the fire.

"The whole telephone pole was whacked in half," said resident Michael Towne, adding that loose power lines were lying in the street for about one-eighth of a mile.

Cal Fire crews responded immediately. Once SDG&E shut the power off, helicopters and air tankers were able to make numerous water drops.

By approximately 6 p.m., the fire was extinguished.

By Cindy Winslow, 8/30

### Mind the Cap

**Solana Beach** — Assemblywoman Lori Saldaña is concerned about the North Pacific Gyre, an island of plastic debris floating in the middle of the Pacific Ocean. Saldaña's also concerned about the plastic caps from soda and water bottles left behind on the state's beaches and parks. According to a study conducted on Orange County beaches, an estimated 88,000 plastic caps have been left behind on the 40 miles of coastline.

Saldaña introduced a bill that requires all single-use plastic bottle manufacturers to tether the lids and caps to every bottle they make.

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## PUC loves SDG&E

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mouth, they might not be able to evacuate quickly because garage-door openers, street lights, traffic signals, and gas pumps wouldn't function. People with disabilities could be trapped in their homes. The lives of people who depend on medical life-support equipment would be in jeopardy.

And how could firefighters battle the blaze if the electric water pumps that supply water to the area would not work? And wells that could supply water would also be worthless?

Those who would not be inconvenienced by the shut-off are all in favor of it. These include the San Diego fire chief and city council. (The county board of supervisors, however, thumbed down the idea.)

SDG&E tells backcountry citizens that they should have

their own generators. But these are not rich people, in the main. The answer, say opponents, is for the utility to do what the law requires: design and maintain lines properly, particularly keeping trees away from them.

An administrative law judge for the utilities commission studied the shut-off plan and said it would pose excessive safety risks. He said it should be nixed. But any one of the five commissioners can write an alternative decision: Commissioner Timothy Simon, who is cozy with Sempra, did just that. He suggested that the plan could move forward on a test basis, with certain changes in place. On September 10, the commissioners can turn down the plan, adopt Simon's approach, or come up with an alternative.

SDG&E's concern is financial liability. After the October 2007 disaster, the PUC's Consumer Protection and Safety Division looked into causes

of the Guejito, Witch, and Rice fires. The division found that those three fires were linked to SDG&E power lines. In the Witch and Rice fires, SDG&E was in violation of state utility rules; Cox Communications was the major culprit in the Guejito Fire.

"The [Consumer Protection and Safety Division] believes that SDG&E's unwillingness to provide immediate access to witnesses and evidence prevented [the division] from conducting a more timely investigation," said the report.

Them's strong words. SDG&E's laxity in keeping trees away from power lines and its failure to correctly design and maintain its lines caused two of the fires; the utility's uncooperativeness prevented a rapid investigation of all three fires. Nonetheless, "There has not been one mention of any kind of penalties" for the reprehensible behavior, says Shames. The key word for regulators is

"imprudence." It means that utilities have not spent ratepayer money properly and should get a monetary penalty. "The PUC is fond of tongue-lashings, but rarely does it spank utilities where utilities feel it—in their pocketbooks." Regulators are mum on the word "imprudence."

Eventually, SDG&E paid almost \$700 million to insurance companies that had settled with fire victims and then sued SDG&E. Other suits against the utility are pending. Through its new plan, the company wants to be shielded from liability for damages caused by power shut-offs, points out Shames, noting that once the company reaches its insurance liability limit, it will want to raise consumers' rates to pay for that liability.

Shames worries that the September 10 decision will be "Sunrise redux" — or a rerun of the Sunrise Powerlink decision. This proposed 123-mile transmission line

through environmentally sensitive backcountry areas was opposed by two administrative law judges and the PUC commission staff. But the commission voted to let it go through. SDG&E can rake in \$1.4 billion in guaranteed profit if federal authorities approve the project, says Shames. The commission bought the argument that it would stimulate renewable power development but then didn't make sure that the line imported renewable power. The Utility Consumers' Action Network has appealed the commission's Sunrise decision.

On September 10, PUC commissioners may stand where Wall Street stands: for more Sempra profits and less consumer protection. Mark Barnett of Morningstar, the stock analyst firm, gushes that Sempra is aided by "the best regulation in the country." Just a few years ago, Sempra's major focus was on nonregulated businesses, such as energy trading. But now that

regulation is so favorable, the company is emphasizing the regulated gas and electric businesses. "The California Public Utilities Commission is considerably more friendly than it has been in the past," enthuses Barnett, and the same is true of federal regulators who oversee transmission projects.

Standard & Poor's points out that in July of last year, the PUC approved almost \$200 million of total rate increases for Sempra's two main operations, SDG&E and SoCal-Gas, providing for rate jumps of 3 percent a year for both entities through 2011.

Gary F. Hovis of Argus Research says that Sempra's "overall excellent experience with regulators should go a long way in preventing a precipitous falloff in profitability. We view the regulatory commissions at both the state and federal levels as fair and balanced."

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Just like last year, coaches, parents and players can contribute to the "Red Zone" by commenting on posts and by posting their own editorial content, videos and photos, both on the main page and on individual team pages.

Coverage has started with season previews of the five defending section champions. The blog is located at: [www.sdreader.com/football](http://www.sdreader.com/football).

## What is new inside the "Red Zone" this season?

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### Concrete proof

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On May 5, my wife and I arrived at the offices of the Storm Water Department on Chesapeake Drive in Kearny Mesa for our nine o'clock hearing. One friend who had helped me with the concrete project came as a witness. Nancy T. Beardley was the administrative hearing officer. Diana Flores and her supervisor, Antonius Evans, represented the Storm Water Department.

We listened to Flores's testimony. One of the pictures she took was of the spot on the asphalt where the small amount of concrete, approximately one foot by two, had spilled. She had done a pH test that showed that the substance was alkaline, which concrete is. She stated that this proved I had spilled concrete in the street and therefore that I had contaminated the storm water drain system. If you spill concrete on the street and clean it up properly, yes, there will still be some evidence. If you do it improperly, by using a hose to wash it down the gutter, then there will be no evidence. While questioning Flores and Evans about their investigation, we discovered that the samples Flores had taken from the gutter had been lost and had never been tested, so there was no physical evidence that the residue in the gutter was concrete. Having the opportunity then to tell my side of the situation, I left feeling comfortable that the error would be resolved and justice would be served. Mistake number four.

On May 22, 2009, I received a certified letter stating that I had lost and now owed \$1800.15, as the cost of the hearing had been \$252.35. My only further appeal would be to the Superior Court through a writ of mandate. I had 90 days to file the writ. The letter demanded that I pay the

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fine immediately. I was shocked and dismayed at how the hearing officer had found that I had done something I did not do. She acknowledged that a white "trail" in the gutter had originated from a property up the hill from my house and that there was no evidence that I had hosed down the spilled concrete. Despite these things, and even though Flores's samples had been lost, the hearing officer had concluded that the material in the gutter was concrete and that it had come from my house.

The general invoice they sent to me was dated May 20, 2009, with a payment due date of June 6, 2009. I called the administrative hearing coordinator, Mary Randell-Jones, to tell her of my intention to file a writ and to ask if the payment due date could be extended to the 90 days I was given to file my appeal. She informed me she would have to get approval from the city attorney's office. I decided to ask for some assistance from my city council representative, Sherri Lightner. I spoke with her aide, Steve Heverly, who stated that he would call the Storm Water Department. Amazingly, Mary Randell-Jones called me the next day and apologized for not getting back to me sooner. She said that they would hold the payment for 90 days. Imagine my surprise when I received a certified letter, dated June 19, 2009, from the City Treasurer Collection Program. "Collection Notice / Protect Your Credit! This Account Has Been Referred for Collection. Balance Due: \$1981.35." Here we go again.

I have now been told that to file a writ of mandate I need an attorney, and even if I win my appeal, it will only erase the original arbitration and I will still have to go through another arbitration or pay the bill and take the City to Small Claims Court. I am still working on finding help to assist in proving my innocence. ■

## CITY LIGHTS

### STRINGERS

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**Saldafia is asking local municipalities to draft letters endorsing the bill. On Wednesday, August 26, the Solana Beach City Council drafted that letter. After some discussion, however, the council decided the bill isn't that sound.**

**Mayor Mike Nichols: "What [the bill] is asking to do is create another piece of plastic to attach to another piece of plastic and when it goes to the recycling facility, if they can't recycle it, then they just have to pull it off. So that piece of plastic is created in vain."**

*By Dorian Hargrove, 8/29*

### Water Everywhere

**Imperial Beach—Stella Garcia walks to work every morning and for the third Thursday in a row, a home's lawn sprinklers have kept her off the sidewalk. "I have to walk in the middle of the street to stay out of the water. There are two or three geysers shooting up water."**

**The California-American Water Company, which administers water supplies to Imperial Beach, has an 11-person complaint-response team, but the company has issued no water-use restrictions.**

**Kendra, who answered the Cal-Am Water Co. business phone, suggested someone should call their 24-hour hotline the next time the sprinklers were running, and an inspector would be sent out.**

**The residents of the home with the faulty sprinklers are renters who said they have notified their landlord of the problem, and the landlord said the problem is due to a faulty control box.**

*By Peter C. Salisbury, 8/30*

### Comments

**1. I manage an apartment complex and even tend to the sprinklers myself. The geysers that Stella describes are not caused**

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### Erratum

In last week's "Off the Cuff" column, the wrong photo was used for the Barry Ladd interview.

### Hey, Man, Back Up

Regarding Rachael Gordon's little interview ("I'm a '70s Girl," August 27) in respects to her backing band, well, she doesn't have one! Also, I am not and have never been, or will ever be, part of her musical endeavors. I did help her record her only album to date, which was 50 million years ago and took a lot of patience on my part. Ms. Gordon has not been part of the San Diego music scene in decades, so why the interview now? The Reader should focus on true current talent like Diana Death, Regina Leonard, Maren Parusel, Los Sweepers, Dave Humphries, and a host of others.

Hector Peñalosa  
via email

Jay Allen Sanford responds: Gordon was "backed by" Peñalosa, as the article accurately states, and he confirms rerecording her — the phrase "backing band" is never used. In addition, Peñalosa and his brother are both credited as playing with Gordon in recordings by a short-lived band called the Very Idea (Gordon, the Peñalosa Brothers, A.J. Croce, Bart Mendoza, Mike Kamoo, Billy Lovcki), and Peñalosa is credited as the bass player on Gordon's single "Rock and Roll Girl."

Peñalosa's list of notable locals is solid, though one is his girlfriend (Diana Death),

another is an ex-girlfriend (Maren Parusel) who once fronted a tribute band (Wild Weekend) to Peñalosa's old punk group the Zeros, and Peñalosa is currently recording with both Regina Leonard and Dave Humphries, making his citation of their inkworthy merits seem less about admiration and more akin to shameless (and undisclosed) promotion.

Gordon's most recent album (not her first, nor her only) was in 2006, somewhat less than "50 million years ago," but Peñalosa's faulty grasp of numbers was already evident in a "Blurt" report ("Zero Plus 37 Equals 45," April 13, 2006) that revealed he was at least eight years older than the date on his MySpace profile, which would have made him around eight when the Zeros made their first record.

### Xtreme Tiddly

I thought that I was the only one that ever wrote anything about tiddlywinks ("Sporting Box," August 27). Actually, I turned it into an extreme sport. You can read "The Tiddlywinks Blues" at [bergenbugle.com/page2.html#Short-Stories](http://bergenbugle.com/page2.html#Short-Stories).

Ed Coonce  
via email

### Clarified Bitter

You have a "Stringer" story called "Pedicab Crackdown" (August 27). I'm a pedicab operator and have been doing this for over four years. I have never had an accident, but I can't say the same thing about getting ticketed by the police. The only difference is that I must pay because I live here or go to jail. The foreigners don't, so they can do anything illegal and not have to suffer the consequences.

As far as overcharging, there is a different mind-set between Americans and most foreigners. We want to get the people in the bike, charge them a fair price, give them a good time, in hopes that they will call back. The mind-set many foreigners have is this: Get the people in the bike, overcharge them, because we will never see them again. I hope this clarifies the information for your readers.

P.S. A lot of foreigners wait

until the police leave the scene, then throw the citations away. I have witnessed this, so I'm all for the new regulations!

Brian E. Johnson  
via email

### An Error On The Throw

Re "Get the Union-Tribune — For Almost Nothing" ("City Lights," August 20). I might have gotten a deal for six months (\$36.36), but is my frustration worth it? After several complaints, my carrier still can't seem to get the paper in my driveway. Instead, it is thrown in the driveway of a vacant unit. Perhaps that's why it has been MIA on occasion. If I wasn't paying this special price, believe me, I would have canceled it by now, which I will as soon as my six months are up! So deal or no deal, you tell me?

Emily Beitler  
via email

### Good Stuff

I just wanted to call and give you guys an attaboy for your story "Hope for the Hopelessly Drunk" (Cover Story, August 13). I myself have been clean and sober for 22 years, but this program wasn't out there when I was. Just wanted to thank Mr. Joe Deegan for his coverage and the Reader for presenting this kind of newspaper writing. We could stand a whole hell of a lot more of this kind of good stuff. Thanks a lot, guys. I appreciate it, and I know other people did too.

James Kaminsky  
via voice mail

### Comments from Reader Website

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### T.G.I.F.

#### Published Aug. 26

Posted by *refredgringo* on Aug. 26, 1:18 p.m.

Brizz, you ever think about writing another novel? You have this Mickey Spillane meets Tom Robbins style; I didn't read you twenty years ago so I don't know if your previous novels were written in the same way you approach this column. It

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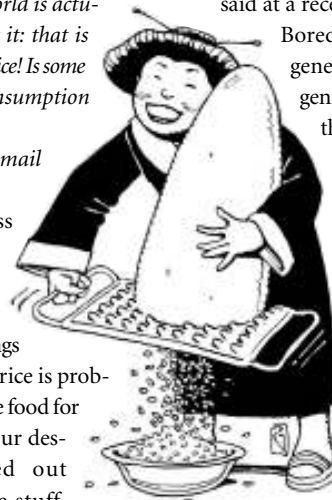
**STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP** BY MATTHEW ALICE

Matthew Alice:

*Is all rice for human consumption actually farmed from earth? I find it hard to believe that every grain of rice sitting in stores or being processed for sale throughout the world is actually farmed. Think about it: that is tens of millions of grains of rice! Is some of the rice for human consumption man-made?*

— Ken McClendon, via email

Dang, Ken, did you miss the loads of lentils? Barrels of beans? The world is hip deep in cheap, starchy, nutritious tiny things in bags. But you're right, rice is probably the king. It's the staple food for half the world. In 2007 our desperate globe squeezed out 650,193,000 tons of the stuff.



That's 1,300,386,000,000 of your twinkly little 1-pound supermart bags. Makes that rice shelf at Vons look puny, yes? Each of us U.S. eaters chomps down maybe 20 pounds of rice a year. Asia? Consider, in general, 400 to 500 pounds per Asian per year.

Here's another eyeball-spinning number for you, thanks to some poor schmo who works for a large Arkansas rice vendor and is obviously low on the corporate totem pole (associate grain counter?). Each one-pound bag of long-grain white rice contains roughly 29,000 little units. Brown rice, a little less (the bran makes it heavier). Short-grain rice, a little more. You get the picture. Rice comes in thousands of varieties and sizes, many of them gene-tweaked. *Rice Genetics Newsletter* informs us that a grain of rice weighs maybe 20 to 30mg. One stalk of rice produces several hundred rice units, depending on variety.

**SPECIAL NOTICE:** Aliceland Employment Alert! Here's a tip for anyone bounced from a job due to the crappy economy. If you're looking for a booming career field, try riceology or riceometrics. Apparently, the world is crammed with people studying rice genes, rice plants, rice paddies, rice processing, rice exporting, rice importing, rice paper, rice wine, rice noodles, Rice Krispies, and everything else rice. The grain is an open book full of itty-bitty detailed information and statistics, mainly from China, India, the United Nations, and the U.S.

So, how many acres of muddy land does it take to produce all that grass (rice is the seed of a plant in the grass family)? Well, consider that rice is grown on every continent except Antarctica. The International Rice Research Institute estimates that 385.5 million acres of rice will be harvested around the world this year, roughly the area covered by the U.S. South-

west, including Texas.

But I digress. Your kooky, forehead-smacking, mouth-gaping question was, Is there such a thing as man-made rice? Nonsense, we said at a recent meeting of the Matthew Alice Bored of Trustees. Har-har, Ken! The general merriment turned into a congenial food fight, and when we'd wiped the rice pudding off the recording secretary, one of the elves stood on the lectern and called us to attention. Ahem: United States Patent #5498435 (1996) "Rice grain-like low calorie food." Yikes! Man-made rice! It lives! Our heads were spinning.

Once upon a time, long ago, the Japanese developed a noodle devoid of calories, nutrition, and taste. Shirataki noodles, they're called. Available in Asian markets. The favorite of Nipponese weight watchers. They're made of dietary fiber, a tiny bit of starch, and thickeners that create an aqueous gel that can be squeezed into the shape of soppy noodles. Still a big seller. Gack! Um, anyway, some enterprising diner apparently figured if the Japanese will eat that stuff in noodle form, they'll eat it in rice form too (just a guess on my part as to motivation). Hence, patent #5498435. We can only hope he recovered his R&D money in the early years because ten years down the road there doesn't appear to be any man-made rice on the market. Whew! Whadda question. We need a nap.

Hey, Matt:

*When did men start wearing belts that went through belt loops that were sewn onto pants? Who invented the belt loop, and when did that become the status quo?*

— Bob, via email

We move from a question where lots of people know lots of stuff to one where lots of people know practically nothing. According to people who ponder pants, for the most part, your everyday pair was held up by a leather belt or rope or string through most of history. No loops. In the 1700s, the French and Ben Franklin designed buttoned suspenders as pants holders. Levi's riveted 501s hit the scene in the 1850s, the originals with suspender buttons. Both sides in the Civil War wore belts with no loops. By the 1890s belts replaced suspenders in popular fashion, but they were loopless until society changed big time in the 1920s. Maybe it was all that Charleston dancing that made belt loops mandatory. Anyway, they hit the scene then and never left, except for the big Sansabelt pants scare in the 1960s.

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As few know and fewer care, the UFL is America's new professional football league. Training camps are open, and the first contest is set — California Redwoods versus Las Vegas Locomotives, October 8, in Vegas.

The league was announced in June 2007 by William Hambrecht, founder of WR Hambrecht + Company, an investment banking firm. The UFL would be composed of eight teams, each one playing in a metropolitan area not serviced by an NFL franchise (read: L.A.).

And then the economy went south and the UFL is a year late, now with four teams and a six-week regular season. The championship game is scheduled for November 27 at Sam Boyd Stadium in Las Vegas. Games will be played on Thursday and Friday evenings.

So, how stand their chances? Follows, in no particular order, are some facts to consider.

The good: They've got some minimal juice. Original UFL investors are aforementioned investment banker Bill Hambrecht, former Google executive Tim Armstrong, and Paul Pelosi, househusband to Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

More good: Cheap tickets. The UFL plans to have an average ticket price of \$20.

And more good: Money for players. Making the rounds on sports blogs, and finding itself a home on Wikipedia, is the following quote about the UFL pay scale: There will be "several players on each team making in excess of \$1 million dollars a year."

The bad: The UFL pay scale has been leaked. Marginal health benefits. Players sign a one-year contract for \$35,000. If a player hits

every incentive, it would be possible to make another \$15,000. Punters, kickers, and long-snappers go for \$25,000. Quarterbacks, \$60,000, with some wiggle room if a Michael Vick shows up. It's a six-week season, so the money is not as bad as it first appears, but it's still working in the kitchen of In-N-Out Burger, compared to the NFL.

Good: The UFL has an experienced general manager, Rick Mueller. He's a former NFL personnel executive, did time with Jacksonville and New Orleans.

Bad: Rick Mueller. According to the UFL, "Mueller will serve as GM to all four teams as well as overseeing all aspects of scouting and player acquisition for the League."

Bad: Team names suck. Las Vegas Locomotives. California (San Francisco) Redwoods. Florida (Orlando) Tuskers. New York Sentinels. It's like the names were made up by people who live in Guam.

The owner of the Las Vegas Locomotives is our investment banker to the stars, William Hambrecht. The head coach is Jim Fassel, 1997 NFL Coach of the Year and Super Bowl XXXV loser. Fassel was fired by the New York Giants in 2003, then did two years with the Baltimore Ravens as offensive coordinator, providing them with one of the worst offenses in the league. Fired in 2006. But, the absolute and indisputable bottom of his professional career was found in November of 2008, when he wrote a letter to Al Davis recommending himself as the new Raiders head coach. The UFL is a mighty step up from that. The team has signed two quarterbacks you may have heard of — J.P. Losman and Tim Rattay.

The California Redwoods, owned by Paul Pelosi. The head coach is Dennis Green (who needs to be bitch-slapped ever since that Arizona Cardinals after-game press conference).

The Florida Tuskers, owned by Stuart L. Sternberg, a Wall Street investor. He is also principal shareholder in the Tampa Bay Rays. Head coach is Jim Haslett, who held that position with the New Orleans Saints.

New York Sentinels, owned by William E. Mayer, senior Partner of Park Avenue Equity Partners. Head coach is Ted Cottrell, former defensive coordinator of the Buffalo Bills, New York Jets, Minnesota Vikings, and San Diego Chargers.

The UFL has television contracts. Some games will be broadcast by the Versus network, other games on HDNet. Some will be webcast.

Will they make it? Well, it's not a good sign, so much is last-minute. The name of the Florida franchise was announced on August 12, California franchise named on August 11, the chairman of the UFL's board of directors was hired on August 6, and so on.

It's absurd to have one general manager for four teams. So is a six-game regular season. The league is about washed-up players and coaches. And there are way, way, way too many investment bankers running the show.

Might work.

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# T.G.I.F.

BY JOHN BRIZZOLARA

## He says his age is 35. Tells me he has been driving a cab for 48 years.

Another hot — really freaking hot — August weekend. A Sunday morning, actually, and I'm greeting the (in theory) post-church crowd in and around Horton Plaza with the perfectly civil question, "Wassup? Know I'm sayin'?"

Many will not make eye contact and edge away with or without a mumbled negative, maybe a palm raised in a forestalling gesture. This may well be because the right side of my face is swollen and bruised and frightens children. Why? Nine Ninjas, okay? No, you don't get to know. Still, there's something else beyond the fright mask. I suspect it has to do with heat, humidity, and the economy.

Michelle Alexander is sitting at the bar at Dobson's having brunch. She seems unimpressed with the battered mug I present and doesn't ask. "It's been a great weekend. I'm working, actually, with Broadway San Diego. We present all the Broadway shows down here at the Civic Theatre. We have *Wicked* in town for five weeks. I do marketing promotions." Explains why she's talking to me. "I'm usually off on the weekends, but I'm working because of this show."

Alexander, 30, lives in Ocean Beach. "I'd rather be there sitting on the sand. I'm a bowling-league bowler, and I do that every week, so I wouldn't actually do it on the weekend, but I love that for fun. I love to cook as well. I like to go to the farmers' market in Hillcrest on Sunday, go home, and cook up a really good meal."

A fine-looking couple outside of Longs Drugs. "We're from Austria, in Europe," says Max, 34. I tell Max I've heard of it.

Nicole is 30. They are from Innsbruck, in the Tyrol. "Yes, we are from a small place far away. We make holidays here in San Diego. Now we are searching a hotel. We don't know where to stay." Since they are on their way to Coronado, I recommend the Hotel Del. They look well-heeled enough.



Max: "We'll stay in San Diego until Wednesday."  
Nicole: "Then we go to Las Vegas and then New York."

Max: "We just came from Los Angeles, and we don't really know what to do here."

Nicole: "We will go to a beach, probably." In that case, I tell them, Coronado is a good choice. Meanwhile, do they like American blues? They do, and I recommend Patrick's II.

At the taxi stand a few feet away is a driver who calls himself Charlie Brown who says his age is 35. Tells me he has been driving a cab for 48 years. "Not really any interesting people this weekend," he says. "No one even puked in my cab. 'Course, if they're drunk, they don't get in. A few tourists to the zoo, but I'd say tourism is way down. Like, 30 percent." This is Brown's own statistic. "What happened to your face?" "Ninjas."

In front of the Cup O' Corn kiosk a few yards the other way, a couple from Naples, Italy. Stefano and Alessandra, maybe early 30s. They are eating hot dogs, each of them examining the bunned wieners as if waiting for the point of these bland fillers to kick in. "Sorry, don't have time." The forestalling palm appears.

"Oh, where you off to?"

"We'll think of something."

Lou is 25 and a San Diego native. He is seated in front of Starbucks, his skateboard in front of him on the table. Two of his unemployed friends are with him, their job search stalled this Sunday. "I am going to Sunset Cliffs later today, this place called the End of the World. The sun actually reflects off three parts

of the ocean, so it's like getting three sunsets at once."

Okay. I mean, wow.

John Quincy Adams Jr. (his real name) is at the sidewalk deuces in front of the aforementioned Patrick's II. He is here for his weekly ritual, which he calls Bloody Mary Mass. "Nine o'clock every Sunday. I'm always the last to leave." Adams seems to be basking in his tomato-rich buzz. He is 66. "Friday night we partied at Filippi's with the family." He means the Italian restaurant in Little Italy. "Yesterday, I cleaned my apartment. I'm pretty boring." He laughs as if this is truly rich.

"Everybody says that," I tell him. I should believe everybody.

On El Cajon Boulevard, on the way home, I ask a woman on the corner who looked to be in a profession one might term the world's oldest economic indicator, "Howsitgoin'?" or "'Sup?"

"Hey."

"What's your name? I'm, uh, Larry."

"Crystal. Crystal Duvall. How's that?"

"Good. How's business this summer?"

"Like bein' a whatyacallit? A funeral guy. A [sic] undertaker."

"You mean dead?"

"No. I mean, it never dies. Know what I'm sayin'?"

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## Friendly Research Squad



by Barbarella

*Eat right, exercise regularly, die anyway.*

— Author Unknown

**T**wo cups of coffee and I'm still groggy." I brought my fingers to my forehead and kneaded the area around my brows, as much to relieve the tension as to illustrate my fragile state.

"Want some FRS?" Kerry asked, already signaling Mia to fetch some for me.

"What's that?"

"Oh, it's great, good for you and gives you energy," Kerry answered. "Mainly, I drink it because I don't like water."

"It kinda tastes like orange juice," said Mia. She handed me a tall glass of fluorescent liquid, the color and sweet tang of which was reminiscent of the Sunny Delight of my suburban childhood. "Did you want to see the can?" I nodded, and Mia placed it in my hand.

"So, I take it these hexagons on the front are supposed to demonstrate the validity of the science involved in making this... What is this again?"

**Sixty years ago,**

**our esteemed**

**followers of Hip-**

**pocrates touted**

**cigarettes.**

"It stands for free radical something," Kerry began. "I think it's system —"

"Scavenger," interjected Mia. "But the guys at work call it 'Fucking Rad Shit.'"

Kerry nodded and went on to explain how there are rogue molecules in our bodies called free radicals, potentially cancer-causing cells just

roaming around in there, and that the antioxidants in this canned concoction help bind the damage-causing cells together and flush them from our system. Or something like that. I didn't get all the details, as I was busy catching David's eye for a synchronized brow-lift and eye-roll.

Skeptical to the core, David and I don't trust any product description that comes directly from the company trying to sell it. If a package promises the extraordinary, chances are it's a load of crap. Like those supplement ads that insist, with an obscene amount of exclamation points, that you can eat all you want and still lose weight, if only you pop this pill that prevents the absorption of fat but may lead to embarrassing "accidents."

The *mode de l'année* on the Be the Best You front is the claim that eating a barrelful of a particular fruit or berry is akin to diving head-first into the Fountain of Youth. Earlier that morning, Kerry had offered me *acai* with my yogurt. "You mean the current miracle food?" I asked. "Didn't the *goji* berry hold that title last year?" I

didn't mean to be cheeky, but my hangover from an epicurean day of wine-tasting our way through the Santa Ynez Valley had weakened me, and it would have taken too much energy to conceal my frustration with the pushers of commodities that cater to the upper-middle-class, yoga-practicing, carbon-footprint-conscious, organic-obsessive demographic. Just when I get used to the name of one exotic superfood, some other new "all natural" panacea is already challenging it for the crown.

*Acai*, the fruit of a palm tree, is supposed to have multitudinous healing benefits, including those mystifying antioxidants that purportedly can make you live longer than Dracula. When the strange word started popping up all around me — on packaging and on the lips of family and friends — I investigated the numbers and discovered that a common grape contains more antioxidants than the foreign and expensive berry. Yes, some doctors swear by it. Sixty years ago, our esteemed followers of Hippocrates touted cigarettes. These days, armed with an awareness of history's mistakes and a world's worth of information at my fingertips, there's no reason for me to take any "expert's" claim at face value.

Now, as I sat in my friend's kitchen and sipped the latest craze to sweep the posh clientele of Bristol Farms — a drink that even Lance Armstrong has begun to peddle — I felt compelled to debunk the can's claims. "You mind if I look this up for us?"

"Not at all," said Kerry in her lyrical Irish brogue. She and Mia were as curious as

I was to find out the real deal. David, however, in his scientific assuredness, made it clear he had no need to find evidence to confirm his conviction that the product was based on pseudoscience. I fetched my laptop from the guest room and set about Googling while David explained the natural filters with which we humans come equipped and assured us that no pill invented by a few lab coats can replace or improve upon a system that evolved over millions of years.

Several websites later, I learned that the beverage's "secret weapon" is quercetin, which is a flavonoid, which is the kernel of health found in fruits and vegetables that is responsible for fighting the good fight on a molecular level (antiviral, anti-inflammatory, antitumor, anti-all-kinds-of-bad-things, but most famously, antioxidant). Quercetin is the mother of all flavonoids; the FRS people assert you'd have to eat 40 apples to match their single-serving concentration of the stuff.

Sounded good enough, but most of that information had come from nonscientific sources. Finally, I stumbled upon an article written for *New Scientist* magazine in 2006. After citations from various studies and quotes from biochemists and representatives at the U.S. National Institutes for Health, the article's author stated, "True, [antioxidants in powder form] knock the wind out of free radicals in a test tube. But once inside the human body, they seem strangely powerless. Not only are they bad at preventing oxidative damage, they can even make things worse. Many scientists are now concluding that, at best, they are a waste of time and

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money. At worst they could be harmful.”

I read my findings aloud and concluded, “Seems most scientists agree that free radicals are part of life and that antioxidants are good for you, but that they only work in their natural form...something about how the molecules need to be bound to the apple skin or blueberry in order for the body to process them in a beneficial way. So, basically, FRS may contain 40 apples’ worth of quercetin, but eating one apple is 100 times more effective because in this processed form, the antioxidants aren’t antioxidantizing. It should stand for faulty...refreshment...uh, wait, flashy r-something sham.” I gave up my attempt to be clever before I embarrassed myself in front of my screenwriter friend. “Tastes pretty good, though,” I said. “And, psychosomatic or not — I know, *David*, there’s no science to back up the claims, but still — vitamin B gives me energy.”

Mia collected the can and my empty glass. Kerry, who had been pretty quiet while I’d been doing my best Bill Maher impression, nodded and thanked me for shedding some light on her current beverage of choice.

“I can tell you this, my headache’s gone away,” I said. It was nearing lunchtime, and we were getting ready to head to Lazy Acres to stock up on organic goods for a barbecue in Kerry’s yard that overlooked a panoramic view of the mountains, Santa Barbara Harbor, and the ocean. “You know what else I learned from all that searching?” I waited until the faces around me looked sufficiently curious. “There’s, like, a ton of antioxidants in red wine.” ■

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# Taking Stock

We get our fill of “far out” and “groovy.”

Collision of the end of summer and the start of fall: massive pileup. Quite separate from the seven new movies that opened in our town last Friday alone, eight more are slated to open this coming Labor Day weekend, not even including the kiddie matinees of *Thomas and Friends: Hero of the Rails* and *Barbie and the Three Musketeers*. That works out to two and two-thirds movies per day for the average weekend, or an even two per day with the extra holiday, or one per day if spaced out over the entire week and one still left over. It makes me want to hide my eyes. Through my fingers I’ve managed to see this much....

*Taking Woodstock*. Ang Lee, evidently still banking on the critical goodwill since *Brokeback Mountain*, whips up some innocuous nostalgia around the milestone music festival of the summer of 1969, a fortieth-anniversary fictionalized addendum to Michael Wadleigh’s official *Woodstock*, complete with imitative split-screen effects. This docucomedy, so to call it, centers with

gentle condescension on an interior designer and Sunday painter who, as the reluctant heir and caretaker of the tumbledown mom-and-pop El Monaco Motel, happens to possess a permit for an annual (theretofore prerecorded) music festival, happens to extend an unauthorized personal invitation to a dispossessed concert promoter he knew in high school, and, high on weed at a press conference, happens to dispense the misinformation that the concert — Joplin, Hendrix, Cocker, Baez, The Who, et al. — would be free of charge. In tight pants and mop top, Demetri Martin drifts ineffectually and disengagedly from scene to scene in a style that worked, to judge by his ensuing career, for Dustin Hoffman in *The Graduate*. Time will tell about Demetri Martin.

Though he twice sets out on foot for the concert stage, he never gets near the music — no nearer than the emblematic mud slide — so that the movie lacks a proper payoff, unless you can count the paint-by-computer



Taking Woodstock

acid trip or (cashing in a *Brokeback* dividend) the homosexual coming-out. It lacks, to put a finer point on it, a sense of purpose, a *raison d'être*. A few feigned tensions arise along the way — Mafia buttinskies, inhospitable townsfolk, congested traffic — but nothing to derail the prevailing love-in. We get our fill, never fear, of “far out” and “cool” and “groovy” and “heavy,”

and we get a handful of hindsight drolleries: “Can you believe it? A dollar for water!” Imelda Staunton, a bulldog in two-toned glasses frames, claims the limelight from both the protagonist and a supporting cast of half a million, in the part of the motel mom, a Russian Jewish immigrant who pinches pennies on a pathological scale (one dollar per towel), an irresistible can-

didate for a hash brownie. A yardstick, that brownie, of the filmmaker’s docile conventionality.

*The Answer Man*. The reclusive author (Jeff Daniels) of the best-selling *Me and God*, cornering “ten percent of the God market,” slowly yet suddenly comes out of his shell at the twentieth anniversary of the book’s publication. Writer and director John

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# Calendar MOVIES

Giamatti, is feeling the burden of his soul in the course of rehearsals for a stage production of *Uncle Vanya*, unable to locate the requisite lightness of touch. At the suggestion of his agent, the dyspeptic actor tries an option he had never before heard of, though it's been written up in *The New Yorker* and listed in the Yellow Pages: soul removal and temporary storage. The resulting lightness, plus emptiness, plus ennui, only worsens his portrayal, so he tries the stopgap solution of renting the soul of an anonymous Russian poet. (The Russians are world leaders in soul trafficking.) By the time he decides he wants his own soul back, it — the exact likeness of a chickpea — has been stolen and transplanted into a Russian TV soap-opera actress under the misapprehension she was getting the soul of Al Pacino (who's not, let's be clear, in the movie). Synopsis cannot help but overplay the zaniness. Writer and director Sophie Barthes, whether or not burdened by her own soul, likewise lacks the requisite lightness of touch. An oatmeal-gray image, a whisper-quiet sound level, and a drifting plot propulsion combine to immerse any whimsicality into a miasma of angst and anomie,

more suited perhaps to an adaptation of a Camus novel. Even a fantasy, or especially a fantasy, will be expected to some degree to define its terms, to give the audience in this instance an idea of what a soul consists of, what constitutes its purview, what differentiates it from, say, the prefrontal cortex. It's apparent from Giamatti's performance that he was given no idea either. David Strathairn, Emily Watson, Dina Korzun, Kathryn Winnick. 2009.

● (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**District 9** — Neo-apartheid in South Africa: a million ghettoized extraterrestrials from a stalled spacecraft over Johannesburg. The documentary affectations, discontinued at convenience, make it seem initially a joke rather than a reality. And not a funny joke, either. The aliens — pejorative as well as descriptive term, "prawns" — are well visualized, and the *Fly*-like metamorphosis of a human into a partial prawn achieves a high degree of disgustingness. With Sharlto Copley, David James, Nathalie Boltz, and Vanessa Haywood; directed by Neill Blomkamp. 2009.

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**Extract** — Mike Judge's workplace comedy with Jason Bateman, Kristen Wiig, Mila Kunis, Ben Affleck, and J.K. Simmons. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 9/4)

**The Final Destination** — Reviewed this issue. With Bobby Campo, Shantel VanSanten, Haley Webb, Nick Zano, and Mykelti Williamson; directed by David R. Ellis.

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**500 Days of Summer** — Chronicle of the relationship of a young couple brought together at the office, a greeting-card company, through their shared taste for the music of the Smiths, among other things: "She likes Magritte and Hopper!" It is a maddeningly mixed experience, beginning (and continuing) with the two leads. A dimply Joseph Gordon-Levitt, often a tortured soul on screen (*Mysterious Skin*, *Brick*, *The Lookout*, etc.), proves himself capable of being a real charmer, a chick-flick dreamboat who believes wholeheartedly in the preordained One-and-Only and who deserves better than his halfhearted object of desire:

"There's no such thing as love. It's fantasy." As the latter — Summer is her name, 500 days her shelf life — Zooey Deschanel is by contrast her usual saucer-eyed, spacey, seated, affectless self, some of which may be ascribed to the character, but most of which must be ascribed to the actress, and all of which tends to signal and soften the bumps in the road, the body blows. ("You should know up front," intones the off-and-on omniscient narrator, "that this is not a love story.") The main gimmick of the film, the directorial debut of Marc Webb, is not just its nonlinear narrative but its advance identification of each and every scene by its placement on the timeline (Day 488... 1... 299...), something like an Alain Resnais film with a road map and rounded edges. The resulting juxtaposition of discordant moods, often for facile comic effect, is no longer fresh, yet forever ageless. Bits of cleverness, plentiful enough, are balanced

equally by bits of cutesiness. 2009.

★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Food, Inc.** — Educational as well as motivational film about where our food comes from and where else we can turn. Documentarian Robert Kenner, guided largely by activist authors Eric Schlosser (*Fast Food Nation*) and Michael Pollan (*The Omnivore's Dilemma*), goes behind the persistent "pastoral fantasy" of agrarian America ("The reality is a factory. It's not a farm, it's a factory"), explores the monopolization by multinational corporations, takes offshoots into health hazards like E. coli, diabetes, and obesity, avoids the easy temptation to turn stomachs, maintains the whole while a calm and rational tone, and wraps things up with Springsteen's rendition of "This Land Is Your Land." All in all, a useful introduction or summary, depending on your initial level of awareness. 2009.

★★ (GASLAMP 15)

**Funny People** — A monument of Success Going to One's Head. The head in question belongs to writer-director-producer Judd Apatow, previously of *The 40-Year-Old Virgin* and *Knocked Up*, but more widely known as just producer and/or writer, weather vane, fashion plate, brand name, school headmaster. In these capacities he has apparently accumulated sufficient Hollywood capital to command what fairly shrieks of Final Cut (one shudders to imagine a DVD of the Director's Cut, unless it would be the Director's Second-Thoughts Cut), a paceless, desultory, two-and-a-half-hour comedy-drama centered around a terminally ill comedian played by and modeled on Adam Sandler, who hires a struggling stand-up comic (a slimmer Seth Rogen whose slimmness is much commented on) as a joke writer, gofer, and all-purpose companion, and who, upon his miraculous recovery under a program of experimental drugs, tries to reconnect with and reignite a now married Old Flame played by Leslie Mann, Mrs. Apatow in real life. Among the self-indulgences, besides merely the running time, are Memory Lane clips of the young Sandler and Mann, key roles for the two preteen Apatow daughters, a raft of as-themselves celebrity cameos, and more penis references, in a wide variety of synonyms, than you could shake a stick at — or a sheaf of sticks at. The serious bits at least see to it that there are some laughs in the film, and it's a tribute to Mann that her own serious bits can indeed be taken seriously. She also, at a different time, gets an

actual intended laugh when in the course of a marital row she mimics the Aussie accent of her husband (Eric Bana). It may be a credit to Apatow, something less than a tribute to him, that he attempts some difficult and subtle things in human interactions. He manages to make them look more difficult than subtle. With Jonah Hill, Jason Schwartzman, Aubrey Plaza. 2009.

★ (HORTON PLAZA 14)

**Gamer** — Futuristic action film starring Gerard Butler and co-directed by Mark Neveldine and Brian Taylor. (CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 9/4)

**G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra** — Like *Transformers*, this enterprise — this franchise — has put the merchandising first, succeeding as opposed to preceding a line of toys. (Trademark Hasbro.) The movie, opening deflatingly in 17th-century France before advancing to a science-fictional "not too distant future," is a live-action cartoon from the maker of *The Mummy* and *The Mummy Returns*, Stephen Sommers, or at any rate is live-action as far as its actors, Channing Tatum, Marlon Wayans, Sienna Miller, Dennis Quaid, Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Christopher Eccleston, et al., though the actual action is predominantly computer-generated cartoon, dead and deadening on arrival. It comes to a bitter end when a sequel is pledged: "You know, Duke, this has only just begun." Gulp. 2009.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**The Goods: Live Hard, Sell Hard** — Write hard, direct hard, act hard. Laugh light, if at all. Neal Brennan's high-pressure capitalist satire, on a travelling team of mercenary car salesmen summoned to Temecula for a Fourth-of-July blowout, takes continual leave of sense and senses in pursuit of jokes. With Jeremy Piven, Ving Rhames, David Koechner, Kathryn Hahn, Jordana Spiro, Ed Helms, James Brolin, and a cameo (or three) for co-producer Will Ferrell. 2009.

● (HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; PLAZA BONITA 14)

**Halloween II** — Writer-director Rob Zombie supplies a sequel to his own remake, with Scout Taylor-Compton, Malcolm McDowell, Brad Dourif. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**The Hangover** — Sledgehammer comedy about four buddies (Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms, Zach Galifianakis, Justin Bartha) who go to Vegas for a bachelor party and wake up the morning after with no memory of the night before, a tiger in the bathroom, a baby in the closet, and the mystery of a missing bridegroom. Boys will be boys. With Heather Graham, Ken Jeong, Jeffrey Tambor, and, as himself, Mike Tyson; directed by Todd Phillips. 2009.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; LA PALOMA; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; SANTEE DRIVE IN)

**Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince** — Part VI — Pot VI — comes close to a complete cheat. The once child actors, children no more, are developing faster

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than the story, and indeed the foretold war with the Dark Lord tends here to be crowded out by assorted amorous hankerings among Hogwarts classmates. (Those broomsticks for games of Quidditch are now looking more phallic than at first.) Whatever climax we had built to by the end of episode five, directed as was this one by David Yates, is no longer in evidence, as we begin a new school year with a new guest star in the cast, Jim Broadbent (more or less assuming the prior guest spots of Imelda Staunton and Miranda Richardson) as the faculty's new Potions Master, first introduced in disguise as an overstuffed arm-

chair, a promising shape-shifting gift never glimpsed again. The laden production — muggy atmosphere, congested décors, piles of bric-a-brac, oodles of CGI — further gums up the plot machinery, impedes forward progress; and the infrequent action, when it comes, comes out of nowhere and quickly returns thereto. Toward the end, the sustained scene in the cavern does attain a degree of creepiness, not hard to do when you've got a battalion of the mutant offspring of Gollum from *Lord of the Rings*, and this admittedly is followed by a Major Development. To get to that, however, oughtn't to have required a two-and-a-half-

hour running time. If anything, we seem further from a final resolution than we seemed at the finish of the previous episode, with two more still to go. The entire series shapes up as the exemplary opposite of economical storytelling, and the exasperated spectator can but concur with the character who declares at the curtain, "It was all a waste, all of it." Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson, Michael Gambon, Alan Rickman. 2009.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14)

**The Hurt Locker** — Fictitious count-down of the final six weeks in the twelve-month tour of an army bomb squad in Baghdad. The living and working conditions in a color-free wasteland appear perfectly credible, and the quasi-science-fictional details of the job — the spaceman protective suits, the remote-control bomb-sniffing robot, the tangle of colored wires, the hide-and-seek triggers — are highly enlightening. And the defusing of bombs — the constant prospect of their blowing up in our faces — carries a guaranteed tension, as witness such forerunners as Robert Aldrich's *Ten Seconds to Hell* or Michael Powell's and Emeric Pressburger's *The Small Back Room*. The ambush in mid-desert, outside the squad's normal sphere of operations, is if anything even tenser: more unpredictable, more open to possibilities. Kathryn Bigelow, one of the rare female action directors, dead-set on matching any man in muscle, favors here the combat-footage filmmaking style of jostles and jars to the camera, punchy zooms, whiplashing pans, and a chronic shaky hand, not necessarily restricted to scenes of combat. This is trendy at best, a tired cliché at worst. (The amplified heartbeat and the slo-mo explosion ought to be put to bed for a rest period of not less than a generation.) She takes a lot of time on the action scenes, or more broadly the tension scenes, and not much time in between, so that the three principals — Jeremy Renner, Anthony Mackie, Brian Geraghty, each of them looking the part — are thin on character, static in development, no more than generic as opposed to individual soldiers. With Guy Pearce, Ralph Fiennes, David Morse. 2008. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA PALOMA)

**Inglourious Basterds** — Quentin Tarantino takes no more than the risible title from Enzo G. Castellari's *Dirty Dozen* knockoff of 1978, and respells, misspells,

that. (Did he ponder *Basturds* as possibly funnier?) Much of the movie, a revisionist revisionist of the French theater of operations in the Second World War, is unapologetically, unsanctimoniously silly. Yet the revisions give you plenty to chew on. You need no extraordinary expertise to realize that Tarantino has played fast and loose with the facts of how and when the Third Reich fell, has indeed set sail into a parallel universe. The size of the falsification (a Big Lie about the foremost perpetrator of the Big Lie) is the difference between just another sneaky Hollywood falsification and a brazen joke on all such falsifications. It perhaps goes without saying that Tarantino's treatment of Nazis is not motivated by any sense of horror and outrage (never mind sanctimony) over the philosophy of Aryan supremacy, the death camps, and so on, much less by any desire to "understand," but solely by the need of a universally acceptable villain. He wants to do nothing more to Nazis, nothing worse, than to conventionalize them, fictionalize them. Knowingly nudging his depiction beyond the silly and into the campy, he lures you onto the battlefield of aesthetics, safely away from politics. Once there, he's got you where he wants you. Where his movie can better repel attack. In the end — at the close of two and a half hours — it stands as arguably his best-made to date, scene after scene meticulously shaped and timed, not to mention gleamingly photographed by Robert Richardson. While he is serious where it counts — the architectonic solidity, the painstaking precision, the creative flair, of the camera angles and compositions — he is also funny wherever he chooses, picking his spots and racking up an impressive ratio of successes to attempts. Brad Pitt, Christoph Waltz, Mélanie Laurent, Daniel Brühl, Diane Kruger. 2009. ★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VAL-

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Rated) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 1:05, 2:10, 3:15) 4:20, 5:25, 6:30, 7:35, 8:40, 9:45, 10:50 Sun. (12:00, 1:05, 2:10, 3:15) 4:20, 5:25, 6:30, 7:35, 8:40, 9:45; **G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:55, 2:35) 5:10, 7:45, 10:20; **The Hangover** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:55, 2:05) 4:15, 6:25, 8:30, 10:45 Sun. (11:55, 2:05) 4:15, 6:25, 8:30; **In the Loop** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. (3:00) 7:45; **Jerichow** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. (12:05, 2:15) 4:15, 6:20, 8:25, 10:30; **Julie and Julia** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:45) 4:30, 7:15, 10:05; **Moon** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:30) 5:30, 10:00; **Taking Woodstock** (R) Fri. (1:00) 4:35, 7:10, 9:55 Sat.-Sun. (1:55) 4:35, 7:10, 9:55; **The Time Traveler's Wife** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 2:25) 5:00, 7:25, 10:05; **Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:35, 3:30) 6:35, 9:30; **A Woman in Berlin** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. (1:20) 4:05, 7:05, 9:50; **Youssou N'Dour: I Bring What I Love** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. (12:15, 2:30) 4:45, 7:00, 9:15

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*Strange Brew*

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I recommend *Strange Brew*. Disclaimer: This movie does not accurately depict the brewing process...just a warning to all those home brewers out there! On to the movie, eh? Any movie that starts out with the MGM lion burping instead of growling deserves an honorable mention. Plus, it was written and directed by Rick Moranis and Dave Thomas with NO supervision by Disney! The story is basically a Hamlet plot soaked in strong beer stirred up by insane hockey players "medicated" by...beer. If the plotline doesn't grab you, be assured, it's Canadian.

**STRANGE BREW** (Canada) 1983, MGM  
List price: \$14.96



*Rachel Getting Married*

**TROY JOHNSON**  
*Senior editor, Riviera Magazine*

Going contrary to the notion of recommendations...*Rachel Getting Married*: Because I nearly forgot that "powerful and gripping" means that in the first five minutes I will either be sound asleep dreaming of psychotic ex-girlfriends paper-cutting themselves with my old love letters or too depressed to turn off the movie and have relations with my current girlfriend.

**Paul Blart: Mall Cop** was directed by a skinny Frenchman who thinks Americans are drooling mouth-breathers that get their kicks watching cellulite ride a Segway. We proved him right. (I actually have no idea who directed this movie.)

**RACHEL GETTING MARRIED** (USA) 2008, Sony Pictures Classics  
List price: \$26.96

**PAUL BLART: MALL COP** (USA) 2009, Sony Pictures  
List price: \$ 28.96



*Merce Cunningham's Split Sides*

**MICHAEL TRIGILIO**  
Media artist and UCSD Visual Arts faculty

*Merce Cunningham's Split Sides* presents two performances of a gorgeous dance production featuring the Cunningham Dance Company. I was struck by Cunningham's exhaustive authorship as choreographer, even so late into his life.

**Michel Gondry 2: More Videos** is a collection of music videos and short-film ephemera. I love that Gondry has an almost obsessive point-of-view as an experimentalist. Big is small! In is out! Over there is over here! Sometimes he seems solely interested in ornate visual puzzles, which is charming if not a little tedious at times.

**MERCE CUNNINGHAM'S SPLIT SIDES** (USA) 2009, Artpix  
List price: \$40.00

**MICHEL GONDRY 2: MORE VIDEOS** (USA) 2009, Partizan  
List price: \$17.95

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lier — the pathfinder — was, in her own humorously grandiose phrase, out to "change the world," while the other — the follower — the copier — the coattail rider — was only out to carve herself a niche in the blogosphere and eventually the publishing world. Nor are the players equal. Amy Adams is an agreeable light-comedy actress (not so agreeable a heavier actress), whose Julie has been drastically watered down from the real McCoy, the real Powell, evidently out of primary concern that everyone should like her and every woman identify with her. Meryl Streep, meanwhile, is nothing less than the prima donna of contemporary American cinema; and her Julia, far from a bland Everywoman, is a one-of-a-kind: a stylized self-parodist parodied to perfection, but softened and molded into a rounded, humanized, full-service screen character. We want at all times, not just half the time, to be with Julia; and we should probably be grateful to writer-director Nora Ephron, whose title comes from Powell's blown-up blog but whose source material expanded to encompass Child's autobiography, that we have Julia-slash-Meryl even half the time. It could have been less. Stanley Tucci, Chris Messina, Jane Lynch. 2009.

★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Moon** — Speculation on the anomie of the self-knowing human clone, a reasonable stand-in for the self-knowing human. Written and directed by the British team of Nathan Parker and Duncan Jones respectively, it's a nice little piece of short-story-sized science fiction freighted with reminders of 2001 — some of *Silent Running* as well, less burdensome — and stretched out to just barely endurable length. As in its eminent forebear, the human cast is very limited, mostly Sam Rockwell in a dual role — at one point playing pingpong with himself in the same frame, at numerous points matching the ostentatious torment of Bruce Dern in *Silent Running* — supported if not upstaged by a talking computer called GERTY 3000 (smarmy voice of Kevin Spacey) instead of HAL 9000. A sufficient innovation in design is the emblematic Smiley Face that signals the computer's "mood," or alternatively a Frowny Face, Quizzical Face, or Noncommittal Face, every bit as expressive as the Jack-in-the-Box of fast-food TV ads. It's quite astonishing how even the most modest-budget science fiction now approximates the nonpareil special effects of the Kubrick monument of forty years ago. 2009.

★★ (GASLAMP 15, FROM 9/4; LA JOLLA VILLAGE, THROUGH 9/3)

**My One and Only** — Renée Zellweger as a runaway wife in the 1950s, directed by Richard Loncraine. (FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; FROM 9/4)

**Orphan** — Adoption nightmare wherein an affluent suburban couple, parents of two children already, immediately replace their stillborn baby with a nine-year-old Russian of cute accent and evil intent. Outside of a committed performance from Vera Farmiga as the troubled mother, it's all very routine until the dilly of a surprise twist, creepily visualized. With Isabelle Fuhrman, Peter Sarsgaard, CCH Pounder, and Margo Martindale; directed by Jaume Collet-Serra. 2009. ★ (PLAZA BONITA 14)

**Ponyo** — Hayao Miyazaki further postpones his announced retirement three feature films earlier, and appears to reverse the slippage of his hand-drawn purism into corner-cutting computer animation, revert-

ing to a simpler, less congested style than in *Spirited Away* and even more *Howl's Moving Castle*. His famous sensitivity to nature is immediately on display with the plunge into a teeming underwater world dominated at first by jellyfish and soon turning up a school of human-headed wiggles identified eventually as goldfish, one of whom nurses an overwhelming urge to become head-to-toe human (which means, high on the list, to eat ham) and to escape the dominion of her inexplicably humanoid father: "If you could only remain innocent and pure forever." Some lip service gets paid to the precarious ecological balance, but no narrative developments quite live up to the apocalyptic rhetoric. A modest fairy tale of personal liberation (fashioned loosely after *The Little Mermaid* of Hans Christian Andersen), with its ambiguous father figures and idealized mothers, proves nevertheless to be compelling enough on its own; and the sustained climax rises sufficiently high with the coming of a typhoon, the slanting rain and bending wind, the swelling whale-like waves, the flooding of a landscape we have come to know well, the navigating of the roads by fish in place of cars, and the presto-change-o transformation of a toy boat into a serviceable little putt-putt to navigate the surface. With the voices of Tina Fey, Liam Neeson, Cate Blanchett, Matt Damon, Noah Cyrus (little sister of Miley), and Frankie Jonas (little brother of the Jonas Brothers). 2009.

★★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**The Princess Bride** — Rob Reiner, who's said to have been wanting to make a movie of the William Goldman novel for many more years than he'd actually been a moviemaker, is not at this point a good enough director to cover up for a not good enough idea: he's still tied too tightly to the TV sitcom sensibility (acquired no doubt in his years as an actor on *All in the Family*), all the way down to the clunking closeup of whoever happens to be talking at the moment. In fairness he does seem to keep on trying to do something a little different, only he is doing something less different here than he seems to think. The possibilities of the tongue-in-cheek swashbuckling adventure have been pretty thoroughly mapped out in such things as, coming forwards in time, *The Great Race*, Richard Lester's *The Three (and Four) Musketeers*, Richard Quine's *The Prisoner of Zenda*, *Flash Gordon*, and the Indiana Jones films. And the Errol Flynn-Douglas Fairbanks prototypes never had their tongues far from their cheeks in the first place. But forget all that now, if you possibly can, as you are guided again to The Shrieking Eels and The Cliffs of Insanity and The Fire Swamp, with its St. Bernard-sized rats, and The Pit of Despair and so on (only the names are different), to be regaled not so much by the actual spectacle of any of these sights as by the choking facetiousness of your tour-guide. This attitude of indulgent superiority is evidently supposed to coat the thing with a layer of "adulthood." And for a second coat into the bargain, there is a present-day framing device whereby a horribly made-up and costumed granddad (Peter Falk) "reads" the story we are seeing to a precocious sitcom kid in his sickbed: a soft-sell pitch for literature (the television of yore) that had been done before, and better, in *The Neverending Story*. Winks and eye-rolls notwithstanding, however, *The Princess Bride* remains obstinately a movie for children. There is no harm in that. But there is not a lot else in it either. With Cary Elwes, Robin Wright, Mandy Patinkin, Chris Sarandon. 1987. ★ (CINEMA UNDER THE STARS, 9/3 THROUGH 6, 8:30 P.M.)

LEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**In the Loop** — Satirical postulation of how the U.S. and the U.K., on idiotic intelligence, came together to wage war in Iraq (unnamed but unmistakable). The actors are real pros, and can well handle the rapid-fire dialogue, probably better than the overwhelmed viewer can handle it. The raggedy

documentary-style camerawork, on top of it, generates an excess of turbulence. Tom Hollander, Peter Capaldi, Gina McKee, James Gandolfini, Mimi Kennedy, Anna Chlumsky, Chris Addison, David Rasche; directed by Armando Iannucci. 2009.

★ (GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**It Might Get Loud** — Davis Guggenheim, the ignored director of *An Inconvenient Truth* (all glory to Al Gore), essays a different sort of documentary, arranging a "summit" of electric guitarists, Jimmy Page of Led Zeppelin, The Edge of U2, and Jack White of the White Stripes and the Racon-

teurs. Not much comes of the meeting of minds and fingers, but the individual background stories are not without interest (especially the childhood footage of Page and Edge). All of which tends, however, to point up the arbitrariness of the selection: why not Beck? Clapton? Slash? But as long as you can abide the sound of the instrument — the title serves fair warning — you should have no major cause for complaint. 2009.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**Jerichow** — Christian Petzold's reworking of *The Postman Always Rings Twice*, with Nina Hoss of *A Woman in Berlin*. (GASLAMP 15, FROM 9/4)

**Julie and Julia** — As per its punchy sub-head, this is "based on two true stories," parallel stories of feminist self-determination, set half a century apart, then and now. One focuses on Julie Powell, self-made blogger, daily chronicler of a year-long project to cook her way through volume one of *Mastering the Art of French Cooking*, 365 days, 524 recipes. The other focuses on the American co-author of the aforesaid cookbook, Julia Child. Though each story in turn gets equal time, back and forth, the film suffers from a built-in imbalance. The women, no need to be overly polite about it, are not equal pioneers. The one — the ear-

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**The Proposal** — Anne Fletcher's contemporary romantic comedy has a premise no more ridiculous than something that might once have featured Claudette Colbert and Fred MacMurray. The editor-in-chief at Ruick & Hunt Publishers, a transplanted Canadian ice queen slash wicked witch of the north, now threatened with deportation for an expired visa, commands her lackey to marry her, true love following along lickety-split. The rotelike working-out of the premise appears heedless of the ridiculousness and therefore increasingly ridiculous, heedless in particular of the age difference between Sandra Bullock and Ryan Reynolds, obvious to the naked eye. The two stars nonetheless display a polished smoothness if something less than a Golden Age luster. With Mary Steenburgen, Betty White, Craig T. Nelson, Malin Akerman. 2009.  
★ (HORTON PLAZA 14)

**Shorts** — Nonlinearity for kids. Aggressively cute, garishly bright family fantasy mashes together, in no particular order, a magical multicolor Wishing Rock, gherkin-sized aliens, a giant booger, a telepathic baby, Siamese-twin spouses, among other things. Respectable cast above the tot level: Leslie Mann, Jon Cryer, Kat Dennings, William H. Macy, James Spader. Written, directed, photographed by Robert Rodriguez. 2009.  
★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Star Trek** — Enjoyable prequel, thirty years after the same-named debut of the series on the big screen. The chaotic and incoherent prologue might somewhat smother the emotional punch of the birth of James Tiberius Kirk at the same moment as his father's death, but the reintroduction of the old familiar characters — the assembly of the changeless crew for the maiden voyage of the U.S.S. Enterprise — can't help but be fun for initiates. Chris Pine's Kirk, sounding as though modelled on no weightier a prototype than Christian Slater, starts out an obnoxious punk and fails to advance very far beyond that. Zachary Quinto's Spock, on the other hand, has some big ears to fill and fills them fully, achieving that elusive goal of undemonstrative intensity. If it's fair to say that the film, rather than stand on its own, benefits from the groundwork of its forerunners — if it safely and securely goes where others have gone before — it would also be fair to object that the speedy evolution of special effects since the last *Star Trek* outing, seven years previous, serves to render the "ensuing" adventures anticlimactic. Topping what came before — a petty enough creative impulse in the first place — is in effect topping what came "after." That may not constitute disrespect, but it constitutes disproportion. Director J.J. Abrams's preference for the rambling Steadicam and the trembling closeup reveals him further to be a man of trend as opposed to a man of tradition. With its gigantic hands-of-Freddy-Krueger enemy spaceship, its Mad Max-y tattooed heathens, and its gratuitous CG monsters, the film is, by the standards of the franchise, skimpy on ideas, apart from a bit of time-travel abracadabra that enables Spock to be two places and two ages at once. Which is to say, enables Leonard Nimoy to play a part. Karl Urban, Anton Yelchin, Zoe Saldana, John Cho, Simon Pegg, Eric Bana. 2009.  
★★ (PALM PROMENADE 24)

**Taking Woodstock** — Reviewed this issue. With Demetri Martin, Imelda Staunton, Henry Goodman, Liev Schreiber, Jonathan Groff, Eugene Levy, and Emile Hirsch; directed by Ang Lee.  
★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MISSION



Shorts

VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**The Time Traveler's Wife** — Lifetime Channel science fiction to do with a passive time-tripper who has no control over his departures or arrivals (leaving behind a pile of clothes and taking with him only his birthday suit) and no power to alter events. One can't be sure that these rules are strictly adhered to. The lifelong love affair that begins with a naked adult man and a six-year-old girl seems to have potential as a metaphor of female loyalty and male inconstancy, but despite the ardent efforts of Rachel McAdams (especially) and Eric Bana, the potential gives way to gloss and goo. Directed by Robert Schwentke. 2009.  
★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RIVER VILLAGE 6; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen** — Autobots vs. Decepticons, Round Two, a blur of liquidy computer-generated metal (robot design by trash compactor) and a mess — no, a mess — of contradictions: apocalyptic pomposity and low comedy; heavy combat and light casualties; a too-fast pace that attains two and a half hours and total boredom (except perhaps for John Turturro's succinct "one-man-alone" soliloquy). With Shia LaBeouf, Megan Fox, Josh Duhamel, Tyrese Gibson, and Ramon Rodriguez; directed by Michael Bay. 2009.  
● (GASLAMP 15)

**The Ugly Truth** — Cool-blond control freak and dark hairy caveman (Katherine Heigl, Gerard Butler) in a conflict of philosophies, personalities, and sexualities, behind the scenes at a Sacramento TV morning talk show. The road to the predictable and inevitable is paved with, among other things, a pair of vibrating panties, the remote control in the wrong hands at the wrong time. Hard to imagine

Katharine Hepburn or Jean Arthur at that spot in the road. With Bree Turner, Eric Winter, Cheryl Hines, and John Michael Higgins; directed by Robert Luketic. 2009.  
● (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**A Woman in Berlin** — German dramatization of an incendiary wartime diary published at the end of the Fifties by "Anonyma," an account of the Russian occupation after the fall of Berlin. Filmmaker Max Färberböck narrows his gaze, and ours, to a single neglected facet of the war: the ancient and abiding practice of mass rape as one of the unquestioned spoils of the conqueror, and the pragmatic survival methods of its victims. The protagonist's — the diarist's — eventual arrangement with the chiselled and lacquered Red Army commander, a "pact with the devil" to insulate her from taking on all comers (pun sternly discouraged), is a war-story commonplace. But the narrowness of focus and the wealth of rub-your-nose-in-it circumstantial detail go beyond the common. One woman can bump into an old friend in the street and ask without preamble, "How many?" — and we understand fully what she's talking about. Färberböck's tough-minded non-judgmentalism does not exactly find its purest expression, its kindred spirit, in the grab-bag vacillation and noncommitment of the visual style. His willy-nilly switches in

approach — the firmly planted dramatic up-shot alternated with the hand-held scramble, the taut deep-focus composition set beside the mushy telephoto compression — give the spectacle a gumminess as treacherous, in its way, as the subject matter. The soaring interest of one image offers no assurance against the plummeting interest of the next. Nina Hoss, Yevgeni Sidikhin, Rudiger Vogler, Irm Herrmann. 2008.  
★★ (GASLAMP 15)

**World's Greatest Dad** — Reviewed this issue. With Robin Williams, Daryl Sabara, Alexie Gilmore, Henry Simmons, and Geoff Pierson; written and directed by Bobcat Goldthwait.  
★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 9/4)

**Yoo-Hoo, Mrs. Goldberg** — Reviewed this issue. With Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Susan Stamberg, Gary David Goldberg, Norman Lear, Margaret Nagle, and Glenn Smith; directed by Aviva Kempner.  
★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**Youssou N'Dour: I Bring What I Love** — Documentary by Elizabeth Chai Vasarhelyi on the controversial Senegalese musician.  
(GASLAMP 15, FROM 9/4)

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# Crasher

## CREST BURGERS

by Josh Board

When I checked my voice mail to see if anyone called in a party, I heard there was a barbecue in Crest, so off I went.

Marilyn had a big house with a pool in the backyard, and her husband Bob was barbecuing burgers in the driveway.

There was a gate, and it took me a few minutes to figure out how to get in. And that's odd, considering they left a sign with directions right there. (They wanted to keep the gates closed so the dogs wouldn't get out.)

After parking and figuring out the gate code, I looked over and saw a van with the name of a mobile DJ company painted on the side. I cringed. I had to explain to my girlfriend that I knew the guy that owned the van. I worked with him briefly in radio and don't have a high opinion of him. I figured I'd ignore the guy and still have a good time.

I sat at a table with a wedding photographer. I asked about horror stories he's had, and he told me about people sweating and not realizing it. Also, a woman died in a drag race the week before her wedding. He found out when he saw the obituary in the paper. I asked if he still charged anything for having that day reserved.



Left: Cupcakes and cookies shaped like burgers and fries;

Right: Bob and Marilyn in the back row (Marilyn, left; Bob, middle)

"Oh, no," he told me. "I even went to the funeral and brought flowers. But things do happen. Some couples break up a few days before the wedding."

Later, Marilyn showed me a room her husband Bob — also a DJ — has filled with autographed memorabilia. He has a poster signed by U2 and sports memorabilia.

**"She always says,  
'If you don't like it,  
sniff it, pee on it,  
and move on.'"**

I asked Bob later if he had met any famous people while DJing weddings. He laughed and said, "I was doing an event, and

they asked if they could use my microphone. It was one of those Rancho Santa Fe parties. And it ended up being Sheryl Crow that came out. I didn't ask her to sign anything. I thought it would be unprofessional."

Marilyn had a couple of dogs running around. I overheard someone say, "Marilyn got her credo from one of her dogs. She always says, 'If you don't like it, sniff it, pee on it, and move on.'"

I noticed a woman making pottery and a few kids running around trying to find things in a treasure hunt.

I went over to grab a burger and realized that in Crest, it's so hot that the cheese is already melted in the plastic. You don't need to put it on the burger while it's cooking. I couldn't even figure out how to get the melted mess out of the wrapper and onto the

patty.

Instead, I opted for a hot dog. Bob said, "These are mostly brats. I think there's one token dog somewhere on the grill." I found it, slathered it with mustard, and headed back inside.

I was looking at the living room wall, which had more records than I've ever seen. It was like being in a music store. When you're a wedding DJ, you need a big collection.

There was another wedding DJ I ran into at this party. I asked him if he got sick of hearing the same old songs, like "Brown Eyed Girl." He laughed and said you do get tired of some, adding, "I love classic rock and hard rock. But I just can't stand Eric Clapton's 'Wonderful Tonight' anymore."

I asked what the most popular songs are at weddings and was told, "The ones that get people dancing: 'The Slide,' 'Love Shack,' 'Mony, Mony,' all those are popular."

I met a guy that was a 6'4" cameraman. I assumed he filmed weddings, but he told me he worked for ABC. He had some great stories about dealing with editors taking out shots he really liked.

We ended up talking a lot about sports and writing. I asked him what he was doing in town, and he said he was here filming a reality show. I asked him what it

was, and he said he wasn't allowed to give the details.

After he left, along with the DJ I didn't want to run into, I found out the reality show was about the DJ; because he has an interracial marriage and is involved in other activities, I can imagine it will be popular. And his goofy personality will fit in well with all those other reality-show stars.

Bob finally stopped cooking for a bit and sat down. I told him the mountain behind his house looked beautiful and that the slide he had going into his pool should go up the side of it. He said, "Yeah, I always said if I had a quarter million dollars I'd have a rock slide built on those mountains."

He told me that he and Marilyn have been married for 20 years and that they own a production company.

She walked by singing along to a Sublime song — "...something for his punk ass..." — and went inside. She came back out and, well, she did have something: prizes for people who brought side dishes. Someone told me in the past she's given away great things that are usually food-related, like cookbooks.

When she was going to hand out the first prize, I yelled out that it should be for the cupcakes a woman brought. She looked



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shocked. I think she was going to name another dish but decided to go with that one. I'm glad she did because the lady had made about 50 cupcakes, and they were all shaped like cheeseburgers. There was cake on top like a bun, and the yellow, red, and green that looked like condiments were different-flavored frostings. They were surrounded by long, thin sugar cookies that looked like french fries.

As I was heading out, Bob gave me a lemon that was the size of a pumpkin. He said, "We grow these here. It's a nuclear lemon."

I wasn't sure what to do with it. I wanted to say, "Hey...if you want to get rid of any albums, I'd be glad to take some of those off your hands." ■

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DISTRICT EIGHT  
**Ana Molina-Rodriguez**

The tenth floor of San Diego city hall is like a submarine in the sky. Behind sealed windows and an electronic-buttoned security door are the cramped offices of eight councilmembers, who themselves are sardined in with 65 staffers — 8 chiefs and 57 underlings. Amid the confines, crew members, some on eight-year voyages, bump into each other. They shout across the hall. They buttonhole one another between desk and toilet. They share family photos and the occasional lunch or workout. On the rare occasion when a citizen shows up and gets in — citizen, try showing up and getting in — they absorb his or her concerns. But more often they endure lobbyists and businessmen, who get in more easily and needle councilmembers and staffs

incessantly. Since 1964, when the city administration building opened at 202 C Street, several generations of staffers have recycled the floor's oxygen — call it the rarefied air of political servitude. Staffers work a variety of assignments: council representative; community, labor, or business liaison; communications director; policy advisor; and deputy chief of staff. Many staffers have moved laterally between one district office and another, on occasion between city and county. They often come aboard when a new councilmember needs an insider, someone who knows how to ply the political waters. The highest rank — the one who gets to shout, "Up periscope!" — is the chief of staff.

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Most chiefs have been undersea in the staffing realm for years. To get to chief you first get on board as an aide or council rep; then, one campaign sortie at a time, proving your mettle, you move up to deputy chief, senior policy advisor, or campaign manager.

- District 1 chief John Rivera was a longtime aide to former councilmember Brian Maienschein. Christina Cameron, chief for former District 1 councilmember Scott Peters, was chief for Harry Mathis, Peters's predecessor.

- Former District 3 councilmember Toni Atkins was the chief for Christine Kehoe when she was the District 3 councilmember in the 1990s. Stephen Hill, senior policy advisor for District 3 councilmember Todd Gloria, was both policy advisor and deputy chief of staff for Atkins. The current chief, Jamie Fox-Rice, was deputy chief of staff for former councilmember Ralph Inzunza and managed Gloria's winning campaign.

- In District 4, the council seat has been passed down to chiefs like a baton. Prior to being

elected to the council in 1987, Wes Pratt was county supervisor Leon Williams's chief. George Stevens beat Pratt in 1991; Stevens's chief was Charles Lewis. Lewis was elected in 2002; his chief of staff was Tony Young. Young was elected in 2005; his chief of staff is Jimmie Slack, who was, like Pratt, a chief of staff for Supervisor Williams.

- In District 5, the current chief, Jaymie Bradford, was in the office of District 7 councilmember Jim Madaffer. Madaffer was the chief for District 7's Judy McCarty before his turn came.

- Former District 8 councilmember Ralph Inzunza was the chief of staff for Juan Vargas when he was on the council. Resigning to run for the Assembly, Vargas endorsed Inzunza as his replacement. Ana Molina-Rodriguez is Ben Hueso's chief in District 8. She was the chief for Assemblywoman Denise Ducheny and then for Ralph Inzunza, until he was thrown out on corruption charges.

Each council office is budgeted \$990,000 annually, a figure that's remained constant for three years.

This pays the salaries of the councilmember and staffers. The lion's share of the \$990,000 goes to the councilmembers' appointees.

Most city council webpages include a biography of the chief of staff and a description of his or her duties. These include managing staff (hiring and firing), advising on policy issues such as labor relations or land use, and working with boards and commissions. That's about it for details.

While preparing the 2006 Kroll Report, an investigation into the City's underfunding of its pension system, Audit Committee lawyers interviewed many city staffers, among them three current chiefs: Aimee Faucett, Jaymie Bradford, and Ana Molina-Rodriguez. The three were asked about their jobs. Chiefs open the member's mail. They have access to the member's email accounts. Based on research, they advise the member how to vote and assess how other councilmembers might vote. Chiefs grant — and do not grant — media requests. They organize weekly docket briefings.

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or she looks good; and, in a few cases, hear from the member about closed-session discussions.

### How About an Interview?

I contacted the eight chiefs of staff, hoping a few might talk. Only one provided background info, off the record. But because of their denials, I learned a lot about how city council offices operate. They operate much like corporations, where a communications person handles

media requests. Such requests are looked over by the chief, who responds or has the communications person send an email. For my requests, their responses seemed written on carbon paper.

Thanking me for my "interest," Jamie Fox-Rice, chief of staff for Todd Gloria, wrote, "My job is quite fascinating, but, as you mentioned, the Councilmember gets the coverage." This was my initiation into the nonexistent link between press and city council chiefs: the councilmember gets all the coverage; chiefs none. I had argued that a story on them, the savviest of insiders, would be fascinating. Fox agreed but still wouldn't talk. "My role here is," Fox-Rice later replied, "to make sure that our staff stays focused on the councilmember's priorities and that the

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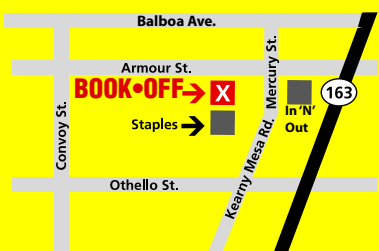


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Aimee Faucett wrote, “My work as chief of staff for Councilmember Faulconer is to ensure his priorities and commitments to the community are achieved. I prefer media coverage to be about the Councilmember, and I have rarely been quoted by members of the press. Therefore, please accept my respectful decline of your request.” It’s hard to argue with a preference.

Donna Frye’s longtime chief, Steven Hadley, of District 6, declined, saying he wanted the focus to stay on Donna. He sent along a spreadsheet of his and his staffers’ duties.

When I first emailed Erica Mendelson, communications director for District 5 rep Carl DeMaio, she wrote that “we are declining all interviews unless it’s for the councilmember. It’s a decision we’ve made internally.” Apparently she and Mr. DeMaio reconsidered, and they asked for a list of questions. I sent the list, inquiring about how his chief, Jaymie Bradford, was chosen, her role in advising him on policy, the difficult and the rewarding parts of the job, and whether chiefs have conflicts of interest. Soon, Mendelson called to say that the tenor of such questions was “too intense” for Mr. DeMaio to answer. Instead, he emailed the following: “As my chief of staff, Ms. Bradford manages the day to day activities of the District 5 office. In this capacity she is also my chief advisor on policy issues. Because of her extensive background in city related policy issues and knowledge of the intricacies of the city she was the perfect choice to fill the role of chief of staff.”

Glen Sparrow, a retired San Diego State political scientist and a staffer for Councilman John Hartley in the 1990s, is not surprised that the chiefs won’t talk. “One thing you do as a chief of staff,” he says, “is subvert your personality

to the boss. Your shield protects him or her, and you take the arrows. Anytime good occurs, you give the boss credit; anytime there’s bad, you take it on yourself. The last thing you want is the spotlight. It’s in their nature to be quiet about

what they do.”

Euphemisms such as “internal decision” and “the member gets the press” are so evasive as to be suspicious — or meaningless. What is this not-talking groupthink really about? Doesn’t the public deserve

some appraisal of chiefs, especially since they average \$100,000 per year, have the hourly ear of the councilmember, and are unelected? Why, at least in San Diego, have they escaped the journalist’s profile?

## Biographies of the Chiefs

### JOHN RIVERA

Chief of staff for Sherri Lightner

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the labyrinth of appointed positions in city hall. Some have had to keep part-time jobs, realizing staff jobs are temporary. Part of their savvy is to stay available by constantly reinventing themselves. The king of reinvention is John Rivera, Councilwoman Sherri Lightner's chief in District 1.

According to *yourdebteliminated.com*, Rivera is a Ph.D. and a consultant. The website markets a program of "debt-free living," "rooted in the spiritual principles which gave birth to the idea of our great nation," that will

"Save Time, Save Money, Build Wealth." Rivera consults in "both the public and private sectors" in such areas as "creative problem solving," "ethics advising," "effective discipline," "quality control," and more. In addition, the speaker and author "has inspired audiences with interests in business and institutional re-engineering," among other skills. On the website, he is described as a researcher, writer, educator, business/public policy consultant, and cofounder of Financial Freedom International, Inc. He's given a few

keynote addresses, and according to the City of San Diego's District 1 webpage, he's run "several small businesses and has been a professor at different California universities."

In 1983, Rivera lost a school board election to Susan Davis. From 1984 to 1986, he was a part-time administrative assistant to county supervisor Paul Eckert. In 1986, when the city council was choosing from candidates to fill a seat vacated by Councilman Uvaldo Martinez, Rivera added his name to the list; he lost to Celia Ballesteros. At the time, Councilwoman Abbe Wolfsheimer called Rivera "one of the brightest" contenders for Martinez's seat. Rivera maintained that he was the best choice because he had a "more contemporary way of solving problems." During the 1980s he was a counselor and instructor at San Diego City College. In 1989, at age 39, Rivera lost the post of chairman of the San Diego County Republican Party's Central Committee by one vote.

Rivera emerged as the cochairman of the San Diego Christian Coalition, a group that offered training to Christian political candidates. This was part of an effort to recruit Christians to run for every office in San Diego County in

In 2005, Rivera testified in the Strippergate trial, the city hall corruption trial of councilmen Ralph Inzunza and Michael Zucchet. They and Charles Lewis, who died before the trial began, were charged with taking money

Inzunza, in 2002, to put the no-touch policy on the committee's agenda. He refused.

Last June, for a report on city workers' salaries, the *Union-Tribune* compiled a database. In 2008, Rivera took home \$90,171

## Rivera consults in such areas as "creative problem solving" and "effective discipline."

1992. By the mid-'90s, Rivera was a part-time professor at San Diego State.

Rivera was a consultant from 2003 to 2005 and in 2007 for the city council's Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee, chaired by Councilman Brian Maienschein. Councilmembers have a consultant on their staffs for each committee they head. Among other duties, Rivera helped plan the budgets for the police and fire-rescue departments.

to change the "no-touch" policy at San Diego strip clubs. In a taped conversation, Zucchet told Lance Malone, lobbyist and bagman for strip-club owner Michael Galardi, that he would meet with John Rivera to have the no-touch policy put on the committee's docket. Rivera testified that he had been approached by staffers from the offices of Lewis, Zucchet, and Inzunza, who pushed him to get the matter before the committee. Maienschein testified that he had been asked twice by

from the City. This year he will earn \$98,010.

**AIMEE FAUCETT**  
Chief of staff for Kevin Faulconer

The District 2 webpage says that Faucett "oversees day-to-day operations" for Faulconer and "is responsible for community representation, policy, communications, office management and legislative relations." She has been in politics since graduating from San Diego State, when she became a

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community representative in Councilwoman Judy McCarty's office; there she worked on community-development, block-grant, and land-use issues. Jim Madaffer, who for a time was McCarty's chief, hired Faucett as his campaign manager when he ran for the council in 2000. Her reward at his election: the chief's job.

In its "40 Under 40" annual feature, *San Diego Metropolitan Magazine* described Faucett as "especially successful at fundraising" for the San Diego Family Justice Center and the nonprofit Alpha Project. In the article, Madaffer lauded Faucett: "I rely on Aimee completely for managing legislation, budget, policy, media, community outreach, personnel and day-to-day operations." That was in 2003.

In her Kroll interview, she was asked who was on Madaffer's policy staff. According to a summary of the interview, she "jokingly responded that councilmember Madaffer 'was his own policy advisor.'" Despite being the butt of the joke, Madaffer again praised her when he left the council last December.

Faucett has done well. In the last six years, her annual salary has ranged from \$88,002 in 2005 to \$109,144 in 2008. This year she'll draw \$98,010. Her statement of economic interests, filed last January, shows her to have holdings in five stocks valued between \$10,001 and \$100,000 and three stocks valued between \$2000 and \$10,000. Her spouse works for Colliers International in commercial real estate.

## RESEARCH STUDIES



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**You (or someone you know) may be eligible to participate in the STEP-D study if you:**

- Are 18 to 65 years of age
- Have been told by your doctor that you have MDD
- Are experiencing depression lasting at least 8 weeks
- Have tried at least one antidepressant without success

In addition to receiving study-related physical exams and laboratory services at no charge, participants may receive the investigational medication and will be monitored by a medical team, including a study doctor. After the STEP-D study ends, some participants may be eligible to take the investigational medication as part of another research study.

Ask your doctor if the STEP-D study is right for you.



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### Are you living with Depression?

Women from across the United States are joining this study to help researchers look for better ways to treat depression.

**You may qualify for this study if you are:**

- A woman 18 to 64 years of age
- Diagnosed with major depression

**Participants will receive:**

- An initial evaluation of past and current mental and physical health
- Access to a team of medical professionals, available for consultation
- Study-related medical care and monitoring of health
- Investigational medication or placebo
- Potential compensation for time and travel.



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# Are You a Restless Sleeper?

If you have chronic problems falling asleep and/or staying asleep, you may qualify for a research study and receive an investigational drug for poor sleep.

Qualified participants will receive at no cost:

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- Study-related drug and study-related medical care
- Medical evaluations

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## JAMIE FOX-RICE

Chief of staff for Todd Gloria

Before her appointment — an award for managing Gloria's winning campaign — Fox-Rice was the deputy chief of staff for Ralph Inzunza, press secretary for Donna Frye's mayoral campaign, and director of communications for Councilmember Kevin Faulconer. She is described on the District 3 webpage as having "extensive experience in City Hall and with local political campaigns." She does improv comedy, has bachelor's degrees in consumer sciences and English and a master's in comparative literature, and is

a lecturer for the Department of Rhetoric and Writing Studies at San Diego State University. Students seem to love her. Here's one especially enjoy-

so she has a good sense of humor." Her spouse is a vice president at the Amerland Group, consultants in the affordable housing industry, as well

## Jamie Fox-Rice does improv comedy.

able blurb from 2005: "Jamie is a really cool professor. You have to invest time into your assignments, but they are not difficult. Her assignments are things that you will use often in your life. Her class is very interactive and you get to meet everyone. She is from back East

as a partner in Elevate, a public relations firm.

## JIMMIE SLACK

Chief of staff for Tony Young

After Councilmember Charles Lewis died in 2004, while awaiting trial in the Strippergate scan-

### RESEARCH STUDIES

ARTHRITIS

## DO YOU HAVE Hip or Knee Pain?

*Consider volunteering for a clinical research study*

To qualify, you must:

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Have joint pain caused by arthritis
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You must be:

- 18-65 years of age
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- Symptoms greater than 2 months

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## TO UNDERSTAND ADOLESCENT DEPRESSION,

You and your child may need to  
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Right now, medical professionals in your area are conducting the Adolescent Bipolar Depression Research Study: a clinical research study evaluating an investigational drug (an approved medication for adults with bipolar I disorder) for use in adolescents experiencing a depressive episode due to bipolar I disorder. Study participation lasts for about 8 weeks (possibly up to 14 weeks), and includes study-related assessment and monitoring, study visits, and study drugs – all at no cost.

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dal, his chief of staff, Tony Young, won a special election for the council seat. Jimmie Slack became Young's chief. Slack received a degree in public administration at San Diego State, then served county supervisor Leon Williams for 12 years as a legislative assistant and chief of staff. When Williams left the County, Slack became the

program manager for Refugee Employment Services, helping new immigrants navigate job opportunities. He also worked as a project manager for ACS State and Local Solutions. On his statement of economic interests, Slack listed no investments or real estate holdings.

## JAYMIE BRADFORD

Chief of staff for  
Carl DeMaio

DeMaio chose Bradford for his chief, as he communicated to me, because of her knowledge and experience. She is his chief advisor on policy issues. She has a degree in political science from UCSD and spent three years as the internal communications coordinator for the Building Industry Association. She was the link between the association and the government. In 2002, she joined Madaffer's staff as a policy advisor, working under chief Aimee Faucett. In 2006, she became Madaffer's Land Use and Housing Committee consultant. One of Bradford's interests was in developing the ballpark. Bradford served Mayor Sanders as a policy advisor beginning in July 2006 and as direc-

### RESEARCH STUDIES

Research Opportunities

#### Do You Have Type 2 Diabetes?

Sunder Mudaliar, M.D., and his associates at the Center for Metabolic Research at the VA San Diego Healthcare System are currently looking for patients for a research study of an investigational drug to determine if adding it to your current Type 2 diabetes medicine can provide better control of your blood sugar.

You may qualify if you are:

- Male or female 18 years of age or older, with Type 2 Diabetes
- Currently taking a stable dose of type 2 diabetes medication
- Have poor blood sugar control
- Have a fasting blood sugar less than 240 mg/dL at office screening
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## Menstrual Migraine Headaches

*Wishing your period  
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To possibly qualify:

- Females, 18-34 years, with regular periods
- Have had migraine headache associated with 2 of your last 3 periods
- Can be using medication at present to treat migraine headaches at a stable dose for at least 2 months

Participants may receive at no cost:

- Study-related examination and consultation with a board-certified physician
- All study-related medications, labs, and Pap smear
- Compensation for your time and travel

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## Hand Eczema?

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tor of council affairs from July 2007 until she became DeMaio's chief. Her statement of economic interests lists no investments or holdings.

### **STEVEN HADLEY**

Chief of staff for Donna Frye

Among the more non-political backgrounds is Hadley's: a degree in ministerial studies, 17 years as a pastor, and a law degree from California Western. Under Valerie Stallings, who resigned in 2001 after accepting one too many gifts from Padres owner John Moores, Hadley was a council rep and later chief of staff. Hadley hired Michael Zucchet as a council representative; in 2002, Zucchet won election in District 2 but resigned after being convicted of taking

illegal campaign contributions in Strippergate. (A judge later threw out most of the convictions and

medical staff coordinator at Scripps, earning between \$10,001 and \$100,000.

## **Steven Hadley worked 17 years as a pastor.**

### **XEMA JACOBSON**

Chief of staff for Marti Emerald

ordered a new trial on two of the counts.) Hadley has been on Frye's staff since 2001 and her chief since 2004. He has declared himself a candidate for Frye's seat. The *Union-Tribune* reports that he is a "recent transplant from San Marcos" to Clairemont, which is in District 6. He owns two annuities, each valued at between \$10,001 and \$100,000. His spouse is a

A poly sci grad from San Diego State, Jacobson first worked for Congressman Jim Bates in the 1980s. In 1988, when Bates was accused of sexually harassing women on his staff, she denied having seen Bates harass anyone. He later lost his seat. In 1992, Jacobson ran for the Chula Vista City Council and

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received the endorsement of labor groups. Though she lost, she was soon hired as business manager for the local Building and Construction Trades Council, where she administered labor agreements and monitored public works projects. She was picked by Governor Gray Davis to be an executive member of the San Diego County Regional Airport Authority, which took over the responsibility of operating Lindbergh Field from the Port of San Diego. She was paid \$139,500 per year. By her fourth and final year, she was receiving \$171,648. During her tenure, she oversaw studies on alternative sites for the airport; the authority's recommendation to move the airport to Miramar was defeated at the polls in 2006.

In one minor tempest, Jacobson was found by the

*Union-Tribune* to have flown first-class to an aviation conference in Hawaii, charging the airport authority \$2493 for her seat, while Councilmember Tony

earning between \$10,001 and \$100,000. Her spouse received between \$10,001 and \$100,000 working for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

## Jacobson was found by the *Union-Tribune* to have flown first-class to Hawaii for \$2493.

Young, who was also on the airport authority board, flew coach on the same plane for \$546. Last year, Jacobson was given an airport parking pass valued at \$300. Also in 2008, she provided "campaign management consultant services" to Marti Emerald,

### ANA MOLINA-RODRIGUEZ

Chief of staff for Ben Hueso

Molina-Rodriguez is something of a mystery woman. There is no bio of her on Councilmember Hueso's webpage. Little has been

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written about her in the *Union-Tribune*. In 2004, Diane Bell reported that Molina-Rodriguez had given birth to a child and in 2007, that Clint Eastwood had visited Hueso's office, which Molina-Rodriguez said "made everybody's day." She is a Latina and a graduate of Sweetwater High School. She has been quoted as saying that her former boss, Ralph Inzunza, liked to call everyone "buddy." In 2005, she made \$101,982 as Hueso's chief. Her

spouse is the owner of Rod's Rooter plumbing. The Kroll Report investigators interviewed Molina-Rodriguez. The interview summary states that she has a bachelor's degree in political science and a law degree. She was Assemblywoman Ducheny's chief, and she worked for the San Diego district attorney's office. As Inzunza's chief, the summary says, he asked her "to personally research and analyze issues that were important to him."

She was asked if Inzunza "had policy discussions outside of council meetings" and said, according to the summary, that "he would usually discuss policy issues in informal meetings rather than formal ones." Talk in the hallways of the tenth floor was sometimes about policy, but, she said, she didn't recall Inzunza's discussing any specific issues. She did remember Inzunza buying five years of service credit toward his pension. In 2003, Molina-

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Rodriguez testified before a federal grand jury about Inzunza's role in Strippergate. At the time, her lawyer said that "she believes in her boss, and she is confident she did nothing wrong."

Ben Hueso has filed papers to run for the state Assembly in 2010. Already, speculation is afire about his replacement. Assemblywoman Lori Saldaña has made her preference known: she wants a woman of color to run for the District 8 seat. According to the *Voice of San Diego*, Saldaña discussed a successor with Hueso. She says he told her there was "a woman on his staff who was interested in running and that she decided not to." He didn't identify her. Saldaña said she thought a staffer as a candidate was a bad idea: "There are 450,000 people in my district. I think there's a lot better choices than just looking across the desk." Hueso has endorsed his brother Felipe for the seat.

### Legislators vs. Staffers

One of the most critical views of those tempest-tossed souls on the tenth floor comes from longtime city hall muckraker Pat Flannery. The white-haired, blue-eyed Irishman with 32 years in our fair city has been brokering real estate for decades. He's also a former investigative journalist with the *Irish Times*. Recently, as he lunched on chicken pasta and I on a Greek salad, we discussed his well-read, often wonky *blogof-sandiego.com*. On it, Flannery monitors what he calls the city council "love nest" — that virtual bed in which councilmembers, lobbyists, business owners, union heads, and staffers lie down together. He bristles at the idea that citizens have so little access to councilmembers. As he

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writes in a March 12, 2009 blog entry, "Try getting in there without an appointment, unless of course you are a well known lobbyist or a union boss." What's more, he tells me, the tenth floor's confines place members and staff in too close proximity, a milieu where they may violate the Brown Act.

On November 8, 2008, new councilmembers DeMaio, Emerald, Gloria, and Lightner were given a 12-minute primer about the Brown Act. Kathy Bradley, deputy city attorney, described the law: any elected body in the state must conduct the public's business in open session. The public has a right to know about any issue councilmembers will decide and to respond to them and the issue in open meetings. Bradley admon-

ished members "to be mindful that you are conducting your business in an open manner and not discussing matters among yourselves ahead of time." She went on to define a "meeting" as any occasion when a majority of the members are together. In such gatherings, they cannot talk about city business.

"Serial meetings" — when one member talks to another, then talks to another, and so on — are also prohibited. The point is to forbid members' deciding something prior to the meeting. This "doesn't prevent" members from "talking one-on-one." Staffers face the same prohibition. "You want to be careful," Bradley said, "that staff members are not talking to each other and developing some kind of collective concu-

rence." Nor can elected officials let their staffs decide issues for them. Moreover, councilmembers cannot pass their ideas or decisions on through intermediaries, say a lobbyist, who might, in turn, tell another member about a vote. Closed-session meetings are restricted, usually, to pending litigation and personnel matters.

Flannery knows the Brown Act as well as anyone. In a study of 136 action items between December 8, 2008, and March 3, 2009, he found that 80 percent were uncontested, approved unanimously. He wonders how such consensus was formed: "Did it all occur in the council chamber? Or was a consensus formed before hearing public testimony and before council discussion?" Flannery

says that "council/committee deliberation, a vital part of good legislating, is being kept to a minimum." One proof, he says, is council president Ben Hueso's frequent use of the statement "I move the staff recommendation." Flannery notes that such rubber-stamping doesn't prove there's been a Brown Act violation. But what else can he think, especially since none of us is privy to how the decisions are made.

Flannery characterizes members by their "institutional mentality." They are either staffers (worse) or legislators (better). The staffers "demonstrate a natural sympathy with the bureaucratic mind and identify more with city staff...than with the electorate." The legislators are there to do the peo-

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ple's business; they "revere" the workings of a "representative democracy." For Flannery, staffers include Faulconer, Gloria, Young, and Hueso, and legislators are Lightner, DeMaio, Frye, and Emerald.

He believes that Todd Gloria has been practicing the "staffer" mentality all his adult life. He's part of the "Jesuit army, so to speak," trained since high school to "go along." From 2002 to 2008, Gloria was

the district director for Congresswoman Susan Davis. He oversaw the operation of Davis's San Diego office, a job similar to that of a chief of staff's. By contrast, Carl DeMaio "seems to have a genuine interest in good government and to have made it his profession, [but] he is in a frightful hurry," that is, ambitious for higher office.

With so many docketed items, one way to get

through them, Flannery says, is for each councilmember to ask his or her chief where campaign donors or other players are on an issue. If it's a land-use item, for example, the member will ask the chief, "Where's the labor council on this, where's the Building Industry Association on this?" The majority of the time, the member will vote according to those constituencies. "That pretty well takes care of it. It's not like *Mr. Smith Goes to Washington*. I would say these items don't even get docketed until positions are already known."

However, Flannery adds, "Any evidence we have of that is, unfortunately, circumstantial. We're not going to get any smoking guns. They use fax machines," which have no electronic trace. "They do not use city email

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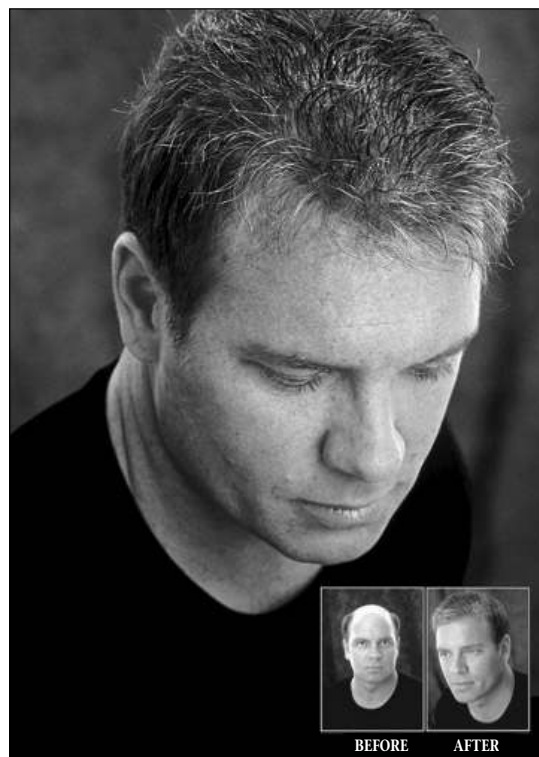
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“You would need a federal subpoena to bust into a Gmail account. They guard those with their lives — as sacred as the Delaware LLC. Therefore, what [a journalist is] going to pick up will be extremely well sanitized.” What’s more, he adds, “I’m not going to accuse anyone of anything. All one has to do is look at the coziness of the whole thing.”

As an example of this coziness, he cites two chiefs, Aimee Faucett and Jaymie

Bradford, who run the offices of the two Republican councilmembers, Faulconer and DeMaio. Both women cut their teeth under Jim Madaffer. Faucett and Bradford “could finish each other’s sentences. They know what each other is thinking.”

Faucett, Flannery says, “managed to convince Madaffer that she could get him elected — and she did.” So, too, did Bradford persuade DeMaio that he

needed her to win. Following DeMaio’s victory last November, he “did not choose Jaymie. She chose him. I’m sure no one said that to him,” that he had to hire Bradford. “But I’m sure it became very clear.”

Such savvy extends to another lioness, Jamie Fox-Rice. Flannery says she is a ferocious campaigner: “I wouldn’t want to tangle with this woman; I’d end up a eunuch.” Flannery notes that “she’s a good

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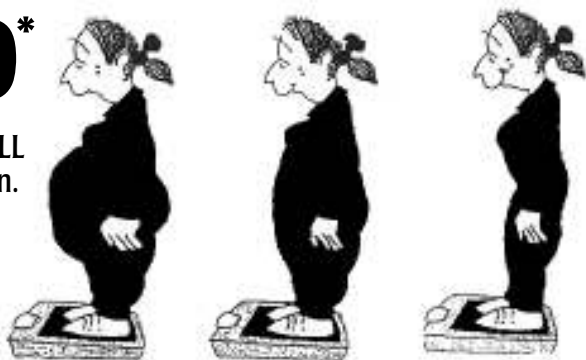
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Flannery says the system is counterintuitive: councilmembers work for their chiefs. Just the opposite of what we think. That's its beauty. "It's totally amazing, it's totally unknown, and that's real political power. Rasputin had more power than the Czar."

To guard against the concentration of such power and proximity, Flannery would like to "break up the tenth floor. The tenth floor is per se a continual violation of the Brown Act." Flannery would have the chiefs and the staffs reside not downtown but in district offices. He compares the submarine environment of the tenth floor to his youth's

nemesis, the Catholic Church: "The priests used to tell us that when a boy is sitting next to a girl, there's no doubt you're going to put your hand on her. It's an occasion to sin." The council chamber's love nest, he

secutive four-year terms — no city council incumbent has lost an election. This means that staff members also serve for long periods. New candidates must wait for an open seat: witness last November's victories by Lightner, DeMaio,

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says, is an occasion for the councilmembers and staffers to commit political sins.


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especially on tax, pension, and conflict-of-interest issues, why aides and chiefs have so much clout. Ryder cites careerism: most chiefs have been working in the “staffing profession” for years. He calls it an “aristocracy” in which many staff positions are like “hand-me-downs.” In fact, Ryder says, there’s a way it’s done. You get a staff position, and as an aide, you spend time in the community at planning-board and civic meetings. All of which creates “a huge support base, at taxpayer expense.” In effect, the road to the city council is paved within. Staffers make political connections and build community presence on the job.

Of course, not all staffers follow this route; not all have political ambitions. But, Ryder says, a few are “out there campaigning and getting reimbursed at city expense.” Until recently, staffers and city councilmembers were given a “massive” driving allowance. Ryder helped end this practice because, he says, “most of what they did was campaigning.”

With 10 years of service, a city employee qualifies for a pension. Ryder says that it’s a big problem for those in the “pension-screening process” — the board, the politicians, the staffers, the analysts — that they all can influence pension decisions. “Particularly the staffers who bounce from place to place, who go in and out of elected office as well, they end up with 15 to 20 years.” These long-timers face, he says, a “huge conflict of interest when controlling pensions.”

Ryder notes that when staffers run for council, “They typically get endorsed by the guy going out.” The way the system moves a staffer to the council is “very hard to beat unless you bring some exceptional cre-

dentials or high visibility, like Carl DeMaio.” The system is, he says, “hereditary — not based on family but based on employment.” Such a system, he believes, “incentivizes” peo-

ple to do the wrong things — pay-to-play schemes, voting for all pension benefits, and more. But if we blame staffers or any public employees for what they do, we are, he

says, missing the point. We shouldn’t be surprised when they seek their interest over ours. “There’s nothing evil about it. It’s human nature. We have to understand that.”

**What Was True Once Is True No Longer** Wes Pratt, former councilmember in District 4 (1987–1991), tells me by phone from his home in Springfield, Missouri, that

he picked his chief, Jennifer Adams-Brooks, because of her “temperament. She had keen intelligence and insight, an excellent way with people.” Her experience with

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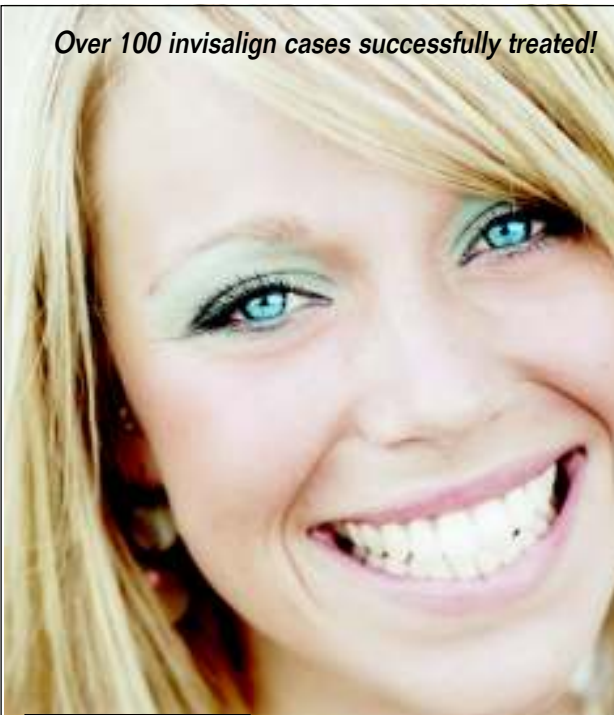
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private companies in land use also helped. Pratt himself began as an aide for Assemblyman Peter Chacon. In the 1980s, he became a staffer for county supervisor Leon Williams, eventually becoming his chief of staff. On the council, Pratt says he liked to be well informed: on a given issue, he wanted to know how other councilmembers felt, how his constituents felt, and how his staff felt. After he heard others' opinions, he'd make his decision. What was so helpful about Adams-Brooks is that she understood his "very deliberative style."

When Pratt ran for city council, his boss, Leon Williams, initially supported George Stevens. Pratt says he wasn't picked or anointed by anyone, despite District 4's repu-

tation as a place where councilmembers seem perennially to come from within the staff. And he says he never groomed anyone for his position, either in or out of office: "I wasn't interested in building a kingdom." He notes that it wasn't the loss to George Stevens in 1991 that soured him, though it was "disappointing." He never "wanted a career in politics."

I tell him that the chiefs won't talk. "Really?" he says. "You're kidding me. I don't know what to think. I never had a problem with my chief of staff talking to the media. I don't understand that apprehension." Pratt wondered whether we, *Reader* writers, had been writing bad things about them. Before calling him, I had contacted Jennifer Adams-

Brooks, who referred me to her old boss. She didn't want to talk either: "She is someone who doesn't want to be in the public eye. She doesn't want to toot her own horn. She's more of a public servant."

Abbe Wolfsheimer-Stutz, a councilmember for eight years, left in 1993. Recently she told me that choosing a chief of staff when she was elected in 1985 was easy. Joanne Johnson was a "marvelous" chief of staff, "a dynamo" who had staff experience in Michigan and who also served as Wolfsheimer-Stutz's campaign manager. Johnson was a good choice because "I like to surround myself with people who have a discipline I don't have. She was a perfect match." For Wolfsheimer-Stutz, Johnson administrated the office;

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paid bills; hired and fired staff; oversaw the calendar and mail; planned staff meetings and set agendas; met with constituents when they had problems and questions; and reviewed council dockets for issues Wolfsheimer-Stutz was interested in, issues important to the district, and issues crucial to the city as a whole. In terms of policy, staff members would advocate for their specialties and try to convince her to vote a certain way or to become as informed as they were.

While Wolfsheimer-Stutz says she didn't vote on pension decisions, she recalled some councilmembers in the late 1980s voting to "sweeten" their health-care benefits. One change she has noticed with councilmembers nowadays is that each

one has a media or public relations person. It's often the chief. "Back then that was unheard of. Nobody put out newsletters telling everyone what good deeds you have done. Reporters hung out in the hallway and asked us, 'Is anything new?' They were very unstructured."

These days, she is more than a little sour on the council. She finds many of the members, not necessarily their staffs, "lazy. They're rarely in the office. They rarely go to meetings. They cancel half of their meetings every month. We never budged. We worked all day, at our desks from eight to seven. Out in the community every night and on the weekend."

I ask Wolfsheimer-Stutz, if a reporter called to interview her chief,

would she have encouraged the contact? "Absolutely." She can't fathom why they won't talk. Maybe they're protective of what power they do have.

"There were chiefs of staff when I was there," she says, "who ran the whole office — and the policy. And anything else. Who literally told the councilmembers how to vote. One of them was John Kern. John Kern worked on my campaign and went on to become Judy McCarty's chief of staff. She didn't go to the bathroom without permission from him."

Kern served as chief to a string of District 7 councilmembers: Larry Stirling, Dick Murphy, and McCarty. He became Murphy's chief again in 2000, when Murphy was

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elected mayor: there Kern was one of the highest-paid city officials, earning \$153,528, which was \$72,000 more than his boss took in. (In his interview with Kroll Report investigators, Kern identified his chief's role as the "troubleshooter" and "political go-to person." He said many on the staff spoke with him before speaking with Murphy.)

Wolfsheimer-Stutz says that in her time the chiefs weren't a professional class. They are now. "A lot of the chiefs today have grown up in that position, and they haven't really learned anything in their lives except what the political system in city hall is. They've been trained from ground zero all the way up."

Kathryn Burton, who served as managing assis-

tant city attorney during Mike Aguirre's reign, divides the council and staff into two types: political animals versus public servants. Like usually attracts like, she says. For instance, with Donna Frye, her chief of staff, Steve Hadley, is like a Donna in training. Burton recalls trying to get a neighborhood park open for kids and calling on Hadley, who was on the staff of Councilmember Harry Mathis in 2000. The park was ready to go — "grass and swings and playsets" — but it was fenced, so the kids stood around, clutching the chain link and wanting in.

"One night after a planning board meeting, I grabbed Steve and I said, 'I really need to know why the kids can't get in the park.' He said, 'Let's go

see.' Here he was in his suit, and he climbed over the fence — I thought he was going to tear it. He climbed in and climbed back over, and he said, 'It looks ready.' He started working on [the park's approval] the next day, twisted a few arms, got things expedited, and it was open. I've never forgotten him. Then he ends up being the chief of staff for Donna Frye. People end up with like-minded people."

She says other chiefs are chosen because they know how to play hardball; chiefs "let [the councilmember] look good." When Sherri Lightner in District 1 ("a wonderful improvement over Scott Peters, who's never been my favorite guy and is the antithesis of the public servant") hired John Rivera

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to be her chief, "I thought he was up-front and honest. I think she hired him because he knows the downtown scene. I think she was smart enough to realize that she was in a perilous situation with the sharks down there who knew the ropes in a way that she didn't — since she's more of a land-use person."

Overall, she says, "Lots of people get recycled." They often get "anointed and receive the endorsement. You don't get too much different that way." Most of the time, she says, "The constituents have very little to do with" what gets done because people "are using the council as a stepping stone for their next political gig." I mention Ben Hueso, and we both laugh.

#### A Political Gerontocracy

For decades, one of the prickliest thorns in the council's side has been attorney Bruce Henderson. A councilmember from 1987 to 1991, he later brought suit against the City for its shady financial arrangements in building the Padres downtown stadium. When I complain to Henderson that the current chiefs aren't talking, he says that besides my being from the *Reader*, the rule of thumb in politics is that the politician's name and not the chief's should be in the news. That said, he believes the real reason they won't talk is that they can't "justify their jobs."

What's their job?

Henderson wants me to understand first that their *true* job is not the same as the job they actually do. "Staff is supposed to identify and deal with their constituents' concerns. And second, [members] should see to it that there's a staff in place" so

that when members go to a meeting, they are "thoroughly briefed" on issues. Council staff members are "supposed to have the background that allows them to dig into docu-

ments and understand them."

As an example of what happens when no one on the council staff has the "skill set" necessary to evaluate documents, Hender-

son cites a spreadsheet produced by the city manager's office in the 1990s. It showed that by 2010, the Padres would be paying the City millions of dollars in rent at what is

now Qualcomm Stadium. Although council staffers had inquired about Padres revenues, they "never went beyond this bizarre representation that the Padres would be paying these

huge amounts of net rent." Henderson says this deal didn't "compute — there's no backup that tells us how they arrived at their numbers." As it turned out, he says, there was no

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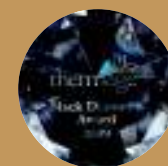
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agreement "with the Padres to pay any net rent."

The civic center proposal currently floating around city hall is a current example. "Who among the chiefs of staff?" Henderson asks, "has a background for reviewing documentation like that?" None, he says. "If they don't, do they hire someone who does?" Another critical issue is budgets. Henderson says only DeMaio's staff in District 5 is qualified to do such work. With the chiefs, he says, his tone bordering on disgust, "Their real job is getting the boss reelected and setting themselves up to run for office."

Glen Sparrow echoes Henderson's concern. Now that we have a strong-mayor form of government, Sparrow sees the onset of what he hopes is

a trend in how council offices are run. "Instead of hiring people to handle complaints or to get them reelected," he says, more councilmembers should, as DeMaio and Faulconer have already done, be "hiring policy people...to have at least one person on their staff to understand what a budget is." For the last two decades, Sparrow says, "The staffs have been assurers of reelection, taking care of the constituents and potholes and barking dogs. They need to get rid of those glad-handers who go out to the communities and replace them with people who understand how the City operates."

All too often, Henderson says, "Most councilmembers operate on the basis of what we don't

know won't hurt us. So, 'Don't tell us anything.' They tend not to ask questions, not to read background material, not to be concerned with whether or not the mayor's office is fully informing them.

If a councilmember says — or implies — to his chief of staff, "I don't want to know anything," then he has deniability." During his tenure, Henderson says, "That's what I thought all my fellow councilmembers did — to be honest with you." He admits he has no proof that anyone ever said, "Don't tell me," but my experience was, they didn't want to know." He says he'd talk to councilmembers about issues, and they had no idea what he was talking about. "Some would, and some wouldn't listen. You

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couldn't have a discussion with them."

In 1987, Henderson hired Jim Sills, a political consultant, as his chief, in part, because Sills was Henderson's campaign manager. As a former chief for county supervisor Paul Fordem (1981-1984), Sills had "a profound knowledge of how government works. He could bring documents up to me and say, 'Here are the key decisions that need to be made at the next meeting.' He would carefully go over the agenda and identify issues I needed to look at. And we would have that discussion. The difference for me, as a lawyer who's been involved in a lot of financial deals and reviewing contracts, I had a thorough background that allowed me to review budgets. I didn't need to hire someone who had those skills. Jim ran the office and saw to it that constituents were served. He'd review the docket and look for things that were being hidden from us. There was a lot of stuff. That's the name of the game. Voluminous documentation is dropped on you, at the last possible moment, so you won't have time to go through it. That's also part of the game."

By phone, Sills recalls the late Paul Fordem, who told him once that he "liked my energy level, that I had a long memory, could remember details, and that I was well organized and loyal to him. It was similar with Bruce. Some of those who advised him were trying to get him to change his views on certain issues. I never do that. I just try to find out what the candidate believes, then help him communicate that to the voters. Bruce said, 'Jim lets me be me.'"

As for chiefs running

for council, Sills says that in his day it was "almost unheard of. If they did, they lost and lost ignominiously." Also "a rarity" was making a career out of being a staffer, Sills says,

unlike today. He says that he's "sorry to hear" that some of the higher positions are taken by career staffers. "It's good for the city to have new blood. When I was Bruce's chief,

we went out of our way to bring in people who were not" affiliated with the City.

When I mention that the chiefs won't talk, Sills says he's "surprised. When I worked in the County

and the City, no one wrote the type of story you're writing. If I could give them some advice — which they haven't asked for — I would urge them to talk to you. They should

be proud to tell their story." He notes that in 1990 he would have spoken with a reporter. What's more, his boss, Bruce Henderson, would have approved of it.

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Does Henderson agree with Pat Flannery's assessment of the chiefs and their staffs, that they're a kind of shadow government? "I agree 100 percent. And that's because most councilmembers are lazy. That was my experience. Politically they were active. But when it came to intellectually analyzing the problems that came before

the City, I thought it pathetic."

What gets Henderson's goat is that councilmembers who want to be advocates for particular issues or neighborhoods don't recognize their shortcomings. They don't hire people "to give them independent advice" about things they don't know — and voilà,

another scandal.

Henderson says that the "net result" of hiring politically minded chiefs and staff is this: "a tremendous transfer of power to the mayor's office. Even though there's a lot of chatter, there's very little effective oversight by councilmembers."

To the City's detriment, Henderson says, most chiefs and staff members gain stature and insure careers via long-term loyalty and unquestioning support of their council boss.

I say it's a political gerontocracy.

"Which means?" Henderson says.

"He who's been there longest has the most power."

"I agree 100 percent." ■

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**Back When**  
**Published Aug. 26**

Posted by SDaniels on Aug. 26, 5:28 p.m.

I've written before to ask why we are not able to access electronic archives for past articles. You guys obviously still have them, and these "Back When" snippets are fun, but make one want to read the whole piece. An electronic archive would make for more knowledgeable newer Reader readers, and certainly give some of the oldtimers a kick!

Posted by Reader\_Web\_Admin on Aug. 27, 8:12 a.m.

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**Feature Story — Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Dare, pt. III**  
**Published Aug. 26**

Posted by Prosperina on Aug. 26, 9:09 p.m.

as always, a great story with compelling characters, fabulous and fun detail of historical places as well as the main story — what a blast this series was — one of my favorites so far-

**Feature Story — Unforgettable: A Walk on the Stingaree Side Part 6**  
**Published Aug. 26**

Posted by HenrySloanIII on Aug. 27, 9:29 p.m.

Intriguing, captivating series to say the least. It's been interesting to walk around down there and picture some of those long ago (foundational?) situations and capers. In sum, just an excellent read for six installments. The subject matter is fascinating and the author is a master craftsman. What are the chances of Mr. Smith's historical writings on San Diego reaching print in book form? I'd wager there would be a market for it.

**Diary of a Diva**  
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Your falling back on the cell phone confirms my theory that people who whip their phones out while alone in public are often doing so solely to fight off the fear that comes with potentially being talked to by a stranger, which very well might have turned out to be a pleasant experience - especially in an environment like a playhouse, where the strangers in attendance likely share at least one common interest with the solo flyer.

Next time, try to stick it out without resorting to the mePhone - that is, iPhone. You just might enjoy an interesting and fresh conversation, while helping make the world that much more friendly a place.

**Cover Story  
Published Aug. 26**

*Posted by granpaguy on Aug. 27, 8:24 a.m.*

When I read this article it reminded me last Sunday I was sitting at the Star Bucks on Felton and a parade of gorgeous low rider cars went by. Long shiney, bouncy beauties. So, I followed them to the St. Didacus Church on down Felton. It was a wedding. The cars parked in the lot next to the church. I stood by with my half of a venti coffee and watched young men get out of the cars and put on tuxedos. Regular cars parked in the lot across the street and regular looking people got out of these cars and went into the church, dressed in regular clothes.

I asked the young men, big guys, if I could look at

the cars, because one of them looked like a buick my dad owned back in 1945. His parents bought it for him. I wished I had the picture to show these guys. A few months after my grandparents bought this Buick for him, he crashed it.

As I turned towards the cars, two police cars pulled up and parked on either side of the church parking lot. Two young cops got out. The wedding members didn't look at the cops. I said, "I wonder why the police are here?" One young man murmured "Don't know." I said, as I walked towards the Blue Buick, "It's the cars." I heard one of the young men say, sarcastically, "Yeah, the cars."

The police stayed long enough to deduce that this

was indeed a wedding and then drove away. I walked admired the steering wheels and shiney hoods and walked back to the men. They were all tuxed and ready for the ceremony.

As I left I tried to remember when the police had ever showed up at a wedding I went to. I don't think they showed up at my dad's wedding, even when he drove the Buick. Maybe cause the neighbors wouldn't get as nervous if old white people drove up in dozens of Toyotas and SUV's.

**Musician Interview  
Published Aug. 26**

*Posted by kellyfever on Aug. 30, 5:02 p.m.*

"...believe it or not, it's still considered pretty wild to be a girl fronting a rock band. Occasionally you'll see a girl

fronting a punk band, but that doesn't count."

Just wanted to ask Rachel why being a female fronting a punk band "doesn't count" but being a singer in a pop/rock band "counts" when it comes to the struggles (and frustrations) that go along with being a female musician. Girlfriend, this doesn't even make sense!! Please explain. I partially agree with what she said, but I think ALL women can suffer, thus getting held back simply because we're women. If anything, more women front pop bands than punk bands, and those pop singers usually have a better chance of getting noticed than a female punk musician or female-fronted punk band just based on what the majority of music people listen to.

**City Lights, by Dorian Hargrove  
Published Aug. 26**

*Posted by pellis on Aug. 26, 2:18 p.m.*

don't smoke and I don't like being around smokers. I don't agree with the law, but I respect the city's right to legislate whatever they want.

All that said, any unenforceable law is a stupid idea.

*Posted by PistolPete on Aug. 26, 2:51 p.m.*

#1-Research on second-hand smoke is junk science at best.

#2-Maybe if non-smokers wouldn't b\*\*ch about smoke being outdoors so much, us smokers would take their feelings into consideration. Outdoor seating in a common area is an example. If I'm in a public outdoor area and having lunch, I'm

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lighting up my cigarette. I don't give two s\*\*s who is around me. Non-smokers Nazi tacticts took smoking outside of restaurants. I'm fine with that. If I'm forced to eat outside because I can't smoke after my meal, I'll be damned if a non-smoker is going to ask me to put it out. Want clean air? EAT INSIDE!

#3-Other than the previous example, I'm VERY conscientious to non-smokers when walking around outside. I'm REALLY pi\$\$ed about the new smoking ban in bars in Wisconsin. If I owned a bar, I would put up a sign saying that non-smokers WILL be ignored. It's time for America to start acting like a FREE goddamn country again.

*Posted by PistolPete on Aug. 26, 4:15 p.m.*

What America is rapidly forgetting is that this country was built by tobacco. No tobacco, no country. The amount of history this country "forgets" is amazing to me. We've made it affordable to have all volumes of an encyclopedia at our fingertips but all people want to do all day is send Twits and make gay videos on YouTube. And for those offended by my use of the word gay, F\*\*\* OFF AND GET A LIFE!

*Posted by kstwk on Aug. 26, 8:26 p.m.*

Smokers don't be polite. Let me remind you how this started the anti's, who are funded by Big Pharma, started with the airlines. No smoking under flights of two hours, then four hours and now none, not even in the airports.

Then they moved to the restaurants asking could we have a nonsmoking section, please? So we then had smoking and nonsmoking sections. Once they got that it still wasn't enough, next it was banned in public buildings, then workplaces, then restaurants "for the workers." Implying, of course, that people are too stupid to be able to choose to enter or work in a smoking establishment.

In many places you can't smoke inside or outside. Does that satisfy the bullies - no! Now there is a movement to

ban smoking in your own private car and single family house! When will it stop - when tobacco is taken off the shelves and is no longer legal to purchase or produced!

The goal by the World Health Organization is just that and they expect to accomplish it by 2020.

The formula for banning tobacco is now in place for obesity and alcohol.

As long as Big Pharma (who has deep pockets) produce drugs to make you stop smoking, lose weight and stop drinking it will continue, unless you find your backbone and start saying enough is enough!

Do we want a government that is free from tyranny or a nanny state that will control your behavior because it is profitable for Big Pharma, the state, and the federal coffers?

If you keep putting your head in the sand and believe everything that is printed or said by the media and do not follow the money trail this country will no longer be free!

If it is legal there should

not be any prohibition. And if someone tells you to stop smoking, or stuffing your face because you are fat, or put down that beer because it isn't healthy tell them to mind their own business and get a life that doesn't impinge on yours.

*Posted by siregadget on Aug. 26, 10:34 p.m.*

Hi, I am gonna smoke anywhere I want- But-Children should NOT be involved with my smoke or even see me or my smoke- I don't want to get them started to do what is wrong — BUT this smoking LAW is wrong IF I am outside smoking -ya okay I'm outside- but if my smoke goes near someone - that does not like it I will try to move or \_\_\_\_\_? these non smokers are making this law worse- it should be if I'm down at the beach smoking in the sand - no kids are around -good to smoke - but If I drop my butt IN the sand or anywhere GIVE me a big ticket fine this law has gone bad for us smokers — UNFAIR! ...

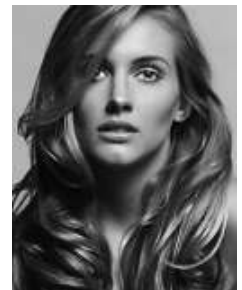
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## Thursday | 3

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No one should be taken advantage of, at any age. Learn how to avoid being a victim at this semi-



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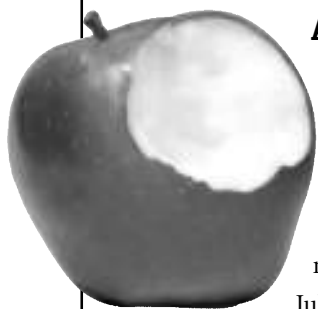
### MIX ROUNDTABLE: PART 2

Get into the mind of the creators as local architects and designers Sebastian Mariscal, Lloyd Russell, Jennifer Luce, and Jonathan Segal discuss their work, currently on exhibit at the Museum of Contemporary Art in La Jolla. See **LECTURES**, page 74.

## Friday | 4

### APPLES IN AUTUMN

Julian may be known for apple pies, but the city is also home to many artists. The Julian Arts Guild



Labor Day show and sale hosts a reception at which visitors can view works in glass, clay, wood, oils, watercolor, photography, and jewelry. See **SPECIAL**, page 69.

### BARONA POWWOW

Learn more about America's indigenous people at this three-day festival. Native Americans from across the country gather to showcase traditional tribal dances, music, authentic cuisine, handcrafted arts and jewelry, and more. See **SPECIAL**, page 69.



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4: BARONA POWWOW

## Saturday | 5

### GLOBAL COMMUNITY MARKET

Think globally, act locally — and shop both! More than 30 local and global vendors gather to hawk “authentic cultural creations such as hand-made Peruvian sweaters, Acholi beaded jewelry from Uganda, and Asian scarves and purses” at the Poinsettia Village shopping center. See **SPECIAL**, page 70.

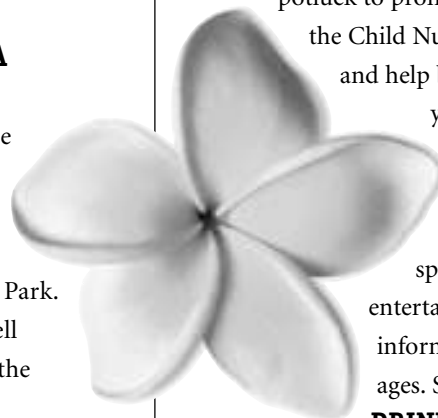
### SHORTS — NOT OF THE SPANDEX VARIETY!

The Museum of Photographic Arts hosts this Bicycle Film Festival with short and feature films to reflect the diverse experiences of bicyclists. See **FILM**, page 72.

## Sunday | 6

### HAWAIIAN PLUMERIA FESTIVAL

Colorful tropical flowers are on display at this annual flower show hosted by the Southern California Plumeria Society at Balboa Park. Enjoy Hawaiian music, smell fragrant blooms, and view the prize-winning blossoms. See **SPECIAL**, page 69.



### BIKES 'N' BRUNCH

Don't forget to pack your swimsuit before riding your bike to the “Groove 24/7 Brunch” for bike enthusiasts, held at the Pearl Hotel. Fee includes entrée, “endless mimosas,” and music by Groove 24/7 online-radio DJs. See **FOOD & DRINK**, page 73.

## Monday | 7

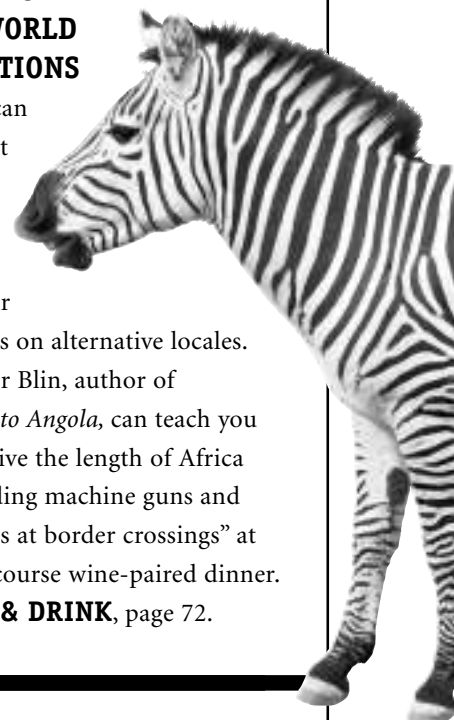
### “TIME FOR LUNCH” EAT-IN

This Labor Day, ditch the chips and beer for foods of a healthier variety. Join Slow Food Urban San Diego at this potluck to promote reforming the Child Nutrition Act, and help by bringing your own slow food to share. Activities and speakers provide entertainment and information for all ages. See **FOOD & DRINK**, page 72.

## Tuesday | 8

### SURVIVING THIRD WORLD DESTINATIONS

Few of us can afford to jet around Europe, so many are setting their travel sights on alternative locales. Christopher Blin, author of *Swimming to Angola*, can teach you “how to drive the length of Africa while avoiding machine guns and shakedowns at border crossings” at this three-course wine-paired dinner. See **FOOD & DRINK**, page 72.



## Wednesday | 9

### THE WYRM KING

With this release of the conclusion to the *Spiderwick Chronicles*, kids can learn what fate is in store for the characters at the Spiderwick Estate. Holly Black and Tony DiTerlizzi, authors of the series of books on which the popular movie is based, will be signing their latest creation at Mysterious Galaxy Books. See **FOR KIDS**, page 73.

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## ROAM--RAMA | A Guide to Unexpected San Diego and Beyond | by Jerry Schad

**P**yles Peak is just one bump in a series of several distinct high points stretching between Cowles Mountain and Fortuna Mountain in East County's Mission Trails Regional Park. Collectively, the high points make up a small mountain range labeled "Long Mountain" on old maps. The entire range consists of granitic rocks that have been uplifted by geologic forces over many millions of years. Just north of Pyles Peak, there's a deep notch in the range, where Mission Gorge Road passes through, and farther north is an even deeper notch — Mission Gorge — where the San Diego River has spent millions of years carving its way clear through the steadily rising "Long Mountain."

A long and tiring out-and-back trek (involving a total elevation gain and loss of 2000 feet!) will get you to the rocky summit of



View from Cowles Mountain at dawn

Pyles Peak, where you can enjoy a well-earned view east toward Santee and west toward the ocean. First, though, you have to climb Cowles Mountain — 1591 feet, the highest elevation within the city limits of San Diego.

Drive out to the main Cowles Mountain trailhead, which lies at the northeast corner of Navajo Road and Golfcrest Drive in the San Carlos district of San Diego. The zigzagging trail ahead is popular with hikers and dog-walkers, but no mountain bikes are allowed on it. Climb steadily for 1.4 miles to the top of Cowles, then set your sights on Pyles, which lies more than a mile northward. From the edge of the service road just north of the Cowles summit, find and follow the nicely maintained trail leading north toward Pyles Peak.

Immediately, you leave about 98 percent of the hiker traffic behind and begin a serene descent to a 1230-foot saddle just north of the 1591-foot Cowles summit. From that saddle you climb upward, bending around some switch-back corners to gain the ridgeline about midway between the Cowles summit and Pyles Peak. You pass a side-trail leading east to a rather modest view point, good for some privacy perhaps, but little else. The Pyles trail continues north, a little to the west of the ridgeline, and gradually loses elevation. Chaparral-clad slopes fall away on your left to the curving streets and toylike houses of suburbia, which seem to lap at the foot of the mountain. On mornings when a low-elevation marine layer blankets the lowland

and the suburban sprawl disappears, the distant, rumbling roar of traffic floats up and reminds you of your place amid the city.

Nearing Pyles Peak, you reach a saddle where the trail bends left and contours west. After another 0.1 mile you come to a junction. The trail straight ahead leads to a nearby dead-end and a fence that discourages further travel in that direction. The trail to the right heads straight up to the Pyles Peak summit, 0.2 mile away. Enjoy the view, then be ready to retrace your steps, which of course will involve a reverse ascent of Cowles Mountain.

This article contains information about a publicly owned recreation or wilderness area. Trails and pathways are not necessarily marked. Conditions can change rapidly. Hikers should

### COWLES MOUNTAIN TO PYLES PEAK

Traverse the crowning ridgeline of Mission Trails Regional Park.

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be properly equipped and have safety and navigational skills. The Reader and Jerry

Schad assume no responsibility for any adverse experience.

## OUTDOORS

**Summer Thundershowers**, having blessed the eastern margin of San Diego County with welcome, if spotty, precipitation of late, have triggered a minor growth spurt among certain kinds of vegetation. In the desert, for example, the spidery ocotillo can grow an instant crop of green leaves after a storm, only to drop them two or three weeks later if no further rain arrives. The distribution of green-leaved ocotillos tells not only where rain has recently fallen, it also indicates where the runoff has collected and remained for enough time to be absorbed by the ocotillo's root system. Various cacti may also benefit from the downpours; barrel cacti expand in girth

by soaking up water, and the pads of the beavertail cactus plump up like overstuffed pillows.

**The Chaparral**, the tangled assortment of low-growing, drought-resistant, native shrubs covering much of San Diego County's lower mountain slopes, has managed to remain fairly attractive this summer. Unlike many of the scrubby natives near the coast, chaparral plants tend to hang on to their leaves year-round. This month, the coppery, sun-burnished remnants of last spring's flower clusters are still clinging to the tips of buckwheat and chamise plants, and a few wildflowers have popped up here and there in response to recent thunderstorm activity over the mountains. To enjoy the beauty of the chaparral landscape, explore the hillsides above Lake Morena and along Lyons Val-

ley, Japatul, and Boulder Creek roads in East County. Or head inland from Escondido toward Ramona or Valley Center. Most of these areas have been swept by one wildfire or another over the past few years, but the native vegetation is gradually returning.

**September's Full Moon** rises majestically from the eastern horizon on Friday, the 4th, at around 7:10pm, only a few minutes after the time of sunset. If the skies are nearly cloud-free and there isn't too much coastal haze, try observing this moonrise event from the northern shoreline of Shelter Island, on San Diego Bay. As the sun drops behind Point Loma, the west-facing facets of several mirrored buildings downtown will reflect its golden light straight back toward Shelter Island. In the gathering gloom, the moon will pop up directly behind some of the tallest buildings in San Diego. As the twilight deepens, notice the gleaming planet Jupiter hovering over the southeast horizon, above and to the right of the moon.

**The Planet Saturn** becomes "ringless" on the same day as the September full moon: September 4. This is to say that on that date Earth passes through the plane of Saturn's razor-thin ring system, rendering the rings virtually invisible — even through telescopes. A ring-plane passage has not taken place since 1996, nor will it occur again until approximately 15 years from now. Unfortunately, this year's event is virtually unobservable, as Saturn is currently setting only about one-half hour after the sun does.

**"The New Old Town"** "Yet another transformation is taking place, this latest more relaxed and colorful than the historically correct version." What does this mean? Find out when Walkabout explorers take casual, one-hour stroll on flat terrain, followed by optional lunch (bring money) and Mexican dance performance. Meet at flagpole in center of plaza. 619-231-7463. Saturday, September 5, 11am; free. Old Town State Historic Park, 4002 Wallace Street. (OLD TOWN)

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**Birding the Lagoon** Audubon Society bird watchers head out with Barbara Moore. Meet at gate across from water treatment facility. 858-755-7133. Saturday, September 5, 8am; free. San Elijo Lagoon Ecological Reserve, 2710 Manchester Avenue. (CARDIFF)

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Galleta Meadows

## Galleta Meadows, Borrego Springs

By Bonnie Maffei

Located 78 miles east of San Diego, Borrego Springs and Anza-Borrego Desert State Park are popular springtime destinations for wildflower lovers. But take a jaunt down Borrego Springs Road a

couple of miles to Galleta Meadows, a privately owned estate, and a surreal menagerie of gigantic metal creatures by sculptor Ricardo Breceda appears in the midst of the desert. Imagine coming upon them by chance as I did. I could hardly believe my eyes. I got out of my car and walked among them. Not another soul was in sight. I listened to the wind blowing through scrap-metal dinosaurs, camels, mammoths, and giant sloths, grinding and groaning as if the creatures were about to spring to life. A prehistoric saber-toothed tiger leaps over cactus and across the sands, chasing a wild horse. Frozen in time, like a bizarre ancient drama, this desert safari awaits you right here in Galleta Meadows.

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Caliente Tropics Resort

## Palm Springs

By Lisa Ducho

Visiting Palm Springs is like getting two vacations in one weekend. Enjoy a cool dip in the pool at Caliente Tropics Resort, a hip, mid-century-era Hawaiian-style motel complete with poolside cabanas and tikis, for about \$80 per night. On the second day, the Palm

Springs Aerial Tramway will whisk you to the top of Mt. San Jacinto for \$22.95 round-trip. Stroll in the snow and take in breathtaking views of the desert floor below.

In between, you can enjoy a bounty of fabulous restaurants and exciting nightlife. For a sublime breakfast, go to Elmer's for hazelnut-stuffed French toast, Cafe Totonaca for tasty vegetarian fare, or Rick's for massive loaded omelettes. For lunch, Tyler's Burgers is a must. For amazing Mexican dinners, try Las Casuelas Teraza or El Mirasol. For more fun in the sun, tour the Elvis Honeymoon Hideaway for \$35. Finally, check out Sonny Bono's statue and Liberace's star on the walk of fame, then sample the best date shakes ever at Palm Springs Fudge and Chocolates downtown.

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lot before park headquarters, by trails and information sign). 619-297-2957. Saturday, September 5, 10am; free. Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve, 12020 Black Mountain Road. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

**Nature Explorers** All ages invited to learn facts about reptiles, native fauna and flora, and explore changes at dusk, using senses and flashlights (bring yours). Reservations: 619-582-6261. Friday, September 4, 6pm; \$5. Kumeyaay Lake Campground entry station, Two Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SANTEE)

**Nature Walk in Color** Enjoy trail guide-led interpretive walk winding through the subtle color pallet in park's diverse ecosystems. Learn about plant and animal habitats, survival skills, through stories and facts. 619-668-3281. Saturday, September 5, 9:30am; Sunday, September 6, 9:30am; Wednesday, September 9, 9:30am; free. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

## SPECIAL

**"Apples in Autumn"** Julian Arts Guild Labor Day show and sale opens with reception. View exhibition of works in glass, clay, wood,

oils, watercolor, photography, jewelry, more by Julian artists through Monday, September 7 (10am-6pm). 760-765-0484. Friday, September 4, 10am; free. Julian Town Hall, 2129 Main Street. (JULIAN)

**"Fur, Feather, Fin"** Sylvia Isely-Aguilera plans celebration service in honor of "the life of my angel dog, Leon Redbone, and all of our pets, past and present." Bring photograph or memento of your own pet for blessing by Reverend John Poleski. Leave pets at home. Proceeds benefit four animal charities. Donation. RSVP by September 7: 619-244-2337. Wednesday, September 9, 6pm, San Diego Center for Spiritual Living, 1009 G Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**"Hawaiian Plumeria Festival"** Southern California Plumeria Society hosts annual flower show, sale in room 101. Enjoy Hawaiian music, smell fragrant blooms, view prize-winning blooms in judged show. Bloom table with identified flowers of every color on display. Hundreds of plants for sale. Members available to answer culture questions. 619-461-5942. Saturday, September 5, 10am; Sunday, September 6, 10am; free. Casa del Prado, El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Tiki Island 3"** Closing reception for international group showing (which opened August 1) of Polynesian-inspired works and the creative process. 858-488-4924. Friday, September 4, 6pm, Freaky

Boutiki, 3742 Mission Boulevard. (MISSION BEACH)

**"Vino and Vinyasa"** Enjoy complimentary yoga class, then mingle with glass of wine and watch sunset. Lululemon provides "celebrity yoga instructors for each event." No cover. 619-398-3092. Thursday, September 3, 5:30pm; free. 21 and up. W Hotel, 421 West B Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**Barona PowWow** Native Americans from across country gather to showcase traditional tribal dances, music, hand drum contest, authentic Native American cuisine, hand-crafted arts and jewelry. On Saturday and Sunday, gourd dancing (1, 6pm), grand entry (7pm). Events take place at Barona baseball field (one mile north of Barona Resort and Casino). 619-443-6612. Friday, September 4, 6pm; Saturday, Sep-

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ter and Museum, 1095 Barona Road. (LAKESIDE)

**Bring Sketch Materials!** Village Faire Art Festival promises COAL Gallery artists exhibiting, demonstrating, selling their work in a variety of media. Live model available both days (1-4 pm). Bring sketch materials; children may use materials available on site. Live music. 760-484-8497. Saturday, September 5, 10am; Sunday, September 6, 10am; free. Carlsbad Oceanside Art League's COAL Gallery, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive #101. (CARLSBAD)

**Concentration, Visualization, Meditation** Learn techniques for stress reduction, relaxation during free meditation classes, as well as advanced breathing techniques and "essence of yogic philosophy." 619-640-4438. Tuesdays, 7:30pm; through Thursday,

December 31, free. Pilgrimage of the Heart Yoga, 3301 Adams Avenue. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Full-Moon Walk on Scripps Pier** Explore the pier (normally closed to public) and learn of structure's history, collect plankton, dissect a squid, observe ocean conditions, and study nocturnal habits of marine life. Required reservations: 858-534-7336. Friday, September 4, 6pm; Saturday, September 5, 6pm; \$23. Scripps Institution of Oceanography, 8602 La Jolla Shores Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**Global Community Market** More than 30 local and global vendors gather for market boasting "authentic cultural creations such as handmade Peruvian sweaters, Acholi beaded jewelry from Uganda, and Asian scarves and purses" benefiting low-income artisans, microenterprise programs, fair-trade vendors. 858-964-8852. Saturday, September 5, 9am; free. Poinsettia Village shopping center, 7170 Avenida Encinas. (CARLSBAD)

**House of Ukraine** Lawn program promises ethnic music, costumes, and dance. 619-234-0739. Sunday, September 6, 2pm; free. House of Pacific Relations, 2125 Park Boulevard. (BALBOA PARK)

**KnitNight** Gather with fellow fiber artists for social knitting, crochet, spinning. 760-806-6744. Tuesdays, 7pm; free. 18 and up. Clever Knits, 214 South Indiana Avenue. (VISTA)

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to the country. 619-370-1027. Thursday, September 3, 7pm; free. Filter, 4096 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

**Middle-Eastern Drum and Belly-Dance Class** Doumbek drumming class for all levels taught by Frank Lazzaro (6-7pm), followed by tribal belly-dance class taught by Sabrina Fox with live drumming (7-8pm). \$12 per class. 760-703-1487. Mondays, 6pm; \$12. WorldBeat Cultural Center, 2100 Park Boulevard. (BALBOA PARK)

**More Fun, More Food, More Art!** Stroll the neighborhood enjoying delicacies from participating restaurants during Taste of University Heights (\$20), then enjoy self-guided tour of the arts. The fourth annual "UH Arts Open" boasts works by over 100 artists, playwrights, performers, musicians during preview party. Live music by Wendy Bailey. Admission to reception is free; Taste of UH tickets: \$20. 619-508-4075. Friday, September 4, 7pm; free-\$20. Swedenborg Hall, 1531 Tyler Avenue. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

**Open Cockpit Days** Climb aboard four historic aircraft at this Marine Corps aviation museum. 858-693-1723. Saturday, September 5, 9am; Sunday, September 6, 9am; free. Flying Leatherneck Museum, Miramar Road (Marine Corps Air Station). (MIRA MESA)

**Personal Totems** Choose from gallery's tiles, glass, dishes, beads, shells, or bring your own items, to create a mosaic "totem." Fee: \$15 per class, or \$55 for every Wednesday of month. Reservations: 619-593-2205. Wednesdays, 5pm; through September 30. Sophie's Gallery, 109 Rea Avenue. (EL CAJON)

**Qi Gong Meditations** Healing meditations with Qi Gong and oriental medicine practitioner Dawn Asher on alternating Tuesdays. Donation. 917-620-2666. Tuesday, September 8, 7:30pm. Dwell Sanctuary, 3752 Third Avenue. (HILLCREST)

## CLASSICAL MUSIC

**"Old Masters of Music and Art"** Schola Pacifica performs for series. Included in museum admission (free-\$12). 619-232-7931. Sunday, September 6, 2pm; free-\$10. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Tchaikovsky and Friends"** San Diego Symphony Summer Pops season closes with cannon "shots," fireworks and the *1812 Overture* over the bay. 619-235-0804. Friday, September 4, 7:30pm; Saturday, September 5, 7:30pm; Sunday, September 6, 7:30pm; \$15-\$75. Embarcadero Marina Park South, 206 Marina Park Way. (DOWNTOWN)

**Bolling Beckons** Flutist Adrienne Nims and pianist Sheldon Rosenbaum perform Claude Bolling's "Suite for Flute and Jazz Piano No. 1" for family music program. 858-522-1668. Wednesday, September 9, 7pm; free. Carmel Valley Library, 3919 Townsgate Drive. (CARMEL VALLEY)

**Organ Concert** Civic organist Carol Williams performs. 619-702-8138. Sunday, September 6, 2pm; free. Spreckels Organ Pavilion, 2211 Pan American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

## DANCE

**Nobody's Business** Graham Hempel calls to tunes by this band for contra dance hosted by San Diego Folk Heritage. Beginners'

dance workshop: 7:30pm. Wear soft-soled shoes. 619-283-8550. Friday, September 4, 7:30pm; \$7. Trinity United Methodist Church, 3030 Thorn Street. (NORTH PARK)

**Swing Classes** Firehouse swing school's classes include "Lindy Hop 1" instruction focusing on eight-count basics, and "Lindy 2" classes on partner Charleston (7-8pm). Class fee includes admission to Firehouse swing dance (8-11:30pm) with music by DJ Emily

Belt. Fee: \$15 per class or \$50 for four weeks. All ages. 858-395-6060. Wednesday, September 9, 7pm; \$15-\$50. Firehouse Swing Dance, at San Diego Woman's Club: 2557 Third Avenue. (BANKER'S HILL)

**Swing Dance Party** Community swing dance jams now feature a blues room, two separate dance floors. Dance East Coast, West Coast, jitterbug, swing. Dance lessons for all levels before dance (\$40 for four weeks). Dance only: \$8

general, \$5 for students. 619-291-3775. Friday, September 4, 8pm. Dance for 2, 7528 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. (KEARNY MESA)

**Wranglers Want You!** Modern square-dance classes for singles, couples, and families offered by Wranglers Square Dance Club. First class free, \$4 per person thereafter. 858-485-7421. Wednesday, September 9, 7pm; free-\$4. 10 and up. Rolling Hills Elementary School, 15255 Peñasquitos Drive. (POWAY)

## FILM

**"Dive-In Theatre"** "Cinema social" combines "eclectic film choices," food, drink, light conversation at hotel's poolside lounge and theater (outdoors). This week, see *An Officer and a Gentleman* (1982). Reservations: 619-226-6100. Wednesday, September 9, 8pm; free. Pearl Hotel, 1410 Rosecrans Street. (POINT LOMA)

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**"¡Qué Viva! Cine Latino"** Take in *La Misma Luna*, starring Adrian Alonso, Eugenio Derbez, Kate del Castillo, during event hosted by Media Arts Center San Diego. Evenings begin with "Arte Latino" exhibition, live music (6:30pm); followed by screening of short films and feature film (7:30pm). 619-230-1938. Wednesday, September 9, 6:30pm; free. Otay Ranch Town Center, 2015 Birch Road. (CHULA VISTA)

**Beyond Hatred** Olivier Meyrou's "abstract experiment in humanism" screens for Sunday Matinee series. The aftermath of the 2002 murder of a gay man by three neo-Nazi skinheads in France is subject of film. 619-236-5800. Sunday, September 6, 2pm; free. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**Man on Wire** How was Philippe Petit able to string and walk on a wire between New York's Twin Towers in 1974? Find out when James Marsh's enchanting film screens for Film Forum. 619-236-5800. Wednesday, September 9, 6:30pm; free. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**Strange Brew** *The Adventures of Bob & Doug McKenzie* screens for Stone Late Night Movies series in

commemoration of release of Stone 09.09.09 Vertical Epic Ale. Bring lawn chairs, blankets. 760-471-4999. Wednesday, September 9, 8pm; free. Stone Brewing World Bistro and Gardens, 1999 Citracado Parkway. (ESCONDIDO)

**Shorts — Not of the Spandex Variety!** Bicycle Film Festival presented by 42BELOW promises various shorts and feature films reflecting diverse experiences of bicyclists. Highlights include *I Love My Bicycle: The Story of FBM Bikes*, *What's a Girl to Do*, *The Scrapper Bike King*, *Belle Epoch*, many others. \$10 ticket required for each distinct program (beginning at 3, 5, 7, and 9pm). 212-255-6102. Saturday, September 5, 3pm, 5pm and 7pm; Saturday, September 5, 9pm; \$10. Museum of Photographic Arts, 1649 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

## FOOD & DRINK

**"Surviving Third World Destinations"** Christopher Blin, author of *Swimming to Angola*, speaks during dinner program. Learn "how to drive the length of Africa while avoiding machine guns and shake-downs at border crossings." Dinner is a prix fixe all-inclusive three-course menu with wine pairings. Books available for purchase, signing.

Reservations: 858-756-3085. Tuesday, September 8, 6pm; \$50-\$65. Mille Fleurs, 6009 Paseo Delicias. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

**"Time for Lunch" Eat-In** Join Slow Food Urban San Diego in effort to lobby for reform to Child Nutrition Act. Potluck event includes speakers, activities for children and adults. Bring "a simple, fresh, homemade dish to share; a real (nondisposable) plate, silverware, and cup; blanket or chairs." 718-260-8000. Monday, September 7, 11am; free. WorldBeat Cultural Center, 2100 Park Boulevard. (BALBOA PARK)

**"With or Without Butter"** "Laugh, learn, and taste" in cooking class using organic, natural, local ingredients to make classic dishes. Taught by chefs of Behind the Scenes. Registration: 858-638-1400. Tuesday, September 8, 6pm; \$55. Behind the Scenes Catering Co., 9888 Waples Street. (MIRA MESA)

**Fresh Mexico** Warwick's Cooking Club convenes for chef Marcela Valladolid, on hand to discuss, sign her new book *Fresh Mexico: 100 Simple Recipes for True Mexican Flavor*. Tickets include dinner, complimentary wine, signed copy of Valladolid's book (discount for couples willing to share book). Reservations: 858-454-0347. Tuesday, September 8, 6pm; \$60-\$75. Isabel's Cantina, 966 Felspar Street. (PACIFIC BEACH)

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**Carlsbad Coastal Wine Tasting** Brian Vitek from Carlsbad Coastal pours "their amazing wines." 760-591-9113. Friday, September 4, 5pm; Saturday, September 5, 5pm; \$15. 21 and up. Vino 100, 133 South Las Posas Road. (SAN MARCOS)

## FOR KIDS

**"Our Naturehood"** Learn fun facts about lizards and snakes in your neighborhood during Linda Hawley's program for parents and kids (kindergarten-3rd grade). Enjoy songs, trail walk, take-home craft. Required registration: 619-582-6261. Tuesday, September 8, 2pm; free-\$9. 5 and up. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

**Mother Goose** You're invited to Big Joe Production marionette shows. 619-544-9203. Thursday, September 3, 11am, 1pm and 2:30pm; Friday, September 4, 11am, 1pm and 2:30pm; Saturday, September 5, 11am, 1pm and 2:30pm; Sunday, September 6, 11am, 1pm and 2:30pm; Wednesday, September 9, 10am and 11:30am; \$3-\$5. Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theatre, 2130 Pan American Road West. (BALBOA PARK)

**The Wyrn King** Kids' fantasy authors Holly Black and Tony DiTerlizzi sign the concluding book of their *Spiderwick Chronicles* series. 858-268-4747. Wednesday, September 9, 7pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

**Lizards and Snakes!** Kids (ages two-five) and parents learn "fun facts about lizards and snakes with songs, hands-on materials, short trail walks, and take-home craft" during "Ant-Sized Adventures" led by Linda Hawley. Reservations required: 619-582-6261. Thursday, September 3, 10am; Friday, September 4, 10am; Monday, September 7, 10am; Tuesday, September 8, 10am; free-\$9. 2 and up. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junípero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

**Pet Pals Kids' Club** Kids 6-13 have "fun with other animal-loving kids." Required reservations: 619-243-3432. Saturday, September 5, 10am; \$15. 6 and up. San Diego Humane Society and SPCA, 5500 Gaines Street. (LINDA VISTA)

## GALLERIES

**"Bill Arnold: Itek Prints"** Opening reception for exhibition by Arnold, who "with his camera...finds poetry in common everyday occurrences and seem-

ingly prosaic observations." Through Saturday, October 10. 858-456-5620. Saturday, September 5, 5pm; free. Joseph Bellows Gallery, 7661 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**"Expanding-Eel-Devourer"** Opening reception for installation by artist Alexander Lee, "a former student now exhibiting at an international level." Exhibit includes closing event entitled "Expanding-Eel-Devourer from the Great Fish

Changing Skies" on Thursday, October 1, 7pm. Lee's piece references creation myths of Tahiti. 619-388-2829. Thursday, September 3, 4:30pm; free. Mesa College Art Gallery, 7250 Mesa College Drive. (MESA COLLEGE)

**"Kinetic Stillness"** Opening reception for San Francisco artist Molly McCracken Kumar, whose exhibit of new paintings continues through Saturday, October 10. 858-459-3917. Saturday, Septem-

ber 5, 4pm; free. R.B. Stevenson Gallery, 7661 Girard Ave., Suite 201. (LA JOLLA)

**"Ordinary Moments"** Reception for featured artists Judy Pike and Camey McGilvray ("Deconstructing Chaos"), as well as "Outstanding Visual Artists" of region. Closes Sunday, October 4. 619-236-0011. Friday, September 4, 6pm; free-\$3. San Diego Art Institute: Museum of the Living Artist, 1439 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Outside the Box"** Reception for artists whose 100 original watercolor paintings are on exhibit through Saturday, September 26. Juror was Vi Gassman. 619-876-4550. Friday, September 4, 5pm; free. San Diego Watercolor Society at NTC Promenade, 2825 Dewey Road #105. (POINT LOMA)

**"Places I Remember"** Opening reception for exhibition of landscape and plein air oil paintings by artist, author, art teacher Adele

Earnshaw. Closes Sunday, October 11. 760-765-1676. Saturday, September 5, 4pm; free. Santa Ysabel Art Gallery, 30352 Highway 78. (SANTA YSABEL)

**"Surf Art"** Opening reception for solo art exhibit by graphic designer and artist Jessica Justus. Show continues through September. 760-943-1950. Saturday, September 5, 6pm; free. Downtown Encinitas Mainstreet Association, 818 South Coast Hwy 101. (ENCINITAS)



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**Art Quilts** Opening reception for exhibition of work by Philadelphia artist Emily Richardson. View these works of layered and painted fabric through Sunday, November 1. 619-546-4872. Friday, September 4, 5pm; free. Visions Art Quilt Gallery, NTC Promenade, Liberty Station, 2825 Dewey Rd., Suite 100. (POINT LOMA)

**High-End Lowbrow Pop Art!** "The Resurrection of Artists' Alley" party includes guest Michael C. Gross and artists Joey Chavez, David Lozeau, Raymond Lafferty, Dahcl, TiaVamp, Chris "Fotog" Chouinard, the Brothers Washburn, others. 760-757-5503. Saturday, September 5, 6pm; free. JC

Gallery & Studio, 212-C N. Coast Hwy. (OCEANSIDE)

## IN PERSON

**"United Nations of Comedy"** Show celebrates the diversity of comedy, with Aida Rodriguez, Aurelio Bocanegra, K.T. Tatara, Sam Tripoli, and Roy Wood Jr. Hosted by Mal Hall. 619-544-1000. Sunday, September 6, 8pm; \$15-\$20. 18 and up. Lyceum Theatre, 79 Horton Plaza. (DOWNTOWN)

**Ask Yourself This** "Spiritual leader" Wendy Craig-Purcell discusses, signs her new book. RSVP: 858-689-6500. Wednesday, September 9, 7pm; free. Unity Center, 8999 Activity Road. (MIRA MESA)

**Family Time with Ziggy** Ziggy Marley performs selections from his new children's album, which

features tracks with Paul Simon, Jack Johnson, Ziggy's mom Rita Marley. 619-233-8792. Saturday, September 5, 3pm; free-\$25. The New Children's Museum, 200 West Island Avenue. (DOWNTOWN)

**Les Miserables** Fifty teenagers take part in Broadway Theatre Arts Academy's production, directed by Sean Tamburrino. Event in park's amphitheater. 760-888-1989. Thursday, September 3, 8pm; Friday, September 4, 8pm; Saturday, September 5, 8pm; \$12-\$15. Kit Carson Park, 3333 Bear Valley Parkway. (ESCONDIDO)

**Vanished** Author Joseph Finder discusses his new book. Books must be purchased from Warwick's to be signed. 858-454-0347. Wednesday, September 9, 7:30pm; free. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**Comics That Kill** Stand-up comedy with Mal Hall, Andrew Spano, Jon Allen, Sean McBride, Ed Galvez. Hosted by Jason Bang. 619-255-8635. Monday, September 7, 9pm; \$5. 21 and up. Riley's Music Lounge, 2901 Nimitz Boulevard. (POINT LOMA)

**Hinges Improv Comedy Show** Enjoy "Prime Time" show, a homage to fall television shows, "and whatever crazy silliness you bring in your suggestions." Troupe performs series of sketches based upon audience suggestions. Los Angeles entertainers Steve Greene and Jason Horton perform. DJ spins tunes at after-party (10pm-

midnight). 619-414-7723. Saturday, September 5, 8pm; \$8-\$10. 21 and up. Queen Bee's Art and Cultural Center, 3925 Ohio Street. (NORTH PARK)

**International Thriller!** Author Brent Ghelfi signs *The Venona Cable*. 858-268-4747. Thursday, September 3, 7pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

**It's Toy Piano Time!** Ninth annual Toy Piano Festival — held on American composer John Cage's birth date — promises some serious chamber music (including Cage's "Suite for Toy Piano," written in 1948). Also on tap: novelty music filled with humor and new pieces from local composers. "Come early...or else you'll have to sit on the floor." 858-822-5758. Saturday, September 5, 2pm; free. UCSD Arts Library, Geisel Library, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**Songs Without Music?** Bring lyrics to perform as spoken word poetry, or a few poems or short stories prominently featuring the pop song. Lyrics may be your own or from your favorite authors. 760-480-4101. Sunday, September 6, 1pm; free. Escondido Municipal Gallery, 142 West Grand Avenue. (ESCONDIDO)

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## LECTURES

**"MIX Roundtable: Part 2"** Architects and designers Sebastian Mariscal, Lloyd Russell, Jennifer Luce, Jonathan Segal discuss their work, followed by roundtable discussion. 858-454-3541. Thursday, September 3, 7pm; free-\$5. Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla, 700 Prospect Street. (LA JOLLA)

**"Music Biz 3.0"** Seminar hosted by "IAmHypeOnline" to help musicians, industry professionals use social networking and multimedia technology to gain exposure, generate revenue. Topics include branding, fan-base development, merchandising, marketing with social media platforms. 888-786-9559. Tuesday, September 8, 7pm; \$10. Spring Valley Community Center, 8735 Jamacha Boulevard. (SPRING VALLEY)

**"My Ancestors Were from England — That's All I Know!"** Fred Spong shares successes, failures, disappointments of his English research with Computer-Oriented Genealogy Group sponsored by North San Diego County Genealogical Society. Nonmembers welcome. 760-967-8635. Tuesday, September 8, 10am; free. Carlsbad City Council Chambers, 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive. (CARLSBAD)

**"Off the Wall"** Artist lecture and tour by Philadelphia fiber artist Emily Richardson, whose creative

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**"Photography 101"** Three-day workshop led by John Thurston explores understanding and manipulating light, composition and framing subjects, operating your camera and its controls, preparing images for output. Class continues September 10 and 11. Materials fee: \$8. Registration: 619-223-0058. Wednesday, September 9, 3pm; \$74-\$86. 16 and up. Bravo School of Art at NTC Promenade, 2690 Decatur Rd., Studio 206. (POINT LOMA)

**"Protect Yourself and Your Wallet"** Attend seminar to "avoid becoming a victim." Presented by Aging and Independence Services, San Diego District Attorney's Office. Comfortable clothing recommended. Lunch provided. Required reservations: 800-510-2020 x4. Thursday, September 3, 11am; free. Allied Gardens-Benjamin Library, 5188 Zion Avenue. (ALLIED GARDENS)

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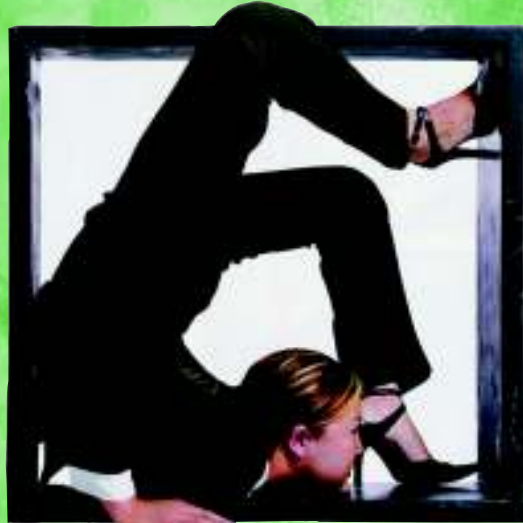
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**Finding Funding** City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture hosts workshop to inform public about application and review processes for "FY 2011" funding for arts and culture programs. Workshop topics include eligibility requirements, eligible programs and services, how to apply, funding restrictions, matching requirements. Learn about the organizational support program (OSP) in museum's Coast Room. RSVP: 619-236-6788. Wednesday, September 9, 2:30pm; free. Museum of Contemporary Art

San Diego, La Jolla, 700 Prospect Street. (LA JOLLA)

**Meet a Crime Scene Investigator** Ann Marie Shafer, a criminalist with the San Diego Sheriff's Crime Lab, addresses Sisters in Crime. Shafer has ten years' experience as a specialist in body fluid identification and DNA analysis. 760-585-5383. Thursday, September 3, 7pm; free-\$3. Joyce Beers Community Center, 4065 Vermont Street. (HILLCREST)

**Seldom Seen** James Grebl discusses museum's collection of autochromes, with selections from its collection not typically on view to public. Autochromes, color transparencies on glass produced with dyed potato starch, are among earliest color photographs ever made. 619-696-1978. Thursday, September 3, 7pm; \$5-\$10. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

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7:30am; free. Oceanside Pier, Mission Avenue and Pacific Street. (OCEANSIDE)

**Elfin Forest Bicycle Ride** San Diego Bicycle Touring Society riders head out for scenic 70-mile adventure. 858-277-0799. Sunday, September 6, 8:45am; free. Doyle Park, 8175 Regents Road. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

**Fernando Gutierrez Memorial Cup Finals** San Diego Polo Club hosts competition and "7th Chukker Party." Preliminary matches at 1:30pm, feature match at 3pm. Parking: \$5. 858-750-6841. Sunday, September 6, 1:30pm; \$10-\$25. San Diego Polo Club, 14555 El Camino Real. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

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**Snorkel with Sharks!** Adventures among harmless leopard sharks, guitarfish, and smooth-hound sharks during outing hosted by Birch Aquarium-Museum. Reservations: 858-534-7336. Sunday, September 6, 8am; \$30. 10 and up. La Jolla Shores, 8200 Camino del Oro. (LA JOLLA)

**The Bicycle Film Festival Begins!** Event celebrating urban bike movement is presented by 42BELOW, beginning with goldsprints, “a one-on-one roller-sprint race with prizes” for best male and female times. Registration starts at 9pm. 212-255-6102. Friday, September 4, 9pm; free. 21 and up. The Kensington Club, 4079 Adams Avenue. (KENSINGTON-TALMADGE)

**They're Nearing the Home Stretch!** Del Mar Thoroughbred Club horse racing meet runs through September 9. Handicapping seminars offered Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Pacific Classic Racing Festival runs September 4-September 7, with \$1 Million Pacific Classic on Sunday, September 6. Labor Day (September 7) is Jockey Photo Day. Season concludes with Party in the Paddock on September 9. 858-755-1141. Thursday, 2pm; Friday, 3pm; Saturday, 2pm; Sunday, 2pm; Wednesday, 2pm; through Wednesday, September 9, \$6-\$10. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

## MUSEUMS & PUBLIC ART

**Bancroft Ranch House Museum**  
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**Barona Cultural Center and Museum** 1095 Barona Rd., 619-443-7003. (LAKESIDE)

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**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. 14134 Midland Rd., 858-679-8587. (POWAY)

**Heritage of the Americas Museum** More than 100 Chinese jades of the Late Neolithic (4300-2500 B.C.) through the Ming periods (A.D. 1368-1644) 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 ornaments in life. See a rare and valuable jade burial suit of the Han dynasty (206 B.C.-A.D. 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). Ongoing.

The museum features art and artifacts from South and North America, concentrating on the utilitarian and decorative artistry of crafts workers from ancient cultures. 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)

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**Mingei International Museum** "Masters of Mid-Century California Modernism — Evelyn and Jerome Ackerman," continuing through Sunday, October 18, presents overview of duo's 50-year collaborative partnership, focusing on their work in decorative art and design. These Los Angeles-based artists shared their interest in, and devotion to, principles of modern design — as defined by Bauhaus philosophy of integrating fine art and craftsmanship with industrial practices to produce quality products. Their body of work is remarkable for its diversity of styles, techniques, materials.

"India Adorned" features selections from museum's Stephen Huyler Collection. Exhibit "reveals the colorful diversity of Indian creative expression, presenting an evocative collection of works that are used in the daily routine of a typical Indian family — objects of worship, personal and domestic adornment, utility, and recreation." Closes Sunday, September 6.

"Doors from Four Cultures" — continuing through Sunday, September 6 — introduces different interpretations of that most useful and ubiquitous mechanism of daily life, the door. See doors from Japan, India, the Sa'dan Toraja culture of Sulawesi in Indonesia, and the Dogon people of Mali.

"Sonabai: Another Way of Seeing" continues through Sunday, September 5, 2010. The self-taught artist lived in enforced isolation for 15 years in a remote village in central India, developing an innovative art form that she later taught to other artists. Exhibition includes 33 sculptures by Sonabai and her family as well as 38 works by four artists trained by Sonabai. 1439 El Prado, 619-239-0003. (BALBOA PARK)

**Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla** Work by nine architects who lead San Diego-based architectural design firms "redefining housing design, development, and urbanization in the San Diego region and beyond" showcased in "MIX: Nine San Diego Architects." Curators selected estudio teddy cruz, LUCE et studio architects, Sebastián Mariscal, Public (James Brown and James Gates), Rinehart Herbst (Todd Rinehart and Catherine Herbst), Lloyd Russell, and Jonathan Segal as representative of a generation of architects who have pursued sophisticated design forms aligned with a critical understanding of the economic and social context of the region. Closes Sunday, September 6.

Alice Aycock, Robert Irwin, Matt Mullican, and Robert Venturi are presented in "Abstraction for Everyday Life," an exhibition of

promised gifts and works on paper from museum's collection, on display through Sunday, September 6. "Featured works all utilize forms of architectural drawing, rendering, and sketching to represent abstracted and evocative states and ideas, as well as the opposite — drawing plans made to create functional objects and physical structures whose origins lie in theory and subjective perception." 700 Prospect St., 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

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**National City Depot** San Diego Electric Railway Association operates museum in this historic Santa Fe depot with exhibits, video displays, trolley equipment, restored passenger car from National City

and Otay Railroad. 922 West 23rd St., 619-474-4400. (NATIONAL CITY)

**Oceanside Museum of Art** Esther Nisenthal Krinitz was a teenager in rural Poland when Nazis invaded her village; separated from their family, Esther and her sister survived Holocaust pretending to be Polish Catholics, arriving in America after war. "Fabric of Survival: The Art of Esther Nisenthal Krinitz" — continuing through Sunday, October 25 — is made up of the 36 appliqué and embroidered panels Krinitz decided to create at the age of 50 to tell her story.

In "Delayed Gratification," Dave Ghilarducci "playfully confronts the contemporary paradigm that if man willingly submits to technology he will become more efficient and therefore lead a more meaningful life." Ghilarducci has installed a bicycle with a generator connected to back wheel powering an LED display; when visitors climb on bicycle and "ride," the LED projects words of wisdom from Aldous Huxley's dystopian novel *Brave New World*. Closes Friday, September 25.

"American Dream" — a body of mixed-media work by ceramic artist Gregg Jabs — continues through Sunday, January 10. "By questioning the reality of the American dream, the myth begins to unravel with surprising results." 704 Pier View Way, 760-435-3720. (OCEANSIDE)

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The international juried "Best of Nature Photography Show," continuing through Sunday, September 13, includes winning images from amateur and professional photographers. Landscape, wildlife, nature-based abstract/impressionistic images shown.

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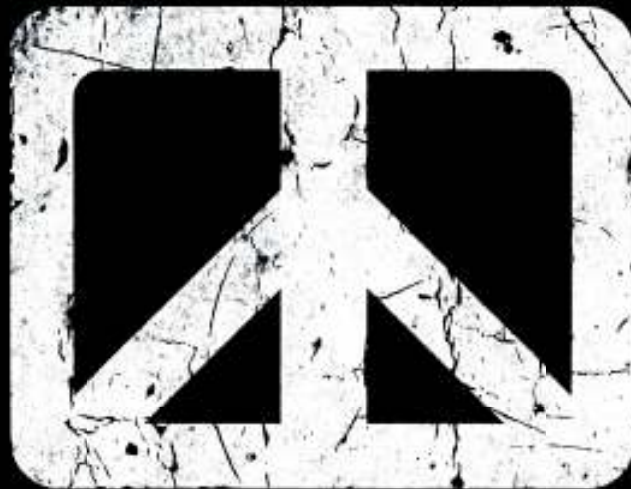
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**Where Is "Sweet Rock and Roll"?** Somewhere in San Diego a tantalizing Holy Grail of rock performance history is awaiting discovery

The Velvets played there in mid-June 1968 (favorably reviewed in the *San Diego Union*) and returned in early July for dates with San



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in a dusty corner...maybe.

As documented in Richie Unterberger's comprehensive new book *White Light/White Heat: The Velvet Underground*

Francisco's Quicksilver Messenger Service.

An impressed Lester Bangs of *El Cajon*, 19, was there in July; later, as a top

ence was terrible...they wanted those California acid vibes instead of what they took for cold New York negativism....

"Right in the middle of all these bad vibes, the Velvets launched into a new song that was one of the most incredible musical experiences of my concert career.... It was the chorus that was the most moving: 'Ohhhh, sweet rock and roll — it'll cleanse your soul.' That's classic, and no other group in America could have (or would have) written and sung those words."

As late VU guitarist Sterling Morrison told Spanish journalist Ignacio Julia in 1986, at a post-gig party, he and Reed listened to a four-track SD show recording: "Then came 'Sweet Rock and Roll,' which was never recorded [in studio] and never played again. [That] tape...sounded so great...there was no point in recording it." But as Morrison elaborated in an unpublished interview with M.C. Kostek and Phil Milstein of *What Goes On* magazine, "The tape was stolen that very night... [I]t vanished, never to reappear on earth."

"If the tape has good sound, certainly it would be a Holy Grail for VU fans," agreed Unterberger by email. The missing recording is on his book's "Ten Best Unreleased" list. "There aren't any high-fidelity live tapes of the [John] Cale lineup in

1968, and as this is just a few months before he left the group, it probably shows that lineup approaching their live peak. It would be added value if 'Sweet Rock and Roll' is just as exciting as Bangs and Morrison claimed it to be.... If one of [their recently discovered] 1966 acetates got \$25,000 on eBay, I'd say such a tape should be worth something in that neighborhood."

— David Stampone

### Jackson of All Trades

Days after returning from a solo tour opening for two-piece folk-punk act Andrew Jackson Jihad, Jackson Milgaten sits at a table inside North Park smoothie joint Señor Mango's for an interview and update on the four bands he plays in — all of which have new albums or are in the process of recording.

"Sometimes it can be a nightmare," says Milgaten, describing how he juggles three weekly practices, live shows, tours, finding time to write new music, and managing indie label Single Screen Records with Craig Barclift, bass player for the Powerchords.

"I really don't know how I

fit it all in. I just do."

At the Soda Bar September 26, Milgaten's main project, the Vision of a Dying World, will release their fifth album in as many years; an acoustic EP entitled *I Will Not Fear What I Don't Understand*, written by Milgaten and consisting of the songs that he played during his solo tour. For the release party, Milgaten plans to play half of the show himself and the other half with the band — Milgaten's broth-



ONE OF JACKSON'S FOUR, VISION OF A DYING WORLD

er Keith, Jeremy Scott, and Jona Tellez-Giron. Milgaten says playing alone is "exhilarating, but I prefer to play with other people. It's good to have that support onstage, where you can hide behind each other or the wall of sound."

A few weeks after Vision releases their EP, another of Milgaten's projects, the Paddle Boat, will release their debut full-length, *I Wonder If the Water Ever Tires of the*

*Sea*, at the Luce Loft.

In between it all, his other project, Cuckoo Chaos, is halfway through recording their first full-length album. Milgaten also plays bass for former Wild Weekend vocalist and guitarist Maren Parusel, who released her first 7-inch in early August at the Casbah.

After listing the status of each project, Milgaten lets out an excited laugh that cracks the air in Señor Mango's. "I can't help it. I have a hard time turning things down.

Plus, I really wouldn't know what to do with myself if I wasn't doing this."

— Dorian Hargrove

### Metal in the Blood

Gabey D'Schiavone spent the '80s on the Sunset Strip in L.A.'s glam-band scene. His band, Ambush, played the same clubs — Gazarri's, Troubadour, Roxy — that cradled Poison, Ratt, and Mötley Crüe. "All my friends were on

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# blurt

the inside track

*Day-By-Day*, Lou Reed's influential avant rock 'n' roll band played San Diego twice. Both were multiple-night engagements at the Hippodrome, a long-gone converted roller rink at Front and G streets.

rock critic, his championing of VU and Reed helped enshrine them in the canon of cool. "In a way it was the ultimate Velvet Underground concert," he wrote in a 1971 article for *Creem*. "The audi-

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[drugs]. One hung himself....”

D'Schiavone said he had to get out of L.A. “or it would have killed me.” For the past 20 years he’s been based in Carlsbad and has played in the New American Mob and Die Hunns of L.A. Last year he was asked to rejoin his old friend, former pro skater Duane Peters, in his reactivated band Gunfight. “I wrote the first record [with Gunfight] that came out in 2004, but [Peters] couldn’t keep a lineup together. Last year he called me up, and we wrote ‘Checkmate.’ I wrote the music; he wrote the words. It came out in March.”

The new Gunfight, with D’Schiavone on lead guitar and backup vocals, was buoyed by an appearance on Fuel TV’s *Daily Habit* in the spring. Four Warped Tour dates and a U.S. tour with Anti-Nowhere League followed.

“Duane’s like a modern-day Johnny Rotten. I’m a metal guy. Duane is way more punk. On the Warped Tour, we were playing on the old-school punk stage to, like, 1000 people, and I look

across the parking lot and see 20,000 kids who are going crazy, banging their heads to the new-style metal. And they know all words. I love punk rock, don’t get me wrong, but my heart is in metal.”

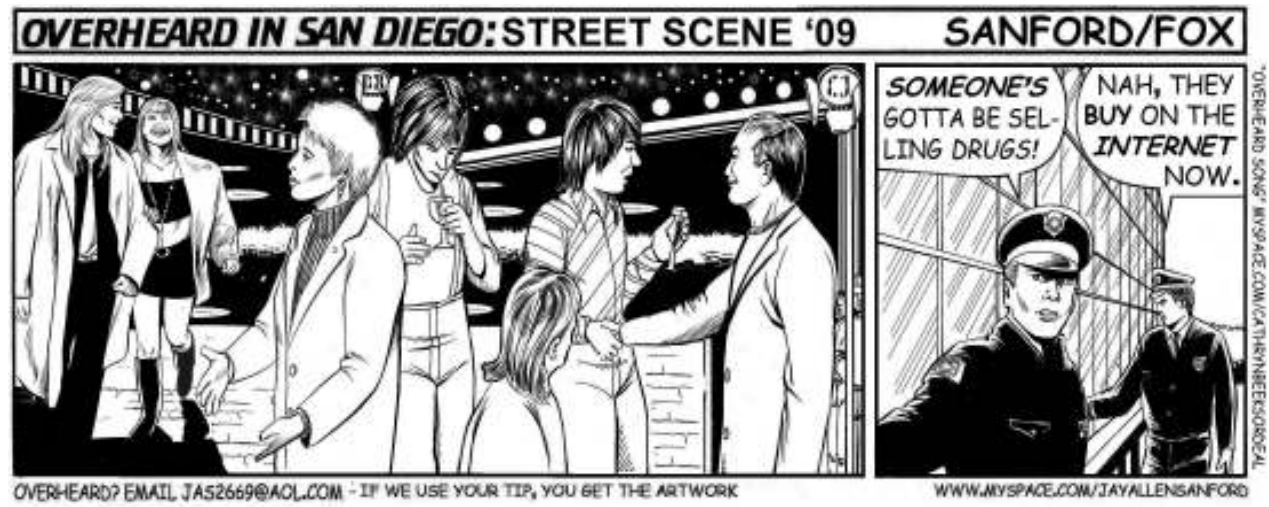
D’Schiavone, 46, says that realization helped him decide to leave Gunfight and reactivate his band the New American Mob. “My last show with [Gunfight] was in Denver last month. Half the people said I was crazy to leave, and half the people



D'SCHIAVONE PUTS PUNK BEHIND HIM

told me [Gunfight] was holding me back.”

He says that some dates with Gunfight did not go well due to “lifestyle” issues. “It was turning into a big party. It was not a business to them. I felt like I was the only guy in the band besides Duane who took the band seriously. You just never knew when the show was going to fall apart. You’d



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look across the stage and [see a] guy standing there looking like a deer in the headlights, wondering if we are in [the key of] A or G. I tried schooling them, caring for them, babysitting them. When you are in a punk band, you have to pack up your own gear. You don’t just leave after the show and run off to a party. This is a brotherhood. There are certain unspoken rules. When you start violating the rules of brotherhood...I can only take so many of those violations. If it was just me and Duane, I’d probably still be with him....

“Ambush came to a screeching halt because of drug abuse. That’s how I learned my lesson...how drugs just cannot fit into this.”

He says the New American Mob will tour in November. “These guys are ready to go. I have a gnarly chick drummer named Cat Scandal.”

— Ken Leighton

**Secret Assassin** “The first concert I ever saw was Assassin in early 1985, at Straita Head Sound in La Mesa,” says Deep Shag Records exec Michael Reed, who ended up running the band’s fan club. “They were balls-out rockers in the same vein as Ratt, Rough Cutt, and Jake E. Lee.”

In its heyday, Assassin opened for headliners such as Poison, Alcatrazz, Grim Reaper, and Precious Metal. Today, former Assassin drummer Dave “Bundy” Imondi plays in Van Halen tribute band OU812 with Assassin bassist John Osmon.

Over recent contacts with

former Assassin members, Reed discovered that there were tapes of an unreleased album recorded in 1984. The uncovered collection is slated



LONG LOST ASSASSIN SONGS OUT NEXT MONTH

to be released by Deep Shag on October 6.

“We even came up with five live tracks secretly recorded at Straita Head Sound,” says Reed. “Back in 1984, the band’s manager, Charlie Bryant, discovered an Assassin concert was being taped in the recording studio

behind the stage...without their permission. Charlie grabbed the 24-track reel off the machine. I have no idea if other bands were secretly recorded. We just got lucky enough to grab ours and keep it.”

The earliest Assassin recording, however, remains elusive. “According to the guys from the band, the earliest song they taped was called ‘What’s That,’ which was played almost exclusively on KGB, most likely on Pat Martin’s *Metal Shop* [show] or by Jim McInnes on his *Homegrown* program. Nobody has a copy of the song. It’s the only studio-recorded song Assassin ever did that I don’t have for the reissue.”

— Jay Allen Sanford

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# club crawler This Week In Music

## Thursday 3

Soda Bar draws a draught of fuzz pop in a variety of flavors for one of the better bills this week, indie geek. Check it out: Philly electro rockers **Cold Cave** re-do nu-wave on one of the best-received debuts this year, *Love Comes Close*. Collection's got all your guilty pleasures. Speakinawhich, local duo **Crocodiles**, y'all. All that tasty My Bloody Mary Chain on *Summer of Hate* and a couple of standout singles in "Neon Jesus" and "I Wanna Kill" getting heavy rotation on the adventurous stations. Corporate radio eats worms. Wha...? Post these "poncy divas" their SDMA's and call the whole thing off. And, also, garage rock-n-soul squirts **Strange Boys**, all the way from Austin on Daddy's Mobil



CROCODILES AT SODA BAR

card, and our own avant popsters **Anasazis**. "Holy shit!" indeed, Soda. Save me a stool... If or when that fills up, none-too-shabs in the Department of Else: Cincy soul-rockers the **Heartless Bastards** hit Casbah behind their latest Fat Possum piece, *The Mountain*, a tidier affair than the Bastards' norm and a showcase for vocalist Erika Wennerstrom. Suggest you give their Space takes a spin. Sounds a bit like Nico covering Patti Smith and vice versa, no? i.e., a taste needs t'be acquired. "Guests" will set the stage.... Never-say-die London punks **UK Subs** drift into Bay Park, where they'll tear through Brick by Brick with like-minded locals **Bankers Hill**, the **Lugers**, and **Reservoir Tips**. Heh.... Bar Pink books a pair of interestingly long-named bands from faraway towns, the **New Radiant Storm King** group is from Northampton, Massachusetts, and **Drew Grow and the Pastors' Wives** are from Portland. They both play arty indie pop of that particular Bar Pink quality.

## Friday 4

Friday kicks off the **North Park Awesome Fast** slap-dash fest for and by and about bands. Reads like three days and nights of solid club sets up around hipster central — U-31, the Office, Soda Bar, Radio Room. Rockers of the Guitar Hero variety can jack in at *northparkawesome-fast.com*.... *Tut Tut Now Shake Ya Butt*, garage-punk duo **Japanther** are on the road and pounce on campus club Ché Café with Brooklyn crunk crew **Ninjasnik** and locals the **Volts**.... Retro-stoners **Mars Volta** cook noodles at Soma. The Grammy-winning Texas troupe is out to tout their fifth proper but first for the mainstream WB, *Octahedron*.... Mister **Johnny Winter** will lay it down at Belly Up. The 65-year-old pale male is one of the featured artists on this year's *Woodstock Experience*, available via Sony BMG.... Indie-popular Portland electronic duo **Glass Candy** join the aforementioned **Cold Cave** at Casbah Friday night to fill a beats-based bill. It's L.A. opens **Best Coast** and their girl-group surf pop that are curling my toes, though. The lady has got her Connie on. Way cool.... Country-fried rawkers **Bartenders Bible** thump it at Bar Pink. MySpace warning: The banjo player likes to get naked.... "So Cal Loco" **Sprung Monkey** climb all over Brick by Brick.... South Central alt-hop crew **Pharcyde** roll up on Canes.... Eclectic lady of rock and soul **Bettye LaVette** has her "own hell to raise" at Anthology. The 63-year-old madam of Motown has been in this biz and wowing crowds with her pipes since she was 16.



GLASS CANDY AT CASBAH

## Saturday 5

Are you Eeksprienced? Kingston singjay **Eek-A-Mouse** will make up a date at Canes Saturday night. The roots reggae artist is better known for

his road show than recordings, but you should check his cover of Zep's "D'Yer Maker" off of 1991's *U-Neek*. Mouse'll hit that live for you, if you ask nice.... The **B-Side Players** will flip it at Belly Up, laying Latin dance jams all the night long. Shine your kicks, ese.... "The scariest band in the world," **Deadbolt**, slides into Casbah with the equally raucous **Deere Johns** and **Bartenders Bible**.... Uptown, local indie kids **Crash Encore**, the **Death Eaters**, and **Lazy Stars** fill a bill at Beauty Bar...while piano-pop quintet **Drowning Men** wash up at Bar Pink with L.A. experimentalists **OBI Best**.

## Sunday 6

Your pre-Labor Day list is a prodigious list, indeed, dear rocker. Check it: **AC** freaking **DC** brings their head-banging, power-chord riffage to the Sports Arena behind last year's comebacker *Black Ice*. Said it



AC/DC AT THE SPORTS ARENA

before, bears repeatin', best cock-rock band evah.... Portland punk-pop trio the **Thermals** play an early set at Casbah. Hutch Harris, Kathy Foster, and Westin Glass followed up critical hit song cycle *The Body, the Blood, the Machine* with this year's equally ambitious concept collection *Now We Can See*. Not exactly apples and oranges, as the trio's got limited tricks, but *BBM* was way way better and one of the best records of 2006. A must. **Tape Deck Mountain** sets the stage, and then afterward, **Jivewire** DJs will spin you right round. Baby.... Belly Up bills its annual punk-rock reunion show, this year featuring **PIVIT**, **Agent 51**, **Sack Lunch**, and **Spero Lumina**.... Psych-folkies the **Donkeys** clop into Ruby Room. The boys're back from a six-week stint with Magnolia Electric Co. Earnest wow. Wrap yer mitts around their Dead Oceans disc *Living on the Other Side*

to hear what all the hubbub's about. Odd-pop indie act **Loxly** from Austin and our own **Moviemakers** warm the seats at the Hillcrest hideaway.... Fullerton slop-pop act **Audacity** spills it at Bar Pink with **Stoned at Heart** and the **Bugs**.

## Monday 7

Didja know Labor Day's a Canadian holiday? Thought not.... Blues-rock bros **China Clippers** will play a freebie, as they do every first Monday, at Ruby Room. They will open with "O Canada."

## Tuesday 8

"We don't want to bring anything to the table. We want to be the table." That's Lowell Hefflin of local noise-pop quartet the **Lanterns**, which will light up Radio Room Tuesday night. Have you heard *Apocalypse Youth* yet? Get with these guys. They won't tickle. **Life Deposits**, **Sad American Night**, and the **Beat-less** set the stage.

## Wednesday 9

Scottish pop pinup **Paolo Nutini** (Dad was from Toscana) burns down the House of Blues with the blue-eyed soul off his latest international hit *Sunny Side Up*.... Barroom rockers **Southern Culture on the Skids** and **Los Straitjackets**

are gonna pack 'em wall to wall at Casbah, while **Pant Hoots** plays the Atari.... L.A. mainstays the **Blasters** and **John Doe** will pull out the roots rock at Belly Up.... And Anthology hosts for three nights starting Wednesday, living legends of jazz **Chick Corea** (keys), **Stanley Clarke** (bass), and **Lenny White** (traps). Two shows a night, jazz fan. No excuse.



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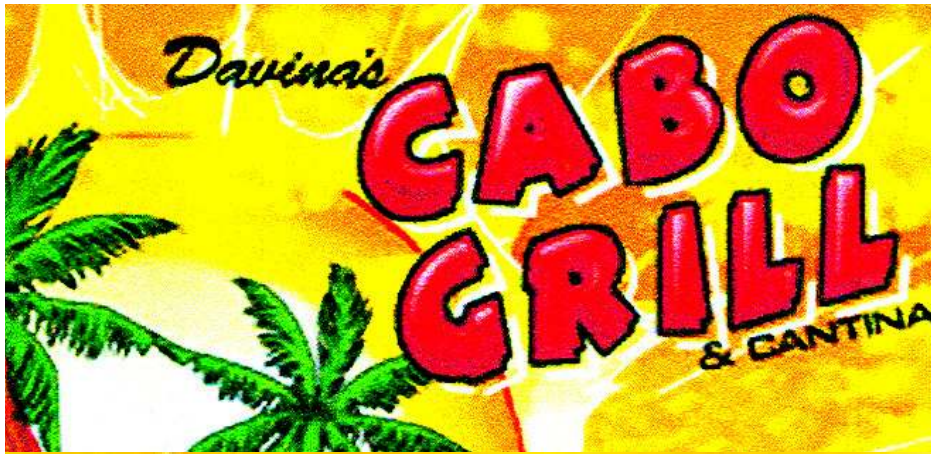
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# From New York City to Mexico City

*"I first thought I was gonna have to go to Europe or Thailand to track with him."*

"I'm a serial collaborator," says Christopher Leyva of Blizzard and Revolution 89. In addition to his band projects, Leyva has collaborated with Greg Laswell, Phil Solem (the Rembrandts), Steve Poltz, members of Louis XIV, producer Steve Russell (P.O.D.), and Chris Reynolds of Red Flag.

"I went all over the U.S.A. to record my latest solo album," says Leyva. "From Dallas, Texas, to New York City...and Mexico City, where Erykah Badu's husband played keys on one song. He was just picking up some demo at the studio and asked if he could lay down some keys!"

He singles out Dallas as the most challenging (and most fun) locale in which to record. "It was a tiny little studio, and we used nothing but one mike and our own creativity, from beating a metal rod to beating a washing machine. And recording the studio shower to make rain sounds."

Chris Leyva's latest solo album is SDMA-nominated this year for Best Local Recording, his second award nod in two years. He appears Saturday, September 5, at the House of Blues.

## DESCRIBE YOUR MUSIC...

"A mix of pop, singer-songwriting, and heart-felt lyrics. Think Paul McCartney meets Ryan Adams. But not Ryan Adams country, just a sprinkle of country."

## WHY SO MUCH '80s GLAM ON YOUR NEW ALBUM?

"That would be from hooking up with Chris Reynolds, whose [local] '80s band Red Flag was a big electro-jam act. We had talked for a long

time, but I just never saw a fit until recently. I'm mostly known for singer-songwriter rock, but somewhere along the line I decided I wanted to stand out so I wouldn't become just another Steve

Poltz or Greg Laswell or Jason Mraz — all of whom are great, but I was ready to do a little '80s-style dance electropop. So I found

Reynolds's number and called him...I first thought I was gonna have to go to Europe or Thailand to track with him, but then I found out he had already moved back to San Diego."

## HOW DID NYC INFLUENCE YOUR WRITING?

"I wanted some songs to feel like a walk in Central Park or falling in love in the East Village or a train ride to Central Square. I think the music scene there is so vast that you don't even know where to begin, but everyone is happy to share what they're up to and help you."

## AND THE MEXICO SESSIONS?

"Well, that's where I'm from, and I had a Latin song, so I went with a Latin band I know down there. I think the locale definitely 'authenticated' the song. Mexico's music scene is such a smart scene — they are very educated and the musicians truly appreciate art and the beauty of it all. They're very conscious of the history, and there's lots of *orgullo* — pride — over the roots of their music."

## WHAT'S IN YOUR MUSIC PLAYER?

1. *The Rembrandts*. "It never gets old. '90s production was the cleanest."
2. Oasis, (*What's the Story*) *Morning Glory*. "You need your whiskey for this one."

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Christopher Leyva

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3. *Backbeat*, soundtrack. "It has Dave Grohl, Greg Dully, the bass player of R.E.M. — gotta have the classics. The album features a bunch of fast-paced three-chord rock 'n' roll from the '50s that the Beatles covered in their early days but updated to sound modern."

4. Butch Walker, *Letters*. "Best songwriter and vocalist ever."

5. Ryan Adams, *Gold*. "Truth-in-writing has never felt so pure and unrehearsed like it feels on this good old record. All the lyrics are smart and simple to follow."

## DREAM COLLABORATION?

"I think I'm gonna take up Ben Moore [the Styletones] on his offer to get into the studio with him and finally do a record with him."

## GOLDEN TURKEY BAD-MOVIE AWARD?

*The Crying Game*. It teaches you to rethink kissing girls while under the influence."

## FAVORITE VIDEO GAME?

"I like shoot-the-zombie ones."

## MAC OR PC?

"My Mac is my personal fun assistant. My PC assistant always got bugs and was very outdated. My Mac is so sexy, I can't stop touching her keys."

## BEST THING YOU'VE EVER WON?

"I always lose; hence, I'm a songwriter. If I ever did win something, I'd be in danger of ending up like a Jonas brother or somebody else on Disney [Channel], singing about the happy Sunday I just had and how I got a cool toy with my Happy Meal."

## FIRST BOOK YOU REMEMBER READING?

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### THIS WEEK'S SHOWS

**4th&B:** 345 B St., Downtown, 619-231-4343.  
*Thursday*, 8pm — Lou Gramm. Rock.

*Saturday*, 7:30pm — Souls of We. With Gilby Clarke and Uncle Junkie. Pop/rock. \$20. 21 and up.

**Anthology:** 1337 India St., Little Italy, 619-595-0300.

*Thursday*, 7:30pm — Alphonse Mouzon Jazz Project. Jazz. \$15.

*Friday*, 7:30pm and 9:30pm — Bettye Lavette. Blues. \$19-\$24.

*Saturday*, 7:30pm and 9:30pm — Tito Puente Jr. Orchestra. With Johnny Polanco. Latin \$10-\$38.  
*Sunday*, 7:30pm — Toquali. Jazz/Latin. \$14.



Nickelback, September 5, Cricket Wireless Amphitheatre

*Tuesday*, 7pm — The Anthology House Band. Jazz. \$5.

*Wednesday*, 7:30pm and 9:30pm — Corea, Clarke & White. Jazz. \$75-\$85.

**Bar Pink:** 3829 30th St., North Park, 619-564-7194.

*Thursday*, 10pm — Drew Grow and the Pastors' Wives. With New

Radiant Storm Kings. Garage/pop. Free. 21 and up.

*Friday*, 10pm — Bartenders Bible. With the Weight. Alternative/ country/rock. Free. 21 and up.

*Saturday*, 10pm — The Drowning Men. With Obi Best. Rock. Free. 21 and up.

*Sunday*, 9pm — Stoned at Heart.

With Audacity and the Bugs. Punk/rock. Free. 21 and up.

**Beachside Grill:** 215 N. Coast Hwy. 101, Oceanside, 760-433-8850.

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*Saturday*, 9pm — Crash Encore. With the Death Eaters and the Lazystars. Rock. \$5. 21 and up.

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

*Thursday*, 9pm — '80s Heat. Covers/standards. \$10-\$12. 21 and up.

*Friday*, 9pm — Johnny Winter. With the Hill Country Revue and Anna Troy. \$21-\$23. 21 and up. *Saturday*, 9pm — The B-Side Players. Latin/reggae/soul. \$15-\$17. 21 and up.

*Sunday*, 9pm — Pivit. With Agent 51. Punk/surf. \$12. 21 and up. *Wednesday*, 8pm — The Blasters. With John Doe. Punk/rock. \$17-\$19. 21 and up.

**Bing Crosby's Restaurant and Piano Lounge:** 7007 Friars Rd., Mission Valley, 619-295-2464. *Friday*, 7pm — David Patrone. With Sky Ladd and Grant Clarkson. Jazz/lounge. Free.

**The Bitter End:** 770 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-338-9300. *Thursday*, 9pm — Deliverance Machine. With Zank. Blues/psychedelic/rock. *Wednesday*, 8pm — Marcelo Radulovich. With SO3. Rock.

**Boar Cross'n:** 390 Grand Ave., Carlsbad, 760-729-2989. *Thursday*, 9pm — Zombie Surf Camp. With the Secret Samurai and Hazmatt. Punk/rock/surf. \$5. 21 and up.

**Brick by Brick:** 1130 Buena Vista Ave., Linda Vista, 619-275-5483. *Thursday*, 8pm — The UK Subs. With Bankers Hill, the Lugers, and more. Punk/rock. \$15. 21 and up. *Friday*, 8pm — Sprung Monkey. With the Jason Chase Trio, Without Papers, and Love Jones. Alternative/pop/rock. \$12. 21 and up.

*Saturday*, 7:30pm — Chanauk. With Sixth Day and Loked. Hardcore/metal/rock. \$10. 21 and up.

**Café Sevilla:** 555 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-233-5979. *Thursday*, 9pm — Bomba Chante. Salsa/Latin. *Sunday*, 7pm — Orquesta Guayao. Salsa.

*Tuesday*, 9pm — Banda del Swing. Latin. *Wednesday*, 9pm — Gene Perry y Afro Rumba. Latin/jazz/salsa.

**Canes:** 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach, 858-488-1780. *Thursday*, 8pm — Flash in Fashion. Featuring performances by Marlon Dane, Lady Gemini, Beta Lion, Vox Merger, and One Son. Pop/R&B. \$8-\$10. 21 and up.

*Friday*, 9pm — The Pharcyde. Hip-hop. \$27-\$30. 21 and up.

*Saturday*, 9pm — Eek-A-Mouse. Reggae/roots/dub. \$22. 21 and up. *Sunday*, 9pm — Children of the Grave. With Atomic Punks and Jumping Jack Flash. Tributes to Black Sabbath, Van Halen, and the Rolling Stones. Covers/rock. \$15. 21 and up.

**The Casbah:** 2501 Kettner Bl., Little Italy, 619-232-4355. *Thursday*, 8:30pm — The Heartless Bastards. With guests. Indie/rock/soul. 21 and up.

*Friday*, 8:30pm — Glass Candy.

With Cold Cave, Best Coast, and DJs Mario Orduno, Sir Charles, and Brandon Welchez. Electronic/pop. \$12. 21 and up.

*Saturday*, 8:30pm — Deadbolt. With guest. Psychobilly/rock. \$12. 21 and up.

*Sunday*, 7pm — The Thermals. With guests. Alternative. \$12. 21 and up.

*Wednesday*, 8:30pm — Southern Culture on the Skids. With Los Straitjackets and Pant Hoots. Country/rock. \$20. 21 and up.

**Ché Café:** 9500 Gilman Dr., UCSD, 858-534-2311.

*Sunday*, 7pm — Hedgehog. With Queen Sea Big Shark and Casino Demon. Rock.

**Cricket Wireless Amphitheatre:** 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista, 619-671-3600.

*Saturday* — Nickelback. With Hinder, Papa Roach, and Saving Abel. Rock.

*Wednesday*, 7pm — Def Leppard and Poison. Rock.

**Dalton's Road House:** 775 Center Dr., San Marcos, 760-746-8340.

*Friday*, 7pm, *Saturday*, 7pm — The Blues Pharaohs. Blues.

**Davina's Cabo Grill:** 212 North Tremont St., Oceanside, 760-637-2450.

*Friday*, 9pm — Iriesside. With DJ kidRIZ and DJ Sinn. Reggae.

*Saturday*, 6pm — Gregory Michaels. Funk.

*Sunday*, 2pm — Still Smokin'. Rock. *Monday*, 2pm — Labor Day Bash.

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**Del Mar Thoroughbred Club:** 2260 Jimmy Durante Bl., Del Mar, 858-755-1141.

*Friday*, 3pm — Pete Yorn. Alternative/indie/rock. Free.

*Sunday*, 1pm — Reggae Festival. Featuring Ziggy Marley. Roots/reggae. Free.

*Wednesday* — The English Beat. Soul/reggae/pop punk. Free.

**Dirk's Niteclub:** 7662 Broadway, Lemon Grove, 619-469-6344. *Saturday*, 9pm — Dirty Leslie.

**Dizzy's:** 200 Harbor Dr., Downtown, 858-270-7467.

*Thursday*, 7pm — Brett Sanders Soul Jazz. With Mikey Cannon and the Academics. Jazz. \$10-\$15.

*Friday*, 8pm — The Great Guitars of Jazz. Featuring Mundell Lowe, Jaime Valle, and Bob Boss. Jazz. \$15.

*Saturday*, 8pm — The Rob Mullins Trio. With Glen Fisher and Russell Bizzet. Jazz. \$10-\$15. 21 and up.

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**Dream Street Live:** 2228 Bacon St., Ocean Beach, 619-222-8131. Thursday, 8pm — Funky Jah Punky's. Reggae. 21 and up. Friday, 8pm — Disaster Magnet. With Con Fusion and Retrolust. Rock. 21 and up. Saturday, 10pm — Collage Menage. Rock. \$7. Wednesday, 8pm — Double Standard. Rock. \$5.

**Dublin Square:** 554 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-239-5818. Saturday, 9pm — Lee Coulter. With Astra Kelly. Acoustic. Free.

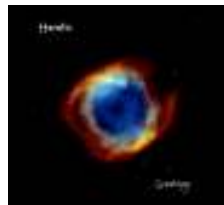
**Embarcadero Marina Park South:** 206 Marina Park Way, Downtown. Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 7:30pm — "Tchaikovsky and Friends." San Diego Symphony Summer Pops season closes with cannon "shots," fireworks, and the "1812 Overture" over the bay. 619-235-0804.

**Encinitas Library:** 540 Cornish Dr., Encinitas, 760-334-0229. Sunday, 2pm — The Peter Rutman Band. Blues/jazz. Free.

**Fannie's Nightclub:** 9143 Campo Rd., Spring Valley, 619-698-2204. Friday, 9pm — Crunchberry. Punk. Free. 21 and up. Saturday, 9pm — Lethal Rejection. With guests. Metal. Free. 21 and up.

**GIO Bistro & Wine Bar:** 8384 La Mesa Bl., La Mesa, 619-462-9100.

## EVERYONE'S A CRITIC



**Greetings**  
CD Review  
by Darryn Kelly

Melodic metal trio Heretic is an emerging San Diego band to be on the lookout for. I haven't noticed many show dates for the band, but they have a new EP out

called *Greetings*.

The title track is an upbeat tune with a simple guitar riff and vocal harmonies. "Mincemeat" is a darker track but catchy with subtle but effective production. There seems to be a delay effect on the guitar, which, combined with an explosive middle section, shredding guitar solo, and blood-curdling scream at the close, make this the stand-out song. The last track on the EP, "Cold and Familiar," surprises with a Latin melody.

With their self-produced debut, Heretic shows musical ability by playing tight and clean. You can tell that each musician has put thought into his part, and the songs shine for their efforts.

ARTIST: **Heretic**

LABEL: **Unsigned**

SONGS: **"Greetings," "Mincemeat," "Cold and Familiar"**

Saturday, 7pm — Stage 4. Jazz/R&B.

**Gallagher's Pub & Grill:** 5046 Newport Ave., Ocean Beach, 619-222-5300.

Sunday, 9pm — Project: Out of Bounds. Reggae/ska.

**Georges on Fifth:** 835 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-702-0444. Thursday, 8pm — The Mar Dels. Covers/standards/rock. Free.

**Harrah's Rincón:** 777 Harrah's Rincón Way, Valley Center, 760-751-3100.

Sunday, 10am — Willovealot. Jazz. \$13.

**Hooleys Irish Pub & Grill:** 5500 Grossmont Center Dr., La Mesa, 619-713-6900.

Friday, 9pm — California Celts. Reggae/ska.

Saturday, 9pm — Private Domain. Covers/standards. Free.

**Hornblower Cruises:** 1066 North Harbor Dr., Downtown, 619-686-8715. Friday, 6:30pm — West of 5. Covers/rock

## Music Reviews from Our Readers

### Enter Scène Enterre

Concert Review  
by Michelle Welles

San Diego band Scène Enterre appeared out of nowhere, but in the past month, the duo of "jonny" and "n.r." has made its presence known. Their first single, "Teenager," a blown-out take on Beach Boys pop, has been lauded on blogs across the nation. As it's one of my favorite songs, I had to attend

the band's inaugural show at the Tin Can Ale House August 18.

The band was sporting bleached blue tees and tight jeans. The first two songs they played were rough. In fact, it might have been the same song played twice. They were witty between songs...humble, so all was forgiven. "Teenager" was the fourth song of the set, and they nailed it. That's when things really picked up on stage and in the room. They ended their show with a wall-of-noise psychedelic song, which was ambitious, impressive.



For full reviews, go to [sdreader/critic.com](http://sdreader/critic.com)

**House of Blues:** 1055 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-299-2583.

Thursday, 8pm — Yahir. With Tati. Latin/pop. \$25-\$30.

Friday, 6:30pm — Mitchel Musso. Pop/rock. \$17-\$20.

Saturday, 7:30pm — North Park Invasion. Featuring Lee Coulter, Fing, Westfire, Stealing Love Jones, and more. Pop/rock. \$12. 21 and up.

Wednesday, 8pm — Paolo Nutini. Pop/rock. \$19-\$21.

**Humphrey's Backstage Music Club:** 2241 Shelter Island

Dr., Point Loma, 619-224-3577.

Saturday, 6pm — Labor Day Blues Fest. Blues. \$12.

Sunday, 6pm — Labor Day Jazz Fest. Jazz. \$20.

**Humphrey's by the Bay:** 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-224-3577.

Friday, 6:30pm — Bob Weir and RatDog. With Jackie Greene. Rock/blues/jam band. \$60.

**Java Joe's at Café Libertalia:** 3834 Fifth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-299-9360.

Thursday, 8pm — The Gregory Page Show. Acoustic.

Friday, 8pm — Carlos Olmeda. Acoustic/pop/rock.

Saturday, 8pm — Jeff Lee. With Jerry Gontang. Acoustic.

Sunday, 8pm — Happy Ron's Open-Mike Night. Featuring Rick Raw.

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UPCOMING SHOWS (See our website for more info):

<p><b>FRI. 9-11</b></p> <p><b>INSANITY</b></p> <p><b>VIOLENTLY WE VOMIT</b> (featuring members of Disgorge)</p> <p><b>RITUAL TORTURE</b></p> <p><b>UNHOLY LUST</b> and special guests</p>	<p><b>THU. 9-17</b></p> <p><b>EDGEDIN RED</b></p> <p><b>DROWNSWERVE</b></p>	<p><b>FRI. 10-2</b></p> <p><b>THE CHANGING</b> (featuring Kalen from Korn)</p>	<p><b>10-31</b> MOONSPELL SAMAEL BOOK OF BLACKER</p> <p><b>11-27</b> VADER DECREPIT BIRTH</p> <p><b>12-4</b> LEAVES EYES FIREWIND</p> <p><b>12-5</b> MARDUK</p>
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 Nightclub:** 1310 Morena Bl.,  
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*Friday*, 10pm — Jet West.  
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*Saturday*, 9pm — Pickled Punks.  
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**Oceanside Library:** 330 N.  
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# OF NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

The **Thermals'** 2006 album *The Body, the Blood, the Machine* was a punk-rock concept album about an America tyrannized by a fundamentalist Christian theocracy. Sound familiar? One online commenter described *The Body* as sounding like what Green Day wanted *American Idiot* to be. Maybe so, but more apt comparisons for the Thermals would be Superchunk and Ted Leo.

So, how do you follow up a concept album that does such a good job of describing the Bush years when you're in the Obama years? If you're Green Day, you keep following the progressive-rock path and go for something even

more grandiose. If you're the Thermals, you simplify.

The Portland band has been kicking along since 2002, burning through drummers and second guitarists until it became essentially a duo of **Hutch Harris** and **Kathy Foster**. (Westin Glass plays drums on tour.) Sometimes that's a problem: a lot of Thermals songs sound as if they could use a lead guitarist or someone to provide musical complexity on top of all Harris's furious guitar strumming.

On this year's *Now We Can See*, Harris and Foster leave a lot more room in their sound. The title track centers on simple wordless sing-along and handclaps, yet it's more exciting than many of the band's guitar-bashing numbers. Elsewhere on the album, the Thermals may have stripped things down too much — look at the lyrics and you see that several songs are just slight variations of



**THERMALS**

each other. You can hear the same problem in listening to the chord progressions and drumbeats. Maybe this is a transitional album at a transitional time in American history — which would mean that, once again, the Thermals have summed up an era.

**THERMALS: The Casbah, Sunday, September 6, 7 p.m. 619-232-4355. \$12.**

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**Poway Library:** 13137 Poway Rd., Poway, 858-513-2900.  
*Saturday*, 2pm — The Sandy DeVito Trio. Jazz/pop. Free.

**Prescott Promenade:** 211 1/2 East Main St., El Cajon.  
*Friday*, 6pm — FX5. Covers/standards/dance. Free.

**RT's Longboard Grill:** 1466 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach, 858-270-4030.  
*Friday*, 9pm — Wonka Bar. Rock.

*Saturday*, 9pm — 5 Miles High. Rock.

**Radio Room:** 3519 El Cajon Bl., North Park, 619-284-3323.  
*Tuesday*, 8pm — Lanterns. With Life Deposits, Sad American Night, and Beat-less. Alternative/pop/punk. 21 and up.  
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*Friday*, 8pm — Willie Psycho. With GFI, TSS, and Aces & Eights. Punk/rock. \$15.  
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**The Salty Frog:** 992 Palm Ave., Imperial Beach, 619-429-1120.  
*Friday*, 9pm — BlueFrog.  
 Blues/rock. 21 and up.

**San Diego Sports Arena:** 3500 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-224-4171.  
*Sunday*, 8pm — AC/DC. Rock.

**Scripps Park:** 1133 Coast Bl., La Jolla.  
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**Soma:** 3350 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-226-7662.  
*Friday, 7pm* — The Mars Volta. Experimental/rock. \$35.  
*Saturday, 7pm* — Plane Without a Pilot. With Love Beats War, Stereo Summer, Hide the Details, Super Groupie, and Add the Color. Pop/punk/rock. \$8.

**Swedenborg Hall:** 1531 Tyler Ave., University Heights.  
*Friday, 7pm* — Wendy Bailey. Pop/rock. Free.

**Tango Del Rey:** 3567 Del Rey St., Clairemont, 858-794-9044.  
*Friday, 8pm* — Ira B Liss Big Band Jazz Machine. Jazz/pop/standards.  
*Sunday, 6pm* — Paul Viani & the San Diego Jazz Cats. Jazz. \$5-\$10.  
*Wednesday, 7pm* — The Mikán Zlatkovich Trio. Jazz. \$5-\$10.

**Tiki House:** 1152 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach, 858-273-9734.  
*Thursday, 9:30pm* — OTC. Rock.  
*Friday, 9:30pm* — Tornado Magnet. Alternative/country/rock.  
*Saturday, 9:30pm* — Brain Bucket. Funk.  
*Sunday, 9:30pm* — Superunloader. Alternative/rock/blues.  
*Wednesday, 9:30pm* — Schitzophonic. With the Morning of Fire. Rock.

**U-31:** 3112 University Ave., North Park, 619-584-4188.  
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**The Upstart Crow Bookshop and Coffee House:** 835 West Harbor Dr., Downtown, 619-232-4855.

*Saturday, 7:30pm* — Stacey and the Stimulus Package. Soul/funk.

**VFW Post 5179:** 1116 South 43rd St., Southcrest, 619-262-0566.  
*Wednesday, 8pm* — Willowealot. Blues/soul. Free.

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*Friday, 9pm* — Paperback Writer. With Rolling the Stones. Tributes to the Beatles and the Rolling Stones. Covers/rock. Free.

*Saturday, 10pm* — Don't Stop Believin'. With Hollywood U2. Tributes to Journey and U2. Covers/rock. Free.  
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# NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

Last year filmmaker Eddie Martin announced plans to make a biopic of the life of the late Bon Scott. Not a bad call. As former lead singer of **AC/DC**, Scott's fame was palpable at the time of his death in 1980 when, after a night of hard partying in the south of London, he fell into a drunken coma in the back seat of a friend's car and never woke up. "Death by misadventure" was one of the coroner's findings. Indeed — Scott suffocated on his own vomit. Just 33 at the time of his death, Scott never lived to see the AC/DC pile of gold; in 1980, **Highway to Hell** was just breaking the American top 20. Today, Bon's final resting place is said to be the most-visited grave in Australia.

The AC/DC sound is now a fundament of rock: Gibson guitars played at amp-blowing power through a wall of Marshalls. As a band, AC/DC is as straightforward as they come, somehow counterbalancing Angus Young's stage madness but with a tension and raw energy that separate them from the thud and fury of similar arena bands.

The album that AC/DC released five months after Bon Scott's death would eventually find its place among the top ten best-selling albums of all time. Why? Because every song on **Back in Black** is iconic. After a San Diego appearance by the band, a friend of mine said this: "I got there late. I'm standing outside in line, and I can hear them start the show with 'You Shook Me' — an encore song. That's the song you end the show with, not start it out with. How do you follow that?" But if you're AC/DC, you can start at meltdown



AC/DC

and go from there.

So, who to play the film version of Bon Scott? Possibly Scott's only son Ben, who, at 35, expressed interest after Martin's announcement.

**AC/DC: San Diego Sports Arena, Sunday, September 6, 8 p.m. 619-224-4171. \$93.50.**

## UPCOMING SHOWS

**4th&B:** 345 B St., Downtown, 619-231-4343.

*September 18* — Los Tres de Habana.

*September 19* — Y&T.

*September 25* — Old Crow Medicine Show.

*September 26* — Angel y Khriz.

*October 10* — Rodrigo y Gabriela.

*November 6* — Enrique Bunbury.

**AcousticMusicSanDiego:**

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*September 10* — Cheryl Wheeler.

*September 18* — Pieta Brown.

*October 1* — Jolie Holland.

*October 10* — Willy Porter.

*October 11* — Eliza Gilkyson.

*October 17* — Kelly Joe Phelps.

*October 22* — Tony Furtado.

*October 24* — The Ditty Bops.

*October 25* — Catie Curtis.

*October 30* — Tim Flannery.

*November 6* — The Battlefield Band.

*November 11* — Hot Buttered Rum.

*November 14* — Peter Mulvey.

*November 28* — Po' Girl.

*December 4* — Tom Russell.

*December 13* — John Gorka.

**Adams Avenue:** 32nd Street & Adams Ave., Normal Heights.

*September 26, September 27* — Adams Avenue Street Fair.

**Anthology:** 1337 India St., Little Italy, 619-595-0300.

*September 10, September 11* — Coreia, Clarke & White.

*September 15* — The Anthology House Band.

*September 16* — Charles McPherson.

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*September 23, September 24* — Stanley Jordan.

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 October 10 — Mindi Abair.  
 October 16 — Michael Burks.  
 October 17 — The Elder Trio.  
 October 21 — Charles McPherson.  
 October 22 — California Transit Authority.  
 October 23 — Lavy Smith and Her Red Hot Skillet Lickers.  
 November 4 — Jean-Luc Ponty.  
 November 19 — Jake Shimabukuro.  
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**Library:** 1008 Wall St., La Jolla, 858-454-5872.  
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 September 28 — Robin Henkel.  
 October 5 — The Jazz Pigs.  
 October 19 — Joe Rathburn.  
 November 2 — Jaeryoung Lee Jazz Trio.  
 November 9 — Sara Petite.

**Bar Pink:** 3829 30th St., North Park, 619-564-7194.

September 11 — Yourself and the Air.  
 September 12 — Telegraph Canyon.  
 September 17 — The Death Eaters.  
 September 18 — Scarlet Symphony.  
 September 20 — The Most Serene Republic.  
 September 23 — Linnzi Zaorski.  
 September 24 — Schmaltz.  
 September 25 — Normandie.  
 September 26 — The Sian Alice Group.  
 October 11 — The Quick & Easy Boys.

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

September 10 — Eddie Money.  
 September 11 — Brendan Benson.  
 September 12 — Pine Mountain Logs.  
 September 13 — O<sub>2</sub> for Life.  
 September 14 — The Honey Brothers.  
 September 15, September 16 — Mason Jennings.  
 September 19, September 19 — Common Sense.  
 September 20 — The B-52s.  
 September 23 — The Robert Cray Band.  
 September 25 — The Black Seeds.  
 September 27 — Collie Buddz.  
 October 6 — Little Feat.  
 October 8 — Groundation.  
 October 10 — Cash'd Out.  
 October 12 — Steve Earle.  
 October 12 — Pretty Lights.  
 October 15 — Federico Aubele.  
 October 17 — Buju Banton.  
 October 20 — Bob Mould.  
 October 21 — Grizzly Bear.  
 October 22 — Poncho Sanchez.  
 October 23 — Big Bad Voodoo Daddy.  
 October 28 — The Tragically Hip.  
 October 30, October 31 — The Nightmare Before Halloween.  
 November 4 — Dinosaur Jr.  
 November 12 — The Raveonettes.  
 November 13 — Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations.  
 November 14 — Keller Williams.  
 November 15 — Pinback.  
 November 18 — David Lindley and John Hammond.  
 November 22 — B.B. King.  
 November 27 — The Aggrolites.  
 December 13 — Average White

Band.  
 December 17 — Venice.  
 December 29 — Cracker and Camper Van Beethoven.

**Brick by Brick:** 1130 Buena Vista Ave., Linda Vista, 619-275-5483.  
 September 10 — House of Zombi.  
 September 11 — Bankers Hill.  
 September 12 — Catburlesque Kittens.  
 September 18 — Chelsea Girls.  
 September 19 — Hell on Heels.  
 September 20 — Acoustic Alliance.  
 September 25 — The Revolting

Cocks.  
 September 26 — Lost Boys Reunited.  
 September 29 — Datarock.  
 September 30 — Hip-Hop DJ Gong Battle 2009.  
 October 2 — Imperative Reaction.  
 October 3 — Bernard Fowler.  
 October 8 — Moher.  
 October 14 — The Devil Makes Three.  
 October 16 — Kittie.  
 October 27 — Koffin Kats.  
 October 31 — Halloween Bash.

**Canes:** 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach, 858-488-1780.  
 September 11 — Cash'd Out.  
 September 12 — Devin the Dude.  
 September 17 — Passafire.  
 September 18 — Wild Child.  
 September 19 — Guttermouth.  
 September 23 — Living Colour.  
 September 25 — SOJA.  
 September 26 — Beenie Man.  
 September 29 — Tantric.  
 October 2 — Soulfly.  
 October 3 — Andre Nickatina.  
 October 10 — Ooklah the Moc.

October 15 — Mayer Hawthorne.  
 October 16 — Sean Kingston.  
 October 17 — The Butthole Surfers.  
 October 21 — Brother Ali.  
 October 22 — Platinum Rock Stars.  
 October 23 — Daniel Johnston.  
 October 25 — Peaches.

**The Casbah:** 2501 Kettner Bl., Little Italy, 619-232-4355.  
 September 10 — Dirty Sweet.  
 September 11 — The Silent Comedy.  
 September 12 — Soul Savers.  
 September 14 — Team Abraham.

September 15 — Monotonix.  
 September 16 — Red Wire Black Wire.  
 September 17 — The Charlatans.  
 September 20 — Joey Cape.  
 September 21 — The Pains of Being Pure at Heart.  
 September 22 — Amazing Baby.  
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 October 1 — Daedalus.  
 October 3 — David Bazan.  
 October 4 — School of Seven Bells.  
 October 9 — ...And You Will Know Us by the Trail of Dead.  
 October 14 — The Jesus Lizard.  
 October 16 — The Soft Pack.  
 October 17 — The Black Heart Procession.  
 October 24 — Blind Pilot.  
 October 31 — The Night Marchers.  
 November 8 — The Revival Tour.

**Copley Symphony Hall:** 750 B St., Downtown, 619-235-0804.  
 September 29 — Wynton Marsalis and Jazz at Lincoln Center.

**Cricket Wireless Amphitheatre:** 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista, 619-671-3600.

September 12 — The Dave Matthews Band.  
 September 16 — blink-182.  
 October 2 — Brad Paisley.  
 October 10 — Marco Antonio Solis y Pepe Aguilar.

**Dizzy's:** 200 Harbor Dr., Downtown, 858-270-7467.  
 September 19 — The Gilbert Castellanos New Latin Jazz Quintet.  
 September 23 — The East West Quintet.  
 October 13 — Pierre Bensusan.

**Hard Rock Hotel:** 207 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 866-751-7625.  
 September 25 — Sugar Ray.

**Harrah's Rincón:** 777 Harrah's Rincón Way, Valley Center, 760-751-3100.  
 September 11 — Gary Allan.  
 September 19 — Pitbull.

September 26 — Grandmaster Flash.  
 October 3 — Richie Jen and Rene Liu.  
 October 4 — Vince Gill.  
 October 31 — Alice Cooper.  
 November 7 — The Baytown Band.

**House of Blues:** 1055 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-299-2583.  
 September 10 — Shwayze.  
 September 11 — Enanitos Verdes.  
 September 12 — Osiris ASR Party.  
 September 13 — Lupillo Rivera.  
 September 15 — Colbie Caillat.  
 September 16 — The Gaslight Anthem.

September 17 — Michael Franti & Spearhead.  
 September 18 — Gov't Mule.  
 September 19 — Paulina Rubio.  
 September 20 — The Psychedelic Furs.  
 September 21, September 22 — Flogging Molly.  
 September 23 — Better Than Ezra.  
 September 24 — Pitbull.  
 September 25 — The Get Up Kids.  
 September 28 — Sonic Youth.  
 September 30 — Shinedown.  
 October 1 — Robert Earl Keen.  
 October 2 — Perez Hilton Tour.  
 October 3 — Ingrid Michaelson.  
 October 8 — Reverend Horton Heat.  
 October 11 — Mutemath.  
 October 12 — Moby.  
 October 16 — The Academy Is... and Mayday Parade.  
 October 18 — KMFDM.  
 October 19 — The Pogues.  
 October 20, October 21 — Brand New.  
 October 22 — Lila Downs.  
 October 23 — The Sounds.  
 October 24 — Tech N9ne.  
 October 26 — Regina Spektor.

October 29 — The Bouncing Souls.  
 November 1 — Deadmau5.  
 November 2 — The Bravery.  
 November 4 — Boyz II Men.  
 November 5 — Robert Randolph and the Family Band.  
 November 6 — All Time Low.  
 November 7 — Matt Kearney.  
 November 8 — Hanson.  
 November 15 — GWAR.  
 November 18 — Peter Bjorn & John.  
 November 21 — Say Anything.  
 November 22 — The Black Crowes.  
 December 9 — Skinny Puppy.  
 January 31 — Nile.  
 February 5 — Badfish.

**Humphrey's by the Bay:** 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-224-3577.  
 September 11 — Air Supply and Christopher Cross.  
 September 16 — John Legend.  
 September 17 — Bontaj Roulet.  
 September 18 — LeAnn Rimes.  
 September 21 — The Australian Pink Floyd Show.  
 September 25 — The Beach Boys.  
 September 26 — Keali'i Reichel.  
 September 27 — Pink Martini.  
 September 28, September 29 — Crosby, Stills & Nash.  
 October 2 — Chris Botti.  
 October 4 — Cecilio & Kapono.  
 October 14 — Jesse Cook.  
 October 15 — Loggins & Messina.  
 October 18 — Roger Daltrey.

**Java Joe's at Café Libertalia:** 3834 Fifth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-299-9360.  
 September 10 — The Gregory Page Show.  
 September 11 — Peggy Watson.  
 September 12 — Molly Jensen.  
 September 13 — Happy Ron's Open-Mike Night.

September 17 — The Gregory Page Show.  
 September 18 — Joe Rathburn.  
 September 19 — Buried Under Carrots.  
 September 20 — Happy Ron's Open-Mike Night.  
 September 24 — The Gregory Page Show.  
 September 25 — Joey Harris.  
 September 26 — Trophy Wife.  
 September 27 — Happy Ron's Open-Mike Night.

**Open Air Theatre:** 5500 Campanile Dr., SDSU, 619-594-6947.  
 October 17 — Snow Patrol.  
 October 21 — Rob Thomas.

**Pala Casino:** 35008 Pala Temecula Rd., Pala, 877-946-7252.  
 September 13 — The Gipsy Kings.  
 September 25 — Ana Gabriel.  
 October 10 — 101.5 KGB FM's Tribute Concert.

**Pechanga Resort & Casino:** 45000 Pechanga Parkway, Temecula, 951-693-1819.  
 September 18 — Train.  
 September 19 — John Legend.  
 October 2 — Lee Salonga.  
 October 8 — Kenny Rogers.  
 October 23 — Rob Thomas.

**San Diego Civic Theatre:** 1100 Third Ave., Downtown, 619-570-1100.  
 October 3 — Jamie Foxx.  
 November 14 — The Ultimate Doo-Wop Show.  
 December 3 — Mannheim Steamroller.

**San Diego Sports Arena:** 3500 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-224-4171.  
 September 24 — Britney Spears.

October 17 — Wisin y Yandel.  
 October 18 — Barry Manilow.  
 November 27 — Kiss.  
 December 4 — Trans-Siberian Orchestra.  
 December 12 — Aventura.

**Soma:** 3350 Sports Arena Bl., Midway District, 619-226-7662.  
 September 11 — One Drop.  
 September 12 — Vanguard.  
 September 14 — The Arctic Monkeys.  
 September 18 — Every Time I Die.  
 September 19 — Hello Marquee.  
 September 20 — Erin McCarley.  
 September 21 — Placebo.  
 September 26 — Autolux.  
 September 27 — Dance Gavin Dance.  
 October 7 — Family Force 5.  
 October 8 — Austrian Death Machine.  
 October 10 — Mae.  
 October 11 — A Day to Remember.  
 October 13 — The Black Dahlia Murder.  
 October 15 — Passion Pit.  
 October 16 — Yo La Tengo.  
 October 24 — Boys Like Girls.  
 November 5 — The Dropkick Murphys.  
 November 11 — Attack Attack.  
 November 19 — Finch and Bless the Fall.

**Spreckels Theatre:** 121 Broadway, Downtown, 619-235-9500.  
 September 10 — David Cook.  
 September 18 — Sheryn Regis.  
 October 17 — Rodney Carrington.  
 October 20 — Monsters of Folk.

**Tiki House:** 1152 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach, 858-273-9734.  
 September 10 — SO3.  
 September 11 — Travel Agents.

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 September 15 — James Taylor.  
 September 26 — The Beach Boys.  
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 September 18 — The Killers.

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**McDini's:** Tuesdays, 9pm: '90s Throwback Tuesdays. Hosted by Zerland of Pali Roots. Friday, 9pm: The E Club. Hip-hop/R&B. 18 and up. 105 E. 8th St., National City. 619-474-6771.

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**On Broadway:** Friday, 9pm: Tila Tequila. Hosts Infamous Fridays with DJs Felli Fel, Rags, Phobik, and Nono. Electronica. Friday, 9pm: Jay "Idol" Videna. Spinning in the main room with Paul Najera and Cris Herrera. Electronica. 615 Broadway Ave., Downtown. 619-231-0011.

**Pacific Beach Bar & Grill:** Wednesdays, 10pm: DJ Tony. 860 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach. 858-272-7278.

**Pierview Pub/Bub's Whiskey Dive Bar:** Mondays, 6:30pm: Metal Mondays. Metal all night long. 301 Pier View Way, Oceanside. 760-757-2827.

**RT's Longboard Grill:** Mondays, 9pm, Wednesdays, 9pm: DJ Famous Dave. Mixes music videos. 1466 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach. 858-270-4030.

**Riley's Music Lounge:** Thursdays: '80s Night. Fridays: Hip-Hop Night. Mondays: College Night. With guest DJ. 2901 Nimitz Bl., Point Loma. 619-255-8635.

**Sapphire Mediterranean Cuisine & Lounge:** Saturdays, 9pm: DJ KA. With DJ Chuck. Hip-hop/reggaeton. \$5. 4076 Bonita Rd., Bonita. 619-470-8000.

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**Soda Bar:** *Thursdays*, 9pm: Expressway to Yr Skull. Punk/rap/rock. Free. 21 and up. 3615 El Cajon Bl., City Heights. 619-255-7224.

**Static Lounge:** *Saturdays*, 9pm: Club Backbeat. Hip-hop/rap. \$15-\$20. 18 and up. 634 Broadway, Downtown. 619-544-1609.

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**Tavern at the Beach:** *Thursdays*, 10pm: DJ D-Skwiz. *Fridays*, 10pm: DJ BDP. *Saturdays*, 10pm: DJ BDP. With DJ MIC-E. *Wednesdays*, 10pm: DJ WhO. Hip-hop/rock. 1200 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach. 858-272-6066.

**Tiki House:** *Tuesdays*, 9:30pm: Tunes by Trent. Every Tuesday. 1152 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach. 858-273-9734.

**Tio Leo's:** *Friday*, 9pm: End of the World Back 2 School Party. 5302 Napa St., Linda Vista. 619-542-1462.

**True North:** *Thursdays*, 10pm: DJ Bacon Bits. *Fridays*, 10pm, *Fridays*: DJ Ramsey. Hip-hop. *Sundays*, 10pm: DJ Waly Mayhem. *Mondays*, 10pm: DJ Wonderbread. *Tuesdays*, 10pm: DJ WhO. Hip-hop/rock. 3815 30th St., North Park. 619-291-3815.

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**WaveHouse Bar & Grill:** *Sunday*: Chris Lake. House. 3125 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-228-9283.

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**Pal Joey's:** Sunday, 7pm-close: 1\$1 shots.

## ALPINE

**Alpine Inn:** Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$2.50 drafts, \$3.75 wells, house wine, \$4.75 calls.

## BALBOA PARK

**The Prado:** Tuesday-Friday, 4-6pm, 8-10pm: \$3.50 wells, pints, house wine, house margaritas. Lounge only.

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**Azuki Sushi Lounge:** Every day, 5-7pm: \$.50 small sake w/ large beer, \$5 house wine, sangria, saketini. Classic sushi rolls \$3.50 and up, specialty rolls \$8-\$9, appetizers \$2-\$8.

**Bertrand at Mister A's:** Monday-Friday, 2:30-6pm: Specially priced cocktails, beer, wine, small plates on patio.

**Pizzicato:** Every day, 3-7pm: \$3 pints, house wine; \$6 pizza slice + pint or wine.

**Wet Stone Wine Bar and Café:** Tuesday-Sunday, 5-7pm: \$3 selected craft beers, \$5 sangria, big glasses of wine. \$2 off small bites.

## BAY PARK

**Offshore:** Tuesday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$2 domestic, \$3 sangria, well and micro import, \$5 Tommy Bahama mojitos.

## CARLSBAD

**The Alley:** Every day, 11am-7pm: \$2.75 wells, domestics.

**Boar Cross'n:** Thursday-Saturday, 8-9pm: \$1 Bud & Bud Light.

**The Coyote Bar & Grill:** Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: \$3 wells, beer, margaritas. \$3 off appetizers.

**Fenway's Sports Bar & Grill:** Every day, 3-7pm; 10pm-midnight: \$3 domestic, house wine. \$3.50 margarita, Cape Cod.

**Greek Village:** Monday-Thursday, Sunday, 4-7:30pm: 1/2-off beer, wine by the glass, wells.

**Karl Strauss Brewing Company:** Monday-Friday, 4-6:30pm: \$3.50 beer.

**Mr. Peabody's:** Monday-Friday, 10am-6pm: \$2.50 domestic beers, wine, spooli shots, wells + juice. \$3.50 margaritas. Free taco bar 3pm to 6pm with drink purchase.

## CARMEL VALLEY

**Tio Leo's:** Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$3 pints, \$4 wells, house margaritas.

**Twenty/20 Bar & Grill:** Every day, 4-7pm: \$2 off any drink. \$2 off appetizers.

## CHULA VISTA

**El Dorado Seafood & Grill:** Monday-Friday, 4-7 pm: \$2 margaritas. \$1.50 tacos.

**Veni Vidi Vici:** Monday-Friday, 5-7pm: \$1 off all drafts, wells.

## CLAIREMONT

**Fat Tony's Pizza:** Thursday, 5pm-close: \$2 Karl Strauss, \$4 taps.

**Viva Vino:** Monday-Saturday, all day: \$.99 domestic beer.

## COLLEGE AREA

**Casa Machado:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$2.75 domestic, \$3.75 margarita, wells. Free nachos and quesadillas.

**Marie Callender's:** Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$1.95 draft, \$2.50 well, \$3.50 house margarita. 1/2-price appetizers (in bar only). Saturday-Sunday, \$2 Bloody Mary/mimosa w/ purchase.

**Satin Lounge:** Thursday, \$1 drafts.

## CORONADO

**Primavera Ristorante:** Monday-Tuesday, Thursday-Friday, 5-7pm: \$2 off all drinks; \$2 off daily food specials. Wednesday, 5-7pm: Wine night: 1/2-off all bottles, incl. champagne.

## DEL MAR

**Bully's Del Mar:** Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$2.75 bottle beer, \$4.50 wells, pints, \$5 well+juice, \$6 wine by glass.

**Shimbashi Izakaya:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$5 cocktails, \$5 glass of wine, \$3 draft beer. Sake & appetizer specials. Saturday-Sunday, 12-7pm: \$5 cocktails, \$5 glass of wine, \$3 draft beer, 1/2-off Asahi & Sapporo. Sake & appetizer specials.

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**The Bitter End:** Every day, 5-7pm: All drinks, bottles of wine 1/2-price.

**Bondi Bar and Kitchen:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$4 select beer, wine, spirits.

**Café Sevilla:** Monday, 5-6:30pm: 1/2-price mojitos. Tuesday, 5-6:30pm: 1/2-price wine bottles. Wednesday, 5-6:30pm: 1/2-price martini. Thursday, Sunday, 5-6:30pm: 1/2-price sangria. Friday-Saturday, 5-6:30pm: 1/2-price garabato.

**Candelas:** Every day, 5-7pm: All drinks 1/2-price.

**Downtown Johnny Brown's:** Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$3 domestic bottled beer, \$3.50 pints of the day. 40% off appetizers.

**East Village Tavern and Bowl:** Monday-Thursday, 3-7pm: \$3 drafts, wells, wine. \$4 premium drafts, margaritas. Friday-Saturday, 11pm-close: \$3 drafts, wells, wine. \$4 premium drafts, margaritas. \$4 Jäger, Bacardi, Svedka.

**The Field Irish Pub and Restaurant:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$3.50 wells. 1/2-off appetizers. Saturday-Sunday, 9am-5pm: \$3.50 wells. 1/2-off appetizers.

**The Fish Market:** Monday-Thursday, 3-6pm: \$3.75 draft, \$3.95 wells, \$2.95 domestic beer. \$95 oysters, \$4 fish tacos, \$5.75 mahi mahi sliders.

**The Fleetwood:** Monday-Friday, 5-6pm: \$4 calls.

**Fuddruckers:** Monday-Friday, 5-7pm: \$4.50 Bud Light/Coors Light pitchers. \$1 off all beer, wine. Saturday, 10pm-midnight: \$4.50 Bud Light/Coors Light pitchers. \$1 off all beer, wine.

**Funky Garcia's Mexican Restaurant:** Every day, 3pm-7pm: 50% off all drinks; \$1.50 carne asada and pollo asado tacos.

**Gaslamp Tavern:** Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$3 drafts, house wine, wells. Sunday, all day: \$3 drafts, house wine, wells.

**La Gran Tapa:** Tuesday, 5-7pm: \$3 cask wine, sangria, draft. \$3 tapas. Wednesday, 5-7pm: \$3 cask wine, sangria, draft, 1/2-off select bottles/wine. Thursday, 5-7pm: \$3 cask wine, sangria, draft, \$10 pitcher sangria/draft.

**Las Hadas Bar & Grill:** Monday-Saturday, 5-7pm; 10pm-midnight: \$2 Bud Light/Coors Light drafts, \$3 margaritas, wine, wells, sangria. 1/2-off seafood bar and appetizers.

**Hive Sushi Lounge:** Every day, 5-7pm: \$2 domestic, \$4 micro, \$2.50 sake, \$3.50 well, \$4 house wine. Miso, edamame, \$9.99.

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**Karl Strauss Brewing Company:** Monday-Friday, 4-6:30pm: \$3.50 beer.

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**Stage Saloon:** Every day, 5-8pm: 1/2-off all wells, beer, wine.

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**Suite & Tender:** Monday-Friday, 5-8pm: \$20 bottomless wine, 1/2-off specialty cocktails.

**Tabule:** Monday, Wednesday-Friday, 5-6pm: 50% off all drinks and appetizers. Tuesday, 5pm-close: 50% off all drinks and appetizers. Saturday-Sunday, 2-6pm: 50% off all drinks and appetizers.

**Taste & Thirst on Fourth:** Monday-Saturday, 3-8pm: All drinks 2 for 1.

**Tivoli Bar:** Every day, 4-7pm: \$1 off pitchers, \$.50 off liquor.

**Xavier's Bar & Grill:** Tuesday-Saturday, 4-8pm: \$3 wells, drafts, \$2 off wine. \$2 off appetizers.

#### EL CAJON

**El Cajon Grand:** Monday-Friday, 4-8pm: \$2.50 domestic beer, \$3 wells. Saturday-Sunday, \$5 20-oz. Bloody Mary w/ jumbo shrimp.

**Flinn Springs Inn:** Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: \$2 domestic drafts, \$2.25 domestic bottles, \$3 wells. Saturday, 5-9pm: \$14.99 prime rib dinner. Sunday, 4-9pm: Kids eat free.

**Main Tap Tavern:** Monday-Friday, 4-6:30pm: \$1 off 16-oz. drafts, \$2 off pitchers, \$3 calls. \$5 nachos.

**Thornton's Irish Pub and Grill:** Wednesday-Sunday, 11-6pm: \$2 wells, \$3 drafts.

#### ESCONDIDO

**Holiday Wine Cellar:** Monday, 5:30-7:30pm: \$5 for five wine tastings. Tuesday, 5:30-7:30pm: Beer tasting, \$5 advance; \$10 at the door.

**Tango Restaurant & Lounge:** Every day, 4-7pm: \$1 off all drinks; 1/2-off bar menu.

#### GOLDEN HILL

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#### HILLCREST

**Cafe Eleven:** Every day, 2-6pm: \$4 house margaritas, \$3 wells, house wine, bottled beer. \$3 appetizers: shrimp cocktail, stuffed mushrooms, thai chicken skewers, more.

**Café Bleu:** Every day, 3-7pm: \$5 wines, specialty cocktails, \$6.50 specialty martinis, food specials.

**Wine Steals:** Tuesday, 5:30-7pm: \$5 wine tasting. Saturday, 4-6:30pm: \$10 wine tasting.

#### KEARNY MESA

**94th Aero Squadron:** Monday-Friday, 3:30-6:30pm: \$2.75 Bud Light on tap, \$3 wells. Saturday-Sunday, 1/2-price bottles of wine.

**Carriage House Cocktails & Karaoke:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$2.50 domestic bottled beer, \$3 wells, domestic pints. Free munchies.

**Khan's Cave Grill & Tavern:** Monday-Saturday, 4-6pm: \$1.25 off draft, \$1 off glass of wine.

**Pampas Argentine Grill:** Tuesday-Saturday, 5-7pm: \$3 beer/wells. \$4 margaritas/wine specials. \$2.50 empanadas (bar only).

**Shogun Kobe Restaurant:** Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: 30% off sushi and rolls (no giant clams, fatty tuna, or sea urchin). 30% off sake and beer.

**Tajima Sushi & Japanese Tapas:** Monday-Thursday, 5:30-7pm: 1/2-off house sake/draft beer.

#### KENSINGTON-TALMADGE

**Beauty Bar:** Monday, \$4 bombs. \$5 Brunettes/Blondes. Tuesday, \$4 bombs. \$5 Brunettes/Blondes. \$4 Three Olives. Wednesday-Thursday, 3-7 pm: \$5 wine. \$6 martinis. 1/2-off select wine bottles. Friday, \$4 bombs. \$5 Brunettes/Blondes. \$3 Fernet.



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**The Kensington Club:** Every day, 10am-6pm: \$2.50 wells, drafts, domestic bottles.

**Kensington Vine:** Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$5 fine wine. \$5 appetizers.

#### LA JOLLA

**Azul La Jolla:** Every day, patio menu: Featured items at 1/2-price.

**Beaumont's:** Every day, 4-7pm: \$3-5 cocktails, wine, beer.

**Clay's La Jolla:** Every day, 4-7pm: \$3 drafts, \$4 wells, \$5 sangria, \$6 house wine.

**Karl Strauss Brewing Company:** Monday-Friday, 4-6:30pm: \$3.50 beer.

**La Jolla Brew House:** Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$3 wells, house drafts. \$4 house wine. \$5 premiums.

**La Jolla Rancherita:** Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$4 wells, \$2.50 domestics, \$2.75 imports.

**The Melting Pot:** Every day, 5-7pm: 1/2-off cheese fondue, salads, chocolate fondue.

**The Shack Bar & Grill:** Every day, 3-7pm: \$1 off wells, domestic taps.

**The Shores Restaurant:** Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: Five for \$5 menu food/drink specials. Sunday, 3-7pm: \$7 glass, \$25 pitcher red/white sangria.

**Su Casa:** Monday-Friday, 5-7pm: 1/2-off wells; 1/2-off appetizers (excludes seafood & guacamole).

**Whisknadle:** Every day, 5-7pm: \$9 all-you-can-eat tapas.

#### LA MESA

**Hooleys Irish Pub & Grill:** Every day, 3-7pm; 10pm-close: \$1.50 off drafts, \$1 off all mixed drinks, bottled beers, glass of wine.

**Riviera Supper Club & Turquoise Room:** Every day, 4-6pm: \$2 off all cocktails, wine, drafts; \$2 off 8-oz. sirloin.



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**Bar Leucadian:** Monday-Friday, Sunday, 4-7pm: \$2.75 wells. \$2.50 domestics. \$3 Corona, Pacifico, Imperial.

**The Calypso Café:** Every day, 5-7pm: \$4 wells, sangria, margaritas. \$4 house wine. \$3.50 beer.

#### LINDA VISTA

**Brick by Brick:** Every day, 3-6pm: \$2.50 house wine. 1/2-off beer.

**Tio Leo's:** Monday, 3-7pm: \$3 pints. \$4 wells, margaritas. Tuesday-Friday, 5-7pm: \$3 wells, domestic drafts. \$4 margarita (keep shaker).

#### LITTLE ITALY

**Anthology:** Monday-Friday, 5:30-7pm: \$6 wells, wine specials. \$8 margaritas. \$9 martinis.

**Illume Bistro:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$3 draft, \$5 wells, wines, \$7 martinis.

#### MIDWAY DISTRICT

**Brick Alley Bar & Grill:** Every day, 3-7pm, 9pm-close: \$1 off pints, \$2 off tall beers.

**Wine Steals:** Wednesday, 5:30-7pm: \$5 wine tasting. Saturday, 4-6:30pm: \$10 wine tasting.

#### MIRA MESA

**The Filling Station:** Monday, \$2 kamikazes. Wednesday, premium beer \$3.50/pint. Saturday, \$3 Bloody Marys. Sunday, \$3 mimosas.

**Mira Mesa Lanes:** Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$2 domestic pints, \$7 pitchers. \$3 import pints, \$10 pitchers. \$2.50 wells. \$3.50 chicken strips, chicken wings.

#### MISSION BEACH

**Canes:** Monday-Friday, 5-7pm: \$2.50 beer of the month. \$3 wells, margaritas. \$4 margarita (keep shaker). \$4.95 fiesta nachos, \$3.95 cheese quesadilla, \$4.95 Southwest spring rolls.



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**Coaster Saloon:** Every day, 5-8pm: \$2.50 draft beer, wells. 1/2-off all appetizers. 10pm-12am: \$2.50 draft beer, wells.

**Guava Beach Bar & Grill:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: 2-for-1 cocktails, beer, shots. Saturday-Sunday, \$12 Bionic Beavers, \$2.50 kamikazes, \$8 Bud/Bud Light pitchers.

**Sandbar Sports Grill:** Monday-Thursday, 4-7pm: \$2.50 domestics/drafts, wells, \$1 off premium beers/wine by the glass, \$3 off pitchers. 1/2-off appetizers. Friday, 4-9pm: 1/2-off all drinks.

#### MISSION HILLS

**The Aero Club:** Every day, 2-7pm: \$4 drafts, \$3 bottles.

**Starlite:** Monday-Saturday, 5-7pm: \$3 drafts, wells, \$1 off other. Sunday, all night: \$5 mules. \$15 off wine bottles.

#### MISSION VALLEY

**950 Lounge:** Wednesday, \$3 wells, beer, house wine.

**Bing Crosby's Restaurant and Piano Lounge:** Monday-Saturday, 3-7pm: \$3 draft beer, \$5 wells, \$6 wine by the glass, \$7 house cocktails.

**In Cahoots:** Wednesday, \$2 drinks. Friday-Saturday, \$2.50 Coors/Coors Light. Sunday, any drink \$2.50.

**The Little Fish Market Restaurant:** Every day, 4-6pm, 8:30-close: \$4.25 fish tacos, \$3.75 spicy tuna roll, \$4.50 Cajun shrimp skewers, more.

#### NATIONAL CITY

**Café La Maze:** Tuesday-Friday, 4-6pm: \$1 off all drinks; 1/2-off appetizers in the bar.

**Lai Thai Restaurant:** Every day, 4-6pm: \$2 Thai beer.

**McDini's:** Monday-Friday, 5-7pm: \$2 off domestic pitchers, \$3.50 wells.

#### NORMAL HEIGHTS

**Air Conditioned Lounge:** Monday-Friday, 7-9pm: Everything 1/2-off.

**Blind Lady Ale House:** Tuesday-Friday, 5-6pm: \$20 60-oz. pitcher local beer and margherita pizza. Saturday-Sunday, 11:30am-6pm: \$20 60-oz. pitcher local beer and margherita pizza.

**Triple Crown Pub:** Saturday, 12-5pm: \$1 off all pints, \$2 off beer pitchers. Sunday, 12-2am: \$1 off all pints, \$2 off beer pitchers.

#### NORTH PARK

**Apertivo:** Tuesday-Friday, 5-6:30pm: \$3 glass of wine, imported beers. Sunday, all day: \$2.75 glass of wine.

**Craze Burger:** Every day, 3-6pm: \$2.99 drafts, \$15 pitchers of beer, \$3.99 select glasses of wine. \$2.99 bratwurst, \$3.99 turkey burger.

**Cricket's Pub and Grill:** Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: \$2.50 domestic pints, \$2.75 domestic bottles, wells, \$4 margaritas.

**Lips:** Sunday, \$5 homojitos. \$10 build-your-own tacos.

**Redwing Bar & Grill:** Monday-Thursday, 11am-6pm: \$2.75 wells, domestic bottles. Friday-Sunday, 10am-6pm: \$2.75 wells, domestic bottles.

**Toronado:** Monday, 11:30am-5pm \$1 off drafts. Tuesday-Sunday, 11:30am-5pm: \$1 off drafts.



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**True North:** Monday, 12pm-close: \$1 off all beer, wine, spirits. Tuesday-Saturday, 12pm-7pm: \$1 off all beer, wine, spirits. Sunday, 7pm-close: Industry Night, \$3 calls.

## OCEAN BEACH

**Blue Parrot:** Monday-Friday, 2-6pm: \$2 off glass of wine, \$3 margaritas. \$2.50 tacos, \$5.25 nachos or wings. Saturday-Sunday, 10am-3pm: \$2.50 mimosas. \$5 Manmosas. \$4 screwdrivers, tequila sunrises, greyhounds.

**Dream Street Live:** Tuesday-Saturday, 4-6pm: \$2 wells, domestic pints. \$4 Guinness pints.

**Portugalia:** Tuesday-Sunday, 10pm-1am: \$3 domestic beer, \$5 wine; \$4-\$10 food specials.

**The Vine:** Every day, 4-6pm: 1/2-price entire wine and specialty beer list.

**Winstons:** Monday-Saturday, 1-8pm: \$3.50 wells. \$1 off all beer/wine.

## OCEANSIDE

**333 Pacific:** Every day, 3-7pm, 9-10pm: \$7 vodka cocktails (100+ types of vodka), \$7 appetizers (spicy sweet calamari, blue crab eggs, oyster trios, Caesar salad, spicy tuna roll, tempura vegetable basket, tuna poke tacos).

**The Flying Bridge:** Every day, 4pm-7pm: \$3 beer, \$4 wine, 20% off appetizers.

**Hana Japanese Restaurant:** Every day, 5-7pm: \$3 beer, 1/2-off cocktails.

**Harney Sushi:** Thursday, \$5 specialty cocktails.

**PCH Sports Bar & Grill:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$2 domestics, \$1 off premiums, \$3 house wines. Saturday, 2-8pm: \$2 domestics, \$1 off premiums, \$3 house wines. Sunday, 2pm-close: \$2 domestics, \$1 off premiums, \$3 house wines.

**Pierview Pub/Bub's Whiskey Dive Bar:** Tuesday, 4-7pm: \$2 cans of Tecate.

**Tremont Street Bar & Grill:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$4 wells, house wine. \$1 off all beer.

## OLD TOWN

**Harney Sushi:** Wednesday, \$5 specialty cocktails.

## PACIFIC BEACH

**710 Beach Club:** Monday-Thursday, 1-7:10pm: \$7.10 beer & shot. Friday, 1-7:10pm: \$7.10 beer & shot. Two fish tacos for \$7.10. Saturday-Sunday, 12-7pm: \$7 pitchers.

**The Australian Pub:** Monday-Friday, 7-9pm: \$3 Long Islands. Saturday, \$2.50 Karl Strauss. Sunday, \$3 Bloody Marys.

**Costa Brava:** Every day, 4-7pm: 1/2-price sangria. 1/2-price tapas.

**The Dog:** Monday-Thursday, Sunday, \$6 pitchers.

**Hennessey's Tavern:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$2.50 domestic drafts, \$1 off house wine, wells, \$3 well shot/\$4 call shot, \$5 drink specials. Saturday-Sunday, till 1pm: \$3 Bloody Marys.

**Johnny V:** Tuesday, 4pm-close: \$3 wells, drafts, selected wines. \$1.95 street tacos, \$3 off appetizers. Wednesday, all day: \$3 wells, drafts, selected wines. Friday, 4-9pm: \$2 drinks. Complimentary appetizers.

Saturday, all day: \$2.50 Bud Light bottles, Absolut, \$3 margarita.

**Miller's Field:** Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$1 wells. \$2 street tacos.

**Moondoggies Pacific Beach:** Tuesday-Sunday, 3-7pm: \$2 wells, house wine. \$3 imports, microbrews. \$2 off all drafts.

**Moray's Lounge:** Every day, 4-7pm: \$2.50 drafts, \$3.50 wells, \$4.50 house wine. 4-6pm: \$4 appetizers: spicy chicken wings, fried calamari, potato skins, more.

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

**Pacific Beach Bar & Grill:** Tuesday, \$2.50 Mexican bottled beer, \$3 frozen margaritas. Wednesday, \$2 off all drinks, \$2 beers. Thursday, 8pm-close: \$2 wells, drafts, 1/2-price drinks. Friday, 3-10pm: \$2 drafts, wells, 1/2-price drinks. Saturday, 4-10pm: \$3 wells, wine, drafts.

**Sinbad Café:** Every day, 4-8pm: \$1 drafts, \$1.50 wells, shots, \$2 imports. \$3.50 appetizers. 11am-8pm: \$12-\$15 hookahs.

**Tavern at the Beach:** Monday-Saturday, 12-7pm: \$3 drafts, bottles, wells, wine. Sunday, 12-7pm: Industry Night: \$3 domestic beers, \$2 make your drink a double, \$3 calls for industry. Pay stub required.

**The Turquoise, Café-Bar Europa:** Monday-Thursday, Sunday, 5-7pm: \$3 cask wine, sangria, draft. \$3 tapas selection.

## POINT LOMA

**The Boathouse:** Every day, 2:30-5pm: \$1.99 house margaritas (\$3 Cuervo Gold), \$3 beer of the month, \$4 wine of the month.

**C-Level:** Monday-Friday, 3:30-5:30pm: \$3.50 Bud Light, Karl Strauss, Stone IPA, \$5 specialty drinks, wells, house wine. \$5 crispy calamari, ahi tuna poke, steamed Fox River mussels, more.

**Extreme Pizza:** Monday, all day: \$1.50 domestic drafts. Tuesday, \$6 wine carafes, beer pitchers. Wednesday, \$5 wings night. Thursday, 3-6pm; 8-10pm: 1/2-off any pizza. Friday, \$18 large pizza and pitcher of beer. Saturday, \$2 bottled beer of the month. Sunday, \$5 domestic beer pitchers.

**Point Loma Sports Grill & Pub:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: 1/2-price appetizers.

**Riley's Music Lounge:** Monday, 4-7pm: \$4 calls. Tuesday, Sunday, 4-7pm: \$2.50 pints. Wednesday, 4-7pm: \$4 Jäger bombs. Thursday, 4-7pm: \$3 kamikazes, \$4 Jäger bombs. Friday, 4-7pm: \$3 calls. Saturday, 4-7pm: \$5 Long Island/Long Beach.

## POWAY

**Phileas Fogg's Bar & Restaurant:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$2.50 domestic pints/\$7.95 pitcher, \$3.50 import pints/\$11.95 pitcher. \$2.95 cheese quesadilla, \$3.95 chicken wings, more.

## RANCHO BERNARDO

**Café on the Park:** Monday-Friday, 5-6:30pm: \$3 wells, \$4 house margaritas, 1/2-off house wine by the glass, \$1 off beer. Complimentary cheese & crackers, 1/2-off appetizers.

**Capri Blu:** Every day, 3-7pm: 1/2-price drafts, wells.

**Carvers:** Monday-Friday, 2-6:30pm: \$2.75 beers, \$3.95 wells, \$4.25 house wines, \$4.75 well martinis.

## RANCHO SANTA FE

**Cavaillon:** Tuesday-Thursday, Sunday, 5-6pm: 1/2-off beer, glass of wine.

**Delicias:** Every day, 4-6pm: \$5 draft beers, house wines, wells.

## SAN MARCOS

**The Jumping Turtle:** Monday, PBR: \$2.75/pint, \$6.75/pitcher. Tuesday, \$2 Corona, Pacifico, margaritas. \$2 tacos after 3pm. Wednesday, \$4 drop drinks. Thursday, 7pm-close: \$3 Jäger. Friday, 5pm-midnight: \$5 Long Islands. Saturday, \$3 Orange Patron, Tanqueray. Sunday, \$2.50 Bloody Marys.

## SERRA MESA

**Channel 1 Sports Bar and Grill:** Monday-Friday, 8am-11am: \$1.50 drafts, wells.

## SOLANA BEACH

**The Fish Market:** Monday-Friday, 3:30-9:30pm: \$3.50 wells, discounted beer & wine. \$9.5 oysters, \$4.25 smoked trout quesadilla, more. Saturday-Sunday, 11am-4pm: \$3.50 wells, discounted beer & wine. \$9.5 oysters, \$4.25 smoked trout quesadilla, more.

**Pacific Coast Grill:** Every day, 4-7pm: \$5 gold margaritas, \$1 off draft, wells, wines by the glass, 25% off wine bottles.

## SORRENTO VALLEY

**Ali Baba's Cave:** Every day, 4-6pm: 2-for-1 drinks, \$9 hookahs.

**Karl Strauss Brewing Company:** Monday-Friday, 4-6:30pm: \$3.50 beer.

## SOUTH PARK

**Alchemy:** Monday-Friday, 4-6pm: \$2 off wells, including Skyy, Seagram's, Jim Beam, Sauza Gold, \$2 off wines/glass, draft.

**Hamilton's Tavern and Café:** Every day, 5-8pm: \$1 off local drafts.

**Whistle Stop Bar:** Every day, 2-8pm: \$1 off all cocktails, pints.

## SPRING VALLEY

**California Comfort:** Every day, 4-7pm: \$2.50 domestic pints, wells, house wine. \$5 appetizers.

## TIERRASANTA

**Bud's Louisiana Café:** Tuesday-Friday, 1-2:30pm; 4:30-6pm: 1/2-price wine and beer. Saturday, 4:30-6pm: 1/2-price wine and beer.

## UNIVERSITY CITY

**Café Japengo:** Monday-Friday, 5-7pm: \$3 drafts, sake, \$4.50 wells. \$4 chicken spring rolls, duck potstickers, California rolls.

## UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS

**Gulf Coast Grill:** Monday, all night: \$3.95 wells, drafts, wine. Tuesday-Sunday, 4:30-6:30pm: \$3.95 wells, drafts, wine.

## VISTA

**Jumping Bean Cafe & Mexican Grill:** Monday-Saturday, 3-6pm: \$1 Coronitas, Pacifiquitas, \$2 domestic imports, \$2.75 margaritas, \$3 wells, microbrews, \$4 Leaping Horse wine.

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# Crab Bag

Truluck's is a Florida-based surf-and-turf house specializing in crabs — above all, Florida stone crabs, but also Maine Jonahs, Pacific Dungeness, never-frozen (they claim) Alaskan King, and even a bit of Maine Peekytoe and blue crab of unspecified geographic origin. Filling out the menu are other shellfish and fin-fish from all over, all non-endangered, along with naturally raised Niman Ranch meats and chicken. Truluck's boldly moved where no restaurant has gone and survived — the Aventine's notorious "corner of doom," at the opposite end of this four-restaurant upscale food-mall from Japengo.

I'm no great fan of chains, but shellfish are a passion, and Truluck's has been offering a summertime bargain "Date Menu" — appetizer, entrée, and shared dessert for two for \$35 a person. I phoned to ask when "summer" would officially end. The hostess didn't know and couldn't dig up a manager, but she thought it would run through September. She'd have somebody call me back. No call ever came, but by the time I didn't hear from them, I was already eating there to get in on the deal: they had some crazy little stone crabs, and I was gonna get me some. "Hey, Sam," I emailed my most seafood-lovin' buddy, "Can I give you the crabs?" I wanted to try some à la carte choices, too, so asked him to bring along a date (Sam's a magnet for smart, lively women, always welcome table-company), and I'd play date-night chaperone.

Truluck's looks like a transplant from some other place, some other time — specifically, 1947–1967. After passing the more modern-looking live tank of Dungeness on the way in, you slide past a large, dark bar with shiny black floors, piano in the corner, and a large, muted flat-screen TV beamed at the adjoining dining room. Like facing Medusa, you need to blindfold yourself not to look at it, lest its hypnotic powers turn you into a stoned couch potato. Big mirrors and plaster game-fish hang on the walls. At least, I hope they're plaster. If not, that's a lot of sawdust-stuffed endan-



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gered marlin. I prefer it stuffed Baja-style with sliced limes, pickled red onion, and cilantro.

The spacious dining room is brighter, mixing four-top tables in various arrangements and burgundy leather booths and more petrified fish and mirrors on high. An eclectic loop of okay taped music was playing softly when we entered but soon gave way to the barroom's pianist belting out pre-rock vocals loudly enough to drown out conversation, reminiscent of those torturous wedding receptions where hopelessly square parents have hired the band. Given the piscine menu, the entertainer should have updated the inescapable Dean Martin number to "When an eel nips your lip when you're taking a dip, that's a moray/ When a fish fangs your face while you're floating in place..." His country-western version of blues great Bessie Smith's "Nobody Knows You When You're Down and Out" ended with an appalling little Texas yodel before the final chord. It was a harbinger of the cooking to come.

The bread plate was mixed news: the baguette

slices were stale; the brown bread was sweet, soft, and warm; the butter was warm, too, and spreadable.

All "Dating Menu" dishes are drawn from the à la carte choices, so even if this option expires,

you can get the same dishes anytime (most food prices are moderate, unless you opt for luxury stuff). It offers several salads and a soup for starters — the lat-

ter, an interesting crab-and-corn chowder. It was dense and creamy, and oddly, a little smoky, with potato slices and tiny corn kernels — very likable. In this retro atmosphere, I couldn't resist trying the "Wedge" salad (iceberg with diced tomatoes, crumbled bacon, a bit of Maytag blue). Its blue-cheese dressing was thin, sweet, not very cheesy. Wished I'd chosen the Caesar instead, or the Sonoma Greens. (But didn't the menu say "local produce"? Sonoma is 750 miles north, near enough for baby goats and goat cheese, but we've got great greens a lot more local all over North County.)

For the à la carte starter, we chose rock-shrimp-and-artichoke beignets (fritters). They did look

## DINING REVIEW

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### Truluck's

★½ (Fair to Good)

The Aventine, 8990 University Center Lane, La Jolla, 858-453-2583, [trulucks.com](http://trulucks.com).

**HOURS:** Monday–Thursday 5:00–10:00 p.m., until 11 p.m. weekends, until 9 p.m. Sunday.

**PRICES:** "Date Menu" prix fixe through summer (two courses, shared dessert); \$35 per person. "Chilled Seafood Tower" priced by the piece (\$2.50 oysters, \$3 Jonah claws, tiger prawns \$8, cocktails \$3–\$15); shareable starters, \$7–\$17; entrées, \$17–\$43 (plus market-price shellfish); sides, \$5–\$12.

**CUISINE AND BEVERAGES:** Seafood and steaks with large garnish portions of starch, featuring non-endangered catch, Niman Ranch (natural) meats. Vast, fun wine list, plenty by the glass, including four-pour flights; full bar.

**PICK HITS:** Crab-and-corn chowder; rock-shrimp-and-artichoke beignets; crab fried rice. Good bets: Florida stone-crab claws in season (October–June); live Dungeness crab; Alaskan King crab legs.

**NEED TO KNOW:** Free validated valet parking. Live piano-bar music (miked loud). Business-casual dress. Retro ('50s) ambiance, without irony.

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like darker-colored, overgrown N'Awlins breakfast beignets. Tender and mostly tasty, but uneven from one to the next, some carried a slash of hot spice, others were sweet; a few had excess batter. They came with habanero aioli dip, heavy and spicy enough to overwhelm not just the puffs but an army of hungry Visigoths — not bad when applied discreetly in bloblets. Like most other plates, this also offered net-wrapped lemon halves for squeezing, a useful fallback whenever the kitchen's more elaborate concoctions failed.



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While we pondered what to order, our server (a charming Aussie named Michael) brought out a tray of all available crabs and gave a memorized spiel about each. He swore the huge Alaskan King crab claws had never been frozen (nearly all this species are flash-frozen on shipboard before they ever reach land, according to an ex-Alaska crabber acquaintance). I was sorely tempted by the Dungeness, but at \$24 per pound (average 1½ pounds each), I gave up my Dungeness dreams. Florida stone crabs were off-season, but the Date Menu offered chilled “Texas Stone Crab Claws” (farm-raised by the company) instead, so we were guaranteed crustaceans in any case. As it turned out, all the pretty little stone crabs (with the tropical colors of a macaw) were gone that evening, though we’d arrived fairly early, so with our permission the kitchen substituted Jonah crabs. And now I know why nobody ever heard of

Jonah crabs until a few years ago, when Peekytoe became a fad and cheaper Jonahs became a sometime-substitute for them. I learned this lesson most vividly when dealing with the leftover half-portion at home.

Jonah shells are totally tough — tougher than Rambo, tougher than Chuck Norris, tougher than Ah-nold. We’ve got crustacean Hulks here. All your lobster-dismemberment tools are of no avail. The only option is to *bam* them with a mallet until the shells are shards (as the kitchen did at the restaurant), which then get in the way of trying to eat the flesh, ’cause you have to peel all that flotsam off. Worse yet, the center of each claw has a “room divider” of tough cellulose, so you must scoop out the shreds of meat from each side — there is little hope of getting a big succulent crustacean in any case. As it turned out, all the pretty little stone crabs (with the tropical colors of a macaw) were gone that evening, though we’d arrived fairly early, so with our permission the kitchen substituted Jonah crabs. And now I know why nobody ever heard of

The claws came with a little thin pink-mayo dip and a sep-

arate plate of thick grilled asparagus, topping mucky Parmesan mashed potatoes, which, as far as I could tell, had no dairy aside from the cheese, probably using potato-water for thinner. None of us detected Parmesan as a specific flavor, just the cheesy weight of it. And these were the standard starch with almost everything, in almost Claim Jumper quantities.

The menu also offered a choice of grilled Icelandic char, one of my favorite fin-fishes. It’s a pink-fleshed cold-water sea trout from the Bering Sea, with the richness of salmon but the subtlety of trout. But even so fatty a fish dries out when overcooked, as these thin fillets were, to the max. The menu said they came with black beans and rice (the beans AWOL) and with fried bananas, which were delicious. Smoked scotch-bonnet aioli was also MIA, leaving only a pleasant slick of cilantro oil for flavoring the fish-leather.

My chaperonal à la carte entrée was Beef Oscar (a variant on old-timey Veal Oscar), with Niman Ranch sirloin “topped with fresh Maine Peekytoe crab, shaved asparagus, and jalapeño

Béarnaise,” served with more Parmesan mash. I ordered the beef “very rare.” It came rare. Okay. But the crabmeat and sauce weren’t elegantly piled atop the beef in traditional style, to savor their flavors, but mingled with the asparagus shavings in that staggering sludge of potato-cheese mush — a mess of starchy porridge.

This was the point where, like Dante at the Gate of Hell, I lost all hope, forced to recognize that the problem at Truluck’s was endemic sloppy cooking and plating, a seeming indifference to craftsmanship. The chain seems to have ambitions and offers fine ingredients but can’t do them justice because it evidently doesn’t teach the kitchen to treat those ingredients with respect. As a reader wrote in to the website a few weeks ago (complaining about San Diego eateries in general), it was as if the cooks were all gardeners a few days before they were hired and received insufficient training on the job.

So, this is not a “fine-food dining” seafood chain after all, but a “lotsa food slopped on your plate” chain. It’s misplaced, a poor fit for the chic Aventure ambiance anchored by Japengo and its professionally slim, stiletto-heeled-women, flirting with well-dressed men driving Bentleys — more apt for the SUV crowd at a suburban food-mall anchored by an all-you-can-eat buffet. Sam kept thinking it was based in Texas rather than Florida, since portions were so huge and starch-heavy. (In contrast, at most of the upscale restaurants where I’ve been eating “budget” dinners this summer, starch garnishes are minimal and carb-lite, creative, local-grown vegetable preparations are offered.) I’m in no position to snipe at anybody’s weight, but most of our fellow diners did indeed look like folks who valued quantity over quality. Even at a nearby birthday party of eight, they barely talked to their fellow celebrants but bent obsessively over the plates, shoveling it in.

We ordered a couple of sides, which only verified this impression. The King crab mac (penne) and cheese was heavy and glutinous, with a bit of fun from smoked Gouda as the

cheese — still, basically, glop. The best dish of the evening was another side, Crab Fried Rice. This, at last, was light and clean, slightly sweet, where you could taste the crab and the individual vegetables (red pepper, mild green jalapeño, carrots, baby shiitakes) in the mixture. It was like a blessed brief return to 21st-century urban California, after a dinner mired in the heavy, careless luxuries of 1957.

We still had a shared dessert to choose. The Date Menu has a choice of chocolate malt cake and carrot cake. Waiter Michael brought out the whole dessert tray to tempt us further. It resembled a scale model for a downtown redevelopment project, numerous towering edifices of sweetness. We stuck with carrot cake, a wedge sized to serve as a container-port warehouse on the future waterfront. It tasted all-American straightforward — very sweet, with caramel sauce and walnut-shaped brown sugar puffs on the side. Sam’s date Jennifer took a few modest bites, as did I. These were sufficient, and we sent the bulk of it home with marathon-runner Sam, who is skinny enough to handle the calories.

As I said, I generally don’t love chains, so all the more important to compare Truluck’s to other local seafood chains. King’s Seafood in Mission Valley blows Truluck’s out of the water — fresh seafood, nice cooking (some simple, some dishes as imaginative as Truluck’s best — but better executed). Brigantine wipes ’em out, too — I’ve never eaten at an actual Brigantine, but their spin-off Zocalo in Old Town offers lots of light, interesting appetizers, along with better Puerto Nuevo local lobster than Puerto Nuevo itself, and their Miguel’s Cantina has Mexican-style seafood (in indulgently goopy sauces) cooked reliably tender. (I love bringing visitors with kids to the Coronado location — the young’uns fall in love with the food as well as the festive atmosphere.) And although Anthony’s style is too plain for me, their catch comes fresh from their own local fleet and processing company; the plates taste cleaner. And, of course, we’ve also got more remote-based fine-dining seafood

chains like the popular Oceanaire and McCormick and Schmick’s. The edge all these have over Truluck’s is that the cooks respect the ingredients — and the eaters. So, given the local rivals — lots o’ luck to Truluck’s. Unless they whip their kitchen into competitive condition, I’ll wager that Truluck’s may have no luck at all here.

### Bargain Bites

The big bargain news for September is, of course, Restaurant Week, September 13–18 ([sandiegorestaurantweek.com](http://sandiegorestaurantweek.com)), with three-course meals priced at \$40, \$30, and \$20. You choose the ones you want, you call the restaurant to reserve.

The \$40 menus are a chance to eat at top restaurants that may be otherwise off the charts financially. For instance, I’m booking for Grant Grill, which has a new chef whose work I want to try but is otherwise way beyond my newspaper budget in these leaner times — one meal there, I’d have to Tin Fork it for the rest of the month. My choice last year was 1500 Ocean. A.R. Valentien, Arterra, Cavaillon, El Bizcocho, Market, Nine-Ten, and Tapenade are among the other superb possibilities.

In the \$30 realm, many choices are thoroughly excellent neighborhood restaurants (e.g., Kensington Grill, Kous Kous, Terra), where you’ll save about \$20 on a fine meal in homey comfort — but some spiffy choices in this price range surprised me: Baleen? Bernard’O, with its great chef? Jai? J-Six? Splashy, silly Peohe’s, with its amazing view and dizzy tropical decor? Quarter Kitchen, with its new fall menu? View-endowed Red Marlin? And the lovely Roseville? Wow, times must be tough, indeed! I have, alas, not one recommendation for the \$20 meals, most of them chain-y (as in dreadful Dick or scary Lon).

Another great source for bargain meals: the happy-hour pages in this paper. You already know that most listings offer bargain drinks, but some listings and several ads offer cut-price foods as well. Put on those bifocals (or take ’em off, if you’ve joined the presbyopian choir) and scan the fine print! ■



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### Alpine

**Alpine Inn** 2225 Alpine Bl., Alpine, 619-445-5172. Beef-lovers heaven, with a juicy special ground-in-house (so rare-cooked is feasible) Texas burger. Crowded weekends. Moderate to expensive.

### Baja

From the United States use the prefix 011-52 when calling Mexico.

**Chiki Jai** Avenida Revolución #1388, Tijuana, 664-685-4955. The food's Spanish, so paella is big (with soup, salad, French bread, and bleu cheese), but try baby eel appetizers, chorizo (pork sausages), *bacalao* (cod fish) à la *vizcaína*, trout with olive oil and garlic. Inexpensive to moderate.

**Original Ortega's** Calle Principal (next to Casa de la Langosta), Puerto Nuevo. The spiny lobsters (once local but now from who-knows-where) are fried in lard, finished off on the grill, and served with melted margarine blend, frijoles, rice, tortillas, and salsa. Many other starters, entrées, desserts available. Moderate to high, low-moderate specials.

**Los Pelicanos** Calle Cedros #115, Rosarito, 661-612-0445. This hotel dining room is El Nido's little sister, with a shorter menu. It serves good steaks and surf 'n' turf in a handsome room and, at lunch, on a pretty ocean-view terrace. Moderate.

**Tacos Varios y Aguas Frescas** Corner of Constitución and Third, Tijuana. The cart is only here from 6pm to 6am, but from tongue to chicken mole to *milanesa*, steak ranchero, carne asada, *chile relleno*, and *pescado* (fish), they create meals right there. Inexpensive.

### Balboa Park

**Japanese Tea Pavilion** 2215 Pan American Way, Balboa Park, 619-231-0048. The teriyaki bowl with salmon, the sweetish *udon* *soba* noodle soup with tofu *kitsune*, and even the California sandwich piled high with "krab" meat are good and feel Japanese. Inexpensive.

**The Prado** 1549 El Prado, Balboa Park, 619-557-9441. Exquisite setting in the park offers generous portions on a something-for-everyone menu. Top choices: meaty crab cakes, slow-roasted pork loin, banana *tres leches* cake. Moderate to expensive.

### Banker's Hill

**Alex's Brown Bag** 2550 Fifth Ave., Banker's Hill, 619-231-2912. The re-born Alex's (now in the Mr. A's building) is a deli rightly famous for its Original Philadelphia Cheese Steak Sandwich. Inexpensive.

**Avenue 5** 2760 Fifth Ave., Banker's Hill, 619-542-0394. Chef-owner Colin MacLaggan offers a short, tasty menu of creative, seasonal, French-influenced California cuisine (and house-made desserts) in a chic, classy-casual neigh-

borhood bistro. Happy-hour bargains at bar; otherwise high-moderate.

**Azuki Sushi Lounge** 2321 Fifth Ave., Banker's Hill, 619-238-4760. Skillful, creative sushi and sashimi in a convivial atmosphere. Don't miss the spicy Pon Hama (yellowtail sashimi with yuzu juice and chili powder) or the fusion-y RU Kidding Me roll, the owner's favorite. Moderate to expensive.

**Joe's New York-Style Deli** 3401 First Ave., Banker's Hill, 619-295-7666. Go for wraps, jumbo hot dogs with sauerkraut, or East Coast-generous sandwiches like corned beef, dry Genoa

salami, cotto salami, bologna, or liverwurst. That Boar's Head liverwurst is da bomb. Inexpensive.

### Borrego Springs

**La Casa del Zorro** 3845 Yaqui Pass Rd., Borrego Springs, 760-767-5323. The menu offers elaborate seafood appetizers and entrées with subtle sauces, fresh veggies from nearer the coast, and rather mild-flavored, tender meats, evidently chosen to be gentle to the dentures of the duffers. Very expensive.

### Carlsbad

**Joey's Smokin' B-B-Q** 6955 El Camino Real, Carlsbad, 760-929-1396. Also 4645 Carmel Mountain Rd., Carmel Valley, 858-350-1317. It's not Southern so much as SoCal "Q," but the meats are genuinely smoked. Pulled pork offers reasonably credible Memphis-style flavor; ribs come in three versions. Inexpensive to moderate.

**Pizza Port** 571 Carlsbad Village Dr., Carlsbad, 760-720-7007. Also 135 N.

Coast Hwy. 101, Solana Beach, 858-481-7332. Pizza Port brews their own beer (try Sharkbite Red) and flings their own pizzas, New York style. Filling combos can be great, like the Pizza Carlsbad or the Pizza Solana. Inexpensive.

### Carmel Mountain

**Athens Market Café** 11640 Carmel Mountain Rd., Carmel Mountain, 858-675-2225. Vickie Pappas (sis of Mary)

serves up the Greek classics at this offshoot of Athens Market, with particularly flavorful lamb souvlaki and lamb chops. Inexpensive to moderate.

### Carmel Valley

**Arterra** 11966 El Camino Real, Carmel Valley, 858-369-6032. Local, sustainably raised ingredients in treatments growing bolder over the years, offering treats for both palate and mind. A blithe patio, sushi bar, and happy hour at the

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## Chula Vista

**La Bella Pizza Garden** 373 Third Ave., Chula Vista, 619-426-8820. Rustic-looking family-run restaurant offers Italian-American standards, big portions, low prices, late hours. The hit with kids is "Papa's Favorite" eight-inch pizza. Inexpensive.

**El Dorado Seafood & Grill** 311 Palomar St., Chula Vista, 619-426-4545. Zesty Peruvian dishes include *papa releno* (creamy potato with a lively beef and raisin filling), *seco de cabrito* (young goat in a complex, herbal stew). Mexican-style seafood served here, too. Inexpensive to moderate.

## City Heights

**El Borrego Restaurant** 4280 El Cajon Bl., City Heights, 619-281-1355. Specializes in fascinating Mexican lamb dishes, including spicy, smoky *mixiote* (lamb cooked inside thin maguey skin) and *pancita*, similar to haggis. Inexpensive.

**Red Sea Restaurant** 4717 University Ave., City Heights, 619-285-9722. You'll find richly seasoned Ethiopian cuisine served on a porous pancake, *injera*. The *kitfo* (spicy beef tartare) is good, the *gored gored* (meat in spicy butter) is excellent. Vibrant veggies, too. Inexpensive.

**Super Cocina** 3627 University Ave., City Heights, 619-584-6244. Mexican

housewives prepare specialties for the restaurant. They're complex meat or poultry stews made without border compromises. The dozen entrées change daily from a rotating repertory of about 100. Inexpensive.

**Tom's Chinese BBQ** 4414 University Ave., City Heights, 619-563-8225. The roast ribs, roast pork, and BBQ spare ribs are excellent. So is pork fried rice and the dim sum. But you should also try the pig's rectum, duck's feet, stomach lining, ears, and wiggly small intestines. Inexpensive.

## Clairemont

**Boomerangs Gourmet Burger Joint** 4577 Clairemont Dr., Clairemont, 858-483-9500. Create-your-burger options include horseradish, artichoke hearts, carrots, cranberries, cheeses, and mushrooms. Chop and tuck these into raw burger meat, like a joey into mama roo's pocket. Inexpensive.

**Lightnin' Jack's BBQ** 4705-H Clairemont Dr., Clairemont, 858-270-8227. Mall atmosphere, but hickory-fueled Texas-style pit barbecue turns out tender, moist pork ribs and reasonably smoky brisket. Nice fried catfish, too. Hush puppies and sweet potato fries are the tastiest sides. Inexpensive to moderate.

## College Area

**4.0 Deli** 5844 Montezuma Rd., College Area, 619-281-4040. Try the Montezuma, a toasted sub with grilled chicken cutlets, chorizo, Monterey Jack, and a kick-butt Southwestern dressing. Inexpensive.

**Woodstock's Pizza** 6145 El Cajon Bl., College Area, 619-265-0999. Crusts

— white or sweetly robust whole wheat — are pressed, tossed, and folded over at the edge, producing a spongy, crunch-crustured rim. The mozzarella is rich, gooey whole milk; the marinara sauce is dark and spicy. Inexpensive.

## Coronado

**Bistro d'Asia** 1301 Orange Ave., Coronado, 619-437-6677. The relaxing restaurant attached to the hardy Lizard Lounge serves gentled-down dishes from East Asia. Good sushi bar in the Lounge. Moderate.

**Crown Room** Hotel Del, 1500 Orange Ave., Coronado, 619-435-6611. In this vaulted dining room, presidents, princes and Marilyn Monroe have chowed down. Open only for elaborate Sunday brunch, with cooking not quite up to the visual grandeur. Expensive.

**Mexican Village** 126 Orange Ave., Coronado, 619-435-3111. Old restaurant revives with new (Mexican) owner. Old Coronadans say the signature burritos (filled with tripe, pork and potato, chorizo and eggs, etc.) match even their gilded Korea- and Vietnam-era memories. Inexpensive to moderate.

**Rhinoceros** 1166 Orange Ave., Coronado, 619-435-2121. Meat and fish choices are prepared simply with generic veggie accompaniments. Why, then, is Rhino so popular? Pasta is the answer — that's where the kitchen shines. Moderate (pastas) to expensive.

## Del Mar

**Osteria del Pescatore** 1201 Camino del Mar, Del Mar, 858-509-9293. Italian seafood, garden setting. Best are the daily specials, including spaghetti *a cartoccio* (baked in parchment) and lobster risotto. Save room

for dessert, especially if offerings include *torta alla nonna*. High-moderate to expensive.

**Poseidon** 1670 Coast Bl., Del Mar, 858-755-9345. It's all about the glorious seaside view. Lunches run to sandwiches, burgers, and fried seafood. Dinner dishes mingle Pacific Rim-Mediterranean-Mexican flavors, with some emphasis on seafood. Moderate to expensive.

**Red Tractor's** 550 Via de la Valle, Del Mar, 858-755-6600. Manly retro atmosphere, huge portions. The selection is generous: steaks, prime rib, seafood, chicken, and pork — all expertly prepared and served in record time. Expensive.

**Sbicca American Bistro** 215 15th St., Del Mar, 858-481-1001. Pristine California cuisine highlights local produce in deluxe, seasonal dishes that engage the mind along with the palate, e.g., a lemon-pistachio cake that changes as you cut it, crumbling into a berry coulis. High-moderate to expensive.

## Downtown

**Acqua Al 2** 322 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-230-0382. Mainly plain Tuscan cuisine, highlighted by pleasing vegetarian pastas and risottos featuring earthy porcini mushrooms. Moderate (pasta) to expensive.

**Bandar Fine Persian Cuisine** 825 and 837 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-238-0101. Skillful, healthful cooking from an ancient high cuisine. Refined entrées featuring rice with poultry are elaborately garnished; rose-flavored Persian ice cream is a romantic ending. Moderate.

**Café Sevilla** 555 Fourth Ave., Downtown, 619-233-5979. A loud, convivial tapas bar adjoins a quieter, romantic Spanish restaurant, but you can get

tapas in the restaurant and entrées at the bar. At both, the choices are varied, interesting, and cosmopolitan. Great sangria. Moderate.

**Café de L'Opera** 1354 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-234-0425. Pastry chef Thierry Cahez offers a genuine French feeling and food, in a pâtisserie with exquisite dessert pastries, breakfast croissants, and Gallic lunches like mini-pizzas and *croque monsieurs* (toasted cheese sandwich with ham). Inexpensive.

**Candelas** 416 Third Ave., Downtown, 619-702-4455. Don't look for tacos here — chef Eduardo Baeza specializes in sophisticated, delectable Mexican haute cuisine made with French techniques. Interesting but expensive wine list; food expensive.

**The Field Irish Pub and Restaurant** 544 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-232-9840. This spirited, colorful saloon, transported whole hog from the Ould Sod, offers Irish music live most nights. Try the herb-rich Irish stew, or the boxty — potato crepes with a variety of fillings (salmon, beef, etc.). Low-moderate.

**Lou and Mickey's** 224 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-237-4900. Fifties-style surf 'n' turf owned by King's Seafood, with fine fish quality, simple fare. Best dishes include New Orleans BBQ shrimp — a buttery, spicy Creole extravaganza (available as starter or entrée) — and the huge, juicy rib-eye Cowboy Steak. Fish moderate, meats expensive.

**Mister Tiki Mai Tai Lounge** 801 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-233-1183. Asian fusion items, elementary sushi, and the occasional sprint into fusion-cuisine seafood are ballast for the real gourmet fare: tropical umbrella drinks. Moderate.

**The Palm** 615 J St., Downtown, 619-702-6500. The fare features tender dry-aged and wet-aged USDA Prime beef from the chain's own wholesale butcher

and, for high-rollers, monster-sized Nova Scotia lobsters. Also consider shrimp Bruno (with a Dijon sauce), baked crab cakes. Very expensive.

**Panda Inn** 506 Horton Plaza, Downtown, 619-233-7800. Family-friendly menu offers greaseless dishes to suit all tastes. Tofu with eggplant and the Mongolian Hotpot, a meatball casserole with Chinese cabbage, are among the more authentic choices. Lunches inexpensive, dinners moderate.

**Pokéz Mexican Restaurant and Vegetarian Cuisine** 947 E St., Downtown, 619-702-7160. Hipster atmosphere and mainly Mexican vegetarian fare (with some carnivore dishes like steak ranchero or sautéed chicken fajitas). Inexpensive.

**RA Sushi** 474 Broadway, Downtown, 619-321-0021. Big and splashy, this Arizona-based chain restaurant creates a high-energy atmosphere with loud music and louder decor. The grazing menu features sushi, sashimi, and hosts of Asian-oid appetizers, plus substantial noodle dishes and entrées. Moderate.

**Super Jr. Market & Deli** 1036 Seventh Ave., Downtown, 619-232-6367. Sandwiches include Boar's Head meat, cheeses, and fixings galore. Hot dishes sold by the pound: pork loin, chicken fajitas, honey ham, turkey, catfish, tilapia — all with two side dishes like rice, veggies, baked potato. Inexpensive.

## El Cajon

**Downtown Café** 182 E. Main St., El Cajon, 619-440-5687. A Mexican-style patio restaurant serving gringo food. Reasonable prices for baby-back pork ribs, burritos, or Louisiana chicken strips. Or even the veggie burger. Inexpensive to moderate.

**Geno's Barbecue** 291 W. Main St., El Cajon, 619-444-3667. Try #5, pulled pork and slaw, or #9, shredded beef,

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melted Jack, and sautéed onions. Sides like dirty rice and cornbread are good, but if you're light of pocket go for the Ripcurl (hot dog). Inexpensive.

**Greek Town Buffet** 345 W. Main St., El Cajon, 619-441-9708. Have gyros, but also try chicken souvlaki (grilled lemon chicken) or start with excellent dolmades (grape leaves wrapped around beef and rice). Don't skip Greek desserts. Inexpensive.

### Encinitas

**Jamroc 101 Caribbean Grill** 101 N. Coast Hwy. 101, Encinitas, 760-436-3162. Kick back to reggae with a fresh coconut water and the Jamaican sampler, including luscious soft-fried plantains and splendid patties (empanadas to you and me) with a choice of fillings. The jerk's way mild. Inexpensive.

**Savory** 267 N. El Camino Real, Encinitas, 760-634-5556. Chef-owner Pascal Vignau serves a changing menu of southern French and Mediterranean cooking spotlighting seasonal local produce. Highlights include a rich macaroni-and-ham casserole. Moderate.

**Tomiko** 87 Encinitas Bl., Encinitas, 760-633-3587. Great sushi, including fabulous *uni*, world-beating silky *toro*. Appetizers like salmon tower tartare and drunken black cod are rewarding, as are the simple, excellent fusioning seafood entrées. Moderate.

**I Trulli Trattoria** 830 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Encinitas, 760-943-6800. The signifiers of seriousness are the pink peppercorns, goat cheese, sun-dried tomatoes, and light cream sauces that coexist with the more traditional mozzarella-tomato sauce arrays. Moderate.

**Tuscan Sun Italian Deli** 1070 N. El Camino Real, Encinitas, 760-633-4546. Domestic and imported meats and cheeses, fresh-baked breads and focaccia, marinated veggies, and gourmet products from Italy. The specialty is the Caprese sandwich on focaccia bread. Inexpensive.

### Escondido

**Bistro 221** 221 E. Grand Ave., Escondido, 760-737-7398. Simple dishes shine at this genteel bistro, like sophisticated lunch quesadillas and dinner appetizers like Florida gumbo and Maryland crab cake. Moderate.

**El Galeón** 503 W. Mission Ave., Escondido, 760-746-5951. Mexican seafood stars here. Shrimp and langostino ("squat lobster" in fishermen's terms) are house specialties. Consider a marlin taco (squeeze some lime onto this rich, strong fish) or savory *albondigas* soup. Inexpensive to moderate.

**Hacienda de Vega** 2608 S. Escondido Bl., Escondido, 760-738-9805. In gorgeous surroundings (mansion and garden), Señora Vega offers sophisticated Mexico City cuisine. You'll find interesting appetizers along with entrées featuring complex sauces and a huge bargain-priced Sunday brunch. Inexpensive to moderate.

### Fallbrook

**El Parque** 2659 Reche Rd., Fallbrook, 760-731-2775. Good combination plates include the tostada with beef taco and the burrito with enchilada. Better yet, on Sunday morning, agricultural workers pour in here for menudo, cooked in a three-foot-high pot. Inexpensive.

**Wayside Café** 507 South Main Ave., Fallbrook, 760-723-9633. The place used to be a gas station. You can even sit in the old lube bay to eat. Count on generous servings, especially the mountain piles of red-skinned home fries as a side at breakfast. Inexpensive.

### Hillcrest

**Bread and Cie** 350 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-683-9322. Crusty European peasant breads include anise-fig and black-olive loaves. Focaccia pizza and savory sandwiches (many with thick bread and thin fillings) are available to take out or eat on the spot. Inexpensive.

## What the Chef Eats by Pamela Hunt-Cloyd

### QUICK CHICKEN TOSTADAS

BY CHRIS WALSH, EXECUTIVE CHEF, BITE

Back in the '80s, when I was executive chef at California Cuisine, cooking went through this really exciting time. All of a sudden there was Alice Waters and Wolfgang Puck and a sudden new explosion of local, fresh, and experimental food.

There was a short-lived trend called grazing that I participated in. A bunch of us would drive up to L.A. for the night and hit four or five new restaurants. We would have an appetizer at

Spago and then go to Citrus for dessert. We went to Tommy Tang's, Border Grill, all the places that were new at the time and famous. By only ordering a small plate, we got to try a lot of great food without draining our finances.

But I've always liked the idea of bite-sized portions. For the most part, they are the dishes that chefs play around with the most. They are the most experimental. Entrées are more of a

middle ground, trying to stay on the safe side. The other thing about an entrée is that they are just so big. With tapas, you can realize, *Oh, I was going to order one more thing but I think I'm full.*

I don't go out to eat as much as I used to. Bite is my restaurant, and it's only two years old so I am there a lot, nurturing it.

After a long day at work, one of my favorite quick meals is to grab a roasted chicken from the deli and make some



homemade chicken tostadas. You can fry up some tortillas, mash up some pinto beans, and add sour cream and cheese.

From start to finish, the whole process only takes about 20 minutes, and you can enjoy a cold beer or a glass of wine before, during, and after

**City Delicatessen** 555 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-295-2747. Some folk come for the Jewish-American food (chicken-in-the-pot, brisket of beef, chopped liver), others to soak in the art-deco colors until midnight (3am weekends). Inexpensive to moderate.

**Ichiban** 1449 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-299-7203. The best values are at lunch, with weekday specials like Bento combos (sushi rolls, crab, salmon, rice) and filling soups overflowing with veggies and thick *udon* noodles. Inexpensive.

**Jack's Barbecue** 1290 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-574-1644. Jack's Sampler (four-bone baby back ribs, one half chicken, one portion of BBQ beef, fries, and slaw) is a good intro. Or pork-rib tips or just a Cajun sausage sandwich or one of Jack's chili cheeseburgers with bacon. Inexpensive.

**Pasha Mediterranean Grill & Café** 3614 Fifth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-294-4444. Turkish specialties (including grilled beef cubes over eggplant mashed with garlic and yogurt) distinguish this Turkish-Lebanese *halal* restaurant from generic Middle Easterners, with which it shares a menu of kebabs, *shawerma*, salads, et al. Loads for vegans. No alcohol. Moderate.

**Picasso Spanish Restaurant** 3923 Fourth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-294-3061. Some top Basque tapas here include chicken-stuffed empanadillas, baby eels in garlic sauce, stuffed green lip mussels, and an outstanding paella (available as both a tapa and entrée). Moderate.

**Pizza Fusion** 3827 Fifth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-278-0057. Everything's green and organic at this eco-conscious chain. The pizzas are odd-shaped but tasty, with multigrain oval crusts, plenty of veggies, cheese, and sweet Italian sausage or organic steak. Inexpensive to moderate.

**St. Tropez** 3805 Fifth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-497-0297. Additional locations in Encinitas, Rancho Bernardo, downtown. These bright cafés with indoor-outdoor seating offer scores of yummy house-baked breakfast pastries, desserts, and good coffee, plus Parisian-style *croque monsieur* and *madame*, crepes, quiche, onion soup, sophisticated sandwiches, and panini. Simple French dinners at some branches. Inexpensive.

**Terra** 3900 Vermont St., Hillcrest, 619-293-7088. Generously sized tapas can serve as appetizers or as a sustaining bite before venturing into Trader Joe's across the street. The dinner menu

changes seasonally, featuring barbecue items during the summer, comforting fare in colder weather. Moderate.

### Imperial Beach

**Olive Oil Organic Café** 600 Palm Ave., Imperial Beach, 619-429-1779. Great vegan sandwiches on ciabatta or focaccia — the eggplant Baby Greens and the Vegan Fusion (imitation smoked turkey and salami, cheese). But the carnivorous sandwiches are also way better than they have to be. Also pizzas, salads, house-made soups. Inexpensive.

**The Tin Fish** 910 Seacoast Dr., Imperial Beach, 619-628-8414. Also 170 Sixth Ave., Downtown, 619-238-8100 (lunch only). The bill of fare features fish — fried, grilled, chowdered, or wrapped into burritos, tacos, or sandwiches. Great crab cakes. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

### Imperial Valley

**Owl Café** 674 Main St., Imperial Valley, 760-336-0298. This café, over 50

years old, serves rib-sticking food. Try breakfast special #1: pancakes, two eggs, and two bacon strips. For lunch, the French dip sandwich. Full-plate diners include roast beef and chicken-fried steak. Inexpensive.

### Kearny Mesa

**B & B Deli & Catering** 8690 Aero Dr., Kearny Mesa, 858-292-1636. Airmen's Comfort Food Central, offering plate-bursting lunch specials with all the fixin's: roast pork loin, meat loaf, curried chicken, Polish sausage, pepper steak, cabbage rolls. Generous breakfasts, too. Inexpensive.

**Dumpling Inn** 4619 Convo St., Kearny Mesa, 858-268-9638. Tiny, plain setting offering authentic northern Chinese and Szechuan dishes. Ten fish and green-chive dumplings, spicy three-ingredient lo mein (with jumbo shrimp, calamari, and chicken) and superb jellyfish salad are challenging and exciting. Inexpensive.

**The Philadelphia Sandwich Company** 3904 Convo St., Kearny Mesa, 858-571-0888. The menu centers on Philly's two cult sandwiches: the hoagie and the cheese steak. The mixed-meat hoagie is more flavorful than a mere hero. For cheese steak, try the luscious "everything" with provolone, unless you're a Philly-born purist. Inexpensive.

**San Tong Palace** 4690 Convo St., Kearny Mesa, 858-571-6837. Hybrid Korean-Chinese menu draws from these regions' tastiest styles. Try the delicious Rainbow Salad and outstanding dumplings, especially the seafood ones. The jellyfish salad is a treat for the adventurous. Inexpensive.

### La Jolla

**Barbarella** 2171 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla, 858-454-7373. Nestled in an English garden, you can dine indoors or out enjoying house-baked sourdough and a daily changing eclectic menu, cooked with imagination. Outstanding fresh fruit crepes in season. Moderate.

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# What the Chef Eats

preparation. Of course, you can always roast your own chicken, make beans from scratch, and make your own salsa...if you've got the time, go for it!

## INGREDIENTS

### SERVES 4-6

- 1 deli roasted chicken, deboned and shredded
- 2-3 cloves garlic, minced (more to taste)
- ½ qt of canola oil, divided use
- 1 can pinto beans with liquid salt and pepper to taste
- 1 package thin yellow corn tortillas

- 1 package grated Mexican cheese mix
- 1 pint sour cream
- Fresh avocado slices (optional)
- Your favorite premade salsa or hot sauce

## HOW TO DO IT

Debone and shred deli roasted chicken. Mince 2-3 cloves of garlic or run through a garlic press. Add 2 tablespoons of oil to a medium saucepan and place over medium heat. When the oil is hot, add the garlic and remove the pot from the heat so

the garlic doesn't burn and become bitter. Place beans in the pot with half of their liquid and return to the heat. Add salt and pepper and simmer for 10-15 minutes while stirring and slightly crushing the whole beans.

Meanwhile, heat a large sauté pan with remaining canola oil to approximately 350 degrees and fry tortillas. Drain on paper towels and lightly salt each tortilla. Once the beans and tortillas are ready, assemble the

tostadas by spreading a layer of beans on a tortilla, topping with shredded chicken meat, and topping with grated cheese, sour cream, avocado slices or chunks, and salsa.

Note: You can substitute refried beans for whole, mashed beans, but I prefer the whole beans. You can also reheat the chicken before assembling the tostadas if you wish.

To get other recipes from local chefs, go to [sdrader.com](http://sdrader.com).

**Clay's La Jolla** 7955 La Jolla Shores Dr., La Jolla, 858-551-3620. With a penthouse view of La Jolla, chef-owner Clay Bordan cooks up a seasonal California-fusion menu with international flavors, featuring organic vegetables, wild fish, naturally raised meats and fowl. Expensive.

**Come On In** 1030B Torrey Pines Rd., La Jolla, 858-551-1063. Suave Euro bistro with tree-shaded patio, serving sophisticated breakfasts and healthy lunches like fruit plates and veggie-mozzarella sandwiches. Inexpensive to moderate; dinners a little more expensive.

**George's at the Cove — Ocean Terrace** 1250 Prospect St., La Jolla, 858-454-4244. This informal rooftop eatery has the best view of anywhere of the La Jolla Cove, but the food isn't the fine cuisine of the Dining Room downstairs — it's essentially spiffy grazing. Excellent mussels are the sole memorable dish. Skip the owner's "famous" bean soup, a vanity item. High-moderate.

**The Marine Room** 2000 Spindrift Dr., La Jolla, 858-459-7222. Sea-level ocean view and Chef Bernard Guillas's oceanic culinary inventiveness with fresh, exotic ingredients make every visit a voyage of discovery. Preparations are so elaborate, each menu listing reads like a whole tasting dinner. Expensive.

**Nine-Ten** 910 Prospect St., La Jolla, 858-964-5400. Chef Jason Knibb's culinary sophistication is big-city smart, offering adventurous seasonal cuisine

emphasizing fresh sustainable or organic ingredients and fresh ideas, with flawless flavor matches. Expensive.

**Sante Ristorante** 7811 Herschel Ave., La Jolla, 858-454-1315. Fresh seafood specials are available every night. Excellent pasta with mushrooms, ravioli with quail, and lamb chops. Moderate (pastas) to expensive.

**Trattoria Acqua** 1298 Prospect St., La Jolla, 858-454-0709. The seasonally changing menu could be called avant-garde Italian, a style that more than pushes the Italian envelope with international influences. Desserts are superb. Moderate (pastas) to very expensive.

## La Mesa

**Mario's de La Mesa** 8425 La Mesa Bl., La Mesa, 619-461-9390. Tasty gringo-Mex food. Tamales are rich, pillowy clouds of cornmeal surrounding richer shredded pork scattered with raisins. Pork also gets loving treatment in the *carnitas rojas*, browned to the barest crisp. Inexpensive.

## Lakeside

**The Neighbor's Pub and Grub** 12169 Woodside Ave., Lakeside, 619-561-8890. A neighborhood place beloved by locals serves until midnight (2am weekends). Big portions of simple, filling food, with standard pub grub

and daily specials like meat loaf, roast beef, fish 'n' chips, pork tenderloin. Inexpensive.

## Linda Vista

**Andrés Restaurant** 1235 Morena Bl., Linda Vista, 619-275-4114. Nice introduction to Cuban cuisine, including lush "Cuban sandwiches" of pork, ham and cheese, and *ropa vieja* ("old clothes") — shredded beef sautéed with mushrooms, peppers, tomatoes. Inexpensive to moderate.

**Sushi Diner** 7530 Mesa College Dr., Linda Vista, 858-565-1179. Most places, you can eat good or cheap. Here, you

can eat good *and* cheap. No surprise that students from Mesa College cram in at lunchtime for rolls, bowls, curries. Inexpensive.

## Little Italy

**The Glass Door Restaurant & Lounge** 1835 Columbia St., Little Italy, 619-564-3755. Great bay and city views (especially from roofed balcony tables) draw a lively young crowd that enjoys the loud music and cut-price tasty drinks and grazes during the extended happy hours. Fun scene, not serious cuisine. Happy hour inexpensive, dinners moderate.

**Po Pazzo** 1917 India St., Little Italy, 619-238-1917. The USDA Prime steaks are flash-roasted at 1700 degrees, and if they're a little chewy, they're also flavorful — especially the Sicilian steak. The pasta dishes and veggies are even better. Expensive.

## Logan Heights

**Las Cuatro Milpas** 1857 Logan Ave., Logan Heights, 619-234-4460. The Estudillo family has been serving Mexican food here for three generations. Rice, beans, pork tacos (no beef), pork tamales, chorizo with eggs — that's about it. Breakfast/lunch only. Inexpensive.

**Tamale Cart** 1852 National Ave., Logan Heights, 619-338-9140. The choice of goodies stuffed in the middle can include pork, beef, chicken, cheese, pineapple, strawberries, or coconut. Try the *champurrado* drink: milk mixed with masa, chocolate, and cinnamon. Inexpensive.

## Midway District

**Brazil by the Bay Restaurant and Sports Bar** 3770 Hancock St., Midway District, 619-692-1410. Dishes of Bahia, Rio, and São Paulo. You can make a meal of appetizers like *caxinhas*, *pasteles*, *croquetas*, and *kube* (the Brazilian version of Lebanon's *kibbe*). Moderate.

## Mira Mesa

**Bamboo Hut** 9172 Mira Mesa Bl., Mira Mesa, 858-348-0414. A strip-mall taste of Hawaiian plate lunch and sushi, with outdoor wood-roofed patio. Uneven, but ahi poke, chicken katsu, and Rainbow Roll are good. Inexpensive.

**Popeye's Chicken & Biscuits** 9045 Mira Mesa Bl., Mira Mesa, 858-530-1664. Several San Diego locations.

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Wherever you go, if you find a Popeye's, you'll be eating Louisiana flavors. The étouffée (whether of chicken or crawfish, when available) is surprisingly decent. Inexpensive.

## Mission Beach

**Café Joie** 3231 Mission Bl., Mission Beach, 858-488-5900. A modest café and grocery offers Puerto Rican and Latin American food and groceries. Inexpensive.

## Mission Hills

**Blue Water Seafood Market and Grill** 3667 India St., Mission Hills, 619-497-0914. Delicious simple fish cookery in no-frills eatery, plus a fish counter offering restaurant-quality fresh raw seafood including big, buttery oysters. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

**Saffron Noodles and Saté** 3737 India St., Mission Hills, 619-574-7737. It's the smell of the spicy Thai chicken grilling that gets you. Choice of five sauces, from peanut to sweet pepper. Also try delicious, spicy noodle soups, like Tom Yum with shrimp. Inexpensive.

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Buy any burger and get a second burger of equal or lesser value for half off. Valid at San Diego Cheeburger location only.

12002 Carmel Mountain Rd.  
(858) 613-1576

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## 15% off buffet

Not valid on holidays. Cannot be combined with any other offer.

16785 Bernardo Center Dr.  
(858) 592-9555

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## Half off pizza

Buy one pizza and get a second pizza of equal or lesser value for half off.

13350 Camino Del Sur  
(858) 538-3333

Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: GIFSDR



## Free Spaghetti

and order of garlic bread with purchase of any large 16" one topping pizza

6110 Friars Road  
(619) 296-0911

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## Free pizza

Buy one large specialty pizza, get a free cheese pizza any size.

10155 Rancho Carmel Dr.  
(858) 592-7883

Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: GIFSDR



## 25% off frozen yogurt

12165 Alta Carmel Court #120  
(858) 618-5436

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## \$2 off entrée

with the purchase of one entrée and one drink at regular price. Limit 4 per coupon. One coupon per table. No separate checks. Not valid on weekends, holidays, private parties, or with any other offer.

Pacific Beach, La Costa,  
Downtown and Eastlake

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## Free menu item

with purchase of two menu items at regular price.

12205 Scripps Poway Pkwy.  
#E106 • (858) 549-1818

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## 50% off entrée

Buy one entrée, get the second of equal or lesser value half off. Lunch and twilight special (4:30pm-6:30pm) only.

11040 Rancho Carmel Dr.  
858-673-0077

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## 50% off sushi rolls

on select rolls all day.

4111 Voltaire Street  
(619) 223-3388

8790 Cuyamaca Rd., Ste. K  
(619) 562-5151

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## Free appetizer

for any party of four or more

3704 Voltaire St.  
(619) 226-0848

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## Free lunch or dinner

with the purchase of an entrée of equal or greater value and two beverages.

1011 S. Santa Fe Ave. #A  
(760) 631-5710

1001 W. San Marcos Blvd.  
(760) 752-0091

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## 6 Free bagels

with the purchase of six bagels at regular price.

3870 Valley Centre Drive, Suite 303  
(858) 792-2435

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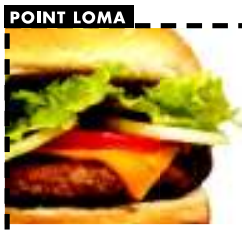


## Free entrée

with the purchase of an entrée of equal or greater value and 2 drinks. Not valid with private party reservations. Not valid with any other offer. One coupon per party. Good only at Clairemont location. Dine-in only.

9330 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.  
(858) 571-6225

Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: GIFSDR



## Free item or combo

Buy one item or combo & get a second free of equal or lesser value with purchase of 2 beverages.

1525 Morena Blvd.

Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: GIFSDR



## 50% off sandwich

when you purchase another sandwich at regular price.

14077 Stowe Dr. #107  
(858) 391-1524

Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: GIFSDR



## \$5 off

your next purchase of \$20 or more. Not valid on Fridays 4:30pm - 9:00pm.

9988 Scripps Ranch Blvd.  
(858) 271-5250

Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: GIFSDR



## Free dessert

with purchase of \$20 or more

4062 Bonita Rd.  
(619) 470-4700

Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: GIFSDR



## Free kids' meal

(ages 3-8) from the kids' menu with the purchase of two regular entrées. Not valid on weekends.

2110 Birch Rd., Suite 102  
(619) 482-0307

4419 Camino de la Plaza  
(619) 690-1494

Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: GIFSDR



## \$5 off

any purchase of \$20 or more. Excludes beverages.

9978 Scripps Ranch Blvd.  
(858) 695-8088

Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: GIFSDR



## 50% off pizza

Buy one pizza and get a second of equal or lesser value for half off. Valid only at Poway location.

13332 Poway Rd.  
(858) 679-FAST(3278)

Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: GIFSDR



## Free hot dog or chili dog & bag of chips

with purchase of the same at regular price

1776 Shelter Island Dr.  
(866) 997-3030

Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: GIFSDR



## Free entrée

with the purchase of another one at regular menu price. Mission Valley location only.

1400 Camino de la Reina  
(619) 299-4668

Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: GIFSDR



## Free sushi

Buy one roll, get one free. Daily from 2pm - 6pm.

16405 Bernardo Center Drive  
(858) 613-9000

Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: GIFSDR



## Free pizza

Buy any gourmet pizza and get any one-topping pizza free.

5583 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.  
(858) 268-0093

Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: GIFSDR





**Free menu item**  
with the purchase of a lunch or dinner plate



1061 W. El Norte Pkwy.  
(760) 480-5662  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**Free dinner entrée**  
With the purchase of an entrée of equal or greater value and 2 drinks. Max value \$24. Dine-in only. Not valid with any other offers. One coupon per table.



2690 Via de la Valle  
(858) 350-0808  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**15% off dinner** After 4 p.m.



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1860 Marron Rd.  
(760) 434-9100  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**Free combo plate**  
Purchase any three item combo and two drinks and receive a two item combo FREE. Valid only at La Mesa location. Dine-in only.



6155 Lake Murray Blvd.  
(619) 668-1090  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**ESCONDIDO**

**Free entrée**  
With purchase of any entrée & two beverages at regular price. Receive 2nd entrée at equal or lesser value free. Up to \$8 value free. Dine-in only. Not valid with breakfast specials, discounts, on holidays or with any other offers. One coupon per table.



9449 Kearny Mesa Rd.  
(858) 271-4670  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**DEL MAR**

**Free special roll**  
Buy one special roll and get a second of equal or lesser value for free.



7905 Engineer Rd.  
(858) 634-3233  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**CARLSBAD**

**Free classic sundae**  
Buy one at regular price and get one free. Soft serve only.



7835 Highlands Village Place  
# D103 • (858) 538-8775  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**LA MESA**

**Free sushi**  
Buy one sushi roll and get a second of equal or lesser value for free.



13307 Poway Rd.  
(858) 486-4558  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**MIRA MESA**

**50% off yogurt**  
Buy one, get 50% off the 2nd cup. 2nd must be equal or less than 1st cup.



12010 Scripps Summit Dr.  
Ste. B • (858) 549-9205  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**KEARNY MESA**

**3 chicken rolled tacos Free**  
with guacamole • with purchase of any combo. Coupon valid Mon-Fri after 3pm & Saturdays.



11815 Sorrento Valley Rd.  
(858) 259-9579  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**RANCHO PENASQUITOS**

**Free pasta dinner**  
With purchase of another pasta dinner of equal or greater value plus two drinks. Dine-in only.



336 W. Valley Pkwy  
(760) 737-7455  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**POWAY**

**Free dinner**  
Buy one dinner and two beverages & get a second dinner of equal or lesser value free. Dine-in only. Not valid Thurs. Max value \$15.



1030B Torrey Pines Rd.  
(858) 551-1063  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**SCRIPPS RANCH**

**Free combo**  
Buy one combo and get a second combo free when you buy 2 beverages.



6785 Mira Mesa Blvd.  
(858) 552-8280  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**LA JOLLA**

**15% off entire check**  
Excludes catering and alcohol. With coupon. Not valid with any other offer.



124 Lomas Santa Fe Dr.  
(858) 481-FISH (3474)  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**ESCONDIDO**

**10% off dinner**  
Can't be combined with other offers.



70 Town Center Pkwy., Ste. C  
(619) 596-4888  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**LA JOLLA**

**Free pizza**  
Free medium one topping pizza with purchase of large two topping pizza. Not valid with any other offer.



2441 Jamacha Rd #104  
(619) 588-5566  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**MIRA MESA**

**\$7 lunch**  
Not valid with any other offer. One coupon per person.



1580 S. Melrose Dr.  
(760) 597-9900  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**SOLANA BEACH**

**Free entrée**  
with the purchase of an entrée of equal or greater value and two beverages



391 N. Escondido Blvd.  
(866) 545-3736  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**SANTEE**

**Free entrée**  
Buy one breakfast, lunch or dinner and get a second free of equal or lesser value.



1466 Garnet Ave.  
(858) 270-4030  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**RANCHO SAN DIEGO**

**Free entrée**  
Buy one entrée and two beverages and get a second entrée of equal or lesser value free. Dine-in only.



1814 Marron Rd.  
(760) 720-4300  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**VISTA**

**50% off frozen yogurt**  
Buy one frozen yogurt and get one 50% off of equal or lesser value. Toppings not included. No stamp cards.



5131 College Ave.  
(619) 286-4200  
5664 Mission Center Rd.  
(619) 295-9648  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**ESCONDIDO**

**Free burrito**  
Buy one bean & cheese burrito and get one free. Offer only good at Tierrasanta location.



10425 Tierrasanta Blvd.  
(858) 503-6750  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**PACIFIC BEACH**

**15% off food bill**



10330 Friars Road #114  
(619) 281-6448  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**CARLSBAD**

**Free frozen yogurt**  
with the purchase of yogurt of equal or greater value



Mission Gorge • 10450 Friars Rd.  
Hillcrest • 1010 University Ave.  
USD • 5401 Linda Vista Rd.  
Sports Arena • 3550 Rosecrans  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**COLLEGE AREA / MISSION VALLEY**


**Free entrée**  
with purchase of an entrée of equal or greater value and two beverages.



501 University Ave.  
(619) 297-7888  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**SAN DIEGO**

**Free dinner entrée**  
Buy one dinner entrée, get a second of equal or lesser value free with purchase of two beverages. Not valid with any other offers. One coupon per table.



15770 San Andres Dr.  
(858) 793-9695  
527 University Ave.  
(619) 291-7525  
Expires 09/17/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR

**GRANTVILLE**

**Free French press coffee**



190 N. Hwy 101  
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# Calendar RESTAURANTS

## Mission Valley

**Bali Thai Café** 407 Camino del Rio South, Mission Valley, 619-297-0800. This cute spot mingles chefs and dishes from Indonesia and Thailand. Standard Thai fare, but unique Balinese corn fritters, spicy shrimp, comforting chicken noodle soup. No reservations on weekends. Low-moderate.

**Seau's** 1640 Camino del Rio North, Mission Valley, 619-291-7328. Vast sports bar offers 70 TV screens and varied pub grub: pizza, hefty burgers, wings with three sauces, sushi, and Junior Seau's family recipe of Samoan teriyaki "plate lunch." Inexpensive to moderate.

## National City

**Dakine's Plate Lunches** 1635 Sweetwater Rd., National City, 619-477-8494. Although the Hawaiian-style kalua pig here isn't cooked in a hole in the ground, it tastes like the real thing and comes with an islander platter of cabbage, rice, mac salad, and kimchi. Inexpensive.

**Point-Point Joint** 916 E. 8th St., National City, 619-474-2866. Dozens of Filipino dishes are available, from the familiar (chicken grilled on a bamboo spit) to more mysterious choices like *kare-kare* (peanut butter sauce with beef and tripe) and *dimuguan* (pork meat and blood stew). Inexpensive.

## Normal Heights

**Antique Row Café** 3002 Adams Ave., Normal Heights, 619-282-9750. Fill up on all-day breakfasts including huge omelets; Philly Steak Heaven (you choose: steak, ham, or turkey) is a popular lunchtime dish. Inexpensive.

## North Park

**El Comal** 3946 Illinois St., North Park, 619-294-8292. Also 262 Third Ave., Chula Vista, 619-420-3811. Home cooking from the mainland (Michoacan, Guerrero, others). Stuffed tortilla dishes (no numbered combos) are appetizers or lunches. For entrées, look to casseroles like tongue in tomatillo sauce, tender goat in a lively red "barbecue" sauce, and sweet-spicy mole poblano chicken. Inexpensive.

**Old World Deli & Café** 3930 30th St., North Park, 619-238-0568. Fine mittel-European casual food, with house-made sauerkraut the badge of honor. Try the bounteous sausage platter or the Great Grilled Gruben sandwich. Inexpensive.

**The Philly Grill** 2041 University Ave., North Park, 619-688-9437. This tiny café takes Philly cheese steak seriously: delicious thin slabs of rib-eye steak with "fourteen-ingredient seasoning" plus onions, cheese, optional mushrooms — and garlic. Plus a Philly hoagie and an Atkins Lite Philly (on lettuce). Moderate.

## Ocean Beach

**The Bar-B-Que House** 5025 Newport Ave., Ocean Beach, 619-222-4311. Genuine "Q" of meats and poultry

smoked "low and slow" over oak, then charbroiled. Southern-style sandwich (choice of protein plus coleslaw and tangy, spicy sauce) is a good value. Inexpensive.

**Kaiserhof** 2253 Sunset Cliffs Bl., Ocean Beach, 619-224-0606. Big, convivial German *Bierstube* with all the usual dishes. Good schnitzels, potato pancakes. Avoid entrées with one-sauce-fits-all brown gravy. The excellent apple strudel is the only dessert made in-house. Moderate.

## Oceanside

**101 Café** 631 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Oceanside, 760-722-5220. Cooks have been flipping burgers here since 1928. Try the Original Cheeseburger with secret sauce. Inexpensive.

**Johnny Mañanas** 308 Mission Ave., Oceanside, 760-721-9999. On the mainly Mexican menu there's a Caribbean chocolate-y, black bean, paprika, curry-in-the-rice thing going on. Pescado Veracruz (fish marinated in lime juice and garlic with rice, beans, and green salad) is good. The roasted chicken is delicious. Inexpensive.

**Oceanside Café** 1938 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Oceanside, 760-722-7337. This little place does lunch, with good burgers, but breakfast's what a lot of folks come for. Dieter's Downfall — a three-egg omelet stuffed with ham, bacon, sausage, tomato, Jack, and cheddar — is wicked. Inexpensive.

## Old Town

**Harney Sushi** 3964 Harney St., Old Town, 619-295-3272. Also 301 Mission Ave., Oceanside, 760-967-1820. These trendy spots draw mainly under-35 scenesters with a DJ turning up the amps, a vast choice of sakes, and a menu of sushi (heavy on the party rolls), Japanese appetizers, and a few mixed-ethnicity entrées. Sushi lower than most, entrées moderate.

**Zócalo Grill** 2444 San Diego Ave., Old Town, 619-298-9840. Tropical something for everyone — a stacked salad of shrimp and avocados or coconut-shrimp kebabs emerging from a pineapple or a huge, beautifully grilled lobster with avocado salsa. Moderate.

## Pacific Beach

**Baleen** 1404 Vacation Rd., Pacific Beach, 858-490-6364. The menu features seafood and land creatures in refined renditions, in a room with a water view and monkey-motif decor. Very expensive.

**Café Athena** 1846 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach, 858-274-1140. Sister restaurant, Apollonia Greek Bistro, in UTC. With a more upscale, eye-catching decor and a longer and more serious menu than most Greek cafés, this is a popular destination. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

**Costa Brava** 1653 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach, 858-273-1218. The garlicky Spanish cuisine here includes tasty tapas and, among the entrées, a paella that's made to order (sized to serve two or four; call ahead for larger groups). Moderate.

**Hoboken Pizza & Beer Joint** 1459 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach, 858-270-7766. They offer thin-crust East Coast-style pizza or inch-thick, square Sicilian pizza. Crusts are airy and crunchy, and they paddle-slide your slice into the oven to finish it off, fresh and hot. Open late. Inexpensive.

**Isabel's Cantina** 966 Felspar St., Pacific Beach, 858-272-8400. Cheerful spin-off of Mission Café serves Latin-Asian-sorta health food. Breakfast and lunch are the main meals and include luscious scrambled eggs, huge sandwiches. Competent Latin-style dishes include tamales with airy masa. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

**The Surfside** 4527 Mission Bl., Pacific Beach, 858-273-2979. You'll find fresh sushi, sashimi, and California coastal cuisine, e.g., fusion-y tapas, many going for half-price during week-

night happy hours. Sushi bar with friendly chefs takes reservations. Inexpensive to low-moderate.

## Point Loma

**C-Level** 880 Harbor Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-298-6802. The name is the grade for food, but nice for visiting aunts, with scenic heated patio at water's edge and California-Mediterranean comfort food from chef Deborah Scott in laid-back mode, lovely for a sunshiny lunch. Moderate to expensive.

**Humphrey's by the Bay** 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-224-3577. The kitchen features seafood, juicy meats, and Prime steaks with seasonal veggie garnishes. Preshow prix fixe upper-moderate, à la carte expensive/very expensive.

## Rancho Bernardo

**Bernard'O Restaurant** 12457 Rancho Bernardo Rd., Rancho Bernardo, 858-487-7171. Brilliant modern takes on French classics. You want to know what genuine (California-adapted) bouillabaisse should be? Or squab at its best? This is the place — and desserts are ravishing, too. Expensive but not exorbitant.

## Rancho Santa Fe

**Cavaillon** 14701 Via Bettona, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-433-0483. A great neighborhood French bistro where Philippe Verpiand offers seasonal dishes emphasizing his home region, Provence. Don't miss *panisse*, a chickpea cake with marshmallow texture. Great coq au vin, slow-baked salmon, crisp-skinned duck confit. Moderate to very expensive.

## Solana Beach

**Pacific Coast Grill** 437 S. Coast Hwy. 101, Solana Beach, 858-794-4632. A free-form menu integrates Mexican, Hawaiian, and Asian flavors into So-Cal comfort cooking. Try the Bag of

Bones (house-smoked pork ribs) and any fruit creation for dessert. Moderate to expensive.

## Sorrento Valley

**Karl Strauss Brewing Company** 9675 Scranton Rd., Sorrento Valley, 858-587-2739. Additional locations in La Jolla, Carlsbad, and Downtown. Go for honest-but-beautiful dishes like the mountainous Hump Day meat loaf (Wednesday). Beer influence is everywhere. Filet mignon has an Amber Lager glaze. Ribs boast a Red Trolley Ale barbecue sauce. It can get pricey; try to hit happy hour. Moderate.

**WineSella and Brasserie** 9550 Waples St., Sorrento Valley, 858-450-9557. Luxurious modern French cooking, upscale but comfortable, with vast wine list at minimal markups from wine store downstairs. Lunches high-moderate, dinners very expensive.

## University City

**Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar** 8970 University Center Lane, University City, 858-535-0078. Also 380 K St., Downtown, 619-237-1155. Less-masculine atmosphere than many steakhouses, but wet-aged Prime steaks are still the main event. Great wine list. Very expensive.

## University Heights

**Adams Avenue Grill** 2201 Adams Ave., University Heights, 619-298-8440. Eclectic, ever-changing menu can be hit or miss, but soups are good, and lavender-infused crème brûlée makes an aromatic dessert. Inexpensive to moderate.

**Gulf Coast Grill** 4130 Park Bl., University Heights, 619-295-2244. The kitchen does best with the straight Southern dishes, turning out divine fried soft-shelled crabs, airy hush puppies, and delicious corn muffins. Cajun-Creole efforts are uneven. Moderate to slightly expensive.

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**STRINGERS**

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**by a faulty control box (as the landlord stated). Geysers are caused by broken sprinkler heads.**

*By whitetigger71  
8:50 p.m., Aug 30*

**Stripped**

**Kearny Mesa — San Diego police were called to the Dream Girls Cabaret Wednesday night, August 26, after a disturbance involving customers who left the establishment without paying their bill.**

**According to an SDPD report, two units were dispatched to the club at about 1:35 a.m. on a "disturbing the peace" call. The first police officer arrived at the club at 1:37 a.m., at which time the suspects had already left.**

*By Steve Horvath, 8/29*

**Comments**

**1. Strip clubs are for losers — loser chicks and loser guys.**

**The bimbos that work there care about one thing and one thing only — money.**

**The guys just care about seeing some naked woman — nothing more.**

*By SurfPuppy619  
10:16 a.m., Aug 30*

**2. Surfpuppy? A loser makes six figures a year?**

**CITY LIGHTS**

**That's more than most doctors make. That's what the average girl/stripper makes.**

*By investor1  
10:53 a.m., Aug 30*

**3. I ran one of the Deja Vu Clubs in San Diego for close to two years. Some of what has been aforementioned is basically true, and some of it sounds like the typical banter you would expect from someone who watched the movie *Showgirls*.**

*By MrPsychoGreaser  
10:53 a.m., Aug 30*

**San Marcos Hotel**

**San Marcos — The question residents ask mayor Jim Desmond most often: What's going on with the unfinished Marriott hotel**

**CITY LIGHTS**

**project?**

**The project, on the corner of Las Posas Road and Los Vallecitos Boulevard, has sat untouched for months.**

**At Tuesday's city council meeting, Desmond asked city manager Paul Malone to update the council on the project.**

**"We now have a signed term sheet with the firm that was building, and hopefully will again be building the Marriott hotel," answered Malone.**

**Back in 2008, when the city sold the 2.25-acre site for \$3.92 million, funding was in place. Shortly after, construction on the 192-room Residence Inn began.**

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**Palmetto Hospitality, suddenly lost their funding and were forced to suspend the project indefinitely.**

**Last June, in an effort to jumpstart the project, the city agreed to buy back the land and allow Palmetto to use the money to finish the project. San Marcos would then lease the property to the hotel chain for the next 60 years.**

**There's one problem, says Malone, the nearly four million dollars the city**

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will give to the developer for the land still falls about seven million shy of what's needed to finish the project.

"Worst-case scenario, we own the San Marcos Hotel," added vice mayor Hal Martin.

By Dorian Hargrove, 8/26

Ninja Rave

Point Loma — In an effort to avoid the airport waiting game on Sunday, August 23, I had a temporary detour to a rave at Spanish Landing Park. It was about 6 p.m.

There, among the everyday San Diegans out for a jog or bike ride, was a DJ spinning heavy house and trance music. Maybe 20 people spastically danced and 1 or 2 slowly swayed. Then there were those who were swinging their nunchucks with psychedelic ribbons on the ends.

As it got darker, more people showed up (maybe 70 people in all).

Why Spanish Landing? Why 6 p.m. on a Sunday? Why the ninja theme? Why did I watch so long that I missed my plane?

By Kimberly Weingart, 8/29

Comments

1. I was one of the individuals involved with putting this event together. This event was actually a fundraiser event for a friend of ours who was recently diagnosed with thyroid cancer and is doing a 102-mile bike ride to raise money for blood cancer research.

By aphter 3:35 p.m., Aug 29

The Busby Affair

Cardiff — On Friday evening, June 26, one hundred people at the home of Shari Lynn Barman cheer in support of Francine Busby's second attempt at taking the congressional seat occupied by Brian Bilbray.

As Busby gives her speech, however, an unidentified heckler is over-

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heard shouting anti-gay sentiments and derogatory remarks about Busby. At 8:38 p.m., the sheriff's department receives a noise complaint from a neighbor. At 9:37 p.m., deputy sheriff Abbot arrives on the scene and asks for information from Barman. When Barman refuses, Abbot grabs her wrist. Between 6 and 20 onlookers, according to various reports, converge on the deputy. Abbot's arm is scratched. A Psychiatric Emergency Response Team

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member riding with Abbot is shoved and kicked. A scuffle ensues and Barman falls and is kicked while on the ground. Abbot sprays the crowd with pepper spray. Backup is called. Abbot detains Barman. Backup arrives. Shari Barman and Pamela Morgan are arrested. A few days later, the district attorney investigates the case.

On August 25, the district attorney's office released findings from the investigation, concluding that Barman and Morgan

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violated the law, though they dropped the charges because of reasonable doubt.

On August 27, the president of the Sheriff's Association of San Diego County, Ernie Carrillo, sent a letter to district attorney Bonnie Dumanis: "The level of resistance, which is arguably contested by various witnesses, did in fact reach a level of a concerted 'lynching' by additional partygoers, furthering the deputy's personal concerns for his safety...."

"We respectfully wish to convey our thorough disappointment in the handling of this case by your office."

By Dorian Hargrove, 8/29

### Comments

1. If you are holding a party for 100 people in the evening and all your neighbors aren't attending, you should certainly be aware of the possibility that the police will

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visit to investigate "disturbance" complaints.

Apparently Ms. Busby is a typical politician, which believes that the rules (+ retirement plans and health care) apply to everyone but her.

By jreddan  
2:15 p.m., Aug 29

2. There were not 100 people, there were less than 25 when the deputy showed up.

If there was no noise at the time the deputy arrived, then the deputy had no legal authority to detain anyone because there is no crime being committed, even with "disturbing the peace" being stretched to a "crime" in this case.

By SurfPuppy619  
3:07 p.m., Aug 30

### Critical Crash

Hillcrest — August 28, Friday evening, at approximately 8:20 p.m., two Critical Mass bicyclists collided near the corner of

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University Avenue and Centre Street. One cyclist was said to be bleeding from his ear. They reportedly were not wearing helmets.

The cyclists were headed east on University and were going to make a left on Park Boulevard (northbound). Motorized traffic heading east on University was detoured, but the traffic going west was blocked off.

By Sinetria L. Hudson, 8/30

### Comments

1. So a couple Critical Mass riders take it in the... ear. Too bad, so sad, I weep. Next time, can't they obey ALL traffic laws and ride such that they don't collide?

By Visduh 8:30 p.m., Aug 30

2. In the midst of thousands, that's challenging. Perhaps if motorists actually paid attention to bicyclists (and ALL traffic laws — like giv-

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ing at least half a lane to someone on a bicycle), people wouldn't feel such a strong need to bond together to ride in such a large group....

By iamright

9:44 p.m., Aug 30

3. I rode the last two Critical Mass rides and saw this accident and two others that night. Riders need to stay on the road and off the sidewalk in the correct traffic lanes and tell everyone "Happy Friday. Thank you for waiting." Some

of the riders' attitudes create problems, and that is what people who ride all the time do not need.

By isaac4mayor

12:25 a.m., Aug 31

**Car Crime**

Rancho Bernardo—The first of many signs banning vehicles for sale along a busy street recently went up, addressing the Rancho Bernardo "Mile of Cars."

Starting September 5, those who leave parked cars with "for sale" signs along portions of Rancho



Warning sign in Rancho Bernardo

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By Peijejan Tsai, 8/29  
**Comments**

1. Now the city needs to get rid of the semis parked on Stoney Peak Drive between World Trade Drive and the entrance to the shopping plaza just before Carmel Mountain Road in Carmel Mountain Ranch. When trying to turn left onto Stoney Peak going toward World Trade, the semis block the view from traffic headed toward Carmel Mountain Road coming down the hill.

By PistolPete

12:37 p.m., Aug 29

2. PistolPete, since it's become a problem area, Stoney Peak Drive in Carmel Mountain is actually on the list of 23 streets throughout San Diego that are included in new ban.

By peijeantsai

2:50 p.m., Aug 30

3. The problem out here

isn't cars for sale. It's semis blocking the view when turning in or out of the shopping center next to Carmel Mountain Drive and Stoney Peak Drive.

By PistolPete 2:56 p.m.,

Aug 30

**Taxation without Necessitation**

Cardiff—Several months ago, when the state was talking about cutbacks in school funding for the coming year, the Cardiff School District indicated it might attempt to put to a vote the notion of a parcel tax of around \$50 to \$60 per parcel. Almost overnight, front-yard signs appeared all over the town, proclaiming "No New Cardiff School Tax."

The campaign to stop discussion of the tax before it reached the ballot phase was led by the Cardiff Taxpayers Association.

According to associa-

tion member Bob Bonde, "[The school district is] putting the cart before the horse," noting that local governments don't know how much the state will withhold in the coming years. He said that most of the older lots in Cardiff's ocean-view west side are actually two legal parcels, originally purchased as one lot; those homeowners would be taxed twice.

Bonde pointed out that for another 23 years, residents will be paying for a voter-approved school bond that built the new Ada Harris Elementary School and refurbished the 50-year-old Cardiff Elementary campus.

At July's school-board meeting, residents opposed to the tax attended. At the board's Wednesday, August 26, meeting, there was little discussion of the proposed tax.

By Ken Harrison, 8/27

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**Street Smart**

Chula Vista — On Wednesday, August 26, Caltrans activated the meters that allow traffic onto I-805 north from Telegraph Canyon Road. The stoplights have been in place for some time now, but it was not until this week that they were activated.

I knew about the impending introduction of metering prior to Wednes-

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day because signs had been posted warning all drivers about it. On August 27, I forgot about the meters and left my home at 8:55 a.m. and drove along Telegraph Canyon Road to get on the freeway. Unfortunately, I got stuck in what turned out to be a backup that extended seven-tenths of a mile eastward to the intersection of Paseo del Rey. It took 18 minutes to

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get on the freeway from that intersection; whereas, on a normal day, without meters, it takes one and a half to two minutes.

The meters are likely here to stay, so alternate routes should be used to avoid this backup. Olympic Parkway has a metered onramp but it has yet to be activated, so that is probably the best alter-

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native for commuters who live south of Telegraph Canyon Road; H Street, to the north, is the other alternative

*By Gian Ghio, 8/28*



*Border fences*

**Like, No Duh**

*San Diego State* — Associate professor of psychology Jean Twenge polled 1068 college students on August 25 and found out something most adults have known since the creation of Britney Spears: not only are they narcissistic and attention-seekers, but they use social networking sites such as MySpace, Facebook, and Twitter to promote themselves and convey what fantastic lives they have.

"It's fascinating how honest [college students] are about diagnosing their generation's downsides," says Twenge. "And students are right about the influence of social networking sites — research has shown that narcissistic people thrive on sites

like Facebook, where self-centered people have more friends and post more attractive pictures of themselves."

More than 80 percent of SDSU students who took the poll said they visit MySpace or Facebook multiple times throughout the day.

*By Porsche Simpson, 8/26*

**If You Build It...**

*Tijuana* — South of the border, where electrical wire and telephone lines are routinely stolen for their copper content, a new source of metallic wealth has been tapped: the U.S.-made border fence. This week, more than one group of Mexicans was arrested after

disassembling part of the border fence with (presumably) the intention of selling it for scrap.

On Monday, according to Tijuana's *El Mexicano* newspaper, two people were arrested. On Tuesday, four men were caught cutting up the border fence with a welding torch in the Zona Norte, near Calle Cinco de Mayo.

In the Tuesday incident, when Mexican police arrived, three pieces of the fence had been removed, each about three meters long and 15 centimeters wide. When the thieves tried to escape, police ran them down and found other pieces of the fence that had been cut and carted off earlier in the day.

Due to this week's attempted thefts, 27 panels of fence were removed. The more modern impregnable fence remains undamaged.

*By T.B. Beaudeau, 8/28*

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# Two Against Nature

*“Each of us knows that our self does not amount to much.”*

In the 1950s, led by John Osborne’s *Look Back in Anger*, British playwrights railed against the establishment’s bankrupt values and hypocrisy. In the 1990s, Sarah Kane, Mark Ravenhill, and others became part of the “In Yer Face” theatrical movement, writing dramas that ripped the social fabric and might have shocked even Osborne.

The difference between the two: along with much franker sexual scenes, for *In Yer Face*, the enemy’s far more deeply interfused. Because his world held still, Osborne had the luxury of slamming specific targets, even naming names. In Mark Ravenhill’s *Shopping and F\*\*\*ing*, everything beyond one’s fingertips is uncertain. And the play’s an ongoing explication of Jean-François Lyotard’s famous line, “Each of us knows that our self does not amount to much.”

Or, as Willy Loman, pinched in the ’50s consumerist vice, put it, “I still feel a little temporary about myself.”

According to Ravenhill, consumerism has become so ingrained it’s a law of nature: I buy, therefore I am. There’s no difference between shopping and sex. Each is just an exchange (a character says, “The having of money is civilization”). To survive such a dehumanized,

consume-and-consume-again existence, the worst possible choice is emotional involvement.

Midway through *Shopping and F\*\*\*ing*, Mark asks, “Are there any feelings left?” A junkie, Mark abandons his mates, Robbie and Lulu, and goes into rehab, where he learns that people can be just as addicting as drugs. But human relations only result in crippling dependencies. So Mark wants an object of pure transaction — the rent-boy Brian — but makes a grave mistake: he falls in love.

You could call *S&F* postapocalyptic, only the world went out not with a bang but a cash nexus whimper.

Triad Productions fills a gap in San Diego theater. They stage edgy works that refuse to pander to audiences (their most recent: Martin McDonagh’s *Lonesome West*). For *S&F*, however, it’s as if for every beat in the script, the actors don’t think we’re getting the point. They make the loudest possible choices.

The play means to appall — so much that the author wavers between occasional moral urgency and an obvious delight in brutalization (where he actually stands? — a coin flip). But the cast, directed by Adam Parker, begins scenes, emotionally, where they should end. It’s as if they’re perform-

## THEATER REVIEW

JEFF SMITH



*Shopping and F\*\*\*ing*


**Shopping and F\*\*\*ing**, by Mark Ravenhill  
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ing in the Civic rather than the intimate confines of the Compass Theatre.

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the writing of a play is “over,” as Ravenhill’s is, the acting should come “under” the text for full shock effect. The combination of over plus over




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## THEATER

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Rhona Gold opens Moxie Theatre's latest effort with a fascinating speech that devolves with each new word. Gold plays Lady Fossmire (aka "Alice") and with stolid British intonations shifts from worries about overpopulation to a "modest proposal" — à la Jonathan Swift — for eliminating the surplus. She's kidding, you say. But Gold's matronly smile widens, and it's clear that her Zero Population Party wants to cull at least half the world's population — all the males.

Mary Fengar Gail's plays unfold like dreams. They combine fantasy and heightened language with studies of power, its uses and abuses. Some plays verge on, and others become, nightmares. Moxie Theatre has an affinity for Gail's work, having staged *Devil Dog Six* with great success. Moxie's *Drink Me*, however, is a strange mix. The fantasy elements are boffo, the more realistic scenes, flat and tedious.

Male indigents are disappearing from London. Could it be a highly selective virus or, as some allege, three eerie sisters who practice witchcraft and



Morgan Trant, Stephen Elton, Melissa Fernandes, Jo Anne Glover in *Drink Me*, or *The Strange Case of Alice Times Three*

speak Jacobean English? Detective Fossmire, scion of Lady F. — and potentially the last of his gender — must find out.

Bedecked in Jennifer Brawn Gittings's wispy blue silks, Jo Anne Glover, Morgan Trant, and Melissa Fernandes delight as the mystical, nursery-rhyme-singing trio: some of the sweetest life-snuffers you'd ever want to meet. As long as they're onstage, innocently flitting across David Weiner's two-level London Bridge set, the production's a charmer.

Nonmystical scenes have problems in the writing and the staging. Gail loads them with so much information that the pace bogs and the storyline disappears ("The trouble with writing a mystery," a friend who writes them told me, "is you

have to be crystal clear"). Though his performance as Detective Fossmire improved during opening night, Stephen Elton's British accent didn't. Kristianne Kurner, Laurie Lehmann-Gray (too long from local stages!), and Mark C. Petrich make useful contributions amidst pages and pages of exposition. ■

## THEATER LISTINGS

*Theater listings and commentary are by Jeff Smith. Information is accurate according to material given us, but it is always wise to phone the theater for any last-minute changes and to inquire about ticket availability. Many theaters offer discounts to students, senior citizens, and the military. Ask at the box office.*

### The Andrews Brothers

Welk Resorts Theatre presents Roger Bean's musical about a USO show in WWII where the top acts (including the "Andrews Sisters") fail to show, and a trio of "backstage buffoons" must save the day. WELK RESORT THEATRE, 8860

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### The Bible: The Complete Word of God (abridged)

Black Kat Theatre presents a sprint "from fig leaves to Final Judgment, and everything in between." Tisha Tumangan directed. DESI N' FRIENDS BAR AND GRILL, 2734 LYTTON ST., MIDWAY DISTRICT. 619-224-6409. 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 12.

### Cats

For the final production of its summer season, Moonlight Amphitheatre presents the feline musical based on T.S. Eliot's *Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats*. MOONLIGHT AMPHITHEATRE IN BRENGLE TERRACE PARK, 1200 VALE TERRACE, VISTA. 760-724-2110. 8PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 23.

### Coriolanus

Legend has it that Shakespeare's words flowed unimpeded from mind to pen to paper. Coriolanus, an early Roman warrior, had the same ability. In Shakespeare it's a gift, in Coriolanus a curse, since he cannot be other than himself. Greg Derelian plays Coriolanus at the Old Globe. Though he has an annoying habit of delivering most speeches as HEADLINES, his close-cropped hair and swagger give him instant stature in the modern-dress (circa 1930) production. He could trounce anyone else onstage, which is a problem since stronger opponents would have made the Roman, who fights "dragon-like," even stronger (Steve Rankin's fight choreography, usually an ally, has actors make tentative thrusts and parries, as if careful not to do harm). Darko Tresnjak, an always inventive director, devised some remarkable overlaps: battles and their consequences appear as if coming from the mind of Coriolanus's domineering mother, Volumnia. In Tresnjak's insightful reading, the gods answer her prayers, but in the extreme. Celeste Ciulla's haunted Volumnia watches nightmares un-

fold as if staring into a furnace. (Note: *Coriolanus* runs in repertory at the Festival Stage.)

### Worth a try

OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SUNDAYS, 8PM TUESDAYS, 8PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 27.

### Cyrano de Bergerac

Okay, it's a long show — over three hours — but Darko Tresnjak's staging and Patrick Page's commanding performance make the time fly. Everyone probably knows about his nose and how Cyrano became the 17th century equivalent of a "Renaissance Man," skilled and courageous in all things save his heart's desire. One of the fascinating aspects of Page's performance: where most Cyranos accentuate the positive — the panache, the swash-buckling, the Disney of it all — Page faces the rift in the man head on. He admirably walks his own path but pays for being an absolute outsider (in a strange way, the hyperverbal, romantic Cyrano resembles Shakespeare's Coriolanus, who also excels at war and walls himself from intimacy). And the witty Roxane (a terrific Dana Green) pays as well. The Old Globe production unfolds like a pageant. Anna R. Oliver's splendid period outfits dazzle the eye, and Christopher R. Walker's sound merits special mention. When Page whispers, every word is clear. (Note: *Cyrano* runs in repertory at the Festival Stage.)

### Critic's pick

OLD GLOBE THEATRE, 1363 OLD GLOBE WAY, BALBOA PARK. 619-234-5623. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SUNDAYS, 8PM TUESDAYS, 8PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 27.

### Drink Me or, The Strange Case of Alice Times T

Moxie Theatre, in residency at the La Jolla Playhouse, presents Mary Fengar Gail's comic drama about homeless and disreputable men disappearing from the streets of London — and the three eerie Rime sisters held responsible. 858-598-7620.

LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, 2910 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DR., UCSD. 7PM THURSDAYS,

7PM FRIDAYS, 7PM SATURDAYS, 3PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 27.

### The Forced Marriage

Point Loma Actor's Workshop presents Molière's comedy, directed by Hannah Ryan, at two locations: on Shelter Island (near the Japanese Friendship Bell) and the Ocean Beach Rec Center.

POINT LOMA ACTORS THEATRE, 3035 TALBOT ST., POINT LOMA. 619-225-0044. 6PM SATURDAY.

### Fully Committed

Cygnets Theatre reprises one of its most popular shows. Air traffic controllers, at least, have each other. Not Sam Pelikowski. He must make all the reservations for a posh New York restaurant. Sam is an aspiring actor lacking a "strong sense of personal entitlement" — just what every irate caller has! When he first performed this one-person show, David McBean earned a Craig Noel Award for excellence. He plays Sam and everyone else, maybe 40 people — the equivalent of memorizing a phone book and making each voice so distinctive you remember it the next time you hear it. McBean, who changes characters as fast as you can say "hold, please," is terrific. Anyone who has ever been an actor or waited tables or taken reservations (a friend of mine who books for a local hotel refers to the public, off the record, as "the beast") will empathize with *Fully Committed*. And, given McBean's special performance, so should everyone else [note: due to popular demand, Cygnets Theatre has extended the run of this show].

### Critic's pick

CYGNETS THEATRE — ROLANDO, 6663 EL CAJON BLVD., SUITE N, COLLEGE AREA. 619-337-1525. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 20.

### "Godspell"

Lamb's Players presents this musical, by Stephen Schwartz and John-Michael Tebelak, telling parables of Jesus as found in the gospel of Matthew. Robert Smyth directed. 619-437-0600.

HORTON GRAND THEATRE, 444 FOURTH AVE., DOWNTOWN. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 4PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 27.

### Leaving Iowa

"Are we there yet?" "I wanna Coke!" (or, as my younger brother shouted on similar occasions, "Yer gunna — I'm not gunna"). Tim Clue and Spike Manton's memory-comedy catalogues just about everything ever said during family road trips of yore. What gives the play poignancy: it also articulates what Don Browning — the absent son — left unsaid to his now-departed father. The play and Lamb's Players production begin too over-the-top. Exaggerated squabbles don't prepare the audience for what's to come (amid the din, director Deborah Gilmour Smyth orchestrated impressive, rapid-fire exchanges). Once the two-act show settles in, it achieves a better balance. On Mike Buckley's imaginative set, a raised map of Iowa spreads across the floor backed by a wall of blown-up travel brochures. Led by David Cochran Heath as the

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kindly dad, Kerry Meads, Colleen Kollar Smith, and Kurt Norby (doubling as young and old Don) illustrate all the symptoms of mobile cabin fever. Paul Maley and the splendid Cynthia Gerber handle the comedy. They change roles — and Jeanne Reith's funny-accurate outfits — often in seconds.

**Worth a try:**  
LAMB'S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 ORANGE AVE., CORONADO. 619-437-0600. 7:30PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 4PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM TUESDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 20.

#### The Mystery of Irma Vep

If eight actors played the eight roles in Charles Ludlam's camp homage to things that go bump, the show would move faster but would be less funny. Having only two actors become men, women, a mummy, and a werewolf — in seconds, it seems — gives it more danger than the script's deliberately concocted shenanigans. The question isn't so much who killed Irma Vep, or young Victor, but rather: can the performers dash off as one character, return as another, and hit their marks? John Cariani and Jeffrey M. Bender quick-change Jenny Mannis's Victorian couture (twice as fast in Act 2, sometimes within ten seconds, though momentum wanes every time one walks offstage) and handle their various parts capably. Cariani's especially good as Jane, a maid with the sweetness of a squeezed lemon; and Bender's switch from Nicodemus, the hunchbacked moon-gazer, to Lady Enid Hillcrest is so stark it

prompts more than one double-take. Paul Peterson's expert background music and dark and stormy sounds are top shelf. To use Ludlam's favorite word, *Vep* is deliberately "ridiculous." Taken in that spirit, it can entertain.

**Worth a try:**  
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#### Noises Off

Due to popular demand, Cygnet Theatre has extended the run of this show. It's one thing to put a horse through its paces. Director Sean Murray puts thoroughbred actors through a three-act steeplechase in Michael Frayn's helter-skelter, longish farce about the on- and back-stage doings of a British touring company. An excellent cast keeps funny what in lesser hands could become monotonous (the farce piles ineptitude upon ineptitude and loses some oomph by Act 3). Most of their work resembles a silent film: speechless, they employ often hilarious gestures and movements (thanks to George Ye's intricate stunts, including Jason Heil's breathtaking spill down the stairs).

Rosina Reynolds and Jessica John, Craig Noel Award winners for drama, show they're just as adept at comedy. And Jonathan McMurtry, as a doddering thespian, remains the Clown Prince of same. Sean Fanning's ingenious, eight-door set swivels from on- to backstage. The crew that built it merits special mention.

**Worth a try:**  
CYGNET THEATRE — OLD TOWN, 4040 TWIGGS ST., OLD TOWN. 619-337-1525. 7:30PM THURSDAY, 8PM FRIDAY, 2PM AND 8PM SATURDAY, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAY, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 6.

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#### Sealed for Freshness

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COMPASS THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AVE., HILLCREST. 619-688-9210. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 8PM SUNDAYS, 8PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 13.

#### The 39 Steps

Alfred Hitchcock shot his movies on location, infusing the everyday — like crows on a telephone line — with menace. *The 39 Steps*, a highly theatrical (albeit lighter than air) take on Hitch's 1935 movie, has no such luxury. The show must generate effects on a bare stage with only trunks, chairs, a wardrobe, and four performers in an aerobic workout that would challenge the hale and buff. Much of the fun comes from seemingly spontaneous inventions, as when Michael Hannay, the harassed Brit, must climb through a window but only has the frame. Since Ted Deasy plays Hannay throughout (and quite well), the other three actors juggle an estimated 130 characters (backstage quick-changes must resemble a sale-table frenzy at Nordy's). Claire Brownell's range from the sultry to — in a touching portrait of a Scottish woman — the truly forlorn. They create so many instantly credible beings Scott Parkinson and Eric Hissom must dream in multiple personalities.

**Worth a try:**  
LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, 2910 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DR., UCSD. 858-550-1010. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 2PM AND 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAYS, 7:30PM TUESDAYS, 7:30PM WEDNESDAYS, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 13.

#### Twelfth Night

One of the joys of theatergoing is watching a large cast perform with no weak links. When each actor comes back on, you're glad to see them and curious about what they'll do next. The Old Globe's *Twelfth Night*, directed with flair and heart by Paul Mullins, sports such a nicely honed ensemble it's difficult, even unfair, to single out individuals. That said, however, two stand out. James Newcomb's sad-eyed Feste frames the production's sprightly antics with an ancient, this-too-shall-pass wisdom. He isn't just a wise fool. This Feste could have written Ecclesiastes. Patrick Page makes Malvolio the exact opposite. Every moment is brand-new. His black hair Hitler-slicked across his forehead, Page

shows that a little innocence can be a dangerous thing. Mullins smartly reset the play in the Italian Riviera in the 1950s, a choice that lets costume designer Linda Cho work in Technicolor. Ralph Funicello keeps his set static by design. The focus stays, rightfully, on terrific ensemble acting and Shakespeare's menagerie of cross-gendered, cross-gartered maniacs rendered loopy by love. (Note: *Twelfth Night* runs in repertory at the Festival Stage.)

**Critic's pick:**  
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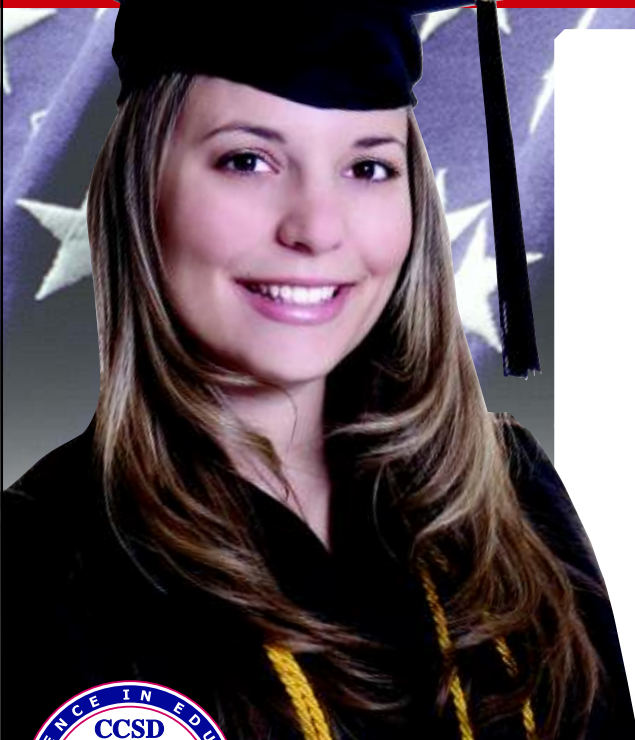
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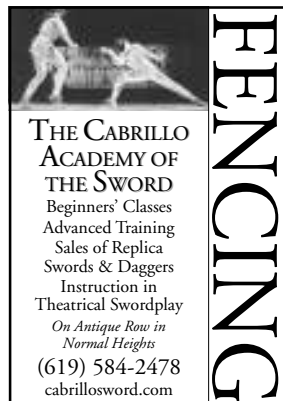
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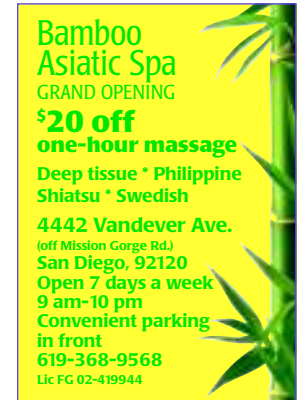
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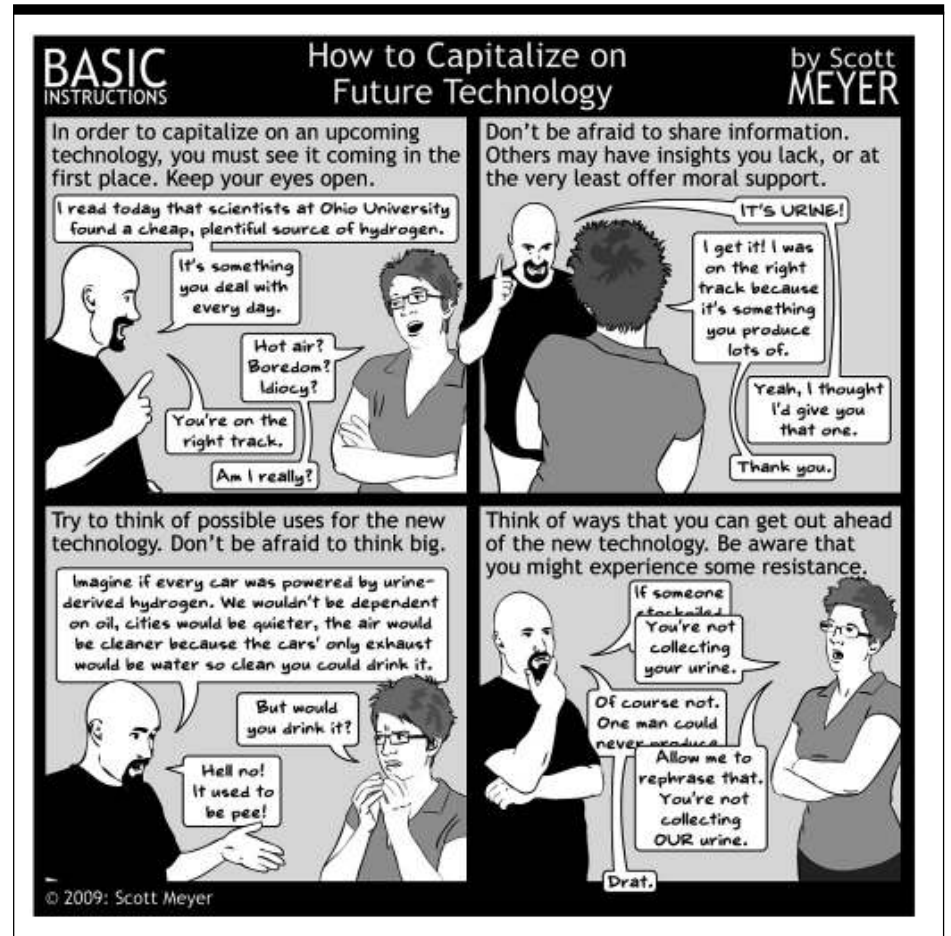
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**Jamie Gould**  
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Normal Heights

I would have to be with no pain and suffering. Just a quick death. Maybe on an airplane, but one that isn't falling for a few minutes and you're thinking about it. If the plane crashed quickly and you didn't know what was happening, that would probably be the best way to have it crash.



**Kevin Shatwell**  
Interpreter  
Mission Valley

Well, I guess I'd want to go doing an extreme sport. Something like heli-skiing or skydiving. Maybe doing one of those base jumps into the Grand Canyon. Something exciting like that, where I'd go out in a blaze of glory.



**Paul Dierolf**  
Heating and Air Conditioning  
San Marcos

Going really fast in my car out in the salt flats, until it blows up. I've spent \$25,000 on my Datsun 240Z. It has an '83 turbo engine, and if I died, I'd want it going at high speeds, with adrenaline involved; racing your car, going as fast as possible, and hitting a wall. It would be a fun way to go. And quick.



**Cari Olson**  
Executive Marketing Manager  
San Marcos

I would want to die cuddling with Marky Mark Wahlberg. He's hot as hell. I'm still upset that he didn't get the Oscar nomination for *Boogie Nights*. I like him as an actor, and I thought he was cute when he did those underwear ads and dabbled in a music career.



**Kevin Thornton**  
Bartender  
Pacific Beach

I guess I would want it to be nice and painless. I definitely don't want to drown. I'm afraid of dying that way. I know how to swim and I used to surf. But I don't go out in the ocean anymore because I'm afraid of being swallowed by a whale. I guess getting shot in the head would work, since it's quick.



**William Ciocco**  
Blueprints  
Pacific Beach

I don't want it to be burning or in some kind of big explosion. Suffocation wouldn't be good. I guess peacefully and being in a happy state would be the best way to go. You don't want it to hurt too much. Perhaps peacefully in your sleep, having a nice dream.

**COUNSELING & SUPPORT GROUPS**

**NOTICE TO READERS:** The advertisers in this section include licensed mental health providers, unlicensed counselors, and support groups.

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1) Submit your completed puzzle to the *Reader* each week for our ongoing contest! We keep track of each puzzle you successfully complete and the results are posted online each week to [sandiegoreader.com](http://sandiegoreader.com). But your submission will only be counted when you successfully complete a puzzle AND get it to us by 7:00 a.m. Monday.

2) Be one of the first 100 people who submit the correct answers to the puzzle and we will print your name in the paper along with your brief message (10 words or less, no URLs or phone numbers). This is optional, but it's a great way to express yourself. You may submit a new message weekly. We reserve the right to edit or reject inappropriate text.

3) The puzzle-contest ranking, shown online and in the paper, will begin anew every three months beginning October 1, 2009. Complete the journey four times a year!

4) Entries must be faxed to **619-231-0489** or **619-233-7907** or mailed to Reader Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803, or delivered through our mail slot at 1703 India Street in Little Italy, or scanned and e-mailed to: [puzzles@sdreader.com](mailto:puzzles@sdreader.com). Submissions by e-mail must be attached in JPG format, 800 by 800 pixels, maximum file size of 1MB. Submissions that don't fit the format will not be counted or viewed.

5) 5 *Reader* T-shirts are awarded weekly to contenders chosen randomly!

And now for the really small print:  
1) All answers must be legible and entered in the spaces provided.  
2) Late entries will not be considered.  
3) One entry per person per week or you will be disqualified.  
4) Employees of the *Reader* and their immediate families are not eligible.

### Across

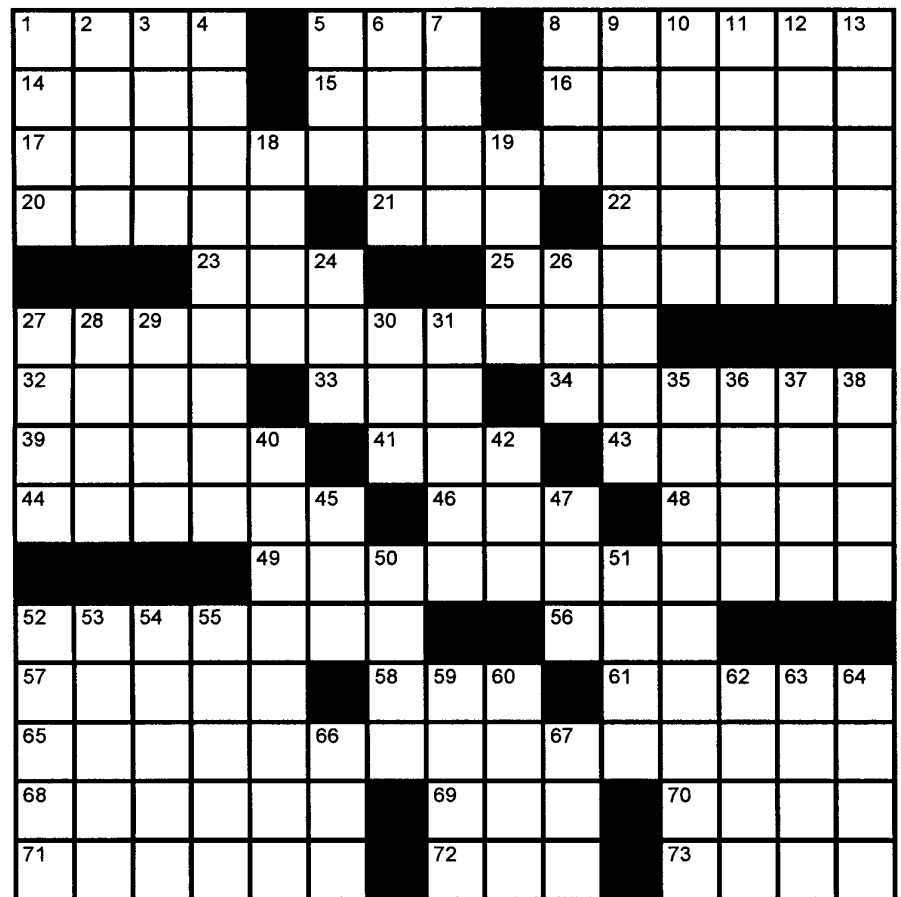
- KFC piece
- Director Burton
- Coast Guard job
- "Am \_\_\_\_ early?"
- AK-47 relative
- Americans in Paris, perhaps

- Take vengeance
- Oscar, e.g.
- Narc's org.
- Cuba \_\_\_\_ (rum drink)
- Actress Ortiz of "Ugly Betty"
- Takes to the police station
- Waiter's query
- 1978-82 sitcom locale
- Botch
- Took hold of
- Synthetic fabric
- Cry from someone in need (of solving this puzzle's themed answers!)
- Part of an act
- NYSE alternative
- \_\_\_\_ Kosh B'Gosh
- Actor \_\_\_\_ Luke of "Kung Fu"
- 1999 Spike Lee movie
- "The Taking of Pelham One Two Three" actor
- Mexicali Mrs.
- Love to bits
- Physically sound
- Suffix with land or sea
- Short-barreled weapon
- "In \_\_\_\_ and out ..."
- Blubber
- Pasta used in soups
- Signals, in a way
- '08 and '12
- Bravo and Grande

### Down

- Trace of smoke
- Brain passage
- Terse denial
- Lost at laser tag, maybe
- Elec. Day, e.g.
- Big name in golf shirts

- Pedometer unit
- In medias \_\_\_\_
- Rules out
- Overindulge
- Pasta is loaded with them
- Wombs
- City on the Ruhr
- Jay that chatters
- Willy Wonka's creator
- "You \_\_\_\_ Here"
- Some batteries
- Symbol of gracefulness
- Gumbo vegetable
- Coffee dispensers
- Most univ. applicants
- "\_\_\_\_ With a View"
- Gross measure?
- Two pieces of pizza?
- "Orinoco Flow" singer
- Consider
- Lit into
- NNW's opposite
- Sine \_\_\_\_ non
- Timecard abbr.
- Botch
- Roughly
- Cement layer
- Hersey's "A Bell for \_\_\_\_"
- Dragged
- Elders, e.g.
- Touch-and-go
- Ivan or Feodor
- Prefix with culture
- Author Mario
- Genesis grandson
- Spanish gold
- Elevs.



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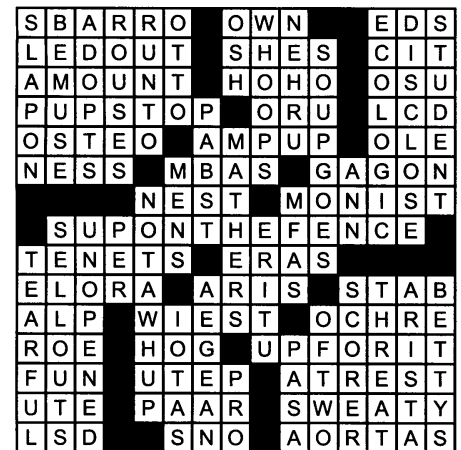
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### SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE:



## THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS:

**Flo Abena, Rancho Peñasquitos, 33.** *Happy Labor Day.*  
**Mary Arana, Encinitas, 33.** *Read a great book. Are you up 4 it?*  
**Gary Dismukes, Scripps Ranch, 33.** *Back in time for another puzzle - this one took longer.*  
**Ron Meyer, Santee, 33.** *I owe someone at the Reader a big thank you.*  
**Gary Mocko, Ocean Beach, 33.** *We've been working on the railroads...sdmm.org*  
**Eric Sandquist, Allied Gardens, 33.** *Why do you keep reminding me of Sno Balls?*  
**Lucy Scaffidi, Hillcrest, 33.** *Sand dabs? Again?*

**Eddie O. Spaghetto, Coronado, 33.** *IVB143DEB! Lettuce pull up some shade somethyme soon! CIUM.*  
**Ric Witt, Clairemont, 33.** *Chula Vista Nielsen: 11+/Padres Nielsen: 0.8.*  
**Jeff Battles, Ocean Beach, 32.** *Had so much fun at Wicked, honey!*  
**Betsy Cory, Chula Vista, 32.** *We are enormously proud of our Little League, Park View.*  
**Ben Espe, Mission Valley, 32.** *Friday...too late for a quip?*  
**Anna McCutcheon, Downtown, 32.** *Visit Daniel's Painting online. High quality painting, budget-friendly prices.*  
**Lucy Alderson, Chula Vista, 31.** *Woof woof!*

**Ben Cooper, Gaslamp, 31.** *This is much less fun since the horrible new rules!*  
**D. Faulkner, University Heights, 31.** *Gone to the Big Island. Everyone ride their bikes daily.*  
**Sara Khwaja, Poway, 31.** *Go Chula Vista Little League.*  
**Julie Osburn, North Park, 31.** *I'm not giving up!*  
**Jerry Riccio, Rancho Bernardo, 31.** *Wow - persistence paid off. I got a T-shirt!*  
**Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 30.** *La Jolla - nice place unless you're a seal.*  
**Vince Cuseo, Vista, 30.** *Can I have 10,000 marbles, please?*  
**Thomas Diehl, Escondido, 30.** *Tis better than riches, to scratch when it itches.*

**Kurt Dornbusch, Mission Valley, 30.** *Nice to see you, Mr. President.*  
**Ron Hootman, Santee, 30.** *Hoot 101: My 9th grandchild comes home today. Yea!*  
**Kyle Matzke, Vista, 30.** *Ted Kennedy, drunken hypocrite, sorry but Mary Jo's still dead.*  
**Thomas McVeagh, Lakeside, 30.** *Happy Birthday Paula, Tommy, and Mom.*  
**Robert Ott, Mira Mesa, 30.** *A challenge at last.*  
**Tom Somich, Clairemont, 30.** *Happy Birthday Benilda!*  
**Thomas Baggot, Carlsbad, 29.** *This took more time than usually.*  
**Glory Cadenhead, Clairemont, 29.** *It's like homework now, not 54 across.*

**Craig Curtis, Escondido, 29.** *No drama needed. Please! I must be free - myself. Love!*  
**Dale Duffala, La Jolla, 29.** *Hi John! Hi Winnie!*  
**Alfred Egaran, San Diego, 29.** *1 more week until the NFL regular season. GO CHARGERS!*  
**Norman Kenney, Carlsbad, 29.** *Happy Labor Day to all! Kiera! Bodo!*  
**Susan Morfey, Little Italy, 29.** *Las Vegas - need I say more?*  
**Michael Panther, Point Loma, 29.** *Probably didn't make it. Had to go to the dentist.*  
**Jack Rohrer, Clairemont, 29.** *Congratulations Park View Little League World Champions!*  
**Jay Sato, Carmel Valley, 29.** *Cutepea has same baby hair he was born with.*

**Clinton Smith, La Mesa, 29.** *Evil requires the sanction of the victim - Ayn Rand*  
**M. Zimmermann, Vista, 29.** *Love is temporary insanity cured by marriage.*  
**Ellie Hoey, Spring Valley, 28.** *I love New York.*  
**Marge Nelson, El Cajon, 28.** *Go Park View Little Leaguers!*  
**Bill Pischke, Ramona, 28.** *Puzzling is its orange reward.*  
**Leslie Chase, Campo, 27.** *Orange who? Orange you glad you're in the top 100?*  
**Jon Connor, Oceanside, 27.** *Premium people.*  
**Ralph Hayward, El Cajon, 27.** *Izzy does it!*  
**Douglas Meyers, La Mesa, 27.** *Whatever happened to the silent Santeans?*

## THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS CONTINUED:

**James C. Nelson, El Cajon, 27.**  
*Go Padres!*

**Tom Seaman, Alpine, 27.** *Learn to love - adopt a greyhound.*

**Thelma Strickland-Hicks, Del Mar, 27.** *Way to go Chula Vista Park View Little Leaguers!*

**Rich Sewell, Ocean Beach, 26.**  
*Happy Birthday Mom and Erin!*

**Bob Vollmar, La Jolla, 26.** *Are there really T-shirts? Who got 'em?*

**Rumir Miravalles, San Diego, 26.** *SSGT Clive sounds good but SA Clive is the best!*

**Ken A., Ocean Beach, 25.**  
*More porn and booze in church!*

**Leo Baggerly, Encinitas, 25.**  
*Keep your fork!*

**John L. Drehner, North Park, 24.** *Let them eat tofu.*

**George Elam, Vista, 24.** *Love the puzzles, don't need the stress.*

**Joy E. Fernandez, Chula Vista, 24.** *Jen! Second book finished - you got me, darn it!*

**Woody Anderson, Carmel Valley, 22.** *Monica is Rilea sweet lady!*

**William Cushing, Rancho Bernardo, 22.** *Hey, Pat, looks like you were right!*

**Marilyn Cooper, Chula Vista, 19.** *Sponge Bob is back and happy as a clam!*

**W. Hodgson, Escondido, 18.**  
*Health care by the people who run the post office?*

**Glen and Tesi Chavira-Cournoyer, Chula Vista, 17.** *Park View LL.*

**I.C. Garcia, Golden Hill, 17.** *Ha, ha, ha!*

**Jack Hawkins, Encinitas, 17.**  
*Fencing with a crossword? The "epeetiny" of "duelality."*

**Steve Kassiotis, San Diego, 17.**  
*Thanks for the bike, Ian. This week's theme is weak.*

**Don Romero, Ramona, 17.**  
*I'm back my sweet Mei Ling. I love you!*

**Marjorie Stewart, Point Loma, 17.** *Vinny, you make my Tuesdays!*

**Dorothy Kruse, Carlsbad, 13.**  
*Jeff helped.*

**F.A. Nalu, El Cajon, 11.** *Lovin' it!*

**Paul Wright, Lemon Grove, 11.** *Stay cool San Diego!*

**John Halac, Escondido, 10.** *Go Chargers!*

**Joe Musser, Encinitas, 9.** *Hope springs eternal.*

**Diana Holt, Hillcrest, 8.** *Yes, crosswords are fun! Lo triumphe, oxy-morons!*

**Sherie Hubble, Alpine, 5.**  
*What if Democrats had packed heat at Bush appearances? Torture!*

**Michael Sheridan, San Diego, 5.** *Go Sounders.*

**John Alberto, Bonita, 4.** *Finally, Leslie Wittman, Seattle, 4.*

*Mosan, thank you for a fabulous time!*

**R. Nelson Byrne, Del Mar, 1.**  
*Health care now!*

**Stephen Loughrane, Bankers Hill, 1.** *Pol, you are wonderful. A and F.*

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8) One entry per person per week or you will be disqualified.

9) Employees of the *Reader* and their immediate families are not eligible.

### EASY:

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### MEDIUM:

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### EASY:

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### MEDIUM:

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### HARD:

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### EVIL:

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4	6	8	5	7	2	9	3	1
2	1	5	8	9	3	7	6	4
3	7	9	6	4	1	2	5	8

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## THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS:

### EASY:

**Cherie Calvo, San Diego, 12.**

*The heat is on!*

**Tristan Meyers, El Cajon, 12.**

*I'm going to beat your drunken...*

**M. Elliott, Ranch Bernardo, 10.**

*Thanks for waxing the car!*

**Don Bowman, Santee, 7.**

*Roses are red, violets are blue, evil is hard to...*

**Christy Whitman, La Mesa, 4.**

*My name is CHRISTY! Happy Birthday Adam! I love you*

**Simon Hubble, Alpine, 3.**

*We should all fear Republican death panels, their lies kill...*

**Eddie Dixon, San Diego, 2.**

*Go CHARGERS! Lhory is the best!!*

**Alyssa Ketcham, East Village, 2.**

*A lie is a lie even if everyone believes it.*

**Leslie Wittman, Seattle, 2.**

*Thanks Mo! Go Sounders!*

**Garaldine Dang, Kailua, 1.**

*Your contest provided my sister and me a way...*

**Adan G., San Deigo, 1.**

*I love you, Zuri 5.16.07*

**Amada Garcia, Chula Vista, 1.**

*Hi Melissa and Amada*

**Corey Van Dordt, San Diego, 1.**

*good job fishing my...HARD sudoku puzzle! Love you Christy!*

### MEDIUM:

**Janie Redmond, Cardiff, 17.**

*Chula Vista- Don't cry if the bases get loaded!*

**Kodukso, Poway, 13.**

*Boy! Steven Tyler really puts Aero in Smith!!*

**Frank Kuzniar, Carlsbad, 13.**

*Nobama!*

**Chhi-Chong Wu, San Diego, 7.**

*I have a dream!*

**Henry Chung, San Diego, 5.**

*I can't believe summer is almost over already*

**Tony Marsh, San Carlos, 5.**

*My wife and kids rock!*

**Roy Bartolome, San Diego, 2.**

*INBx\$ Good luck at TCS. Love mom and dad*

**Kelsey Durrett, Normal Heights, 2.**

*Yay! I Finally did it Rudy*

**Robb Dusa, Rancho Peñasquitos, 1.**

*Congratulations Park View Little League. Great, Exciting games! Really enjoyed...*

**Rickie Smith, Birdland, 1.**

*I heart Ricardo*

### HARD:

**Howard Donnelly, Mission Valley, 11.**

*Always in ink*

**Marty Sinigayan, Point Loma, 11.**

*Ha, I've finally found a way to kill Marty SINIGATAN!!!*

**Wan-Chen Wu, San Diego, 7.**

*It's such a hoooot day!*

**Douglas Meyers, La Mesa, 6.**

*I take no credit for the sandwich quote!*

**Rei Sheu, San Diego, 5.**

*Need this special T shirt*

**John Strauch, Point Loma, 5.**

*Hike the county and beyond with the Monday Maniacs!*

**Paul Wright, Lemon Grove, 5.**

*WHEW! Its hot out there*

**Bruce C. Mengler, Solana Beach, 4.**

*Living large in paradise!*

**Duane D. Tremaine, East Village, 4.**

*Thus do we defeat entropy*

**Tigger #11, La Mesa, 3.**

*I will always love you- Cody Bloom!*

*Soccer Rules! xoxo*

**Jim Nukuto, Sabre Springs, 2.**

*Go Bears*

**Ron Athey, Santee, 1.**

*Perfect Stephen Loughrane, Bankers hill, 1.*

*Polly you're the best*

**Alex Morlett, La Mesa, 1.**

*Everybody wants to know Alan Friedman!*

**Susan Williams, North Park, 1.**

*Can't be evil all the time*

### EVIL:

**Joe Arbusto, Rancho Peñasquitos, 18.**

*Causes for Sen-ate "LION" will never be "Die-N"!*

*RIP TEDDY!*

**Jean Bradley, Spring Valley, 18.**

*Happy birthday Jane! Pick some winners- Fleabiscuit in the forth*

**Gary Mocko, Ocean Beach, 18.**

*Three scales, no waiting. A\sdmm.org*

**P.J. Mole, Point Loma, 18.**

*saw my mom sing in church, it was beautiful*

**Michael Panther, Point Loma, 18.**

*Probably didn't make it. Had to go to the dentist*

**Gregory Parsons, Carlsbad, 18.**

*We must be the change we wish to see- Gandhi*

**Clyde Christie, East Village, 17.**

*2:...United States from electro-magnetic pulse (EMP) attack (temp-commission.org).*

**Jeff Doerner, Clairemont, 17.**

*EVIL!*

**Norman Kenney, Carlsbad, 17.**

*Kiera! Bodo! Happy labor Day!*

**Julio Magno, San Diego, 17.**

*US postal Sudoku expert, John*

**Olga Betteridge, Ocean Beach, 16.**

*He is the best(est)!*

**Tim Betteridge, Hillcrest, 16.**

*Send help Sudoku liberation group needs you!*

**Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 16.**

*Hard work is fascinating- I can watch it all day*

**Ralph Levy, La Jolla, 16.**

*Good recovery Eathan*

**Joe Steinbach, Clairemont, 16.**

*Let's have more difficult puzzles.*

**Zdenek Hostomsky, La Jolla, 15.**

*Happy anniversary, Zuzana! To both of us!*

**Ric Witt, Clairemont, 15.**

*Come on, Faith, you can do it. Julie*

*O. too*

**Woody Anderson, Carmel Valley, 14.**

*This week, the Evil Sudoku lived up to its name!*

**Bliss Beedle, Encinitas, 14.**

*Nice game C.V.!*

**Delfin Bernardo, National City, 12.**

*Gabriel's tortilleria, serving San Diego for 20 yrs.*

**Larry Clark, Clairemont, 12.**

*Cookie, Cookie, wherefore don't you call or visit? Love...*

**D. Faulkner, University Heights, 12.**

*Gary is "remock-able". Can he engineer a double?*

**Yuko T., San Diego, 12.**

*Could you make this more difficult? It's boring.*

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## THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS CONTINUED:

**Thomas Daley, San Diego, 9.** I'm on XL  
**Steve K., Ocean Beach, 9.** This Jazz misses a moan- the exam convicts the scope  
**Robert Varga, Poway, 8.** Go Chula Vista  
**Robert Bradley, Spring Valley, 7.** Vacation's over back to work  
**Ralph Hayward, El Cajon, 7.** My pencil ran out of 7's

**Bill Petty, Bay Ho, 7.** 692-4 We-flove you Erin.-4  
**Kun-Ying Yang, San Diego, 7.** I am no. 1  
**Greg Chauncey, La Jolla, 6.** I won a tee! Thanks. Totally awesome. Like whatever, gosh!  
**David Schwartz, Clairemont, 6.** It's like I channel dead crazy people  
**Tang Wang, San Diego, 6.** Have fun

**Skully, San Diego, 6.** Hi R1 Rabbit, Goldmember, monkey boy, and old man Steve  
**Zina Wyman, Carlsbad, 6.** Goodnight sir- god bless the rest  
**Paul Brugger, Downtown, 5.** Getting puzzle done early is a challenge  
**George Elam, Vista, 5.** Finally time for football. Yeah  
**Karen Maegley, Sorrento Mesa, 5.** Love the weather, hate the economy  
**Jacqueline Jordan, San Diego,**

**4.** Stroke the devils coals cause I'm hotter  
**Marta McCarty, La Jolla, 4.** Hi Harry W!  
**Chris Siemens, San Diego, 4.** Gussed it right  
**Tess C. Sutton, San Diego, 4.** I'm Back  
**Lily Gonzalez, Logan Heights, 3.** Done in 20 min and in ink!  
**Steve Koening, Bay Park, 3.** Happy B-day Eric! Steve  
**Jeanette Abad, Escondido, 2.** World peace

**Tang Emily, Hillcrest, 2.** Another beautiful dream  
**Lisha Yost, Lakeside, 2.** together forever!  
**Flo Abena, Rancho Peñasquitos, 1.** Happy face emoticon  
**Larry Gach, Rancho Bernardo, 1.** There's a Redpointer in this.  
**Evangeline Lapi, San Diego, 1.** Exciting  
**Anthony Marca, Encinitas, 1.** "Bring the steelhead back to San Diego!"

**Roy Respress, Carlsbad, 1.** For all the times I have done evil, feels good!  
**George Ruiz, San Diego, 1.** Fun  
**Jose Vega, Chula Vista, 1.** Te amo Clara, te quieres casar conmigo?

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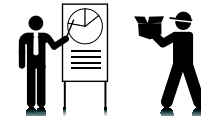
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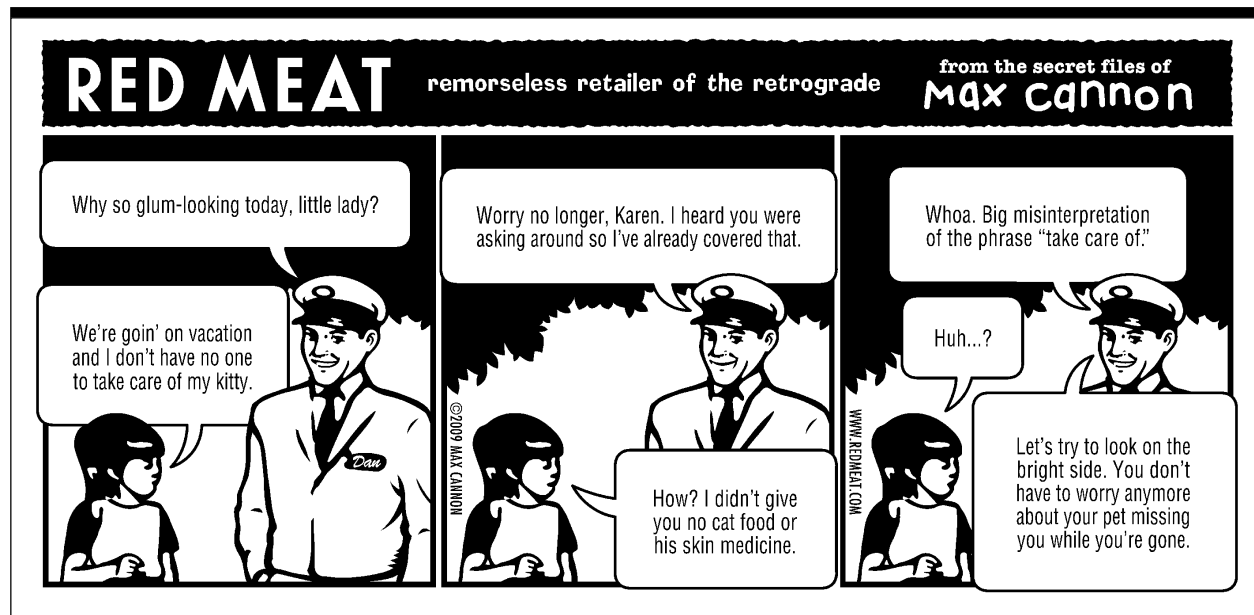
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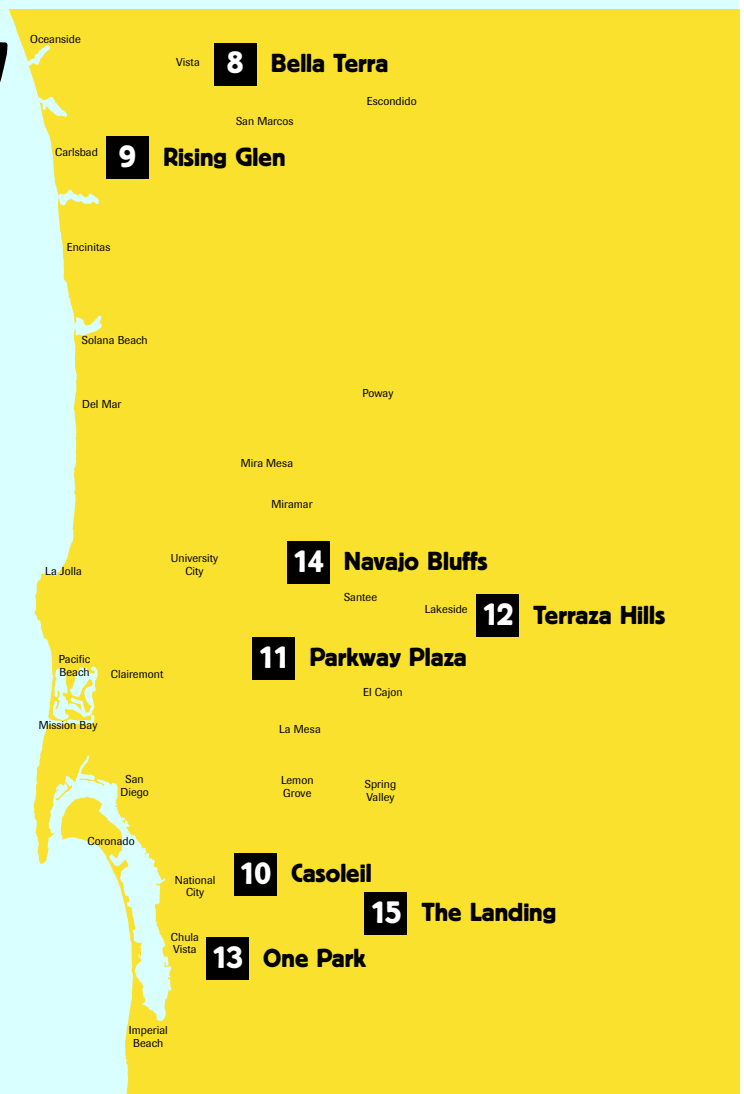


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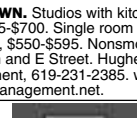
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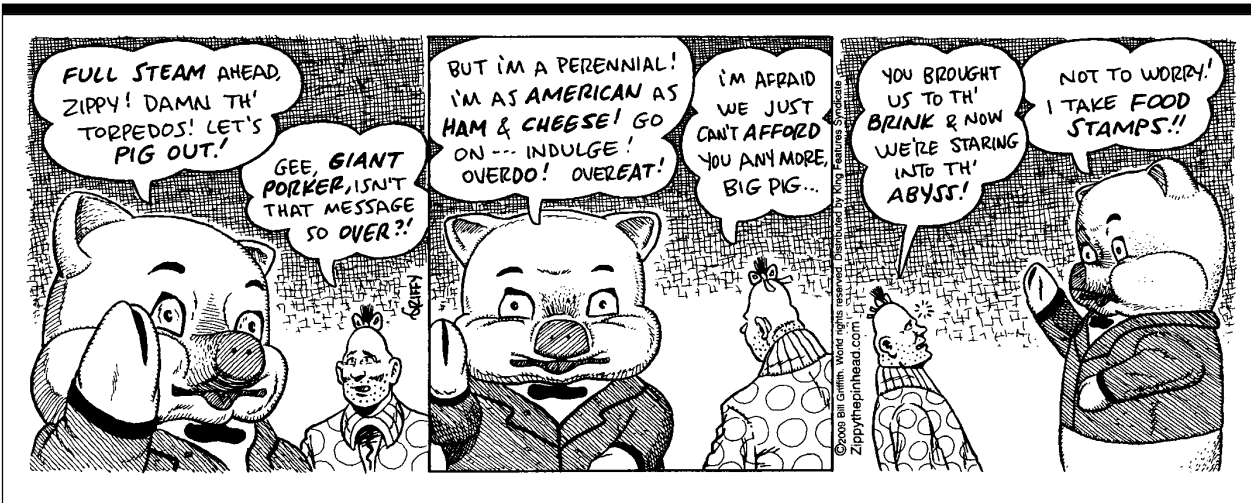
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**LEAD STORY**

— British construction worker Martin Jones, 42, who lost one eye and was blinded in the other in a 1997 explosion, regained his sight this year as a result of surgery in which part of his tooth was implanted in the eye. Dr. Christopher Liu of the Sussex Eye Clinic used a piece of tooth because a “living” “anchor” was necessary to hold a patch of Jones’s skin underneath his eyelid, to generate blood supply while a new lens formed. When the lens was healthy enough, Dr. Liu made a hole in the cornea for light to pass, and Jones feasted his eye on his wife, whom he had married four years ago, sight unseen.

**Can’t Possibly Be True**

— Until Mayor Sharon McShurley changed the protocol this year, fire stations in Muncie, Ind., had been delivering reports to department headquarters downtown by dropping them off in fire engines. McShurley ordered the department to learn how to send reports by email.

— In June, the New York Police Department spent \$99,000 on a typewriter repair contract, which will take on increasing importance since last year NYPD bought thousands of new type-

writers, manual and electric, costing the city almost \$1 million. The NYPD still is not even close to computerizing some of its daily-use forms, such as property and evidence reports.

— Hundreds of Los Angeles’ down-and-out live not just underneath local freeways but inside their concrete structures, according to a June *Los Angeles Times* report. The largest “home” is a double-gymnasium-sized cavern under the Interstate 10 freeway in the suburb of Baldwin Park. That space is nearly inaccessible, requiring squeezing through a rusty grating, traversing a narrow ledge, and descending a ladder to reach “a vast, vault-like netherworld, strewn with garbage and syringes,” with toys and rattles and a cat carcass visible on an upper platform marginally harder for rats to reach. Authorities shy away from the area out of fear, but every few years, state officials try to seal the entrance.

— New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg was livid in June when he learned that inmate Tuvia Stern, housed in the city’s notorious lockup The Tombs, had arranged a privately catered, 50-guest bar mitzvah for his son inside the facility’s gym, officiated by a prominent rabbi and assisted by five jail guards. The caterers were

even allowed to bring in knives for food preparation and dining. It was not surprising that it was Stern who pulled it off, because at the time he was awaiting sentencing for running two slick business scams.

**Inexplicable**

— According to the Pentagon, there are only 566 surviving U.S. prisoners of war from the Vietnam era and 21 from the first Gulf War, but the Veterans Administration has been paying POW-labeled disability benefits to 966 and 286 people, respectively, according to an April Associated Press investigation. The AP found that, even though the Pentagon POW list is posted online, the VA does not routinely check it when a veteran applies for POW status. (POW claimants go to the front of the VA disability-application line and receive various other privileges.)

**More Sci-Fi Movie Ideas**

— Researchers in Japan and Spain found recently that Argentine ants, normally highly aggressive and territorial, are actually one huge global colony with three expanding centers: a 3700-mile-long stretch in Europe, a 560-mile strip in California,

and a swath of Japan’s west coast. Researchers hypothesized the kinship because, when members from those groups were thrown together, they became docile. ... A June article in the *Emerging Infectious Diseases* journal reported the worldwide reach of incidents of tapeworms that grow inside humans to nearly 40 feet in length. The most serious carrier, according to a *Scientific American* summary, is salmon sashimi. (Anthony Franz’s 2008 lawsuit against a Chicago sushi restaurant, for a 9-foot-long tapeworm, is still pending.)

**Fetishes on Parade**

— Former elementary school principal John Stelmack, 62, was sentenced in July in Bartow, Fla., to five years in prison for a collection of child pornography, even though no child was directly involved. Without the aid of computer software, but rather, using scissors and paste, Stelmack had meticulously placed photos of the faces of young girls over the faces of adult women in sexual poses.

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**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath cottage; shared patio. Parking. Laundry. \$1000/ security. No pets. 4113 Ingraham Street. 858-270-4674.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1125. 1 bedroom, downstairs, remodeled. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave, pool, coin laundry. Available 9/9/09. 1433 Oliver. Del Sol Property Management, Broker, www.delsolpm.com. 858-270-2071.

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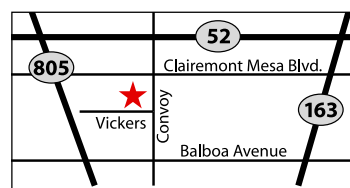
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**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$975. 1 bedroom. Beautifully kept property with garden courtyard near Crown Point. Peak view of bay. 2150 Thomas Street #13. TPPM, 858-483-3887.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$975. Spacious 1 bedroom with tile in dining and kitchen. New carpet and custom paint. Very well maintained complex. Walk to Vons. Must see! **Open house Saturday 10:30-11:30.** 2112 Garnet #2C. TPPM, 858-699-3851.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1295. 2 bedroom, 1 bath in excellent location near Bay. Recently remodeled. Corner unit with excellent light. **Open house Saturday 11:30am-12:30pm.** 1536 Pacific Beach Drive #5. TPPM 858-699-3851.

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# BACK WHEN *in the Reader*

## Thirty Years Ago

Dear Matthew Alice:

Are there more men than women in San Diego?

— Curious Couple, San Diego

Men generally outnumber women in this city and will continue to do so in the next decade, according to the special census of 1975 and projections into 1980. But these figures show some interesting exceptions. In 1975, men between 20 and 24 years old outnumbered women by about 2000 (75,024 men compared to 73,017 women); but in 1980 the majority is expected to reverse, with 80,487 women compared to 74,838 men.

— STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP, Matthew Alice, September 6, 1979

## Twenty-Five Years Ago

The port district is clearing the B Street pier for exclusive use of a small fleet of lucrative cruise ships stopping here on their voyages south, so port officials decided that

the *Star of India's* sister ships — the ferryboat *Berkeley* and the steamship *Medea* — would be evicted from B Street and moved 20 yards north, to the *Star's* current docking. The *Star* would in turn be moved farther north to a new home on the north side of Anthony's Star of the Sea Room restaurant.

— CITY LIGHTS: "A STAR IS BERTHED," Paul Krueger, September 6, 1984

## Twenty Years Ago

Unless he absolutely cannot avoid them, John Pugh does not do windows. "Windows — they just ain't cool," he says. "You're climbing through a window — I mean, how does that look? I don't like to do that. There's enough people and enough businesses who leave their doors open, their safes open. I don't have to climb through windows." Pugh also doesn't like to be thought of as a common burglar who relies on crude force rather than intellect to get through life. He is most proud of the heists he accom-

plished with a good deal of forethought.

— CITY LIGHTS: "JOHN PUGH BUSTS OUT," Jackie McGrath, September 7, 1989

## Fifteen Years Ago

I am one of the few residents of planet Earth unfamiliar with *Baywatch*. Some one billion people in 72 countries watch it weekly. And those numbers — one billion viewers, seventy-two nations — frighten me. I am frightened that nomadic tribesmen in Mongolia cuddle in their toasty yurts and giggle at images of tight, bronzed buttocks bouncing around Will Rogers State Park near Los Angeles.

The Great Unification of Humanity, the Day-When-We-Ain't-Gonna-Study-War-No-More, the Messianic Age, what have you, frightens me because I am not a team player. I am not "one of those guys." I am not a "people person."

— AS SEEN ON TV: "THE TAN AT THE END OF TIME," Abe Opincar, September 1, 1994

## Ten Years Ago

First time around, I sketched the death scene as a pretty picture. I had Edith bathe, shampoo and set her hair, lacquer her finger- and toenails (leaving, as she always did, the moon of each fingernail bare, a detail from 1940s nail-polishing etiquette of which I am fond). I dressed her, switched her, really, in a sheer pale pink nightgown whose neckline I circled with a discreet lace border. Under the nightgown, she wore a bra (Edith despaired of her fallen breasts, how they hung, useless and loose, the sallow skin striated with translucent stretch scars, the long corrugated nipples an obscene maroon). I had Edith climb into her four-posted bed. I pulled her chenille bedspread up under her arms, set her head back — gently — on two plumped goose-feather pillows.

— "RADIO NIGHTS," Judith Moore, September 2, 1999

## Five Years Ago

Britney Spears was spotted in San



San Diego Reader, September 2, 1999

Diego August 20, walking the paths at Seaport Village with her fiancé, Kevin Federline, and then she went house-hunting in the La Jolla area.

Her spending range for the purchase is said to be "in the two- to-four-million-dollar range." She told the realtor that she like the way she "fits in" with the La Jolla community.

— BLURT, Jay Allen Sanford, September 2, 2004

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## PLACES OF WORSHIP REVIEWED

**Denomination:** nondenominational  
**Address:** 2650 Melbourne Street, Serra Mesa, 858-278-2633  
**Founded locally:** 1994  
**Senior pastor:** Carl Baker  
**Congregation size:** 150  
**Staff size:** 2  
**Sunday school enrollment:** 15  
**Annual budget:** n/a  
**Weekly giving:** n/a  
**Singles program:** no  
**Dress:** mostly semiformal  
**Diversity:** majority Caucasian  
**Sunday worship:** 9:30 a.m.  
**Length of reviewed service:** 1 hour 10 minutes  
**Website:** [servants4jesus.com](http://servants4jesus.com)

Last week I visited Gethsemane Lutheran Church in the wake of the Evangelical Lutheran Conference of America's decision to allow partnered homosexuals to serve as clergy (in certain circumstances). This week, I crossed the parking lot and headed next door to Mission Village Christian Fellowship, a former United Church of Christ Church that voted (unanimously) to break away from the UCC in 1994, when that denomination took one step too far into the realm of what one congregant called "progressive doctrine."

"Obviously, we're very different congregations," he continued. "But, we actually have what I view as a really good working relationship with them. We do a lot of things together."

Sunday's service — held under a high, sloping roof and cooled by both the whirring fans overhead and the blue light filtered through the rear window — was full of prayer. (That sounds like it might go without saying, but it doesn't.) It began with the invitation from Pastor Baker. "Father...this is not really Your temple. This is just a place where we gather — Your temple is within us. But we want You to manifest Yourself in this place where we gather corporately, so that we can see Your glory."

It continued with a declarative from the swaying, stocky bass player in between songs: "Lord, You said You'd be there; that You'd never forsake us. And Your promise is true. Thank You, Lord."

And it endured in the prayers of petition, presided

over by a bear of a man who closed his eyes and murmured, "Lord, open our minds, clear our thoughts, open our hearts..."

One by one, the intentions came from the congregation. For healings. For successful surgeries. For a woman in an abusive marriage. For family members threatened by Hurricane Jimena. The presider paused to write each one down and prayed, "Father, come and fill this place with Your healing.... Let it be strong; let it be complete. We also pray for delight in the knowledge of Your thoughts, that You would just reveal what's going on..." Then he went down the list, offering prayers for each intention in turn.

Pastor Baker took the lectern, told a couple of jokes, and then offered this comment: "I became aware of something as we were praying today. I want to say this as gently as I can. It's very appropriate for us to pray for one another in the fellowship, to pray for healing. But I noticed that we didn't pray for anyone outside of the

kingdom — anyone in need of salvation. I remember an old saying: 'When we begin to pray for people who are going to hell as much as we do for people who are going to the hospital, we will have revival.' I just hope we'll remember that."

Because, of course, even miraculous physical healing is only a temporary thing. "These old bodies aren't going to last forever. We will get old and die," but the saved will "live forever in a better place, with a new body. The aches and pains and problems of life — Paul says, 'Pray without ceasing,' and I think that's part of the prayers. But in the Lord's prayer, Jesus focused on the kingdom: He said, 'Your kingdom come.' That's a prayer that Christ will be able to find His way into relation with the people of this world. Because ultimately, that's all that really matters."

The sermon concerned putting on the armor of God, as laid out in Paul's letter to the Ephesians. But by the end, even that circled back to prayer. "Prayer is rearma-



Carl Baker

### Mission Village Christian Fellowship Serra Mesa

★★½

<b>Sermon</b>	
content	★★
delivery	★★
<b>Liturgy</b>	★★
<b>Music</b>	
congregational	★★
band	★★½
Snacks	★★½
<b>Architecture</b>	★★
<b>Friendliness</b>	★★★
Poor to satisfactory	(none)
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ment," concluded Baker. "Soldiers train even when there is no war. This week, we're resuming our nights of corporate prayer on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Christopher leads us in two choruses, and then we go right into prayer. We open it up for people to pray out loud, as long as you want to.

We can use prayer as a way to reach out beyond the walls of the church, to call people to the kingdom of God."

At the end of the service, Baker encouraged the congregation: "If you need a few moments to do business with God, I want you to do that. Pray, and right where you're at in your journey in life, say, 'This is where I'm at, Lord.' Be honest with Him — He can take it. Even if you have to say, 'Lord, I'm not even sure I believe all this stuff.' All right, tell Him that. 'But I want to know You, if all this is real.' He loves prayers like that; I'm convinced of it."

The piano rang back into life, and the people sang: "I have decided/ to follow Jesus.... No turning back/ no turning back."

What happens when we die?

"Judgment," said Baker. — Matthew Lickona

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