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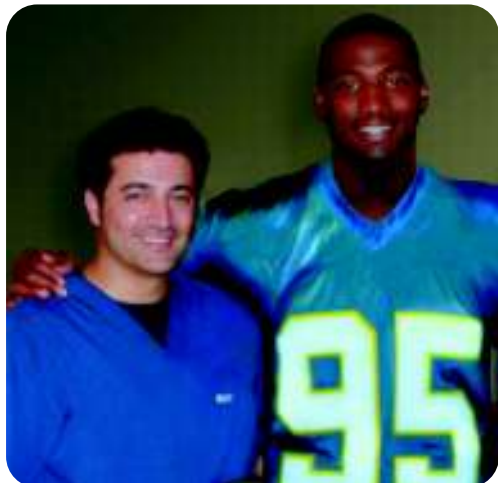
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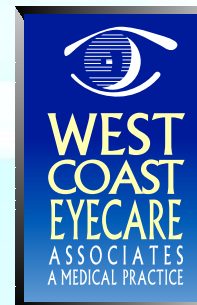
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## UNDER THE RADAR

**A shirt off Bonnie's back** When Governor **Arnold Schwarzenegger** kicked off his Terminate Violence campaign at an L.A. news conference in March, he was especially proud of the jazzy free shirts handed out to the crowd. "I said that I wanted to help here. I wanted to make it even bigger, and so this is why we came up with those T-shirts, the Terminator T-shirts," said the beaming governor, standing with L.A. sheriff **Leroy Baca**, flanked by children wearing the black-and-white shirts featuring an image of Schwarzenegger's signature alongside a portrait of his character in the famous movie. "And the Terminator T-shirts is all about saying terminate violence," he added. "And, of course, on the front of the T-shirt you see a great image of a very handsome cyborg, and I think that underneath it says, you know, 'Terminate Violence.'"

The news conference was promoting the L.A. sheriff's department's Gifts for Guns program, encouraging gun owners to turn in their weapons anonymously. In return, they get the T-shirt along with a \$100 gift card for use at Best Buy, Target, Home Depot, or Ralphs supermarkets, or a \$200 card if they turn over an assault rifle. "I think that it will inspire some of the young kids to come in and give up their guns and get a T-shirt in return," Schwarzenegger said.



Money to buy the gift cards was put up by Baca's department. The \$18,971 for the governor's personalized T-shirts, on the other hand, came from none other than San Diego district attorney **Bonnie Dumanis**, a fellow Republican, who dipped into her office's asset-forfeiture fund. Her spokesman **Paul Levikow** says the money represents cash seized in drug busts and similar sources and doesn't tap the county general fund. Dumanis is rumored to be interested in future statewide office. But Levikow says that the balance of the asset forfeiture funds, which amount to \$388,293 a year, have gone to local anticrime causes, including funding a youth advisory board at Lincoln High, lights for the Bay Vista apartment complex, and "Four or Forty: The Choice is Yours," a video campaign counseling students that what they do in their four years of middle school will impact the next 40 years of their lives.

**Small favors** GOP congressman **Brian Bilbray** used his Twitter feed to tout his mention last week in a *USA Today* story about a successful bill he'd authored to qualify three-wheeled vehicles for federal research funding, the main beneficiary being Vista-based Aptera Motors, backed by heavy hitters including Google and Rockwell. Not mentioned was the role of Washing-

ton lobbying firm GovBiz Advantage, to which Aptera paid \$60,000. On June 22, GovBiz's **Duane R. Gibson** gave Bilbray a \$500 campaign contribution. . . . The Del Mar Thoroughbred Club, whose plans for a lease renewal at the fairgrounds racetrack was held up at least a year by the inter-



Martin Garrick

vention over the summer of state Democratic senator **Christine Kehoe**, has gotten busy handing out campaign contributions to a raft of other state politicians. On July 14, according to a recent disclosure filing, the track operator gave \$500 each to Democratic senator **Jenny Oropeza**, as well as GOP assemblymen **Martin Garrick**, **Paul Cook**, and **Joel Anderson** and Democrat **Steve Bradford**. The senate campaign of Democratic assemblyman **Joe Coto** got \$1000 on July 28.

**Mixed bedfellows** Foes of state attorney general **Jerry Brown**, leading the Democratic pack in the campaign for his old job as governor, have been unearthing radio shows the 71-year-old made during the '90s, featuring controversial remarks calling capital punishment "state murder" and dissing Mexican trucks on U.S. roads.

But it's his ties to San Diego that may become some of the most interesting to opposition researchers. Brown's wife, **Anne B. Gust**, is on the board of Jack in the Box, Inc., the San Diego-based hamburger chain founded by the late **Bob Peterson**, who ran it in the early years with **Dick Silberman**, Brown's onetime chief fund-raiser who later did prison time after falling for an FBI money-laundering sting. Also on the board is **Mike Alpert**, husband of ex-Democratic state senator **Dede Alpert**, Special Advisor for Public Policy and Strategic Planning for the Sacramento law and lobbying firm of Nielsen, Merksamer, who herself has a number of gigs around town. Last year, for instance, she was paid \$5000 to sit on the board of the Girard Foundation, run by La Jolla philanthropist and investor **Buzz Woolley**. The nonprofit has given to such local causes as the Gompers Charter Middle School. It also contributed \$10,000 to San Francisco's Pacific Research Institute, a free-market think tank, raising big doubts about **Barack Obama's** public health-care plan.



Jerry Brown

— Matt Potter

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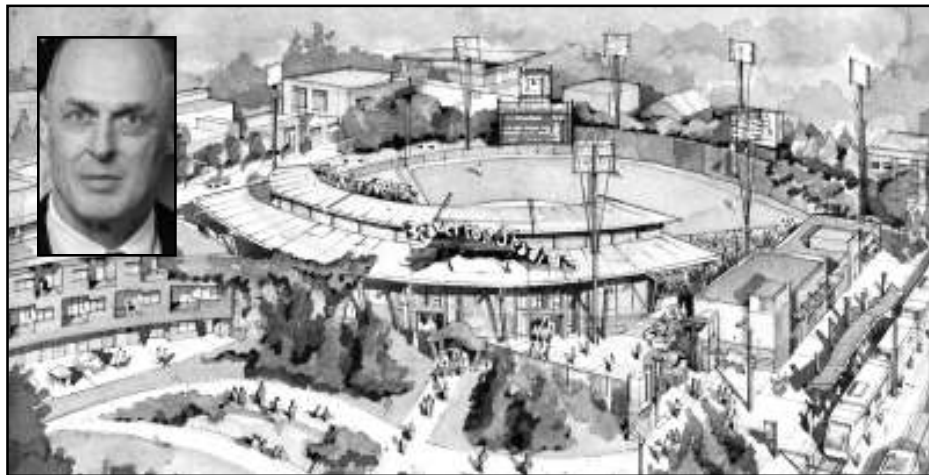
## More Ballpark Lies

By Don Bauder

**T**he Portland Beavers are a triple-A minor-league baseball team affiliated with the San Diego Padres. The Beavers want taxpayers to kick in bundles of money for a new ballpark — just as the Padres did. The studies purporting to show that Petco Park greatly boosted San Diego's economy — not

a Beavers subsidy.

Both the Beavers and the Portland Timbers minor-league soccer team are owned by none other than former treasury secretary Hank Paulson (20 percent) and his son Merritt Paulson (80 percent). The teams now play in PGE Park in Portland. But if the Timbers are to ascend to Major League Soccer status, as desired, PGE has to be renovated as a



Architectural sketch of Beaverton Stadium; Hank Paulson (inset)

Beavers' arguments are economically fallacious — just as the Padres' were. In fact,

true — are being circulated by corporate-welfare proponents beating the drum for

soccer-only stadium. Merritt Paulson wants Portland to cough up \$11 million for the transformation. The Beavers would build a new government-subsidized stadium elsewhere in the Portland area. (Is any of this sounding familiar?)

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## The Scariest Part of Halloween

By Sheila Pell

**O**n a blustery afternoon, just down the road from a Mission Valley lot that's already advertising Christmas trees, cos-

tumed sign bearers point the way to a recently opened Halloween store. Every October "they just pop up," says one of the store's temporary hires, explaining the magical birth of the seasonal one-stop shops.

What pops up with them is a rash of health concerns. Last year it was toxic black henna tattoos and lead warnings on Halloween makeup sold in Target stores (printed only because California requires a warning for detectable amounts of lead, for which the Centers for Disease Control say no safe blood level has been identified).

But there's more to the story than annual news fodder. It isn't just one night, one goblin glob-fest before it's all washed down the drain

icals leach into human bodies on a daily basis from ordinary shampoo, deodorant, mouthwash, creams, and cosmetics. With few exceptions, the chemicals in personal-care products are unregulated.

"Most people think there are some requirements for safety testing of products, but that is not the case," says Stacy Malkan, San Francisco-based cofounder of the Campaign for Safe Cosmetics, a national coalition of nonprofit health and environmental groups that work to overhaul the industry (as Europe has already done). Dr. Sharon Jacob, a San Diego dermatologist and UCSD clinical professor who has treated chemical reactions, shares the groups' concerns.



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considered cosmetics and are therefore subject to the same regulations as other cosmetics, including the same restrictions on color additives."

Toxic color additives, however, abound. Like PPD (*p*-phenylenediamine) in black henna, also used in hair dye, lipstick, and colorant shampoo. "There is no way for a consumer to know at what concentration a chemical is in a product without sending it to a lab and spending a few hundred bucks," Malkan says.

Last year, Dr. Jacob was in the news calling for black henna, used by some tattoo artists to extend the life of tattoos, to be made illegal. Yet, according to the Food and Drug Administration's webpage on henna dyes, it already is. Even ordinary henna is illegal when applied to skin: "Henna, a coloring made from a plant, is approved only for use as a hair dye, not for direct application to the skin, as in the body-decorating process known as mehndi." Yet San Diego's henna parlors freely advertise their FDA-

outlawed services, even broadcasting them to reporters last year when black henna panic erupted.

In the wake of many complaints and a lawsuit after consumers were injured by black henna tattoos, the administration issued an import alert and warned that the tattoos may cause serious allergic reactions. While the offending ingredient, PPD, is allowed only in low concentrations, Malkan points out that consumers are bombarded by chemicals. Small amounts from many sources add up. The FDA, however, doesn't consider cumulative exposure.

"There's no way to know what by-products are there or combined toxicities, and many chemicals have not been studied at all," Malkan says. Aside from ingredient lists and some boilerplate warnings on labels, it's buyer beware. She describes her recent foray into a Halloween store as "quite frightening." There were "lots of questionable products," she

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## STRINGERS

### Dog City

**Downtown San Diego**—The Centre City Development Corporation board unanimously approved a site for an interim leash-free dog park in downtown San Diego during its Wednesday, October 21, meeting—the west side of Park Avenue, between G and Market Streets.

The park is expected to include separate areas for large and small dogs. It will also include benches, shade, and water fountains for both pets and people.

In an interview, senior planner Mark Caro said, "The interim leash-free dog park will also free up the Park at the Park, which currently serves as the de facto leash-free dog park in East Village. The interim development of the site will create an active use at that location and may initiate a use in the historic Remmen Building immediately north of the future park."

*By Nathaniel Uy, 10/24*

### Cop Killers Caught?

**Tijuana**—The spate of police killings may have been quelled with the detention of three suspects by the Mexican army following a shootout with municipal police last Saturday.

The individuals are linked to 16 murders, including a copcat bridge hanging of a tortured individual on Saturday, October 17. (On October 9, morning drivers encountered the hanging body of Rogelio Sanchez Jimenez.)

Besides the October 17 hanging, other charges include: a double murder during which one cop was killed in September, a triple murder of police officers

in Las Playas de Tijuana in September, a double murder in the heights of Colonia Altiplano in September, a double murder in



*Murder suspects and police*

July, a single murder of a policeman in July, a murder of a still-unknown man in May in the Parque Industrial Pacifico, and a quadruple murder of police (including a policewoman) outside of an Oxxo store in April.

When captured, the trio was in possession of 5 assault rifles, a .38 caliber pistol, approximately 900 cartridges, 40 ammo clips, 6 armored helmets, and 6 bulletproof vests.

Sources: *Frontera, El Sol de Tijuana*

*By T.B. Beaudeau, 10/21*

### Gays to Rescue Rosarito?

**Rosarito**—Rosarito plans to launch a promotional campaign to make the beach resort a vacation center for gays. Efarid



*On parade in Mexico City*

Rodriguez Carrillo is in charge of the project, modeling it on several similar "alternative tourism" projects that he worked on in Spain.

Rosarito, once a tourist hotspot, has suffered a significant decline in busi-

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*Halloween store in Mission Valley*

and into the waterways. Ghosts with names like carbon black and terephthalate haunt us all year long. Makeup from China, meant to be smeared on children, calls attention to the stuff that makes the green so goeey and the goeey so green. But the same chem-

The Food and Drug Administration admits it is toothless. "Except for color additives, FDA does not have the authority to approve cosmetic products or ingredients," states the agency's website. Halloween makeup products, the website says, "are



# Ballpark lies

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The mayor and some cronies in the suburb of Beaverton, a community of 86,000 just west of Portland, want to build that Beavers stadium, seating 8600. The Paulsons would plunk in only 41 percent, and the rest would fall to taxpayers. The memorandum of understanding indicates that the project would cost \$59 million. Supporters claim that residents' property

and utility taxes would go up only \$50 a year.

Malarkey, say opponents. First, Beaverton would have to float a general revenue bond that, with interest, would cost \$43.5 million over 25 years, says Councilmember Betty Bode, a retired college administrator with a Ph.D. That brings the cost above \$100 million. Then, the cost of parking isn't included in the \$59 million. She figures that 1500 spaces would cost around \$37.5 million. In claiming the tax bite will be

small, proponents are using "phony figures," says Bode.

Rob Drake, who was Beaverton mayor for four terms (1993–2008), says that even if the number of spaces is cut to 750, parking would still come to \$20 million. So the whole package will come to between \$120 million and \$140 million, "plus half a million in [annual] oversight and maintenance that would come directly from the general fund." Drake has a home and a rental property and expects to pay an additional \$200 a year in taxes if the proposal goes through. Beaverton "is being asked to build a facility billed as a regional facility but being financed by Beaverton taxpayers." Moreover, the Portland metro area, now 2.2 million strong, is expected to add 1 million in the next two decades or so. "Within a decade, you are likely to see the first ball thrown out for a major-league team. What happens to the Beavers?"

Citizens are already swallowing a major tax increase, says Russell Draper, a former San Diegan who moved to

Beaverton five years ago. More than 10 percent of the Beaverton homes are effectively in foreclosure, and unemployment is above 10 percent, he says. "This is not a flush community like Rancho Santa Fe," says Draper. He is a member of an opponents' committee named LOVV, standing for Let Our Voters Vote on the corporate-welfare proposal. The *Oregonian* newspaper denounces the group as "obstructionists." Heard that before? Beaverton hired a new development director. He had the same post with the Beavers. Sound familiar?

Beaverton residents are being shoved the same old nonsense: a subsidized ballpark will bring economic development. It just isn't so, says Roger Noll, emeritus economics professor at Stanford, who has written extensively on the pro sports subsidy racket. Stadiums aren't a growth engine. They only redistribute wealth in a community — bringing in very little new money. The only big-league ballpark that helps its local neighborhood is the ancient

Fenway Park in Boston because it has few concession stands. Fans go to nearby saloons for a beer.

Proponents are claiming that San Diego's Petco Park is an example of a successful subsidized ballpark. They are not pointing out that the City faces a deficit of more than \$200 million in its next fiscal year, department budgets may be cut 27 percent, the infrastructure will rot even more, services will be slashed, and bankruptcy may loom. From an economic-opportunity standpoint, the \$300 million-plus subsidy could have been much better spent. "The San Diego ballpark is obviously one of [pro sports'] worst outcomes," says Stanford's Noll. "The problem is that these things get sold on the basis of economic return. It is completely bogus. If people think of it as consumption instead of investment," acknowledging that taxes will soar, and/or services plunge, for the benefit of a few citizens' pleasure, then they can make informed decisions on how their money will be spent.

The case for economic development arising from a subsidized major-league stadium is almost zero. For a

minor-league team, it might be less than that. "Minor-league teams are run by the major-league team. All the minor-league owner does is sell tickets and concessions," says Noll. He has studied the expected financial return from the proposed Beaverton ballpark: "It's a terrible return — obviously not worth it," he says.

One of the propaganda pieces circulating in Beaverton is a 38-page case study done in early 2008 for the Stanford Graduate School of Business. It postulates that the Petco Park project was "a win for all involved — the City, San Diego taxpayers, and the Padres." It was published before Petco Park attendance plummeted to levels that are 4580 lower per game than the team had in its last three years at Qualcomm. (The team had said it could not survive economically at Qualcomm.) The study was published before the City's deficit burgeoned, but as early as 2004, the City warned that severe economic woes lay ahead. The troubles besetting condos and hotels in the ballpark district were evident before 2008, and the ballpark was already a drain on City budgets.

The Stanford case study, which former councilmember Bruce Henderson calls "an egregious failure to tell the truth," completely missed some key points and distorted others. For example, the study doesn't look skeptically at the City's claim that the project would pay for itself from transient-occupancy-tax revenues. But hotels that were promised weren't built, and those that were built are doing poorly, as are the condos. Retail and office buildings never got out of the ground. "The project went from purportedly revenue-neutral to a fiscal disaster for the City." The study claims that \$4.5 billion of development in the ballpark district was positive for the City. "It may have been positive for developers and landowners," but the City had huge costs such as infrastruc-

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## Ballpark lies

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ture, police, and fire protection that aren't accounted for. The study gave short shrift to the scandal about then-Padres owner John Moores heaping financial favors on then-councilmember Valerie Stallings and didn't report that in 2002, the mayor's Blue Ribbon Committee on City Finances soft-pedaled pension woes because the ballpark bonds were going to market.

The Stanford study neglects the key question in any sports-welfare project: "The \$300 million subsidy is social capital. Could it have been spent elsewhere?" asks Henderson, suggesting underground zoo parking and infrastructure.

David Hoyt, who wrote the Stanford report, says he has no plans to update it. The change in San Diego's economic circumstances can be introduced in class discus-

sions. It's up to Beaverton citizens to decide if it is relevant to the Beavers' situation.

Another piece of propaganda is a purported study by Los Angeles-based Economics Research Associates, which was paid for, of course, by the Paulsons. This firm, which was hired by the City of San Diego to tout the convention center expansion, tells Beaverton that the new ballpark will have an annual economic impact of more than \$23 million. But Economics Research Associates reports only gross numbers, not net numbers, chuckles Noll. The firm doesn't take costs into account and doesn't report that any money spent at a ballpark is money that won't be spent elsewhere in the region. "These reports are very carefully written so no one can accuse them of lying," says Noll. "It's the advocates' misuse of those studies that is not kosher."

Actually, nothing is kosher in Beaverton. ■

## Scariest part

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says, "including hair sprays with warnings to not use around the eyes, ears, and mouth and to not inhale, as if that were possible." In Hot Hair Neon Pink, made by Fun Unlimited, "we found many dyes that have government bans or warnings," Malkan says.

"Some of the stuff is marked nontoxic, but it is definitely not."

In May, Dr. Jacob signed a letter along with Malkan and other advocacy groups requesting Johnson & Johnson to remove hazardous chemicals from their products "and switch to safer alternatives." Lab tests, commissioned by the Campaign for Safe Cosmetics, had found the suspected human carcinogens formaldehyde and 1,4-dioxane in Johnson's Baby Shampoo and other products.

Among the letter's requests:

"Phase all phthalates out of your products."

Phthalates are known for their assault on hormones, which regulate cellular functions but are known by most people for their role in shaping the reproductive system. Under the influence of phthalates, amphibians have been shown to turn hermaphrodite; a warning, researchers say, for two-legged creatures.

It didn't take long to find phthalates and other ghoul-ish ingredients in a local big-box store selling Halloween makeup. In Grossmont Center's Walmart, the aisles are getting their bones picked.

Parents, tots, and tweens rummage through the wares, trying on hats, wielding plastic swords, and discussing costumes. Row upon row of no-brand makeup hangs from the hooks. Long ingredient lists suggest the components of rockets, not creams for lips, skin, and scalp. No-brand Neon Glitter Makeup from Taiwan has phthalates in its

lipstick and roll-on face makeup, listed in the top 4 of 12 ingredients. Food and Drug Administration rules state that the amount of each chemical in a product is shown by "descending order of predominance." In humans, phthalates are linked to birth defects and infertility, according to the Centers for Disease Control.

"I haven't heard of [phthalates] in lip gloss," Malkan says. "Very interesting." Malkan's group has written extensively about phthalates in cosmetics. "Phthalates shouldn't be in products at any concentration," she says.

Also lurking in Walmart lipstick and roll-on makeup is D&C Red No. 7, a Food and Drug-restricted color—not for use near the eyes. It tangles with several other dyes. Ingredients with worse profiles, according to the Cosmetic Safety Database, a consumer tool launched by the Environmental Working Group, are found in prod-

ucts in Mission Valley's Halloween store, as well as Walmart: parabens, BHT, and EDTA, for example. Even mineral oil, a liquid mixture of petroleum hydrocarbons, can be toxic due to contamination by known or suspected carcinogens. Mineral oil is an ingredient in lipstick and base makeup sold in Walmart.

Malkan says that lead, while restricted in colorants to certain concentrations, can run amok in other products. "Lead is allowed in any amount in finished cosmetic products, with no limits and no requirements to disclose it on the label."

Rarely are chemicals, even known carcinogens, banned. Products with Food and Drug Administration-restricted ingredients must display warning labels, such as an announcement that an ingredient has caused cancer in lab animals or a recommendation to test the product on

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## Scariest part

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a small area of skin for an allergic reaction.

The roll-on makeup with the restricted red dye, for example, warns that it should not be used around the eyes and that it's "not intended for use by children under 14." Other packages carry similar generic warnings, with a slew of varying age recommendations: not for those under age 7, 8, 14, 15.

Carbon black, a material produced by the incomplete combustion of petroleum products, graced the ingredient list of a hair dye sold in Walmart. According to the International Agency for Research on Cancer, carbon black is "possibly carcinogenic to humans." In 2004, in response to an industry petition, the FDA allowed carbon black into cosmetics. Now D&C Black No. 2 is found in many products besides hair dyes, from lipstick to eyeliner to foundation makeup.

"The whole safety system for cosmetics in the United States comes down to one concept," Malkan says. "We're supposed to trust the companies to do what's right. Unfortunately, companies are making safety decisions all over the board. Some are making products safe enough to eat, while others make products with carcinogens, phthalates, and many other toxic ingredients."

Christy Bartlett of San Diego Bath & Body Company — a signer of the Campaign for Safe Cosmetics' Compact for Safe Cosmetics — says her company "is finding that it's not difficult to adhere to the compact."

"It is up for debate as to whether or not some ingredients are unsafe to some companies," Bartlett says. "We believe that 'all-natural' means no artificial colors, fragrances, color, or preservatives. For example, grapefruit seed extract is controversial, and so are parabens. Some question use of soy too. We avoid them all."

Malkan says the Campaign for Safe Cosmetics expects Congress to tackle the issue of cosmetics regulation in the next few months. Such legislation would parallel current efforts to overhaul the limp 1976 Toxic Substances Control Act.

Her group has just put out a report on laboratory testing it commissioned on Halloween products. The lab tested ten face paints and found that all had lead. Six of the ten contained the allergens cobalt, chromium, and nickel, which Malkan says "can cause lifelong skin problems."

Hiram Machicote, the manager at the Mission Valley Halloween shop owned by Canoga Park-based Halloween Adventure, says he's not aware of any problems with makeup sold in the store. There was one recent customer, though, who told

him about a Halloween-related incident, one that involved fake hair and surgery to remove it. The incident didn't involve his store, and the customer, he says, wanted to buy fake hair again but hoped to avoid what happened last time.

"She used superglue on her husband's head," he says. "This year she'll be using spirit gum." ■

## STRINGERS

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ness for several years, and officials are looking for ways to revive the industry. Gays make the ideal tourist, Carrillo said, because they have more disposable income than straights, in general, and are willing to spend it on travel, dining, entertainment, and passports.

Carrillo said that at present there are no areas in the beachside city that cater exclusively to gay tourists, but there have been several gay weddings feted at some of the local hotels, and with good results.

Source: *Frontera*

By T.B. Beaudreau

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### Comments

1. Rosarito does have an understated gay scene with many long-term committed couples living quietly among their neighbors. When asked by a visitor or tourist where the gay bars are

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### Fur Greed

It was good to read the letter by Vivian Dunbar entitled "Good Dog" (October 22). It certainly made me feel a little better after reading the Reader's October 8 story on the inhumane treatment of our furry friends south of the border in Mexico ("Dogs' Deathbed Gift," "City Lights"). God knows they're only here for such a short time. Why should we humans make it miserable for them or even make it shorter? Now if only those fur-greedy bastards in China could be stopped in their wholesale slaughter of dogs, puppies, and who knows whatever else they use the fur off the backs of. I learned of this through a letter describing this, along with photos of dogs and puppies packed together in barred crates awaiting their fate of being clubbed to death — or sometimes just unconscious — and then skinned, carcass thrown in a pile, some with their heart and lungs still working. Don't believe it? Get in touch with PETA and ask them to send you some of their literature, but you better have a strong stomach because it'll break an animal lover's heart.

Jim Reeber  
via email

### Don't Talk About Them

Re the letter "Worse Than Baghdad" by J. Kitchin (October 22).

I must have slept through this part in law class. John Kitchin writes, "[Issues about other countries are not reported] and cannot be, as comments about Mexico and Canada are *not* covered under

free speech nor free press laws."

WTF! Now, I understand that there are limitations (no screaming fire in a movie theater unless there really is a fire). But who made this new rule about not being able to comment on an issue, based on your own personal experiences, regardless of where said experiences take place? If I know (hypothetically) that Vancouver, BC, is a sweat gland on the anus of the world, based on personal experience, what is this bit that would prevent me from blogging about that?

This map shows the heart of the (alleged) sweat gland (aka Downtown Eastside, or DTES), <http://vancouver.ca/police/crimemaps/tfauto.pdf>.

Here is the history of this (alleged) hellhole: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Downtown\\_Eastside](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Downtown_Eastside).

And to top it all off, the place is (allegedly) run by the Hells Angels. They (allegedly) control the drug traffic down on the piers and everywhere else, except where the Asian gangs (allegedly) run things, and much more (allegedly). [http://www.canada.com/vancouver/vancouver\\_sun/news/observer/story.html?id=f525bc8a-d80a-4ece-9ffc-f5a2a55a43b0](http://www.canada.com/vancouver/vancouver_sun/news/observer/story.html?id=f525bc8a-d80a-4ece-9ffc-f5a2a55a43b0)

Does reporting on this topic subject me to arrest in some way? Is he talking about Mexican laws? If so, why would they care about Canada? Maybe John Kitchin, or one of the editors at the Reader, can explain. Just curious. And you can thank me for the education. I have walked those alleys and stepped on used syringes and used condoms. Not a pretty sight.

Thomas Elliott  
via email

*John Kitchin replies: I first became aware of the exemptions of Canada and Mexico when the characters in Second City TV, a comedy group, said that they were not permitted to use the name Canada, nor Canadian Korner, nor any of that. They had to settle for calling their sketch "The Great White North." They said in interviews about the show that there are treaties, some of them part of a predecessor of NAFTA, which establish this exemp-*

*tion. I took note, as I write tourism books. As I understand it, from being arrested, it is the foreign country that can prosecute you. I was prosecuted in Mexico. Here's the interesting part: Does internet publishing qualify someone as a "published tourism author," and thus exempt from this treaty? I'm not a lawyer, but I have to know enough of the laws regarding what cannot be written because I do write and publish books. I got into a huge amount of trouble once for suggesting that Holy Communion consisted of more than just bread and wine.*

### Joke City

Evidently you were on vacation (in Mexico?), having a beer in Tucson, sailing in Cabo — but whatever you were doing, you were *not* tending the shop!

What an irresponsible!!!! pathetic, boring, redundant, awful, sad article, "Rush Hour Spectacle" ("Stringers," October 15).

Get a grip. S\*\*\* journalism, crass writing. Yeah, right, you're reminding "us" (Joe Public) of all the horrible things going on in "local Mexico." Well, guess what again, we all know what's up in Baja. I traveled in Baja for the first time in 1964. I drove the Transpeninsular Highway before it was paved. My mother lived in La Paz for years in the early '60s, on Madero Street near the *zócalo*. My sister had two children born in La Paz, and she and my brother (Mary and Charlie) went to *preparatoria* as the first Anglo children in that city. My mother later bought a small ranchita in El Triunfo and lived her last years there, in rural Baja. I remember Cabo before — long before — there was anything there! Just two very small *pueblitos* near the cape. Long before million-dollar lots and Cabo Wabo. Cabo Wabo is a nightmare!

I went with friends to mainland Mexico in 1959 all the way to Mazatlán and then to San Blas, the first to surf Matachin Bay. In the '60s we all — San Diego lifeguards, surfers, and party animals — went to the bullfights and got drunk at the (original) Long Bar. It was safe, super fun, and drugs were never a problem. Well, those days are over — for-

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ever — because America needs to get high! I *know* Mexico. I've traveled there in the wild Sierra collecting folk art and writing about Mexico for decades. I was never afraid, but local Mexico has gone to hell! It is scary! I haven't been to Rosarito for over two years. I used to go every weekend.

No more articles like "Rush Hour Spectacle." It does not need to be told. We all know what a joke local Mexico is. It's not safe, it isn't fun, and printing stupid articles about death and a man hanging from a cable with his balls taped to his head is worthless crap.

Get a grip, get responsible, and go get a different attitude!

What good does it do, what, who, does it serve?

Oh, look, Martha, a man hanging from a bridge with his balls taped to his face. Yeah, right!

Torta Tomm

### Inspirational

I must admit that the article on Robert Campos's celebration-of-life gathering con-

fused me ("Crasher," October 15). It's quite possible that I was at a whole different gathering than the author.

When we got to the celebration, Robert came up and hugged my wife and daughter. When bending over to hug me in my wheelchair, he handed me a handwritten note. He said, "This is helping me. Maybe it will help you." The note was a recipe for a homeopathic cure for cancer.

Sundi and Scott, the hosts of the party, went out of their way to make things accessible to me.

Robert is an inspiration to many of us dealing with various health issues. When I heard him singing along with the mariachi band and saw him dancing his dance of life, it only validated what a special and unique man he is.

I only wish the author would have asked more of us about what Robert meant to each of us personally. If he had, maybe he would have been able to better describe Robert's celebration of life.

Because of the generosity

of Robert and Sundi and Scott, many of us were able to experience a joyous gathering of like beings who just happen to be fighting similar battles.

From my heart, I want to thank Robert, Sundi, and Scott for inviting my family and me to a very beautiful and spiritual occasion.

Chaplain Darrell Gentry  
via email

### Save A Tree

C'mon, guys. One hundred and sixty pages, half of which nobody reads, and you decide not to list art galleries on its own page like you used to. I know lots of people that used that column to find art openings for the weekend. That and music are the only two things I check on. By the way, you need to learn what public art is. It has nothing to do with what you list under museums and "public art." If you want to save a tree, get rid of some of the long-winded articles or lump them under the title "Ad Nauseam."

Dan Adams  
via email

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## STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP BY MATTHEW ALICE

Matthew:

Somebody gave my eight-year-old son an Xbox for his birthday. I am afraid he will become addicted to playing it and that it will harm him and make him just sit around the house playing games all the time. I need some backup to convince my son he needs to get outside and play. Does something like an Xbox harm kids? Before I tell my son he can only play for an hour a day, I really need some proof that I'm trying to help him, not punish him.

— Concerned Mom,  
San Diego



Well, we could send the elves to your house and have them show your son their severe cases of

“Guitar Hero wrist,” as the doctors call it. Tendinitis from imitating Jimi Hendrix and Jimmy Page on the video game. Short of that, I’m not sure what you could say to an eight-year-old about his medical future that would impress him. Grabbing the device and hiding it might be your best bet.

It’s not to say that you’re wrong. Actually, for once, Mom is right. The Xbox and PlayStation and Wii have been around long enough for wounded players to start showing up in doctors’ offices. Sore shoulders, wrists, fingers; “gamer’s thumb”; “BlackBerry thumb” from over-texting; “cell phone elbow,” a mashed ulnar nerve from holding the phone to your ear too long; strained backs from over-Wii-ing. Our electronic gadgets have turned on us with a vengeance, and adults are as vulnerable as kids. Things are particularly bad for Wii-ers who get up from their lounge chairs and think they’re Tiger Woods. All those slack muscles will be screaming the next day. There are even accounts of broken fingers from gaming and a black eye when a Wii-er let go of the controller in some sports-induced frenzy and it whapped a bystander.

But no matter how old you are or what game you’re playing, most injuries come from repetitive stress — using the same muscle groups for hours on end, until tendons, ligaments, and muscles become inflamed. Medical studies show that the damage is particularly bad for kids under ten or so. Docs’ best guess is that the youthful tissues are not fully mature and so are more vulnerable. All medical sources recommend one hour a day, max, of gaming for all kids. Tests suggest that one hour a day doesn’t harm anyone. Sometimes the pain is bad enough that it actually forces the kid himself to limit his gaming time. That’s when a doctor should look at the situation, though a few days of rest usu-

ally repairs things.

Guitar Hero sidelined someone besides the elves. A hot-shot relief pitcher for the Detroit Tigers went to the trainer with severe pain in the wrist and forearm on his pitching side. Doc said to rest the arm completely for four weeks. Apparently the pitcher stopped playing Guitar Hero as part of his rehab within three days he was back in the lineup. The doctor could only guess that it wasn’t a pitching injury, it was a guitar injury.

Heymatt

What’s the story with Miranda in our Miranda rights? Were they named after a real woman? If so, was she a very quiet woman?

— JBP, via email

Miranda wasn’t very silent, which is why everything hit the fan in the first place. Ernesto Miranda (a bloke, not a señorita) was arrested in 1963 for robbery. As long as he was at the police station anyway, I guess he figured it would be a good time to confess to a previous kidnapping and rape. Prosecutors had no trouble convicting him. Defense counsel filed an appeal, saying Miranda had not been advised that the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution gave him the right to refuse to incriminate himself by confessing. In 1966 the U.S. Supreme Court agreed. Miranda was retried in Arizona, omitting the confession, and he was convicted again. But his name has stuck to the disclaimer that’s read to every perp in cuffs.

Hey, Matt:

Why do I have to turn down my car radio when I’m doing something like looking for an address or reading a map? But I can drive okay with the radio on. So, what’s up?

— Confused, driving around Chula Vista

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# Matters of Fact

Some of the footage is so out of focus as to be all but unwatchable.

Are you having enough chances to see documentaries? I myself in the past couple of weeks missed my chances at *Fuel* and *The Way We Get By*, the latest environmental and Iraq War documentaries respectively. I expect I won't miss my chance this week at *This Is It*, more than just the latest pop music documentary, Michael Jackson "like you've never seen him before," presumably meaning skeletal. In between, I haven't been wanting.

*Good Hair* features bad camerawork, no worse than the documentary norm these days, rough, shaky, often out of position, but the film is nevertheless an engrossing and entertaining investigation of the "problem" of African-American hair, the size of which problem may hitherto have eluded you. Our on-screen investigator is a bemused, amused, nonjudgmental, and generally dialled-down Chris Rock, father himself of two young girls, one of whom posed the instigating question, "Daddy,

how come I don't have good hair?" Two main solutions to the problem are gone into in depth or anyhow at length. The first is the relaxer, a/k/a a "nap antidote," a/k/a the "creamy crack," whose key ingredient, sodium hydroxide, is

demonstrated in a laboratory to eat through a soda can in a matter of hours. This substance is put with full consent

on people's heads: "Nappy is not bad, it's just nappy." The second solution is the weave, the latest innovation evidently in what used to be called a fall (the solution of the whole-hog wig gets ignored altogether), which produces the stunning statistic that twelve percent of the American population, the black percent, buys up eighty percent of the hair, most of it the harvest of tonsure ceremonies in temples in India.

In one insufficiently funny episode, Rock makes like Michael Moore and attempts tongue-in-cheek to peddle a bagful of African-American hair on the open market; and director Jeff Stilson

**MOVIE REVIEW**  
DUNCAN SHEPHERD



More Than a Game

allots too much time to the Bronner Brothers semi-annual hair show in Atlanta, tying the climax of the film to the tawdry competitive climax of the hair show, a marching band, gyrating models, gymnastic and aquatic hair-cutting. With a little time saved from that, or a little extra time in addition to that, the film might have accommodated a couple of silently beckoning topics, a retrospective, for one, on the Black

Is Beautiful movement of the Sixties (whatever became of that?), and for another, just for contrast, a fashion show of *au courant* "natural" hairstyles. Among the talking heads on parade (Al Sharpton, Ice-T, Maya Angelou, Nia Long, Meagan Good, Raven-Symoné, many more) is noteworthy the author A'Lelia Bundles, who could well serve as poster girl for a natural solution. There must be others like her.

*More Than a Game* is less than a movie, a rah-rah sports story of ordinary but not extraordinary interest, just about adequate to fill up two hours of Sunday-afternoon television while waiting for the NBA season to tip off. Through home video, TV broadcasts, and reminiscing talking heads, it traces the amateur career of LeBron James and his membership since the fifth grade in a basketball brotherhood



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dubbed the Fab Four, expanded to the Fab Five in his senior year at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School in his native Akron, Ohio. The chronicle has its share of up-close-and-personal poignance to go along with its share of the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat, with matching music in each instance. (The hand-me-down terminology in that sentence is solely to suggest the hand-me-down template copied by the film.) Director Kristopher Belman's slick manipulation of the material can sometimes fall under suspicion. Was James's disappointing junior year, after his coronation as "The Chosen One" on the cover of *Sports Illustrated*, really the only time he could be caught posing, posturing, and playing to the crowd? Doubtful, since he can still be caught doing it today for the Cleveland Cavaliers. Some of the footage is so out of focus as to be all but unwatchable, and the switching back and forth between that sort of footage and crisper, more watchable footage can knock you woozy.

*The Beaches of Agnes* makes its appeal to a smaller audience, film aficionados with an affection for the one-time New Waver, Agnes Varda, now a gnomish octogenarian: "I'm playing the role of a little old lady, pleasantly plump and talkative." She travels the entire length of Memory Lane (a block or two of which she has travelled in her previous documentaries, the Rue Daguerre in *Daguerreotypes*, for instance), revisiting the locales of her childhood, digging up black-and-white photos of her little self in a swimsuit, in addition to the locales of her films, digging up abundant clips from them, including a rarity of the very young and skinny Gerard Depardieu as a bearded beatnik. Self-indulgent, self-affectionate, informal, playful, sometimes silly, sometimes painful (the death by AIDS of her husband and fellow New Waver, Jacques Demy), the film constitutes a true test of your affection. *Cleo from 5 to 7*, for anyone who has seen it, ought to be enough to pull you through, even to leave you hungry for more. In the nature of things, no one who will be interested in this subject matter is liable to be traumatized by the gratuitous sight of an anonymous erect penis. No further warning required.

Pre-Halloween treat: the Reading Gaslamp and Town Square theaters are bringing back to the big screen for one showing only, Friday at eight, Hitchcock's *The Birds*. Cause to crow. ■

## MOVIE LISTINGS

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**Amelia** — Punishingly dull biopic on history's most fabled aviatrix, Amelia Earhart (portrayed by Hilary Swank, with traces of Katharine Hepburn rather than of Kansas wheatfields in her speech), her final flight endlessly interrupted by how-she-got-there flashbacks. The only suspense is in whether the film is going to offer an ending or an enigma. With Richard Gere, Ewan McGregor, and Christopher Eccleston; directed by Mira Nair. 2009.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Astro Boy** — Computer-animated superhero fantasy with the voices of Nicolas Cage, Samuel L. Jackson, Kristen Bell, Charlize Theron, Freddie Highmore. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RIVER VILLAGE 6; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**The Beaches of Agnes** — Reviewed this issue. With Agnes Varda; written and directed by Varda. ★★ (KEN, 10/30 THROUGH 11/5)



Amelia

**The Birds** — Hitchcock's shocker about an avian air attack on the citizenry of Bodega Bay is constructed along the lines of a sci-fi invasion film. Divested of all logic, this assault on middle-class complacency exposes Hitchcock's sadistic tendencies as nakedly as they have ever been. There is a lightening of load thanks to the absence of human villainy and all the creaky contrivance normally found in Hitchcock's depiction of it. At the same time, the director's stylistic devices — the intricate scene construction, the brilliant Pop Art color, the throwaway drolleries, the mugger's or molester's skill at leading easy victims into entrapment — have never been seen in better working condition. With Tippi Hedren, Rod Taylor, Jessica Tandy. 1963.

★★★★ (GASLAMP 15, 10/30, 8 P.M.; TOWN SQUARE 14, 10/30, 8 P.M.)

**Bright Star** — As recounted by Jane Campion, unusually taking sole screenwriting credit in addition to directing, the ill-starred love story of John Keats and Fanny Brawne is such as to make us ask ourselves when we last had on screen a love story we

could believe in. (*In the Mood for Love*, maybe? 2001?) That, or more exactly the believability part of it, is truly saying something when the principal characters are so prone to recite poetry extemporaneously, not only the poet who wrote it — the perfect Platonic ideal of the Poet, or at any rate the Romantic incarnation of him — but also the smitten one who, having invested in a copy of *Endymion* "to see if he's an idiot or not," has committed his words to memory: incontrovertible evidence of love. This

is a closely observed affair, followed with patience and fascination, from spark to flame, a bonding of hearts with no assistance from lower organs, what once went unashamedly and today goes blushing by the name of True Love. Campion can often be candidly carnal, as in *Sweetie*, *The Piano*, *Holy Smoke*, and *In the Cut*, and she certainly here is highly sensual, making great play of birdsong, breezes, snow, rain, gauze curtains, flapping sheets on clotheslines, a roomful of butterflies, a human nest in a treetop, and while the inevitable Vermeer white light is nothing to get excited about, the color loses none of its vividness and precision for its paleness and delicacy. But the expressions of passion per se have been strictly limited to things like tender touches, first kiss, love letters, fetishistic fondling, and the physical pain of separation. The dirty deed is never approached, unless you can see a symbol in the needlework of the heroine, a cutting-edge fashionista of the early 19th Century, inspiration for some delightful period costumes. Abbie Cornish, Ben Whishaw, Paul Schneider, Kerry Fox, Edie Martin, Antonia Campbell-Hughes. 2009.

★★★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**Capitalism: A Love Story** — Michael Moore's overview of the American economy is, needless to say, not a love story. "Capital-

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ism is an evil, and you cannot regulate evil." In other words, *Capitalism: A Horror Story*, the moral of which might best be summed up as capitalism, no; democracy, yes — a tricky distinction for simpletons who think the only alternative to capitalism is totalitarian communism. Moore's shtick as the schlumpy crusader, the Lieutenant Columbo of the Radical Left, has gotten a little tired, or maybe it's just Moore himself who has gotten tired, but in any case he now seems less funny and less inclined to be so than in the past. And as the wit and the invention have thinned, the whine and the sneer in his voice have proportionately thickened. He has still dug up some treasures of found footage (an educational documentary on the fall of Ancient Rome, a Ronald Reagan cowboy film, a newsreel of the near-death FDR proposing his Second Bill of Rights), and he engineers some amusing juxtapositions in the editing room, yet the vast bulk of his movie divides into arbitrary anecdotes of human interest, on the one hand, and on the other a rehash of a subject already well and recently covered, the Meltdown and the Bailout. More simply, economics is by nature a dull subject on screen, and Moore has managed insufficiently to enliven it. 2009.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14)

**Charade** — High-grade Hitchcock knock-off by Stanley Donen, with Cary Grant on hand to supply pedigree. Audrey Hepburn, composer Henry Mancini, cinematographer Charles Lang, designer Jean D'Eaubonne, and the city of Paris all add their share of glamour. With Walter Matthau, James Coburn, George Kennedy. 1963.

★★★ (CINEMA UNDER THE STARS, 10/29 THROUGH 31, 7:30 P.M.)

**Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant** — Competition for *Twilight*, assimilated vampires who protect the status quo by reducing their blood intake to moderate sips, precisely the cultural subgroup to embrace the misfit teen. (There are also bad, gluttonous vampires known as Vampaneze: "Vampires suck. Vampaneze rule.") Competition, sure, but weak competition, self-consciously jokey, storybooky, winky. With Chris Massoglia, John C. Reilly, Josh Hutcherson, Jessica Carlson, Ken Watanabe, Salma Hayek, and Willem Dafoe; directed



*The Beaches of Agnes*

by Paul Weitz. 2009.

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**Coco before Chanel** — Well-dressed tedium. Writer and director Anne Fontaine presumes your interest on the grounds that the dark-eyed orphaned heroine will go on to renown as Coco Chanel. With Audrey Tautou, Benoît Poelvoorde, Alessandro Nivola, and Emmanuelle Devos. 2009.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4; HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**Couples Retreat** — New Age relationship counseling in a tropical paradise, a stale, routinized, loveless marital comedy. With Vince Vaughn, Jon Favreau, Jason Bateman, Malin Akerman, Kristin Davis, Kristen Bell, Faizon Love, Kali Hawk, and Jean Reno; directed by Peter Billingsley.

2009.

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**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.

★ (RANCHO DEL REY 16)

**An Education** — Older-man-adolescent-girl affair in Sixties England, with Carey Mulligan and Peter Sarsgaard, directed by Lone Scherfig. (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**Five Minutes of Heaven** — German director Oliver Hirschbiegel dramatizes the Irish "troubles," with Liam Neeson and James Nesbitt. (GASLAMP 15, FROM 10/30)

**Good Hair** — Reviewed this issue. With Chris Rock, Al Sharpton, Ice-T, Nia Long, Maya Angelou, Eve, and Tracie Thoms; directed by Jeff Stilson.

★★ (HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**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.

● (GASLAMP 15)

**The Informant!** — Steven Soderbergh, working from fact, details an impenetrable case of corporate skullduggery blown open by an ambiguous black-hatted whistleblower: a kind of anti-Hitchcock suspense comedy, grudgingly putting any cards at all on the table, keeping the surprises coming only by keeping us in the dark, flouting the Master's tried-and-true method of fully briefing us. (It's also anti-Hitchcock in its rosy, fuzzy, vaporous image.) The hero's meandering stream-of-consciousness narration ("I like my hands. I think they're my favorite part of my body") gives us constant clues as to the variety of nut we are dealing with; and the exclamation point in the title, the anachronistic Groovy Sixties lettering, and the chipper Marvin Hamlisch background music, all to ensure that we know

this is a comedy, seem outsized for the actual level of amusement: seldom laugh-out-loud but often lip-twisting. Matt Damon puts up some surprisingly strong competition for future William Macy roles, in a stick-on mustache and a crimped hairpiece which he waits an hour and a half to tug at, giving up all pretense of fooling anyone, and waits all the way to the epilogue to remove altogether. Scott Bakula effortlessly upstages him as the flat-haired, furrowed-browed straight man, a straight-arrow FBI guy. Luckily for Damon, Bakula is much off-screen. 2009.

★★★ (GASLAMP 15)

**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 *Bastards* as possibly funnier?) Much of the movie, a revisionist re-visitation of the French theater of operations in the Second World War, is unapologetically, unsanctionably 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.

★★★ (RANCHO DEL REY 16)

**The Invention of Lying** — High-concept comedy with and from Ricky Gervais, co-writing and co-directing with Matthew Robison. It's set in an alternative universe where everyone by nature tells the brutal truth (even advertisers: "Pepsi, When They Don't Have Coke"), until the brutalized short portly hero, unable to make his rent, makes an evolutionary leap to deceit, and goes on from there to invent religion. The concept is certainly cheeky, if uncertainly funny, but the *de rigueur* romance takes it into sappy platitudes on skin-deep beauty and inner worth. With Jennifer Garner, Rob Lowe, Tina Fey, Louis C.K., Jonah Hill, Jason Bateman, Jeffrey Tambor, and uncredited cameos for Philip Seymour Hoffman and Edward Norton. 2009.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12)

**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-

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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.

★ (GASLAMP 15)

**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 earlier — 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 paro-

died 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; GASLAMP 15; LA PALOMA, FROM 10/30)

**Law Abiding Citizen** — Disgust with the justice system drives a “brain,” a diabolical omnipotent technological wizard, to punish the people who insufficiently punished the people who raped and murdered his wife and daughter. The humble flatfoot hits the nail on the head: “Un-fucking-believable.” With Jamie Foxx, Gerard Butler, Bruce McGill, Colm Meaney, Leslie Bibb, and Annie Corley; directed by F. Gary Gray. 2009.

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**More Than a Game** — Reviewed this issue. With LeBron James, Dru Joyce II, Dru Joyce III, Romeo Travis, Sian Cotton, and Willie McGee; directed by Kristopher Belman.

★ (MISSION VALLEY 20, THROUGH 10/29)

**New York, I Love You** — *Paris, Je T’Aime* crosses the pond. A multi-director box on bombons, undeveloped little vignettes of male-female relations in the Big

Apple. The ghostly segment by Shekhar Kapur stands out from the rest for stylistic reasons, the pallid palette, the persnickety compositions, the oval mirror frame within the frame. Natalie Portman, Hayden Christensen, Rachel Bilson, Andy Garcia, Bradley Cooper, Orlando Bloom, Robin Wright Penn, Chris Cooper, Ethan Hawke, Maggie Q, Julie Christie, Shia LaBeouf, Olivia Thirlby, Anton Yelchin, James Caan, Drea de Matteo, Eli Wallach, Cloris Leachman; directed by Fatih Akin, Yvan Attal, Allen Hughes, Shunji Iwai, Wen Jiang, Joshua Marston, Mira Nair, Brett Ratner, and Portman. 2009.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**Ong Bak 2** — Thai martial-arts sequel starring Tony Jaa, who co-directed with Panna Rittikrai.

(HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 10/30)

**Paranormal Activity** — Young San Diego couple purchase a camcorder to document the “entity” — diagnosed by a psychic as a demon, not a ghost — that has haunted the female on and off since girlhood. Dirt-cheap digital horror film builds, not too high, to some effective *frissons*. The fixed-position camera during sleeptime approaches almost a structural rigor. Capably acted by Katie Featherston and Micah Sloat (in the roles of “Katie” and “Micah”); written and directed by Oren Peli. 2009.

★★ (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; OCEANSIDE 16; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Paris** — Multiple storylines encircle many facets of the French capital. The city looks splendid; the not very compelling charac-

ters (the brink-of-death Romain Duris excepted) keep getting in the way. Several liberating bits of dance, strictly gratuitous. With Juliette Binoche, Fabrice Luchini, Albert Dupontel, François Cluzet, and Mélanie Laurent; directed by Cédric Klapisch. 2008.

★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**Saw VI** — The horror continues, with Tobin Bell, Costas Mandylor, Betsy Russell, and Shawnee Smith, directed by Kevin Greutert. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**A Serious Man** — At bottom, the Coen brothers’ most “personal” work. To be sure, they’ve never been reduced to hired hands. They’ve always had the good fortune to be able to make the films they wanted to make, films that reflected their personal tastes and personal attitudes and personal interests and personal viewpoints. Still, in the strict autobiographical sense, this one must be acknowledged as extra personal, set as it is in the Minneapolis suburb of their adolescence (Jefferson Airplane on the soundtrack to fix the date, 1967), in a Jewish household headed by a university professor with a son on the brink of his bar mitzvah. The filmmakers bring to their subject the unkind eye of the caricaturist. They demonstrate an acute and excruciating body awareness, the girth, the ear hair, the sebaceous cyst on the neck, the protagonist’s half squat at the classroom blackboard, his outthrust butt, his pant cuffs riding up to his calves. And their subtly bulging face shots and torso shots, fronted and centered, approach the freak-show aura of the photographs of Di-

ane Arbus. The parade of surnames has a Dickensian grotesquerie all its own: Gopnik, Finkle, Marshak, Nachtner, Schlutz, seldom a simple Shapiro. And the three rabbis of three different generations are hilariously ineffectual in three different ways. But to complain that the character portraits are not rounded, are slanted, would be to complain that a caricaturist is not a classicist, that Daumier is not Ingres. This is, it bears stressing at this point, a personal film. It is also — unexpectedly enough, as unexpected as the superstitious Old Country folk tale of the prologue and its old-fashioned 4:3 aspect ratio — a religious film, a film concerned not just with the specific religion of Judaism and its whole exotic lexicon, but with broader religious questions, universal inquiries into life’s mysteries: what have I done to deserve this? what have I done with my life? what ought I to do? what am I here for? Joel and Ethan Coen have long and lately devoted themselves to the vast panoply of human stupidity. Stretching out now, stretching back to *Barton Fink*, they have chosen to reassure us, although “reassure” doesn’t sound quite right, that an intelligent, educated, well-meaning, and would-be serious man is no less at a loss. Michael Stuhlbarg, Sari Lennick, Richard Kind, Aaron Wolff, Fred Melamed. 2009.

★★★★ (FLOWER HILL 4; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA 12)

**The Stepfather** — Over-obvious suspense film, resurrecting the unctuous psycho from the 1987 original, tips its hand immediately and slows its predictable progress (to a dissatisfying new ending) only to ogle the body of the husky-voiced sex doll, Amber Heard. With Dylan Walsh, Sela Ward, Penn Badgley, Paige Turco, and Jon Tenney; directed by Nelson McCormick. 2009.

● (CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; HOR-

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### CARMEL MOUNTAIN

#### Carmel Mountain 14

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**Amelia** (PG); **Astro Boy** (PG); **Bright Star** (PG); **Cirque du Freak: The Vampire’s Assistant** (PG-13); **Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs** (PG); **Couples Retreat** (R); **Halloween II** (R); **Julie and Julia** (PG-13); **Law Abiding Citizen** (R); **Saw VI** (R); **This Is It** (PG); **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG); **Zombieland** (R)

### CLAIREMONT

#### Town Square 14

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### DOWNTOWN

#### Gaslamp 15

701 Fifth Avenue (800-326-3264 #2709)

**Amelia** (PG); **Astro Boy** (PG); **The Baader Meinhof Complex** (R); **The Birds** (PG-13); **The Boys Are Back** (PG-13); **Five Minutes of Heaven** (Not Rated); **Halloween II** (R); **The Hangover** (R); **I Hope They Serve Beer in Hell** (R); **The Informant!** (R); **It Might Get Loud** (PG); **Julie and Julia** (PG-13); **Love Happens** (PG-13); **Zombieland** (R)

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### LA JOLLA

#### La Jolla 12

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### MIRA MESA

#### Mira Mesa 18

10733 Westview Parkway (800-326-3264)

**This Is It** (PG) Fri. - Sat. 140 930 12:00, Sun. 140 930, Mon.-Thu. 145 930; **Hillsong United: We’re All In This Together** (NR) Wed. 8:00; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 11:10 4:15 7:00, Mon.-Thu. 11:25 4:15 7:00; **This Is It** (PG) Fri. (10:30 105 3:40) 6:20 8:55 11:30, Sat. (10:30 105) 3:40 6:20 8:55 11:30, Sun. (10:30 105) 3:40 6:20 8:55, Mon.-Thu. (105 340) 6:15 8:50; **This Is It** (PG), Fri. (9:50 11:25 12:25 2:05 3:00 4:40 5:35) 7:30 8:15 10:10 10:50, Sat. (9:50 11:25 12:25) 2:05 3:00 4:40 5:35 7:30 8:15 10:10 10:50, Sun. (10:10 10:50, Sun. (9:50 11:25 12:25) 2:05 3:00 4:40 5:35 7:30 8:15 10:10 10:50, Sat. (11:25 12:25 2:05 3:00 4:40 5:35) 7:15 8:10 9:55 10:45, Wed. (11:25 12:35 2:05 3:00 4:40 5:35) 7:15 8:10 9:55 10:45, Thu. (11:25 12:25 2:05 3:00 4:40 5:35) 7:15 8:10 9:55 10:45; **Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs** (PG) Fri. (10:15 12:35 2:50 5:15) 7:25 9:45 11:50, Sat. (10:15 12:35) 2:50 5:15 7:25 9:45 11:50, Sun. (10:15 12:35) 2:50 5:15 7:25 9:45, Mon.-Thu. (12:35 2:50 5:15) 7:30 9:45; **Halloween II** (R) Fri. - Sat. 9:15 11:40, Sun.-Thu. 9:15; **Amelia** (PG) Fri. (10:45 1:30 4:20) 7:20 10:00, Sat.-Sun. (10:45 1:30) 4:20 7:20 10:00, Mon.-Thu. (1:30 4:20) 7:20 10:00; **Astro Boy** (PG) Fri. (11:45 2:10 4:25) 7:05 9:25, Sat.-Sun. (11:45) 2:10 4:25 7:05 9:25, Mon.-Thu. (11:45 2:10 4:25) 7:05 9:25; **Cirque du Freak: The Vampire’s Assistant** (PG-13) Fri. (11:55 2:30 5:05) 7:40 10:15, Sat.-Sun. (11:55) 2:30 5:05 7:40 10:15, Mon.-Thu. (11:55 2:30 5:05) 7:40 10:15; **Saw VI** (R) Fri. (10:25 12:55 3:20 5:45) 8:15 9:35 10:30, Sat.-Sun. (10:25 12:55) 3:20 5:45 8:15 9:35 10:30, Mon. - Tue. (12:55 3:20 5:45) 8:15 9:35 10:30, Wed. (12:55 3:20 5:45) 8:15 10:30, Thu. (12:55 3:20 5:45) 8:15 9:35 10:30; **Law Abiding Citizen** (R) Fri. (11:00 12:45 1:45 3:35 4:55) 6:50 7:50 10:35, Sat.-Sun. (11:00 12:45 1:45) 3:35 4:55 6:50 7:50 10:35, Mon. - Tue. (11:00 12:45 1:45 3:35 4:55) 6:50 7:50 10:35, Wed. (11:00 12:45 1:45 3:35 4:55) 7:50 10:35, Thu. (11:00 12:45 1:45 3:35 4:55) 6:50 7:50

10:35; **Paranormal Activity** (R) Fri. (10:05 12:15 12:50 2:20 3:05 4:35 5:25) 6:45 7:45 9:10 9:50 11:20 12:05, Sat. (10:05 12:15 12:50) 2:20 3:05 4:35 5:25 6:45 7:45 9:10 9:50 11:20 12:05, Sun. (10:05 12:15 12:50) 2:20 3:05 4:35 5:25 6:45 7:45 9:10 9:50, Mon.-Thu. (12:15 12:50 2:20 3:05 4:35 5:25) 6:45 7:45 9:10 9:50; **The Stepfather** (PG-13) Fri. (10:50 12:00 4:50) 6:40, Sat.-Sun. (10:50 12:00) 4:05 6:40, Mon. (12:00 4:05) 6:40, Tue. - Thu. (12:00 4:05); **The Stepfather** (PG-13) Tue. - Thu. 6:40; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) , Fri. (2:25 5:00) 7:35 10:05, Sat. (12:00) 5:00 7:35 10:05, Sun. 2:25 5:00 7:35, Mon. (2:25 5:00) 10:05, Tue. - Thu. (12:00 2:25 5:00) 7:35 10:05; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) Fri. (12:00) , Sat. (2:25) , Sun. (12:00) 10:05, Mon. (12:00) 7:35; **Couples Retreat** (PG-13) Fri. (12:05 12:5 2:40 4:10 5:20) 6:55 8:05 9:40 10:40, Sat.-Sun. (12:05 12:5 2:40 4:10 5:20) 6:55 8:05 9:40 10:40, Tue. (12:05 12:5 2:40 4:10 5:20) 6:55 8:05 9:40 10:40, Mon. (12:05 12:5 2:40 4:10 5:20) 6:55 8:05 9:40 10:40, Tue. (12:05 12:5 2:40 4:10 5:20) 6:55 8:05 9:40 10:40, Thu. (12:05 12:5 2:40 4:10 5:20) 6:55 8:05 9:40 10:40, Mon. (12:05 12:5 2:40 4:10 5:20) 6:55 8:05 9:40 10:40, Tue. (12:05 12:5 2:40 4:10 5:20) 6:55 8:05 9:40 10:40, Mon.-Thu. (100 325 5:40) 7:55 10:20

### MISSION HILLS

#### Cinema under the Stars

4040 Goldfinch Street (619-295-4221)

**Charade** (NR) Thu.-Sat. 7:30

### MISSION VALLEY

#### Fashion Valley 18

7037 Friars Road (888-262-4386)

**Amelia**; **Astro Boy**; **Capitalism: A Love Story**; **Cirque du Freak: The Vampire’s Assistant**; **Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs**; **Couples Retreat**; **Halloween II**; **The Invention of Lying**; **Law Abiding Citizen**; **Paranormal Activity**; **Saw VI**; **The Stepfather**; **This Is It**; **Where the Wild Things Are**; **Whip It**; **Zombieland**

## Mission Valley 7

7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-685-2841)



**Nightmare before Christmas 3D** (PG) (10:00 12:00 2:15) 4:15 6:15 8:30 10:45; No 10:00 Sat. & Sun.; No 6:15 & 8:30 Thu.; **This Is It** (PG) (10:00 12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:00 10:30; **Amelia** (PG) (10:15 1:15 4:00) 7:00 10:00; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) (10:30 12:45 3:30) 5:45 8:15 10:45; **Astro Boy** (PG) (10:00 12:15 2:30) 5:00 7:15 9:30; **Paranormal Activity** (R) (10:45 1:00 3:15) 5:15 7:30 9:45; **Law Abiding Citizen** (R) (11:00 1:45) 4:45 7:45 10:30; No 11:00 Sun.; **Spookley the Square Pumpkin** (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only; **Swan Lake Ballet** 10:30 am Sun. only; **A Midsummer Night's Dream** 7:00 pm Thu. only No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Mon.

## Mission Valley 20

1640 Camino Del Rio North (888-262-4386) **Amelia**; **Astro Boy**; **Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant**; **Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs**; **Couples Retreat**; **Good Hair**; **Halloween II**; **Law Abiding Citizen**; **More Than a Game**; **Paranormal Activity**; **Saw VI**; **The Stepfather**; **This Is It**; **Where the Wild Things Are**; **Zombieland**

## UPTOWN

### Hillcrest Cinemas

3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236)

**An Education** (PG-13) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 5:05) 7:40, 10:15; Sat. & Sun. (11:55) 2:30, 5:05, 7:40, 10:15; **New York, I Love You** (R) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (2:10, 4:45) 7:20, 9:55; Sat. & Sun. (11:35) 2:10, 4:45, 7:20, 9:55; **A Serious Man** (R) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (4:55) 7:30, 10:05; Sat. & Sun. (11:45) 2:20, 4:55, 7:30, 10:05; **Coco before Chanel** (PG-13) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:35) 7:10\*, 9:45, \*No 7:10 pm show Thu., 11/05/09; Sat. & Sun. (11:25) 2:00, 4:35, 7:10, 9:45; **Ong Bak 2: The Beginning** (R) Fri., Mon.-Thu. (1:50) (4:25) 7:00, 9:35; Sat. & Sun. (11:15) 1:50, 4:25, 7:00, 9:35

### Reuben H. Fleet Science Center

1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233)

Call theater for program information.

## EAST COUNTY

### EL CAJON

#### Parkway Plaza 18

405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)

**This Is It** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (1:00 3:40) 7:00 9:40, Fri. (12:00 1:30 2:40 4:10 5:20) 7:30 8:00 10:10 10:40, Sat.-Sun. (12:00 1:30 2:40) 4:10 5:20 7:30 8:00 10:10 10:40, Mon.-Thu. (12:00

1:30 2:40 4:10 5:20) 7:30 8:00 10:10 10:40; **Amelia** (PG) Fri. (12:20 2:55 5:30) 8:05 10:40, Sat.-Sun. (12:20 2:55) 5:30 8:05 10:40, Mon.-Thu. (12:20 2:55 5:30) 8:05 10:40; **Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs** (PG) Fri. (12:55 3:05 5:15) 7:35 9:50, Sat.-Sun. (12:55 3:05) 5:15 7:35 9:50; **Astro Boy** (PG) Fri. (12:35 3:05 5:40) 8:15 10:30, Sat.-Sun. (12:35 3:05) 5:40 8:15 10:30, Mon.-Thu. (12:35 3:05 5:40) 8:15 10:30; **Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant** (PG-13) Fri. (12:15 2:45 5:20) 7:55 10:25, Sat.-Sun. (12:15 2:45) 5:20 7:55 10:25, Mon.-Thu. (12:15 2:45 5:20) 7:55 10:25; **Couples Retreat** (PG-13) Fri. (12:00 2:35 5:10) 7:45 10:20, Sat.-Sun. (12:00 2:35) 5:10 7:45 10:20, Mon.-Thu. (12:00 2:35 5:10) 7:45 10:20; **Halloween II** (R), Fri.-Thu. 8:20 10:45; **Law Abiding Citizen** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:45 3:50) 7:00 10:05; **Paranormal Activity** (R) Fri. (12:25 1:10 2:50 3:20 5:05 5:35) 7:20 7:55 9:30 10:15, Sat.-Sun. (12:25 1:10 2:50 3:20 5:05 5:35) 7:20 7:55 9:30 10:15, Mon.-Thu. (12:25 1:10 2:50 3:20 5:05 5:35) 7:20 7:55 9:30 10:15; **Saw VI** (R) Fri. (12:10 2:30 5:00) 7:40 9:25 10:20, Sat.-Sun. (12:10 2:30) 5:00 7:40 9:25 10:20, Mon.-Thu. (12:10 2:30 5:00) 7:40 9:25 10:20; **The Stepfather** (PG-13) Fri. (12:05 2:30 5:00) 7:40 10:10, Sat.-Sun. (12:05 2:30 5:00) 7:40 10:10, Mon.-Thu. (12:05 2:30 5:00) 7:40 10:10; **Surrogates** (PG-13), Fri. (12:05 2:25 4:45) 7:05, Sat.-Sun. (12:05 2:25) 4:45 7:05, Mon.-Thu. (12:05 2:25 4:45) 7:05; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) Fri. (12:30 1:25 3:00 3:30 5:25 5:55) 7:50 10:15, Mon.-Thu. (12:30 1:25 3:00 3:30 5:25 5:55) 7:50 10:15; **Whip It** (PG-13), Fri. (12:10 2:50 5:35) 8:10 10:45, Sat.-Sun. (12:10 2:50) 5:35 8:10 10:45, Mon.-Thu. (12:10 2:50 5:35) 8:10 10:45, Sat.-Sun. (12:25 2:40 4:50) 7:10 9:30, Mon.-Thu. (12:25 2:40 4:50) 7:10 9:30

## LA MESA

### Grossmont Center 10

5500 Grossmont Center Drive (800-326-3264 #2710)

**Amelia** (PG); **Astro Boy** (PG); **Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant** (PG-13); **Couples Retreat** (R); **Law Abiding Citizen** (R); **Paranormal Activity** (R); **Saw VI** (R); **This Is It** (PG); **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG)

## RANCHO SAN DIEGO

### Rancho San Diego 15

2951 Jamacha Road (800-326-3264)

**Astro Boy** (PG) Fri. (12:05, 2:35, 5:00) 7:30, 9:55 Sat. (12:05, 2:35) 5:00, 7:30, 9:55 Sun. (1:05, 3:35) 6:00, 8:30, 10:55; **Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:10, 2:50) 6:40, 9:40 Sun. (1:10, 3:50) 7:40, 10:40; **Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs** (PG) Fri. (11:50, 2:20, 4:55) Sat. (11:50, 2:20) 4:55 Sun. (12:50, 3:20) 5:55; **Couples Retreat** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:35, 3:15) 7:20, 10:25 Sun. (1:35, 4:15) 8:20, 11:25; **Good Hair** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:30) 7:00 Sun. (1:30) 8:00; **Halloween II** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:55, 3:30) 7:40, 10:35

Sun. (1:55, 4:30) 8:40, 11:35; **Law Abiding Citizen** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:40, 3:30) 7:05, 10:05 Sun. (1:40, 4:30) 8:05, 11:05; **This Is It** (PG) Fri. (11:45, 12:15, 2:25, 3:00, 5:05) 7:15, 7:45, 10:00, 10:30 Fri.-Sat. (12:45) 3:35, 6:45, 9:30 Sat. (11:45, 12:15, 2:25, 3:00) 5:05, 7:15, 7:45, 10:00, 10:30 Sun. (1:245, 1:15, 3:25, 4:00) 6:05, 8:15, 8:45, 11:00, 11:30 Sun. (1:45) 4:35, 7:45, 10:30; **Paranormal Activity** (R) Fri. (11:55, 12:25, 2:30, 3:10, 4:50, 5:25) 7:25, 7:55, 9:50, 10:20 Sat. (11:55, 12:25, 2:30, 3:10) 4:50, 5:25, 7:25, 7:55, 9:50, 10:20 Sun. (12:55, 1:25, 3:30, 4:10) 5:50, 6:25, 8:25, 8:55, 10:50, 11:20; **Saw VI** (R) Fri. (12:00, 2:40, 3:20, 5:15) 7:50, 10:15, 10:40 Sat. (12:00, 2:40, 3:20) 5:15, 7:50, 10:15, 10:40 Sun. (1:00, 3:40, 4:20) 6:15, 8:50, 11:15, 11:40; **The Stepfather** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. (12:20, 3:05) 6:50, 9:35 Sun. (1:20, 4:05) 7:50, 10:35; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:50, 3:25) 7:10, 9:45 Sun. (1:50, 4:25) 8:10, 10:45; **Zombieland** (R) Fri.-Sat. 7:35, 10:10 Sun. 8:35, 11:10

## SANTEE

### Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)

**Astro Boy** (PG); **Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant** (PG-13); **Couples Retreat** (R); **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG)

## SOUTH BAY

### CHULA VISTA

#### Chula Vista 10

Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)



**Concert Event: The Killers from Royal Albert Hall** 8 pm Thu. only; **This Is It** (PG) (11:00 1:30) 4:15 7:00 9:45; **Halloween II** (R) 6:00 10:45; **Stan Helsing** (R) 10 pm Fri. & Sat. only; **Saw VI** (R) (11:00 1:15 3:30) 6:00 8:15 10:30; **Astro Boy** (PG) (12:15 2:30) 4:45 7:00 9:15; **The Vampire's Assistant** (PG-13) (12:00 2:45) 5:15 7:45 10:15; **Paranormal Activity** (R) (11:30 1:45 4:00) 6:15 8:30 10:45; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) (12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:00 10:15; **Law Abiding Citizen** (R) (11:30 2:15) 5:00 7:45 10:30; (PG-13) (12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; **Couples Retreat** (PG-13) (11:15 2:00) 4:30 7:15; **Zombieland** (R) (11:15 1:30 3:45) 8:30; No 8:30 Thu.; **Barney: Jungle Friends** (G) 10 am Sat. only; **Spookley the Square Pumpkin** (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu.

## Otay Ranch 12

Eastlake Parkway (at Olympic) (888-262-4386)

**Astro Boy** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:10) 1:35, 4:15, 6:40, 9:15; **Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:05) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:45; **Couples Retreat** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:30) 2:05, 4:40, 7:25, 10:10; **Halloween II** (R) Fri.-Sun. 7:55, 10:25; **Law Abiding Citizen** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:00) 1:45, 4:35, 7:20, 10:05; **This Is It** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:30, 11:15) 12:00, 12:35, 1:15, 2:00, 2:40, 3:20, 4:00, 4:45, 5:25, 6:00, 6:45, 7:30, 8:10, 9:30, 10:15; **Paranormal Activity** (R) Fri.-Sat. (10:50) 1:05, 3:30, 5:45, 8:35, 10:45 Sun. 1:05, 3:30, 5:45, 8:35, 10:45; **Saw VI** (R) Fri.-Sun. 12:10, 2:40, 5:05, 7:35, 10:00; **The Stepfather** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. (11:20) 1:50, 4:25, 7:10, 9:50; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (10:55) 1:30, 4:05, 6:35, 9:10 Sun. 1:30, 4:05, 6:35, 9:10

## Palm Promenade 24

770 Dennerly Road (888-262-4386)

**Amelia**; **Astro Boy**; **Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant**; **Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs**; **Couples Retreat**; **Good Hair**; **Halloween II**; **Law Abiding Citizen**; **Paranormal Activity**; **Saw VI**; **The Stepfather**; **Surrogates**; **This Is It**; **Toy Story**; **Toy Story 2**; **Where the Wild Things Are**; **Zombieland**

## Rancho Del Rey 16

1025 Tierra del Rey (off East H Street)

(619-216-4707)

**This Is It** (PG) Fri. (12:00 1:10 2:35 3:50 5:10) 7:00 7:45 9:35 10:20, Sat.-Sun. (12:00 1:10 2:35 3:50) 5:10 7:00 7:45 9:35 10:20, Mon.-Thu. (11:20 1:20 2:35 3:50) 5:10 7:00 7:45 9:35 10:20; **Halloween II** (R) Fri.-Sun. 7:50 10:20; Mon.-Thu. 7:35 10:00; **Paranormal Activity** (R) Fri. (100 310 5:20) 7:55 10:05; Sat.-Sun. (100 310) 5:20 7:55 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (100 310 5:20) 7:55 10:05; **Saw VI** (R) Fri. (12:20 2:45 5:00) 8:00 10:15; Sat.-Sun. (12:20 2:45) 5:00 8:00 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (100 315 5:30) 7:45 9:55; **Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant** (PG-13) Fri. (12:45 4:10) 6:55 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (12:45) 4:10 6:55 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (140 4:10) 6:55 9:45; **Astro Boy** (PG) Fri. (11:5 4:15) 7:10 9:30; Sat.-Sun. (11:5) 4:15 7:10 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (145 4:15) 6:50 9:10; **Law Abiding Citizen** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:15 3:45) 7:15 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (11:50) 7:15 10:00; **The Stepfather** (PG-13) Fri. (12:15 2:40 5:05) 7:30 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (12:15 2:40) 5:05 7:30 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:30 4:25) 7:05 9:35; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:30 3:00) 6:45 9:15; Mon.-Thu. (120 3:55) 6:45 9:15; **Couples Retreat** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:40 3:40) 7:25 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:30 4:10) 7:00 9:40; **Whip It** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (120 3:55) 6:50 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (150 4:35) 7:10 9:45; **Zombieland** (R) Fri. (12:10 2:25 4:40) 7:35 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (12:10 2:25) 4:40 7:35 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (205 4:40) 7:35 9:50; **Surrogates** (PG-13) Fri. (1:35 4:30) 7:20 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (1:35) 4:30 7:20 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (135 4:30) 7:20 9:50; **Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs** (PG) Fri. (12:25 2:40 4:55); Sat.-Sun. (12:25 2:40) 4:55; Mon.-Thu. (155 4:20); **Inglorious Basterds** (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:30) 6:15 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (200) 6:15 9:30; **District 9** (R)

Fri. (125 405) 6:40 9:20; Sat.-Sun. (125) 405 6:40 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (125 405) 6:40 9:25

## IMPERIAL BEACH

### South Bay Drive In

2170 Coronado Avenue (619-423-2727)

Call theater for program information.

## NATIONAL CITY

### Plaza Bonita 14

3030 Plaza Bonita Road (888-262-4386)

**Astro Boy** (PG); **Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant** (PG-13); **Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs** (PG); **Couples Retreat** (R); **Law Abiding Citizen** (R); **Paranormal Activity** (R); **Saw VI** (R); **The Stepfather** (Not Rated); **This Is It** (PG); **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG); **Zombieland** (R)

## NORTH INLAND

## ESCONDIDO

### Escondido 16

350 West Valley Parkway (760-291-0119)

**Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) Fri. - Sat. 11:20 4:30 7:00; Sun. (11:20) 4:30 7:00; **This Is It** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 1:50 9:30; **This Is It** (PG) Fri. (11:15 2:00 4:45) 7:30 10:15; Sat.-Sun. (11:15 2:00) 4:45 7:30 10:15

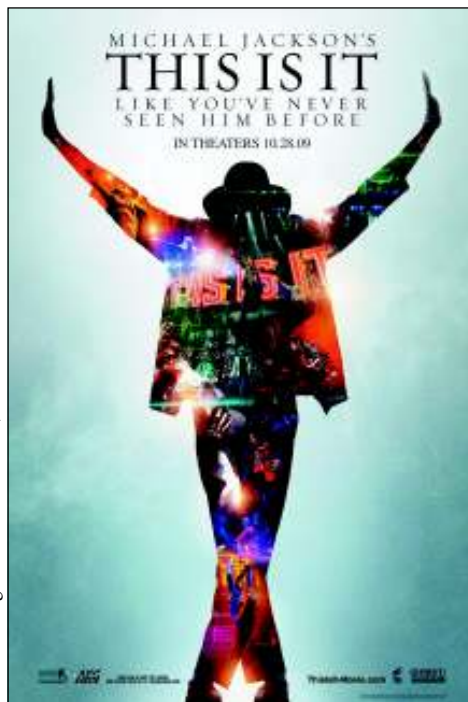
## FALLBROOK

### River Village 6

5256 S. Mission Road (760-945-8784)



**Nightmare before Christmas 3D** (PG) (11:00 1:00 3:15) 5:15; **This Is It** (PG) (11:00 1:30) 4:15 7:00 9:45; **Halloween II** (R) 7:30 10:00; **Astro Boy** (PG) (11:00 1:15 3:30) 5:45 8:00 10:15; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) (12:15 3:00) 5:30 8:15 10:30; **Law Abiding Citizen** (R) (11:30 2:15) 5:00 7:45 10:30; **The Stepfather** (PG-13) (11:15 1:45) 4:30 7:15 10:00; **Barney: Jungle Friends** (G) 10 am Sat. only; **Spookley the Square Pumpkin** (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu. No 11 am-3:45 pm shows Mon.-Thu.



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### Poway 10

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**Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 3D** (PG) (10:15 12:30 2:45) 5:15 7:30 9:45; **This Is It** (PG) (10:00 12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:00 10:30; **Halloween II** (R) (1:45) 7:15; **Saw VI** (R) (11:00 1:30 3:45) 6:00 8:15 10:30; **Astro Boy** (PG) (10:00 12:15 2:30) 4:45 7:00 9:15; **The Vampire's Assistant** (PG-13) (10:15 12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; **Paranormal Activity** (R) (10:00 12:00 2:00 4:00) 6:15 8:30 10:45; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) (10:30 1:00 3:30) 6:00 8:30 10:45; **Law Abiding Citizen** (R) (11:30 2:15) 5:00 7:45 10:30; **The Stepfather** (PG-13) (11:15) 4:30 10:00; No 11:15 Sat. & Sun.; **Couples Retreat** (PG-13) (10:30 1:15) 4:15 7:15 10:00; **Spookley the Square Pumpkin** (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu.

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### San Marcos 18

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(760-945-7469)

**Amelia** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:05, 1:40, 4:15) 7:25, 10:10; **Astro Boy** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:25, 2:00, 4:35) 7:00, 9:30; **Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:30, 2:10, 4:45) 7:35, 10:15; **Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:50, 2:15, 4:40); **Couples Retreat** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 1:40, 4:20) 7:10, 9:50; **Law Abiding Citizen** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 1:45, 4:30) 7:20, 10:10; **This Is It** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (10:50, 11:30, 12:10, 1:30, 2:10, 2:50, 4:10, 4:50, 5:30) 6:50, 7:30, 8:10, 9:30, 10:10, 10:50 Sun. (10:50, 11:30, 12:10, 1:30, 2:10, 2:50, 4:10, 4:50, 5:30) 6:50, 7:30, 8:10, 9:30, 10:10; **Paranormal Activity** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:00, 12:00, 1:10, 2:15, 3:20, 4:30, 5:30) 7:00, 7:55, 9:15, 10:15, 11:20 Sun. (11:00, 12:00, 1:10, 2:15, 3:20, 4:30, 5:30) 7:00, 7:55, 9:15, 10:15; **Saw VI** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:55, 1:10, 3:25, 5:40) 7:05, 8:00, 9:20, 10:20; **The Stepfather** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. (12:15, 2:45, 5:15) 7:45, 10:20; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:25, 2:50, 5:10) 7:30, 10:00; **Zombieland** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 3:00, 5:30) 7:50, 10:05

## NORTH COASTAL

### CARLSBAD

#### Plaza Camino Real

2385 Marron Road (760-729-7469)  
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### DEL MAR

#### Del Mar Highlands 8

El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road  
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**Concert Event: The Killers** from Royal Albert Hall 8 pm Thu. only; **This Is It** (PG) (10:00 12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:00 10:30; **Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 3D** (PG) (10:15 12:30 2:45) 5:00 7:15 9:30; **Nightmare before Christmas 3D** (PG) (11:45 1:45 4:00) 6:00 8:15 10:15; No 11:45 Sat. & Sun.; No 8:15 Thu.; **Astro Boy** (PG) (10:00 12:15 2:30) 4:45 7:00 9:15; **The Vampire's Assistant** (PG-13) (10:15 12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) (10:00 12:15 2:45) 5:15 7:45 10:15; **Law Abiding Citizen** (R) (10:45 1:30) 4:30 7:30 10:30; **Paranormal Activity** (R) (11:00 1:15 3:45) 6:15 8:30 10:45; **Spookley**

**the Square Pumpkin** (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only

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### Flower Hill 4

2630 Via de la Valle (858-646-9425)



**Couples Retreat** (PG-13) (10:30 1:30) 4:30 7:30 10:15; **Amelia** (PG) (10:00 1:00 4:00) 7:00

10:00; **Coco before Chanel** (R) (10:15 12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; **A Serious Man** (R) (10:00 12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:00 10:30

No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu.

## ENCINITAS

### La Paloma

471 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-7469)  
**Julie and Julia** (PG-13)

## LA COSTA

### La Costa 6

6941 El Camino Real (at Aviara/Alga)  
(760-599-8221)



**This Is It** (PG) (10:00 12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:00 10:30; **Astro Boy** (PG) (10:00 12:15 2:45) 5:00 7:15 9:30; **Amelia** (PG) (10:00 1:00 4:00) 7:00

10:00; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) (10:15 12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; **Law Abiding Citizen** (R) (10:45 1:45) 4:45 7:45 10:45; No 10:45 am Sat. & Sun.; **Couples Retreat** (PG-13) (10:30 1:30) 4:30 7:30 10:30; No 10:30 Sun.; **Spookley the Square Pumpkin** (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only; **Swan Lake Ballet** 10:30 am Sun. only  
No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Thu.

## OCEANSIDE

### Mission Marketplace 13

College Boulevard and Mission Avenue  
(760-806-1790)



**Concert Event: The Killers** from Royal Albert Hall 8 pm Thu. only; **Nightmare before Christmas 3D** (PG) (11:00 1:00 3:00) 5:15 7:15; **Toy Story & Toy Story 2 in 3D Double Feature** (G) (12:00 3:40) 7:30; No 7:30 Thu.; **This Is It** (PG) (11:00 1:30) 4:15 7:00 9:45; Will also begin at 10:00 am Wed. only; **Halloween II** (R) 7:15 9:45; **Stan Helsing** (R) F10 pm Fri. & Sat. only; **Saw VI** (R) (11:15 1:30 4:00) 6:15 8:30 10:45; **Astro Boy** (PG) (11:00 1:15 3:30) 5:45 8:00 10:15; **The Vampire's Assistant** (PG-13) (12:30 3:00) 5:30 8:00 10:30; **Paranormal Activity** (R) (11:30 2:00) 4:15 6:30 8:30 10:45; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) (12:15 2:45) 5:15 7:45 10:00; **Law Abiding Citizen** (R) (11:00 1:45) 4:30 7:30 10:15; **The Stepfather** (PG-13) (12:45 3:15) 5:45 8:15 10:45; **Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs** (PG) (11:45 2:30) 5:00; **Couples Retreat** (PG-13) (11:15 1:45) 4:45 7:30 10:00; **Zombieland** (R) (12:00 2:15) 5:30 7:45 10:00; No 7:45 Thu.; **Barney: Jungle Friends** (G) 10 am Sat. only; **Spookley the Square Pumpkin** (G) 10:30 am Sat.-Sun. only; **Swan Lake Ballet** 10:30 am Sun. only; **A Midsummer Night's Dream** 7:00 pm Thu. only  
No 9 pm-10:45 pm shows Sun.-Tues.

### Oceanside 16

401 Mission Avenue (760-439-1733)

**Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs** (PG) Fri. (12:30 2:45 5:00) 7:10 9:20; Sat.-Sun. (12:30 2:45) 5:00 7:10 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:30 2:45 5:00) 7:10 9:20; **This Is It** (PG) Fri. (12:10 1:30 2:40 4:15 5:15) 7:15 8:00 9:45 10:30; Sat.-Sun. (12:10 1:30 2:40) 4:15 5:15 7:15 8:00 9:45 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:10 1:30 2:40 4:15 5:15) 7:15 7:50 9:45 10:25; **Astro Boy** (PG) Fri. (12:35 3:00 5:10) 7:25 9:40; Sat.-Sun. (12:35 3:00) 5:10 7:25 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (12:35 3:00 5:10) 7:25 9:40; **Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant** (PG-13) Fri. (11:50 4:00) 6:50 9:30; Sat.-Sun. (11:50 4:00) 6:50 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (11:50 4:00) 6:50 9:30; **Saw VI** (R) Fri. (12:40 1:25 3:05 3:40 5:25 5:50) 7:55 10:05; Sat.-Sun. (12:40 1:25 3:05 3:40) 5:25 5:50 7:55 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (12:40 1:25 3:05 3:40 5:25 5:50) 7:55 10:05; **The Stepfather** (PG-13) Fri. (1:45 4:20) 7:05 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (1:45) 4:20 7:05 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:45 4:20) 7:05 9:55; **Law Abiding Citizen** Fri.-Thu. (1:00 3:50) 6:45 9:35; **Where the Wild Things Are** (PG) Fri. (1:40 4:10) 7:00 9:25; Sat.-Sun. (1:40) 4:10 7:00 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:40 4:10) 7:00 9:25; **Couples Retreat** (PG-13) Fri. (1:25 4:15) 7:20 10:10; Sat.-Sun. (1:25) 4:15 7:20 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:25 4:15) 7:20 10:10; **Zombieland** (R) Fri. (1:05 3:35 5:45) 8:10 10:25; Sat.-Sun. (1:05 3:35) 5:45 8:10 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:05 3:35 5:45) 8:10 10:25; **Paranormal Activity** (R) Fri. (1:25 1:20 2:55 3:30 5:20 5:35) 7:30 8:05 9:50 10:20; Sat.-Sun. (1:25 1:20 2:55 3:30) 5:20 5:35 7:30 8:05 9:50 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:25 1:20 2:55 3:30 5:20 5:35) 7:30 8:05 9:50 10:20; **I Hope They Serve Beer in Hell** (R) Fri. (1:50 4:30) 7:45 10:15; Sat.-Sun. (1:50) 4:30 7:45 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:50 4:30) 7:45 10:15; **Surrogates** (PG-13) Fri. (1:25 2:35 4:45) 6:55 9:10; Sat.-Sun. (1:25 2:35) 4:45 6:55 9:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:25 2:35 4:45) 6:55 9:10; **Halloween II** (R) Fri.-Thu. 7:40 10:05

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**Surrogates** — Vicarious living, virtual living, through flawless androids, so that this indeterminate future often bears an eerie likeness to a Ross Hunter production at Universal Studios circa 1959: "Life... only better." The basic situation is confusing enough without the murder mystery and the experimental zap gun that fries not just the brains of the robots but those of the distant humans hooked up to them. What's clear is the science-fiction fundamental of dehumanization and rehumanization. With Bruce Willis, Radha Mitchell, Rosamund Pike, Ving Rhames, and James Cromwell; directed by Jonathan Mostow. 2009.

★ (OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

**This Is It** — The late Michael Jackson in preparation for his unrealized comeback, directed by Kenny Ortega. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION

MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RIVER VILLAGE 6; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Tim Burton's The Nightmare before Christmas** — More accurately Henry Selick's *Tim Burton's The Nightmare before Christmas*, Burton having had the idea for it and then having turned it over to Selick, a specialist in three-dimensional stop-motion animation. As so often in that medium, the aesthetic plane, quite distinct from the financial plane, is not sufficiently higher than that of Mr. Potatohead. The hero, Jack Skellington, a/k/a The Pumpkin King, looks unfortunately like Whitley Strieber's extraterrestrial in a pinstripe suit and on stilts. And his many, varied, and grotesque cohorts are first and foremost a manifestation of Hollywood's besetting vices of overabundance and overindulgence: too many, too varied, too grotesque. Another, more basic, manifestation of these is the mere fact that the film is a feature and not a short. Because it is a Disney film, of course, and an animated film, there seems to be some immutable law that it must have songs, songs, and more songs — written (and some of them sung) by Danny Elfman, but sounding more like Andrew Lloyd Webber in search of a melody ("I don't believe what's happening to me, / My hopes, my dreams, my fantasy!"). These musical interludes are no doubt the greatest offenders in the torture-rack stretch to feature-length, but the gaudy



Law Abiding Citizen

displays of wealth and expenditure run them a close second. In its bare bones, the premise seems viable enough. Completely separate towns, according to Burton's fantasyland geography, are responsible for planning and carrying-off the separate holidays on the calendar, until one year the Halloween mastermind gets it into his head to abduct Santa Claus and usurp Christmas. There is some dark-toned fun (not darker than TV's *The Simpsons* or than Charles Adams's *New Yorker* cartoons, and not more fun, either) when the revised Christmas plans begin to go awry. And by and by there's a traditional and respectable fairytale message to do with accepting yourself as you are. The delivery of that message, however, and for that matter the setting-off of the basic premise, are garbled in the extreme. One does not envy parents who must try to explain the thing to their young. 1993.

★ (DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; RIVER VILLAGE 6)

**Toy Story** — From Disney, the self-proclaimed First Fully Computer-Animated Feature Film: reason enough to disdain it on general principle. Reason in particular, and in plenty, is provided by the horrible

forms of the figures — closer to Puppets, Claymation, Gumby, Speedy Alka-Seltzer, and the Pillsbury Doughboy than to the Disney family of cartoon characters. (Must we now include this with *Snow White*, *Pinocchio*, and the rest, in the studio's animation library?) The premise — the activities, the feelings, the rivalries of assorted toys when their owner is out of sight — cannot bear much thinking about; the gags are rapid-fire and sophisticated; the few Randy Newman tunes do not bog things down; and the end is mercifully not far off. With the voices of Tom Hanks (as Woody the pull-string cowboy) and Tim Allen (Buzz Lightyear, battery-operated Space Ranger); directed by John Lasseter. 1995.

★ (MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**Toy Story 2** — A sure bet to be enjoyed by all who enjoyed the first one. And endured by most others. The central theme of the built-in obsolescence of children's toys — Woody, the pull-string cowboy, has suffered a torn shoulder and is retired to the shelf while his owner goes off to summer camp without him — gives rise to some difficult, even painful, questions on aging, mortality, the instability of relationships, the impermanence of love, and the like. ("Do you really think Andy is going to take you to college? Or on his honeymoon?") The easy answers will doubtless be more soothing the younger you are. Parents, in consequence, are to be cautioned not for their kids' sake, but for their own sake. On another front, the advances in computer animation since the original *Toy Story* are plain to see, particularly in the depth of field (including at times an artificially blurry foreground), the openness and airiness of the space, and the lifelikeness of some of the human figures (all the way to nose hairs and a bad comb-over). Sometimes it is hard to know, or to remember, what you are looking at. This development, if you are old enough to be unsoothed by the aforementioned easy answers, is apt to be too fraught with misgivings and forebodings (where will it lead? where will it end?) to be entirely enjoyable. With the voices of Tom Hanks, Tim Allen, Joan Cusack, Kelsey Grammer, Wayne Knight; directed by John Lasseter. 1999.

★ (MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**Where the Wild Things Are** — A very realistic live-action little boy, acting out at supertime and running away from home in a Halloween animal costume, sails across the sea to an all-brown imaginary land of

giant hirsute Muppets, where he confronts hard truths about his own irrationality and impracticality. Spike Jonze's free-hand adaptation of the sketchy Maurice Sendak children's picture book is aimed more at the knowing adult than at the tot, but even the knowing may gag on urpy imagery that, for all its painstaking detail and unstinting production, continually recalls such indigestibles as *The Neverending Story* and *Labyrinth*. With Max Records, Catherine Keener, and the voices of James Gandolfini, Chris Cooper, Catherine O'Hara, Paul Dano, and Forest Whitaker. 2009.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER 10; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; OTAY RANCH 12; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA BONITA 14; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RIVER VILLAGE 6; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Whip It** — Petite, apathetic Ellen Page finds a new calling — as "Babe Ruthless" — in the rough-and-tumble of Austin roller derby, leading to a calendar conflict between the championship game and, her mother's dearest dream, the Bluebonnet Beauty Pageant. Drew Barrymore, who plays a minor supporting part, takes to the director's chair, a bully pulpit from which to spread the gospel of cuteness: a feeble feminist fable, all sugar, no spice, with nice photography by Robert Yeoman but unexciting, unconvincing sports action. Marcia Gay Harden, Daniel Stern, Alia Shawkat, Landon Pigg, Andrew Wilson, Kristen Wiig, Juliette Lewis, Jimmy Fallon. 2009.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

**Zombieland** — Nerdy, neurotic Jesse Eisenberg, the unluckiest Texan, narrates a postmodern post-apocalyptic road trip through a population of secondhand flesh-eating zombies, in the company of the only three surviving humans east of Bill Murray's mansion in Beverly Hills: the Twinkie-craving Woody Harrelson and two scamming sisters, Emma Stone and Abigail Breslin. Smart-ass comedy, not to say smart, forgetful as it is of its own rules and logic. Directed by Ruben Fleischer. 2009.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN 14; CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA BONITA 14; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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BY PATRICK DAUGHERTY

## Halloween Edition



**H**alloween is the ideal holiday because, at least in this country, it isn't about anything in particular. You have no obligation to be with family or church. No set rituals that have to be observed, although there are rituals available if you want that. If you like ghosts and goblins and witches — most people do...most people like a good scare — you can find an apparition on every block. All Hallows' Eve is set aside to celebrate whatever you want to celebrate; no one has clear title to the day.

It's a short walk from ghosts and goblins to costume parties. We like them, they can be fun...or at least weird. According to the National Retail Federation, "65 percent of U.S. adults between 18 and 34 attend Halloween costume parties or other celebrations." Even allowing for the extremely malleable "other celebrations" loophole that's a huge number of costume-wearing adults.

No doubt that stat would include 65 percent of all the athletes and executives on any NFL, MLB, NBA, or NHL team. The next question is, what should they wear?

Jed Hoyer is new in town, named Padres general manager on Monday. He's 35, joined the Boston Red Sox in 2002 as a bottom-feeding intern, worked his way up to co-general manager for 44 days, then settled in as assistant general manager.

Manchild Hoyer is a graduate of Holderness School, a private high school/boarding school with 275 students and a \$40,700-per-year tuition. It's located near Plymouth, New Hampshire. By the way, I see the Holderness football team will be playing those brutes from Hebron Academy on Halloween. The lads are 3-2 on the season and need this victory. Go, Blue Bulls!

Therefore, Hoyer *must* wear school colors to his Halloween costume party. The proud blue and silver should color the stripes that

adorn the back of his cape. Of course, the Holderness red crest will be stitched in the center of said cape. What else? Perhaps a football helmet would work. I'd go with the official Holderness white helmet and the big blue *H* painted on one side. Perhaps, paint a dollar sign on the other side. Pants can be come-as-you-are, as long as they don't clash, and finish off with mid-calf mukluks to celebrate how insanely cold and brutally dark it gets in Plymouth, New Hampshire.

One man finds a job, another gets fired from the same job...in this instance, the newly ex-Padres general manager Kevin Towers. That stud lasted 14 years on a 3-year job. This factoid is made more incredible since he usually had no money to spend on players (2009 Yankees payroll \$201 million vs. \$43 million for San Diego). As any GM will tell you, the true purpose of a baseball player is to make the general manager look smart, which is hard to do if you shop at [dirtcheapballplayers.com](http://dirtcheapballplayers.com).

Towers has worked a lot of baseball in his 47 years. He pitched for BYU in college, made All-WAC. He was the Padres' 1982 first-round draft pick, spent *seven* years pitching on San Diego's farm teams, then moved over to coach pitching for the Spokane Indians, then a Padres affiliate and a short-season single-A ball club. This is starting at the bottom of the bottom.

He came to the Padres as a scout, left, came back as scouting director, and then a passing deity reached down and made him general manager. The year was 1995, 14 years back. That's the lifetime of one American toad, or three gerbil lifetimes, or from birth into the teenage years of one Congo eel.

We don't need to think about this — Towers will go to his party dressed as the Padres Friar, wearing a brown frock, open sandals, carrying a baseball bat, and maintaining the goofy facial expression of someone who has just won two tickets to see *Ben Hur*.

San Diego-born and longtime Chargers linebacker Junior Seau has retired from the NFL three times, which puts him one up on Brett Favre. He will go as a Super Bowl ring.

San Diego-born, current Rancho Santa Fe resident, and renowned PGA golfer Phil Mickelson will go to his party dressed as Number Two.

Former San Diego State defensive assistant football coach John Madden will go as a Greyhound bus.

Ladainian Tomlinson, Chargers running back, will dress as a roustabout, dock-laborer subdivision, and carry a placard that reads, "I coulda been a contender."

San Diego-born and bred Bill Walton, named one of the top 20 business athlete representatives by TSE Sports and Entertainment Group, pitchman for Tostitos, Reebok, Anacin, and Best Western Hotels, will go to his costume party dressed as an endorsement contract.

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*Never be the first to arrive at a party or the last to go home, and never, ever be both.*

— David Brown

I led David through a labyrinth of suspended fabric and into an unpopulated room dimly lighted with red bulbs. We made our way between a bed on our left and a coffee table and sofa to our right, finally reaching a table at the end of the far wall, on which sat a green-shaded lamp muted to near darkness. Behind the table stood the gatekeeper. She wore a flapper dress, long strands of pearls around her neck, and a cloche hat over a blond wig fashioned into a straight bob, its flaxen color glowing against her mocha-toned skin. She was Shug in Alice Walker's *The Color Purple*, primed to belt it out at Harpo's juke joint.

"What's the password?" Even her voice was as I imagined Shug's would be: sticky and sweet like molasses. We'd already passed the first two tests — finding the place and dressing appropriately. David wore a black suit with a black silk tie over a black button-down shirt. The feather in his gray fedora flashed a hint of red that matched my black-and-red feather headband. "Zimbabwe," I said. Shug (who now introduced herself as Tranita) welcomed us in with an impish smile.

We stepped around the final curtain and into a capacious warehouse with ceilings that disappeared into the blackness above; the walls were made infinite by mirrors and projection screens that were alive with swirling scenes of a 1920s dancehall rendered in shades of red. The only thing missing were the people.

"How early are we, Barb?" David asked, his tone a hair shy of exasperation.

**"That's right, doll.**

**Now, if you'll**

**excuse me, I think**

**I'll fetch us each a**

**glass of giggle**

**water."**

"We're not early at all," I snapped. "I even called to make sure that this would be a good time to come. The party started at 9:00 — it's 9:30." David sighed, and I answered the question I knew was forming on his lips. "The invitation said from 9 to 3 a.m."

"And you thought 9:30 was a good time to arrive," David said, as if he wasn't already aware of my greatest social handicap — premature party appearance. I have a hard time with parties that begin late, especially on weeknights. Not because I have to get up early or anything, but because on weeknights there usually isn't much else going on, and I end up sitting around and waiting at home until it's time to leave. The later it gets, the more my desire to ditch the comfort of my living room diminishes. I like to get the party started pronto, which means as soon as I'm ready. And I was ready — we'd already spent most of the evening listening to podcasts of Radio Lab and sharing a bottle of Block no. 45 petite syrah, and if I didn't get out of the house when we did, it would have been nigh impossible to fight the urge to grab a book and curl up with it on the couch. But whereas I was just happy to be out and about (i.e., getting the party started), David

needed some entertaining.

"Where do you think the term 'speakeasy' comes from?" I asked. David shrugged. "I mean, it's what they called places like this during Prohibition, right? So, do you think people were not only not able to drink, but also not able to speak freely back then and they would go to these underground joints and 'speak easy?' You know what? Wait a second, I'll look it up," I said, and retrieved my iPhone from my purse.

While I searched for answers, David watched over my shoulder as the bartenders prepped the emerald-lit bar. Behind them, drink choices had been written on a large mirror in glowing green paint — green signifying the presence of absinthe, bringer of *la fée verte* (the famed green fairy who is not only a euphemism for the liqueur but is also said to be summoned by drinking the intoxicating green beverage).

"Okay, got it," I said. "Apparently, the term came from an Irish woman who sold liquor without a license and told her clients to 'speak easy' when they wanted to buy some. But that still doesn't tell us anything about the etymology. Wait, here it is. Looks like 'spake-aisy' was used for a hundred years before that to define the hideouts of smugglers...doesn't say what kind. Well, so much for Google having all the answers." I adjusted my feathers and tilted my head back. "You smell that? What's that smell?"

"Smoke," David said. "Cigar, and," he paused for a moment to analyze the aroma. "Weed." It was wafting above the dividers from the makeshift "cigar lounge" near the front entrance that had been an advertised feature of the event. Having come of age after the statewide ban of smoking at bars, the cigar seemed stranger to me than the burning herb, especially as the latter's scent went well with the green theme of the bar.

An hour passed before the party began gaining altitude, an hour during which I suf-

fered the penance of David's deadpan stare. My redemption arrived in the form of esteemed trumpet player Gilbert Castellanos and his bandmates. As members of the tight quartet took turns soloing, fedoras and pearls gathered round. A pair of professional dancers seized the floor, while at the bar, absinthe was poured over flaming cubes of sugar. A woman in an Asian-style silk dress circled the room, offering nibbles from the kitchen.

Walking outside the nondescript Barrio Logan warehouse, one would never have suspected that on the other side of the wall a party had fallen through a wormhole in space to a time nearly a century earlier. "Isn't this the bee's knees?" I said to David, raising my voice to be heard over the trumpet player's solo.

"What?" David asked. He leaned closer to me but kept his eyes on the quartet. I imagined his appreciation for the music went beyond mine, as David played the trumpet in high school.

"You know, the cat's meow," I said. "As in, say, ain't this joint swell?" At this, David turned his head toward me and smiled. We'd been watching the *Thin Man* movies, featuring our favorite married characters, Nick and Nora. The first film of the series was made in the early '30s, and the dialogue is heavy on the slang.

"That's right, doll," David said. "Now, if you'll excuse me, I think I'll fetch us each a glass of giggle water."

"Say, that would be nifty," I said.

"Say, you don't happen to have any clams on ya?" David said. At this, we both laughed and then turned our attention back to the band, the dancers, and the eclectic crowd of misfits like us, enjoying a night of speaking easy. ■

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# the red zone

By Anthony Gentile



Santa Fe Christian running back Cody Reynolds runs through the Christian defense

## Santa Fe Christian Wanted It Bad in Win Over Christian

Posted October 25, 2009

At their weekly pasta dinner, heavyweight boxing champion Chris Byrd challenged Santa Fe Christian's football team. Byrd shared his life motto, "How bad do you want it?" with the Eagles, which Santa Fe Christian head coach Nick Ruscetta used as motivation before their game against Christian on Saturday afternoon.

"I asked the boys, 'How bad do you want it?'" Ruscetta said. "We're Christian's sister school; we've lost to them two years in a row."

Under the sun in Solana Beach, the Eagles' desire was not a question. Santa Fe Christian shut out Christian for the first three quarters and went on to win 33-13 to remain undefeated.

"They're a great team," Ruscetta said, "but as far as heart goes, I'd take our kids over anybody."

Santa Fe Christian (7-0, 1-0 Coastal) was ahead 13-0 at halftime and extended their lead to 20 late in the third quarter when running back Travis Berglund scored a two-yard touchdown. Forty-two seconds into the fourth quarter, the Eagles made it 26-0 on a 25-yard pass from quarterback Keaton Giannotti to running back Sam Hoekstra.

Christian (5-3, 1-1) was able to get on the board in the fourth courtesy of a Tyrone Sauls 95-yard kickoff return and a Malcom Murphy rushing touchdown. But the Patriots could not get closer.

### COMMENTS

Ugh. I went to Christian High School. Worst experience of my life.

By magicsfive 1:45 p.m., Oct 25, 2009

## Game of the Week: Hoover at Mission Bay

Posted October 24, 2009

After ruining homecomings the past two weeks,

Mission Bay did not want to have theirs ruined by Hoover on Friday afternoon. The eighth-ranked Buccaneers overcame a slow start to beat the Cardinals 48-14.

"We've been looking forward to this," said Mission Bay quarterback Dillon Baxter. "This is our homecoming — for our seniors this is our last one. Everybody has been hyped up the whole week."

Baxter ran for a whopping 314 yards and five touchdowns on 19 carries. The homecoming king threw for two more touchdowns for Mission Bay (7-0, 2-0 Western).

Each team scored on their first two possessions of the game in a very even first half. Hoover quarterback Cheng Moua found receiver Byrese Taylor for a 25-yard touchdown to put the Cardinals ahead 14-13 midway through the second quarter, and a Baxter touchdown gave Mission Bay a 20-14 lead at the half.

"We're a second- and third-quarter team," said Mission Bay head coach Willie Matson. "We come out slow every dang game."



Mission Bay quarterback Dillon Baxter applies the stiff arm to a Hoover defender

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# Crasher

## GYPSIES, SNACKS, AND "STEVE"

by Josh Board

**I** collect vintage radios, phonographs, and jukeboxes, so I go to O.B.'s antique stores a few times a year. A few weeks ago, in the early afternoon, I went down to Newport Avenue for an anniversary event at Vignettes. I had been in the antique shop only a few times because they specialize in French items.

The place was packed with people walking around, looking at the deco pieces, brooches and charms, and everything French. I overheard one guy say to his wife, "The French liked their birdcages big, huh?"

I later heard him attempt some humor with lines about his wife buying French lingerie and something about French perfume bottles being so fancy, yet the French smell like bad B.O.

A friend I brought with me liked the framed maps. I liked the first-edition books.

I was embarrassed when I almost ran into a boy in a wheelchair. What happened was...they had cupcakes, brownies, and other pastries set out. And once I saw the sweets, I didn't see anything else in my path.

I apologized to the boy before snatching up some goodies and moving over to the guy serving French champagne.

Things got a little more crowded an hour later, when a "Baroque Gypsy Couture Trunk Show" took place. Models walked around with various pieces: jewelry boxes, musical instruments, parasols... If you want a parasol —



Left: Vignettes owner Lori Chandler (left); Right: Artist and author Diane Welch (right)

seriously — this is the shop for you.

I talked to owner Lori Chandler, who, between dealing with lots of customers, quickly said, "I've always had a passion for fashion, and this seemed the perfect time to combine the over-the-top vintage glamour and props."

A sign on the wall near the cash register read, "For French lessons and sending me to Paris — merci beaucoup to Mary L. Chandler — my inspiration and

**"Uh...she wouldn't happen to be here, would she?"**

extraordinary mother." I thought that was sweet. If I had a shop, I'm guessing I wouldn't have anything about my mom in there. I'd probably tell customers how my mom always complains about my shop when she comes in.

I overheard two women complaining about something and went over to eavesdrop. One was mad she didn't bring more money. The

other was complaining about her friend's purchases. She said, "You have enough antiques in your house. You buy these French things every time you see 'em. Then it seems you're having a garage sale once a month. How about you stop buying stuff and then you can stop selling your stuff? It's a never-ending cycle with you."

The cycle for me seems to be leaving one event to quickly head off to another. And I did that, to hit an event that started early in the evening in Solana Beach.

The event was a second-annual art show held at city hall, the only party I've ever been to at a city hall building. I talked to Diane Welch, one of the people involved. She came up with the theme — "Spark." She told me the artwork would be on display here until late in November.

She showed me some art she did that included photographs of her sisters combined with flowers and other things surrounding it. She also talked about a book she's writing on local architect Lillian Rice, who designed some interesting buildings in San Diego and Rancho Santa Fe back in the '20s.

An artist named Carol Beth Rodriguez showed me some

abstract paintings she did that were inspired by a trip she'd made to Japan. One was called *Nightfall in Kaito*. It was interesting to listen to her tell me how it was inspired by geishas going into a restaurant and how mysterious it was. I looked at the painting and couldn't make out a single geisha. But it was fascinating, nonetheless.

She told me her son is fluent in Japanese and was there in school when she went to visit.

When I asked the artists if nudes weren't allowed on the walls because it was city hall, Yanina Adler pointed out her *Mother Earth* painting. The Earth had breasts, although I'm guessing most children wouldn't even notice. The painting reminded me of a Yes album cover with a splash of Salvador Dalí.

I asked her if her house is filled with her art, and she said, "I have some of my pieces up. I also like to collect local artists. Sometimes I do a piece and my kids fall in love with it and don't want me to sell it."

An artist named Christie Beniston showed me a door she created that's hanging in the airport. It has lots of colors, and she explained it was a world time-zone clock. She had to have electricians put lights inside of it. I felt like an artist myself when I suggested a window that uses the different positions of the sun shining through. She seemed to like the idea, but who knows... Maybe she just acted as if she did, hoping I'd commission her to do one in the Reader offices.

Amber Irwin had my favorite pieces. They were mosaics that hung in the window by the main door. As she talked about making them, it seemed to me the hardest part would be properly hanging them from the ceilings.

When I walked to the end of a hallway, I saw paintings by Gregory Balogh. He told me he had a gallery on Cedros Avenue in Solana Beach, but because of the bad economy he had to close it.

He has a koi fish series and talked about how he started painting those. He said, "I love painting koi, but I don't want to be known as 'The Koi Guy.'"

I told him he could be known as "The Wild and Crazy Guy" because he looked just like Steve Martin. He laughed and said one guy who came into his gallery always said that and called him Steve every time he saw him.

I noticed he had a painting called *The Necklace*, which is a nude. I said, "Uh...she wouldn't happen to be here, would she?"

As he laughed, another woman looked at me as if I was an immature guy who doesn't appreciate fine art.

She might be right. As great as all these paintings were, I was more excited by the three different kinds of cookies and wines I saw on one table. ■

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# AN EXECUTION IN THE HILLS

*By Scafidi, March 24*





## MISSION HILLS

**“Hello, Zack. What’s up?” “Uh, hi, uh, Fred? It’s me, Zack.” “Yup.” “My cat’s got a gopher cornered over here. Can you come quick? And bring your shovel!” “I’ll be right there.” “Thanks, Buddy!”**

Finally, a chance to avenge the damage. Fred’s own backyard is a moonscape. Every other yard in the area is as cratered and pockmarked as Reynard Way.

“Ah, cher ami, together we have dispatched many a blackguard to the Ultimate Judge of Creation. Come, we must again do our sorrowful duty.”

The shovel smashes down. It misses. The second blow is true, blasting greasy, grimy entrails out of the gopher’s posterior. One moment, a living creature; the next, a tiny swatch of bloody hair.

“What a versatile instrument you are, mon ami! At once the means of execution and interment.” Fred digs the hole, scrapes the little carcass into it. They disperse, one to Lynyrd Skynyrd and a few Coronitas, the other to Spongebob and shrieking grandchildren.

## New Year’s Day at the Laundromat

By Christina Lohn,  
January 23

New Year’s Day was a rainy day. Most businesses were closed or



had limited hours of operation. The laundromat in Mission Hills was no exception. They were open, but without an attendant on the premises. Two of our local homeless took their clothes off, threw detergent and trash all over the place, and urinated in the doorway to keep people out.

## Homeless Man Struck Down

By Chris Raney,  
January 1

At approximately 8:30 pm on Tuesday, December 30, 2008, a pedestrian was struck by a red pickup truck near the intersection of Washington Place and Randolph Street. Witnesses to the accident said that the pedestrian was a homeless man who was lying down in the middle of Washington Place between Pioneer Park and the Mission Hills tennis courts. At the time of the accident, there was particularly low visibility due to heavy fog that had set in a few hours prior.

## MISSION VALLEY Fire Code Scrambled?

By Randy Berkman,  
April 9

The City of San Diego

requires a 100-foot-wide zone of flammable brush clearance between new buildings and existing brush.

So it was surprising to read a city-planning document (March 29, 2009, Cycle Review) that disclosed that the proposed Hampton Inn, at the base of Mission Valley’s south slopes, is planning a brush-clearance zone of 61.6 feet wide.

In the mid-1980s drought, the valley’s south hillsides ignited and burned over 15 homes in Normal Heights. The Hampton



Inn proposes building up five stories to add 87 hotel rooms, south of existing Vagabond Hotel buildings and west of Highway 163.

## Y Us?

By Randy Berkman,  
May 22

At least six residents of the Presidio Place condos in west Mission Valley have had enough with the noise from the adjacent YMCA just south of Friars Road. So they have sued the YMCA.

Ms. Whitley sums up their complaints:

“Parking lot noise 24/7 with no security, car alarms going off, and people yelling at each other, car horns honking in impatience to get a spot, loud, window-shaking music in

*continued on page 34*

cars pulling into and out of the east lot. It can be 3 a.m. when some people get back to their cars after a night of partying and their loud departures wake us. Police are called but [they arrive] too late to get to the offenders.

“People have urinated on the side of the Y offices so they don’t have to go inside to do it during soccer games. They change clothes in the parking lot like it is a locker room. Soccerfield noise is at unreasonable levels for a normal person’s sensitivity. Shouts, whistles, screeching, hollering, cheering, and disturbing noises — especially Sunday mornings starting about 7 a.m.”

### Playoff Fever

By Chris Raney,  
January 3

On the afternoon of January 2, it was apparent that NFL playoff fever had taken hold. Chargers fans gathered inside and outside of Seau’s at the Westfield Shopping Centre. Fans waited to get their hands on free Chargers swag. The lengthiest line was for the XTRA Sports 1360AM booth because that’s where the Chargers cheerleaders were signing their latest swimsuit calendar.

### Round Trip

By skipcarufel, July 19  
I wake up in my Mission Valley apartment and something seems wrong. The marine layer is inches above my head. The coffee is bitter and

the newspaper is stupid. The refrigerator goes on-off, on-off. And the bathroom faucet drips.

I got to get away. I don’t want to leave permanently. I just need a roundtrip.

I grab a bottle of water, my ID, some cash and a magazine, and walk ten minutes to the Fashion Valley Transit Center. A local wizard in a blue robe and a black witch hat steps repeatedly on and off the curb, talking to himself. He stops and watches me.

“Spare a little change?”

“Don’t bother me,” I snap back.

### A Fantastic History of Mission Valley

By skipcarufel, May 30  
James A. Michener

hadn’t walked far when he realized he had entered a historical place. The strata of cliffs

River, filled Mission Bay, which was once deep enough for oceangoing vessels.

Berkeley. She plans to teach history. She’ll be home in a couple of weeks. You’ll like her.

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before him depicted the ages of San Diego: geological, reptilian, native American, Spanish, Franciscan, Mexican, Yankee and American-Commercialism.

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### Mission Valley after the Floods

By skipcarufel, April 30

Time does fly. Seems like only yesterday the children and I moved to Mission Valley. That was in 1980, same year that flood took them old houses away.

The kids went to Francis Parker, then to Uni High School, then to the University of San Diego — which you can see from here, by the way. Rodney went on to med school. Dinah’s at

How about some more tea, Natalie? I’m glad you like it. I get it at T. Cozy’s, on the mall.

### Why Is San Diego Evicting an Entire Community of Elderly Residents to Build More Condos?

By historymatters, April 6

The residents that have lived there for decades and have created a community in this mobile home park in east Mission Valley were told that, although they could not buy their lots, the

## RESEARCH STUDIES

## Pain from Endometriosis?

A 16-week clinical research study is underway to evaluate a non-hormonal, injectable, investigational medication versus placebo for the relief of pelvic pain caused by Endometriosis. Have you tried a variety of hormonal medications without success over the years of dealing with Endometriosis cramps and pain? This study is for women who have a surgically confirmed diagnosis in the last 8 years.



### To possibly qualify for the study, must be:

- 18-49 year old females, regularly having periods
- Surgical confirmation of Endometriosis in the last 8 years (operative report must be available)
- Moderate to severe period cramps and pelvic pain

### Qualified participants may receive:

- Exam and consultation with a board-certified gynecologist
- All study-related labs, EKG, and study medication
- Compensation for your time and travel

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## Clinical Trials for Depression in Children



Researchers at Sharp Mesa Vista Hospital are currently enrolling children with depression into an outpatient clinical trial. If your child is 7 to 17 years of age and showing signs of depression, he or she may be eligible to participate.

Participants may receive study-related care at no cost and reimbursement for their time and travel expenses. Participation is confidential and trials are safely conducted under the supervision of experienced physicians and research specialists.

**To learn more, call (858) 836-8350.**

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## Do you want to quit smoking?

Quitting smoking is one of the most important things you will ever do because:

- You are likely to live longer
- Quitting smoking will lower your chance of having a heart attack, stroke, or cancer
- The people you live with, especially your children, will be healthier
- You will have extra money to spend on things other than cigarettes

Affiliated Research Institute is conducting a clinical trial on an investigational vaccine that may help participants quit smoking and maintain smoking cessation. To qualify for this research study, you must be between the ages of 18 and 65 years and smoke an average of 10 cigarettes per day. If you qualify for participation, all research medication and study-related care will be provided at no cost to you. You will receive smoking cessation counseling to help you succeed in your effort to stop smoking.

Health insurance is not required and compensation for time and travel is provided.



If you are interested in learning more about this study, please contact:

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## Forgetting simple tasks? Memory fading? Can't seem to complete projects?

**If you or someone you know is:**

- Male or female • Between the ages of 45 and 90
- Experiencing memory loss? Unable to organize or plan? Forgetting simple tasks?
- In overall good health

If you answered yes to all of these questions, you may be eligible for our research study! If you qualify and choose to participate, you may receive an investigational study medication. You will also receive physician consultations, study-related medical examinations, laboratory evaluations and follow-up visits all at no charge.

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## Do you suffer from Depression?

**Does it feel like nothing matters?**

**Do you feel lonely and sad most of the time?**

If you feel this way, and even if you're on medication, we might be able to help.

Local researchers invite you to take part in a research study. Insurance is not required. Participants will receive treatment for depression and may receive compensation for time and travel. If you're between the ages of 18 and 55 call the confidential recruitment line to learn more and see if you qualify. This may be your first step to feeling better.



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## Is your current Schizophrenia medicine treating all your symptoms?

If you are still having trouble with expressing emotions, social interactions, finding motivation to complete tasks, or have a reduced interest in family and friends, consider this research study of an investigational medication that is taken with your current antipsychotic.

In recent years, schizophrenia treatments have improved significantly, however, to date, they've shown success in reducing some symptoms more than others. A study is being conducted to evaluate the effectiveness of an investigational medication for its ability to help reduce negative symptoms of schizophrenia, such as a loss or decrease in ability to express emotion or enjoy pleasures in everyday life.

**To prequalify for this study, you must:** • Be 18 to 55 years of age • Have been diagnosed with schizophrenia for at least two years • Have negative symptoms of schizophrenia • Have been on a stable dose of antipsychotic medication for at least 12 weeks • Not have notable positive symptoms (delusions, unusual thoughts or perceptions) of schizophrenia, AND • Have no history of psychiatric crises, visits to the emergency room, hospitalization, or increased level of care for at least 12 weeks.

Qualified participants will receive study-related medical evaluations and study medication at no cost. In addition, reimbursement for time and travel may also be provided



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When your **TYPE 2 DIABETES** is out of control, finding *harmony* is essential.



If you're having trouble controlling your diabetes, consider participating in HARMONY, a research study evaluating an investigational diabetes medication that's taken **only once a week**.

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To be eligible for this study, you must be:

- 18 years of age or older,
- diagnosed with type 2 diabetes, AND
- having trouble controlling your blood sugar levels.



Qualified participants will receive study treatment as well as study-related medical evaluations and tests at no cost.

To learn more about the HARMONY program, please contact:

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## You've stayed active through menopause. Will you be sidelined by its symptoms?



We are conducting a clinical research study to test the safety and efficacy of an investigational drug in preventing postmenopausal osteoporosis and treating menopausal symptoms while ensuring endometrial (uterine lining) safety.

**You may be able to participate if you:**

- Are currently 40 to 64 years old
- Have had your last menstrual cycle less than 5 years ago
- Have not had a hysterectomy
- Have not used oral hormonal treatments such as estrogen, progestin, androgen- or SERM-containing products within the past 2 months

Study participation lasts for approximately 14-1/2 months. Qualified participants may receive study-related office visits, medical evaluations, mammograms, gynecological exams, bone density scans if eligible, and the study drug at no cost.

**For more information about this study, please contact:**

**Dr. Steven Drosman**  
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# Do you experience URINARY STRESS INCONTINENCE?

Characterized by the loss or leakage of urine during activities such as:

- Coughing, laughing or sneezing • Climbing stairs or bending
- Lifting, straining or other stressful activity

If you, or someone you know, are suffering from these symptoms, we are seeking women, 18 years of age or older, to take part in a post-approval study to evaluate the long-term safety and effectiveness of a treatment of stress incontinence. To learn more about the study, please contact:

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## Attn: Heavy Drinkers

Researchers at The Scripps Research Institute are working to develop new treatments for people with alcohol problems.

Is your current alcohol use causing problems with your family, your work, your life? If you want to stop drinking, The Pearson Center for Alcoholism and Addiction Research is conducting a clinical trial to help you reach that goal.

Qualified participants receive lab tests, medication or placebo, individual counseling and compensation for travel. All information is confidential.

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property would never be sold and [that they] had a 90-year lease that could not be broken.

Look at this national article in the *New York Times*.

"In October 2007, Lehman joined Tishman Speyer in buying Archstone-Smith, a publicly traded company with about 360 upscale apartment buildings across the country. Lehman put in \$250 million in equity and led a group of lenders that contributed \$4.6 billion in bridge equity for the \$22.2 billion deal, which was financed in part by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac."

So now that Lehman is belly-up Archstone has put its hand out to the city. They have even solicited San Diego Housing Commission for funds.

### MOUNT HOPE Trolley Makes Emergency Stop in Cemetery

By Leonard Fry,  
February 8  
A San Diego Trolley was forced to make an emer-



gency stop in the middle of Mt. Hope Cemetery early Tuesday, February 3. At the time, the peak-hour Orange Line trolley was traveling between the 47th Street and 32nd/Commercial stations. Since the distance between these stations is longer than average, trolleys often increase speed along this area to keep on schedule.

A city maintenance vehicle had failed to stop at a trolley crossing within the cemetery, breaking off the wooden arm on the warning device at the crossing. The trolley operator was forced to make a sudden emergency stop to avoid hitting the broken arm. After exiting the trolley to move the arm from the tracks, he received applause from passengers.

### MOUNT LAGUNA Front Line in Mt. Laguna?

By Josh Grant, March 5  
Recently, while doing stream surveys in the East County, we came upon a roadblock set up on Sunrise Highway, near Mt. Laguna.



Homeland Security (Border Patrol) agents scrutinized all vehicles coming through.

The agents warned us of smuggling activity in the area we were about to survey. We were warned about gun, drug, and human smuggling. The agents advised us to approach and unlock access gates with extreme care, as they might be "booby trapped" with hypodermic needles or other dangerous devices.

Our hiking trails show signs of massive

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Researchers at Sharp Mesa Vista Hospital are currently enrolling men and women in inpatient and outpatient studies.

Eligible participants may receive all study-related care at no cost, and may be reimbursed for time and travel.

Participation is confidential and trials are safely conducted under the supervision of experienced physicians and research specialists.

To learn more, call the Sharp Mesa Vista Hospital Clinical Research Center at **(858) 694-8350**.

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foot traffic and trash, and empty water bottles litter the ground. Hikers seem to be on the front line of border enforcement.

#### A Mountain Lion Alert

By doweofsteve, March 13

The other day I saw a mountain lion. Though it was far away, I was able to catch its eye. There was a moment of terror, and then it walked out of sight. It didn't run. I wanted to run but felt paralyzed. When I started to hear myself breathe again, I jogged back to civilization where I felt in my place. I felt pathetic.

This cougar sighting didn't happen yesterday.

It was two years ago. And it wasn't that close to me, though I was able to see its eyes. I'm

reminded of it in my dreams, and when I was staying in Pine Valley recently, I was reminded again of the incident.

#### Eye of a Firestorm: Pine Valley

By doweofsteve, March 13

Every once in a while I drive up to Pine Valley to get away from the business and noise and distractions of San Diego. I stay at my great-grandfather's cabin. He built the place himself, back when people did that sort of thing. It's made of stone and wood. To get from the one bedroom to the kitchen you have to go outside, walk down some stairs, and cross an unpaved path to unlock the kitchen door. My great grandfather was not an architect.

#### NATIONAL CITY Crash Hinders Robbery Suspects

By Steve Perez, July 8



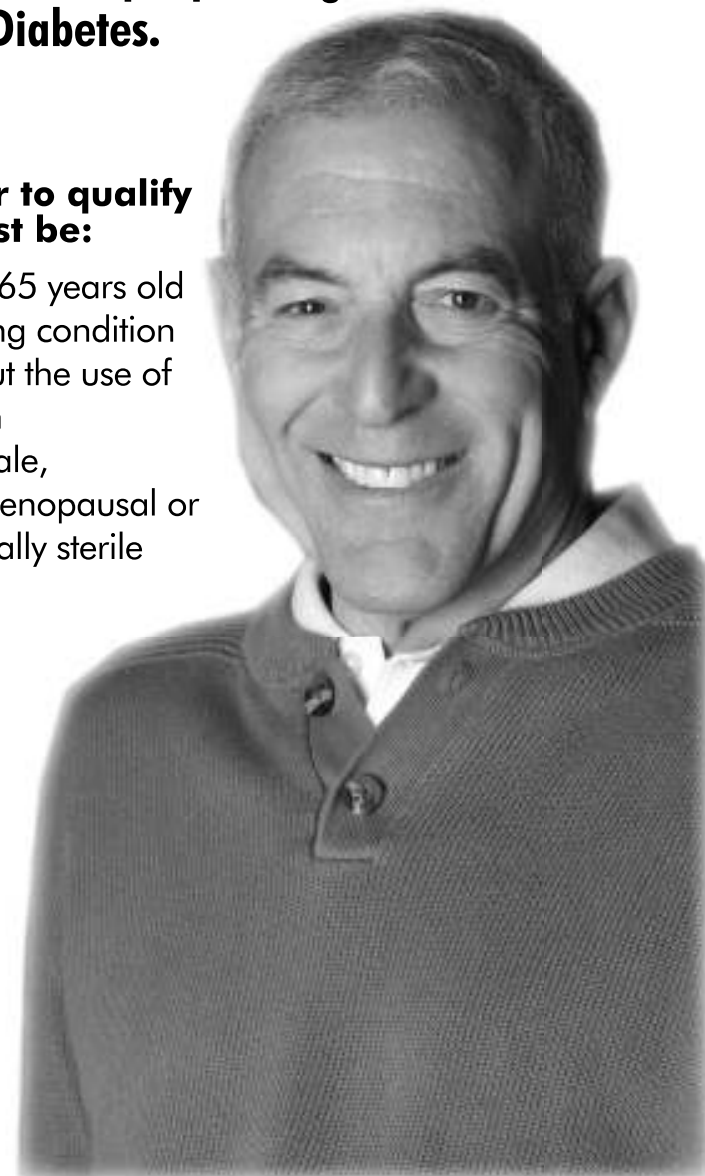
Josh Johnson was playing a video game in his home near the intersection of Allegheny Street and Calle Tortuosa on Monday, July 6, at around 5 p.m. when he heard a loud crash. He said he looked out the window and saw two black men getting out of a wrecked BMW. Dust from the car's collision with a fence was still flying as the two men

## Volunteers with Type 2 Diabetes Needed

Profil Institute for Clinical Research is currently conducting a clinical research study to evaluate an investigational oral medication in people diagnosed with Type 2 Diabetes.

In order to qualify you must be:

- 18 to 65 years old
- Treating condition without the use of insulin
- If female, postmenopausal or surgically sterile



If you qualify you may be compensated up to \$2,159 for time and travel. 6 overnights will be required.

For more information, call Profil  
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### RESEARCH STUDIES

## Irritable Bowel Syndrome with Constipation

Feel Like Everyone's Going But You?



Researchers are evaluating an investigational medication to see if it effectively treats Irritable Bowel Syndrome with Constipation (IBS-C) in men and women.

You may qualify for a research study if you experience any of the following symptoms:

- Abdominal pain or discomfort
- Bloating and/or straining
- Have fewer than 3 bowel movements per week

All study-related care will be provided at no cost. Insurance is not needed.

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grabbed a duffel bag from inside the vehicle and then ran off, Johnson said.

National City police believe the car was one of two vehicles involved in a jewelry-store heist and purse-snatching.

#### Grand Theft Video

By Mark Jay, May 13  
According to National City Police Department radio traffic, at approximately 10:10 p.m. on Tuesday, May 12, two

men walked into the GameStop store in Plaza Bonita Mall and tied the employees up, placing posters over their faces at gunpoint. After the employees had been restrained, the suspects took their cell phones and keys to a locked area where video games are stored and to a back room where the game consoles are kept.

The suspects began to load plastic GameStop bags with games and consoles (10

Sony PlayStation 3s, 23 Nintendo Wiis, and several Microsoft Xbox 360s), all worth over \$12,000.

#### National City's Secret Art District

By hopefund, June 18  
Two women in their late 60s approach me and ask me if I know how to get to the dance hall bar. I have just under a half hour to spare before I need to be at work. After a few minutes of relaying directions to their

specified address, I tell them that I can take them.

We head off down

are off and out of the car as soon as I pull up to the curb.

the bus and one of the officers questioned them outside.

The other officer re-

## A tiny Russian restaurant contains the mother lode of bathroom graffiti.

National City Boulevard, which is basically a long auto mall. They inform me that the dance hall is a gallery and outdoor Filipino market behind a warehouse. Are you sure you know where you are going? I repeat. Do you have someone expecting you? They assure me that the only one waiting for them is a hangover, and they

#### NORMAL HEIGHTS Cold Bus Stop

By Sandi Mackenzie, May 11  
At approximately 6:05 p.m. on Thursday, May 7, three San Diego police officers boarded the 15 bus at Interstate 15 on El Cajon Boulevard. Two officers boarded through the rear and motioned to two passengers. A man and woman stepped off

entered the bus and searched behind the seats and on the floor at the back of bus. He disembarked empty-handed.



### RESEARCH STUDIES

## New Research Study

Investigational use of Tadalafil  
(Cialis<sup>®</sup>, erectile dysfunction medication)  
for Prostate Enlargement

You may qualify if you are:

- 45 years or older
- Have prostate enlargement (BPH) symptoms
- Have weak or no erection

Study medication, study-related physical exams, blood tests provided.

Compensation for time and travel.

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#### 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
- Have an HbA1C between 7.5% and 9.5% at office screening

Participants will receive a medical screening at no cost by board-certified physicians. Compensation up to \$440 will be provided to participants who qualify for this study.

If interested please contact our Research Recruiter

**Catherine DeLue at: 858-552-8585 ext. 6740**

The third police officer went through the front door and stopped to question an apparently blind man seated in the disabled section with a service dog at his feet. The officer asked him several times to step off the bus but received no response. Finally, the police officer asked the driver, "Do you know if he can hear?"

# Diabetes shouldn't define you

Diabetes impacts the lives of millions of people each year, but it shouldn't define who you are. Physicians are studying an investigational medication compared to an already-approved medication for the treatment of type 2 diabetes.

#### To qualify you must:

- Be overweight with type 2 diabetes
- Be taking Metformin for diabetes for 3 months or more

If you qualify, you will receive all study-related care, including physical exams, lab services, and study medication. During participation you will remain on Metformin.

To learn more, contact:

**CNRI**

**San Diego, LLC**  
**(619) 481-5252**

**www.DiabetesClinicalTrials.com**

Don't Wait, Participate



**NORTH PARK  
Cat Killer on the Loose**

*By Edmundo Dela,  
July 16*

About a month ago, I was driving my school-bus route when I saw what I thought was a dead kitten on Cosmo Street. As I got closer, I realized it was an adult cat...chopped in half, just below the shoulder blades.

On July 8, I came across another severed cat portion, this time on 30th Street near Kalmia. Same portion, same condition.

**Comments**

1. Whoever does this when I'm in the area of these killings, let this be a warning: if you do anything to any of my pets, may the state intervene

before I get my revenge!!!

*By crossingtracks-gallery, Jul 16*

2. This reminds me of when I was in middle school back in 2001, 7th grade. There was a spot in the field where we used to run our Friday's mile. Every day, a new dead cat was scatted around. Some of the guts were tied up into a bow and a pair of legs were sticking out of the ground. I remember one time there was one of those devil stars drawn on the dirt with of course cat's parts around it.

*By XxUrDaddyxX,  
Jul 16*

3. That was my neighborhood just before I moved away. Cats

were disappearing all over the place. People kept saying it was a coyote, but I knew someone was taking these cats and hurting them. Damn you to hell.

*By magicsfive, Jul 16*

**The Writing  
on the Wall**

*By bohemianopus,  
May 20*

Lately, I've been spending a lot of time in North Park. Not only because it is wrapped in that funkiness that I love; but because it has a tiny Russian restaurant that contains the mother lode of bathroom graffiti.

I should mention that the food in this restaurant, which is called the Pomegranate, is delicious!

**RESEARCH STUDIES**

**COUGHING, SHORTNESS OF BREATH,  
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eStudySite is participating in a world-wide research study to test an investigational treatment for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease **COPD**, also known as smoker's cough, chronic bronchitis or emphysema.



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- Have a diagnosis of COPD
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If you qualify you may be compensated up to \$1040.



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If you suffer from chronic Hepatitis C you may be eligible to participate in a research study of an investigational drug for Hepatitis C.

You may be eligible if you have:

- Chronic infection with Hepatitis C genotype 1
- Never been on prescription therapy for Hepatitis C
- Otherwise good health

If you qualify, you may receive study-related medical examinations, lab tests, and compensation for time and travel.



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### North Park Skaters

By *pmrocks99*, April 30  
NPS — North Park Skaters...or switch out the S for anything you choose...stoners, scrubs, slackers...etc. I grew up in North Park and now I am about to go back to North Park as I am in escrow on a condo in my beloved San Diego community. When I moved from Mission Hills to North Park in 1985 at the age of 7, all I heard was comments under the breath and nay-sayers from our neighbors and my parents' friends.

I found the NPS kids when I was about 12 years old. My friend's boyfriend was a North Park Skater and that was all it took to meet all of them. The girls would

all go watch the guys skate in the parking lot at the Bank of America on 31st and University. Another favorite skating spot was on the steps of the Baptist church located at Bancroft and North Park Way.

#### Comments

1. I too grew up in North Park, and though we moved to Normal Heights, P.B., and even Oregon, I found my way home to North Park. We went through the video game phase (that arcade up on Grim St. where you paid \$2 and played as much as you wanted for 2 hours)...then came the skateboard phase...the BMX phase...I came about 10 years before you,

but I may have been at Tuba Man's while you all were skating by outside.  
By *stevo420*, Jun 18

### True North Park

By *domcarrillo*, April 30  
I'm sitting here at the corner bus stop in front of a store called Discount International Fashions. Inside you can buy three T-shirts with American flags and President Obama prints for just \$10 — all part of the American Dream; not very international or fashionable, though. Here's the thing: Discount International Fashions has been here for a long time. It was here before Heavenly Desserts, Urban Solace, and True North moved into the area.

### Conscientious Dumpster Diver

By *tjohnston*,  
February 14



I lived in west North Park in an apartment right on University Avenue for eight years, starting in 1989. We always put our recyclables out next to the dumpster, and they were always gone by the next morning.

Now I live in east North Park. Every two weeks we put out the blue bin for recyclables

for the city to pick up. Homeless people often roam the street clearing out the bins. I'd go out at about 6:00–7:00 a.m. and holler, "Don't make a mess!"

Last couple months, there's only one guy working our street. He wears an orange apron and manages to push a shopping cart with, like, 12 lawn bags of recyclables about. Looks like a massive black Jiffy Pop — like 8' wide and 7' high. I asked him where he goes to recycle. It's east two to three miles away. This week he said he was not going up the substantial hill on Swift Street because the load is too heavy, so he had to go around northwest (Landis) then east down University.

I asked his name:

It's Ninwood. He said that's what his mom called him.

### OCEAN BEACH Transformer Taken Down by Parrot

By *Casey Bollier*, June 25  
Residents in southern Ocean Beach began Wednesday, June 24, without power. At about 8:30 a.m. one of the many parrots inhabiting O.B. landed on a transformer in the alley between Santa Cruz Avenue and Del Monte Avenue, causing it to explode.

The parrot was thrown from the transformer onto a nearby car. Shawn McGinnis, the owner of the car, found the bird and called animal control. The parrot had survived the blast, but its green

## RESEARCH STUDIES

# Schizophrenia

A mystery to most and, for some,  
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California Clinical Trials is conducting a medical research study on an investigational medication for schizophrenia.

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Therapeutics Clinical Research, a center of excellence in dermatological care, is conducting a clinical research trial of an investigational medication for hand eczema (also known as hand dermatitis).

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- with hand eczema lasting at least six months

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feathers had been singed by the electricity. As McGinnis and others tended to the injured bird, about a dozen other parrots screeched on the wires above until animal control arrived to take the bird away.



### No More Eyesore in O.B.

*By Steve Perez, June 22*  
On a recent overcast Saturday morning, an ad hoc group of volunteers scrambled over the slippery rocks, hauling in power generators, air compressors, and painting supplies, and hauling out bags of trash. Organized online via OBRag.org and social-networking sites, the volunteers from O.B. and surrounding communities joined to take a first pass at sprucing

things up. "I never realized how unsightly it was, and I walk these cliffs every weekend," says Shawn Conrad, an O.B. resident and volunteer.

### Cliff Hanger

*By Casey Bollier, April 30*  
At approximately 12:30 p.m. on April 21, a middle-aged woman fell down a cliff above the beach at the end of Santa Cruz Avenue. An ambulance was called, and within minutes police cars, fire engines, and lifeguard vehicles

were on the scene. From the fenced end of the street, the woman tumbled 30 feet, onto a concrete path above the beach. While her injuries appeared to be non-fatal, she was uncooperative with emergency personnel.

### No Flight Risk

*By Steven Kendrick, April 8*  
Wednesday morning, April 8, as I was strolling down Newport Avenue in Ocean Beach, I noticed that one of O.B.'s most controversial stores had been vandalized.

Wings Beachwear, located in the Strand Theatre building at 4948 Newport Avenue, had apparently been hit by vandals the night before. In addition to

# MAJOR DEPRESSION

If you are one of the 15 million adults affected by depression, you may be eligible to participate in a research study of an investigational depression medication now being studied.

You must be:

- 18-65 years of age
- Currently diagnosed with depression
- Symptoms greater than 2 months

Qualified participants will receive at no cost:

1. Study related exams
2. Investigational drug or inactive placebo
3. Compensation for time and travel

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## RESEARCH STUDIES



# Menstrual Migraine Headaches

*Wishing your period would never come?*

A medical research study is underway to evaluate an investigational oral medication for women 18-34 years of age with regular periods **who have migraine headaches associated with their periods, in at least 2 out of the last 3 cycles.** Periods are tough enough without adding a migraine headache.

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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# Have you lost your eyelashes because of chemotherapy?

Therapeutics Clinical Research is conducting a research study to assess the safety and effectiveness of an investigational drug called bimatoprost 0.03% to treat inadequate eyelashes from varied causes.

### **We need participants:**

- 18 years of age or older
- With eyelash loss due to chemotherapy

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graffiti all over the storefront, the taggers wrote "GET OUT OF OB" on the window. The store has been a source of controversy in a town that feels strongly about its locally owned, mom-n-pop type of businesses. Wings Beachwear Inc. has 28 stores nationwide.

Comments

1. The only people who put that on the window were a couple of

homeless cats who couldn't beg for change in front of their store!!!

*By SpliffAdamz, Apr 9*

2. The ONLY good thing about Wings is that they repaired the Strand building. It is now up to California earthquake standards. The place looks great. I hope that this big Corp will go bankrupt and sell the building. It would make the best music venue in O.B.

*By Bajadeano, Apr 10*

**The Accidental Hippie**

*By patriciarahhal, July 5*

It's 1979, school at Sacred Heart Academy has let out. I run down Saratoga and then Cable Street to get to Newport Avenue, where my mom has a clothing store in Ocean Beach. I was the only child of a divorced working mother. Looking back now, I can see my mother at 36, tall, thin, with long black hair, she was stunning. Ironically, I now recognize that my friends

probably dreamed of having a beautiful mother and an exciting life.

ning our route downtown. Some dudes were getting high in their truck with the doors

boldly rocked a Dodgers jersey amidst a sea of RVCA and Hurley gear.

We ordered smoked

**The bartender poured margaritas that were more like tequila shots and whoa! we were ready to roll.**

**An Altered State of Place**

*By nmacklem, May 31*

We pedaled out of O.B. on mid-west mountain bikes like proper transients, choosing the scenic route. Pelicans dove for prey in front of Sunset Cliffs. Waves rolled and crashed below a Sunday-morning sun. The plan: meet up with our friend Chump and his brother Dante at Point Loma Sea Foods.

Dylan and I stood above the ocean, watching the surf and plan-

open, so we asked which hill was the easiest to climb. "None of them," they said. We headed up Alhambra on a gamble and were soon walking our bikes.

We found Chump and Dante outside of the fish market, laughing at sea lions that were mugging for tourists' cameras. Chump is Grade-A OBeacian, face pierced, dreadlocked, and trucker-capped. His brother stuck out like a sore thumb from L.A. Wild-eyed yet quiet, he

wahoo with crackers and mustard. Since it was almost noon, we decided it was time to start drinking, so we rolled over to Captain's Quarters. The bartender poured margaritas that were more like tequila shots and whoa! we were ready to roll.

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**Crossing the Line**

*By Ken Harrison, May 13*

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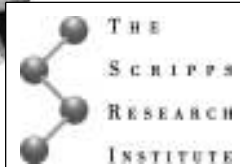
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room to back out of spaces on the south side.

### Doggedly Determined

By Jennifer Blanchard,  
April 2



On Sunday, March 29, over 200 people and 250 dogs showed up at Oceanside Harbor. The group, known as Friends of Oceanside Dog Beach, walked around the area to show

support for an off-leash dog area at the mouth of the San Luis Rey River. Currently, there is no dog-friendly beach in San Diego County north of Del Mar.

Three people with "No dog beach" T-shirts stood near the bridge as the group walked from city parking lot #20, over the Pacific Beach Bridge, and down the sidewalk to the grassy area west of the Nautical Bean Coffee Company. There, the group gathered for a walk past Rockin Baja Lobster, Joe's Crab Shack, Monterey Bay Cannery, all the way to the Oceanside Harbor Police sta-

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tion and back.

### Berry Good for Business

By Ken Harrison, March 26

Each year, around January 1, a miracle of Mother Nature occurs at a little strawberry farm in Oceanside. Since 1989, the farm has opened weeks before other California strawberries are ready for harvest.

The Williamson Farm consistently beats Mother Nature's timing, according to farm owner Judy Williamson. Global warming? Not according to farm manager Albino Guzman, who credits the warm winter microclimate in this part of coastal North County. He points out that most

California strawberries usually harvest between March and August.

### OLD TOWN Smoking Trolley

By Robert Duffy, June 29

At approximately 9:15 a.m. on Saturday, June 27, as an M.T.S. Blue Line trolley en route to Old Town arrived at the Civic Centre stop, commuters onboard were forced to evacuate the train as smoke poured from underneath the front of the lead car.

No sign of a fire was evident, but a passenger noticed the smoke and gave warning to fellow passengers.

### Picket Lines in Old Town

By Hayden Beames, February 2

Picket lines paraded



through Old Town San Diego in protest on Saturday, January 31. Approximately 30 workers beat drums, repeated chants shouted through a leader's bull horn, and marched in and outside of the grounds of Plaza del Pasado. The picket lines were organized by Unite Here Local 30.

In early January, 130 workers employed by restaurant operator Delaware North were informed that they would be terminated in early March. A subcontractor, Old Town Hos-

pitality Group, is taking over the state lease to operate concessions at Old Town. The new subcontractor has refused to say whether they will retain the current workers.

### OTAY MESA That Dog Will Manhunt

By Frank Marrazza, March 19



On March 17 at 4:05 p.m., an SDPD helicopter circled the neighborhood at I-5 and Tocayo Avenue. Police

announced over their P.A. system that they were in pursuit of a suspect described as a black male, 5'10" tall, 140 lbs., wearing black shorts and a white shirt.

At 5:09 p.m., the Border Patrol, San Diego cruiser units, and officers following on foot converged at International Road and Dalisay Street. At 5:11 p.m., at the intersection of Deep Haven Lane and Pikake Street, a resident yelled, "There he goes — he's jumping the fences."

At 5:25 p.m. the suspect was apprehended on the 2600 block of Wardlow.

### Confusion in Otay Mesa

By flapflip, March 7

It was a humid summer

afternoon in my home-neighborhood of Otay Mesa, California in 1999.

My grandpa was out back digging a trench for the sprinkler system he had bought from a friend of his. "Maybe you should go out back and help your grandpa, take him this," my mother said as she handed me a glass of water and ice.

"Here, grandpa, mom said this is for you, and that dinner should be ready in about an hour," I said. I went to play with my puppy, when my little brother came around the corner holding a shovel, no doubt from my grandfather's tool shed.

"I'm gonna go help gwampa," he said as he turned to walk away, but as he turned, the shovel hit me above the right

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#### **PACIFIC BEACH P.B. Underground**

By *jcamp.b.ell*, April 24  
Everyone, even my friend from Ohio, knows that P.B. is full



of douchebags. So when I said I was going to move to the beach, I didn't have a lot of support from my homies.

There wasn't a lot of overt protest though either, come to think of it. Maybe that's because I was living in Mira Mesa at the time and starting to dissolve into that neighborhood's monochromatic sprawl. The bulk of my friends, the too-cool-O.B. kids, the way-too-cool-North Park kids, mostly just said, "Oh, P.B. huh?"

For the first few

weeks I felt like I was awash in a sea of beach cruisers and tribal tattoos. I felt like I should pull my socks up to mid-calf and get my T-shirts embroidered.

#### **We Call Him Baby Huey**

By *MM1465*, April 14  
Look out — it's Memorial Day Weekend in P.B.! By 4 o'clock he'd climbed to the top of the house next door. He was naked, singing, and prancing around the roof like one of Santa's reindeers. It wasn't long before the guests across the street at the Cata-maran Resort began voicing complaints. The cops ensued shortly thereafter looking for the offending "tally whacker." Summer had officially begun.

#### **Jakes on the Prowl in P.B.**

By *paulcaraccio*, April 8  
They say if you catch the right sunset, you'll see some kind of green flash. I don't know about that, but I do know that if you catch the right moment on Grand and Dawes, you're certainly liable to see a bulldozed skate-

catching a gentle love-tap from a Volvo.

#### **You Can Find Me at the Club**

By *paulcaraccio*, April 2  
Our complex has been known to transform into Club Dawes most every weekend and on some scattered week-nights. A couple of weeks to a month or

here out in front for a good chunk of the night, drinking and dancing around like fools.

#### **The War Zone**

By *charlypaigeart*, March 25  
The band playing in the parking lot was the best. Not only did the loud speakers set to 800 deci-

## Ah, P.B. A magical, mystical land of hippies, gypsies, lawyers, and junkies.

boarder hurtling through the air or a law-abiding driver getting rammed right in the ribs by a right-turn-only rebel or a drunk smashing several parked cars or even a pedestrian carrying a surfboard

two back, when the core of the Club Dawes crew was formulating and getting tight, we'd have some nights where we'd be having such a blast here at the club that we'd eschew P.B.'s famed bar scene and just kick it

bels vibrate the walls of my little house and the elbow-to-elbow crowd threaten to knock the fence over, but the police showed up in force. Kahuna's Bar behind me was craziness. One night this

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drunk drove his car through the front door of Kahuna's. Wasted revelers climbed over my back fence. Steve was the neighborhood vigilante for a while as he ran petitions with the other homeowners to get Kahuna's closed down.

### Life in P.B.

*By brianwb, February 23*  
Ah, P.B. A magical, mystical land of hippies, gypsies, lawyers, and junkies...and I ain't leaving, baby.

Sure, they've stolen my \$600 mountain bike (while locked in a secured garage in a secured building), but what the hell. Another day I came home to find my patio barbecue grill, "Ol' Blackie," gone-a-miss'n. Ah, them's the

breaks, kid. I hadn't cleaned the greasy soot for a while...I wish them cancer.

### Alien Lands in P.B. Revisited

*By john\_obrien, February 22*

Mike is the name of a bartender in P.B. He calls himself a local with pride. He has tattooed letters on his bicep: "P.B. Rat Dog." He shares an apartment with three other tattooed guys down the street.

### What Are Your Thoughts on Alcohol in the P.B./M.B. Community?

*By carolyngrace1111, February 10*

I created this blog to hear the community's thoughts on alcohol in the Pacific Beach/Mis-

sion Beach area.

### Comments

1. Police are omnipresent, patrolling the beach areas in the event of trouble. Is this all about their jobs becoming easier, so they might have to do something other than flirt with a pretty girl in a bikini?

*By islandon22, Feb 15*  
2. Islandon, it never was about getting every drop of alcohol off the beach. It was about getting the raging keggers off the beach, and the problems caused by the out-of-control drunken behavior. Before the ban, cops could not cite or arrest a drunk until they did something to

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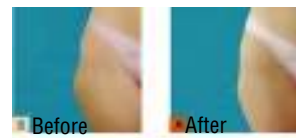


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*By escortalex, May 13*

3. Get real...the beach alcohol ban was the best thing to happen to P.B. since the invention of sunshine. We GOT faster police response times citywide, fewer impediments to life-guards doing their job, and less underage drinking. We GOT dramatically less trash on the sand. The July 5 volunteer cleanup

was a bust.... We went from NINE TONS of trash on the beach to NO trash on the beach. Of course, the streets of P.B. are still a cesspool on Friday and Saturday nights, thanks to all the nice friendly drunks who come down to do stuff that wouldn't be tolerated in their own neighborhoods.

*By escortalex, May 13, 2009*

**PALA**  
**First Swine, Now Squirrels**  
*By Cindy Winslow, April 25*



On April 2, a ground squirrel from the Doane Valley Campground on

Palomar Mountain tested positive for plague, the "black death" disease that ravaged Europe and killed millions during the 14th Century.

**PARADISE HILLS**  
**I Should Call Him Bas**  
*By RDVaughn, February 27*

His name is Bas, he is a retired store owner from Nakhon Pathom. I am new to the building and look like a Japanese princess. He tells me this by way of introduction. He presents me with a plate of chicken and beef satay, perching it atop my bag of groceries. The satay was followed over time with a noodle dish, coupons



for Fresh & Easy, a small pot of pink azaleas, sticky rice, a single energy-efficient light bulb, the admonishment to get married and have children as soon as possible, then more satay.

**POINT LOMA**  
**Pity for the Spanish**  
*By Cindy Winslow, March 7*

On Thursday, March 5, beaches at Spanish Landing and Shelter

Island reopened after being closed due to a sewage spill.

The spill, which began at 10:35 a.m. on March 4, released approximately 1400 gallons of sewage at the intersection of Roosevelt and Truxtun roads in the Liberty Station area of Point Loma. "Grease blockages are the second-leading cause of sewage spills," said Brian Drummy of

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### I Played God

By MsGrant, May 29

For the last several days, I have noticed a small, black cat in the more deserted area of Liberty Station, near where I work. I first encountered him when I was driving on Truxton, the main drag in Liberty Station. He darted in front of my car, then ran into one of the undeveloped building's courtyard.

I brought him food for the next two days, wondering what to do about him. At this point, I would observe him from a distance because every time I tried to get too close, he ran into his hole.

### PT. LOMA NAZARENE

#### Green by the Sea

By Christine Spicer, March 9



Students at Point Loma Nazarene University voted in favor of a "Green Fund Proposal" on February 19. In accordance with the proposal, student fees will increase by \$5 per semester in order to boost campus sustainability.

The Associated Student Body predicts that energy-efficient lighting, more front-loading washing machines, more fuel-efficient campus vehicles, a community garden, and expanded recycling efforts are likely to top the list of projects.

### POTRERO False Idols in God's Country

By Origami\_Astronaut, June 12

I had bicycled out to Potrero beneath a brutal

midday sun, 20-some miles east of Jamul with a substantial elevation gain.

I told of my encounter with what appeared to be a meth-

addled redneck down the street, who had found my tent beneath an oak tree in the bed of Potrero Creek and roosted me out with loud promises of shot-

guns and shackles. Jim recounted the Harris fire of '07, which destroyed at least 1500 homes, burned over 500,000 acres of land, and forced the evacua-

tion of over a million San Diego residents — the largest evacuation in American history.

"My mother-in-law's was the first place to go," said Jim. "Fire

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started right up the road. They told us to evacuate, but boy, you can bet we stayed right here and fought that thing. None of these buildings would be here today if we didn't."

### POWAY

#### Thin White Thief

By Mark Jay, May 25  
On Friday, May 22, according to county sheriffs' radio traffic at about 11:50 a.m., the sheriff's department received a call on a bank robbery in progress at the Citibank located at

13408 Poway Road.

The bank teller was given a demand note by a male who wore all black and a golf hat. The teller then handed \$2000 to the thief, who then fled the bank to a waiting, new, black Jaguar sedan occupied by a female passenger.

At about 12:15 p.m., sheriff's deputies located the suspect vehicle traveling southbound on SR-67 from Poway Road. The deputies were unsuccessful at pulling the vehicle over and pursued southbound on the 67 toward Lakeside.

#### Abundance of Caution

By Pei Jean Tsai, May 7  
A bomb scare caused the shutdown of the Poway Skate Park and library on Saturday,

May 2.

The county sheriff's office forced dozens to evacuate the library and cordoned off the area just after 4 p.m. The sheriff's bomb-arson unit was called in to investigate a bag filled with what was described as sticks of dynamite by a man who found it in a dumpster at a nearby apartment complex. The supposed threat turned out to be fireworks.

#### Oleanders are Dying in San Diego

By Ron Hamilton, Thursday, February 5  
A bacterium commonly identified with grape vines (*Xylella fastidiosa*) is the suspected cause of "oleander leaf scorch," which is resulting in the slow deaths of thou-

sands of oleanders in San Diego County.

#### Big Fly in the Sky

By Cindy Winslow, April 30



A low-flying helicopter hovered over Sabre Springs on the morning of April 29. Its mission was to kill mosquito larvae in three areas of standing water near the intersection of Poway Road and Sabre Springs Parkway.

The helicopter, commissioned by San Diego County Vector

Control, dropped larvicide on the mosquito-breeding sites at about 9:00 a.m. The County hopes the aerial application will help keep the mosquito population in check and reduce the possibility of the spread of West Nile virus during warmer months.

### RAMONA

#### Message in the Sky

By quillpena, May 18  
When I was 16 we lived in Ramona on Hanson Lane a few miles away from our community's small downtown. In the countryside surrounding our town, the houses are spaced remotely from one another, usually by fields that hold cattle or horses.

One evening my



friend Mike had come over to visit. My mother and my younger brother, Jason, were home. Mike and I were sitting at the dining-room table talking, while my mother was in the kitchen a few feet away preparing dinner.

The sun had set, but there was a faint, distant orange light illuminating from behind Mount Woodson and Iron Mountain to the west. Jason was pouring a glass of milk at the counter and Mike and I had our backs to the

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window as my mother placed the ketchup-glazed meatloaf in the oven and then turned to face us. She crouched down as she approached the table. "Oh, my God," she croaked. "It's a UFO."

**RANCHO BERNARDO**  
**Unhappy Mother's Day**  
*By thestoryteller, May 9*



May 10 must be the year's hardest day for Maryanne. In 1997, her son, Andrew Cunanan, went on a killing spree that ended with the death of fashion designer Gianni Versace, outside his mansion in Florida. In a final act of hatred, Andrew snuck aboard a houseboat and turned the gun on himself. A police photo of Maryanne's dead son is posted online. I hope she never sees it.

This is how it was around the Cunanan house, even before his dad abandoned them. Once his parents discovered that Andrew had an IQ of 147, all of the privileges were reserved for him. Andrew was the only child [in the family] sent to the prestigious Bishop's school in La Jolla. He occupied the master bedroom of the house; everyone else, including his parents, crammed into the other bedrooms.

I met Andrew two years before he plunged downhill. His black hair was neatly trimmed. His tanned face was symmetrical and had dark, laughing eyes. He was a

manager at Thrifty Jr. across the street from the apartment he shared with his mother. My mom and I went to the store to get Band-Aids for my heel that was

rubbing on my shoe. "Hey, Andrew!" my mom said. "This is my other daughter." He stood up from his task of stocking a bottom shelf and turned a

bright smile on me. "Hi!" Just then, an attractive man Andrew's age caught his eye. "He's pretty!" he said, making no secret of the fact he was gay.

The last time I saw Maryanne, she was covered up in an old coat and sunglasses, with a scarf tied under her chin. It was a hearty spring day, no need for a

coat, and she dipped a hankie and washed her hands in a fountain at the Mercado. According to Wikipedia, Andrew Cunanan was the 449th

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## RANCHO PENASQUITOS Mad World

By John Mann, May 19



Four thousand people made their way into the Mt. Carmel High School stadium to hear *American Idol* contestant Adam Lambert sing on Friday, May 8. A return to one's high school is a requirement of each

contestant who has knocked out all but two competitors.

All students at Mt. Carmel High and Black Mountain Middle School were invited. The schools granted students time away from their classes to attend; this meant an hour to an hour and a half of education lost by the Mt. Carmel students and two and a half to three hours lost by the Black Mountain students. Teachers at both schools were required to go, to act as monitors. Mt. Carmel's advanced placement students, scheduled to take exams, had to be bused off-campus, to Westview High School.

Lambert rode into the stadium in a red convertible, mounted

the stage, and sang two songs. The first, Michael Jackson's "Black or White," mucked its way through a poor sound system. The second, Tears for Fears' "Mad World," came through clearly and gave a hint of Lambert's talent.

## Boarder Region Reopens

By Scarlet Rosenblum, July 9

The Rancho Peñasquitos Skate Park, located at 10111 Carmel Mountain Road, reopened on June 30 after having been closed for several months due to safety hazards — the four-year-old wooden ramps had deteriorated.

## Crime Cam Stolen!

By Cindy Winslow, February 11

On January 21, at 10:00 a.m., upon hearing loud knocking at her front door, a Torrey Highlands resident looked through the peephole and saw a man. She assumed the person might be a solicitor and decided not to answer the door. Moments later, the woman spotted the would-be burglar on the side of her home, attempting to break in. She confronted the man, snapping photos of him with her camera. He ran past her, dropping a chisel in the process, and quickly fled to a waiting vehicle with another man in it. Undaunted, the resident stood by the side of the street and continued to take photographs of the suspect. At this point, the driver jumped out

of the car and confronted the resident, grabbing her camera and knocking her to the ground.

## Comments

1. About three years ago, I was at home (Miramar Ranch North) at about 9:30 in the morning when there was a knock at my door. From upstairs, I watched a young Asian man walk across my driveway and over to the side of my house and I knew what he was about to do. An unfamiliar SUV was parked out front. I ran downstairs; out my back door; around the side of the house and repeated "excuse me" as I walked toward him. He stood there

frozen with a crowbar in his hand. I asked him "What are you doing?" twice. He never responded and wouldn't look up. Because I grew up in a "Barrio" in Los Angeles, I was not afraid to confront him (I am 58, 4'11", 160 lbs., and female), but I knew not to antagonize him, disrespect him, or threaten him. He jumped the gate and ran over to the car waiting out front.

By reddragonfly, Feb 12

## RANCHO SAN DIEGO On-Ramp to Peril

By Paul Shepersky, May 25

On Friday, May 22, at about 5:45 p.m., the sound of crunching metal brought neigh-

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bors out of their houses. A young man in a late-model Jeep Wrangler had swerved off Highway 94 west and — taking a steel light pole with him — went down the embankment and onto Buena Vista Drive.

The accident occurred just west of the Sweetwater Springs on-ramp, where it merges with the 94. The driver had collided with at least one other car while attempting to merge with westbound traffic. The front of the car was smashed, but it had not overturned.

#### Fury Lane Incident

By Steve Terry, April 23  
At 5:24 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, the plaintive cries of a man could be heard in the parking lot of the shopping center

at the corner of Jamacha Road and Fury Lane in Rancho San Diego.

“I didn’t do anything! I didn’t do anything! That hurts my back! My back is hurting!” Two sheriff’s deputies had subdued a shirtless man, possibly in his 20s, and had him handcuffed face-down on the asphalt. One deputy was crouched down with both knees pressing gently on the man, who was agitated and uncooperative.

Within a minute or two they helped the now-handcuffed prisoner to his feet and put him in the back of one of the two patrol cars parked nearby. A deputy then motioned toward the front of the nearby Ralphs grocery store and beckoned a woman,

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perhaps the complainant, to approach them. She also seemed to be in her 20s, wore a tartan-patterned red-and-white sundress, and had a large tattoo on her back.

### Swallows Roost in Rancho

*By Steve Terry, March 26*  
They say the swallows return to San Juan Capistrano on the 19th of March. Rancho San Diego boasts its own colony of the same bird, the cliff swallow. After a long flight from as far south as Argentina, they recently arrived.

According to Mark, a resident of the Tristán condominium complex at the corner of Fury Lane and Via Rancho San Diego, the first

swallows appeared on Friday, March 20.

Because of the mess that nesting birds tend to make below their mud nests, Tristán residents are encouraged to interfere with nest construction by hosing off any mud deposited by the birds. This is legal, but once the nests are completed, state and federal laws protect them until the season is over, usually by September.

### Secret Stash Revealed

*By Sylvia Knust, March 20*  
East County's Damon Lane Park is 26 acres of scenic and varied landscape. The secretly stashed park recently received an overhaul, according to County of San Diego Parks and

Recreation.

Last year, a bottle rocket ignited a two-and-a-half-acre brush fire in the center of the park. In the surrounding park area, vegetation has been thick. Of particular concern are the ladder fuels — those dead branches that can carry fire from the ground up into the canopy, upon which fire growth potential explodes.

"We've been removing the dead wood, the dead fuel, and cleaning it up. We've been removing some of the nonnative species as well, like arundo and tamarisk."

### Nest in Peace

*By Steve Terry, March 11*  
Workers have been cutting down trees and



clearing brush from a narrow zone between the Sweetwater River and Jamacha Road in Rancho San Diego. They began near the intersection of Jamacha and Cuyamaca College Drive East a couple of weeks ago. By Friday, March 6, they had reached the corner of Jamacha Road and Willow Glen Drive, behind North Island Credit Union and the new Savannah Grill restaurant.

According to a worker on the scene,

only nonnative trees (giant reed, tamarisk, and palm) are being removed. The vegetation removal is part of a project by the National Wildlife Refuge to improve and expand habitat for the least Bell's vireo, a bird listed as endangered.

### SAN CARLOS Casey's Place

*By Alan Haynes, February 13*



A town meeting took place Thursday night, February 12, at Casey's

Place in San Carlos. The purpose of the meeting was to publicize the financial plight of Casey's Place, a privately owned, not-for-profit community center located near the corner of Navajo Road and Jackson Drive. The meeting was attended by over 100 people, including San Diego city councilmember Marti Emerald.

The center, a community fixture since 2000, is four months behind on rent, which costs \$10,000 per month. The difference has been made up by donations, often from Kinslow and his wife Jan.

The Kinslows are no longer in a position to finance the operation.

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**Rudolf Makes an Appearance Along Mission Gorge Road**

*By gjensen, July 23*  
 “What’s up with the red noses?” That’s a question I often ask myself while driving the section of Mission Gorge Road between Jackson Drive and West Hills Parkway, the part that runs adjacent to Mission Trails Regional Park. I count four deer crossing signs, two on the north side and two on the south side of Mission Gorge Road. Each sign depicts a leaping deer with a large red dot, à la Rudolf, painted on the tip of their noses. I talk to Cal Trans PR man Ed Cartagena, who reports that the crimson snouts are not the work of Cal Trans. Then, Ed volunteers this: “Cal Trans workers in Northern California report

seeing wild boar crossing signs with red dots painted on the snouts.”

**SAN DIEGO STATE State’s TB Scare**  
*By Cindy Winslow, June 20*



A San Diego State University student who attended classes during the spring 2009 semester has been diagnosed with tuberculosis. The student is considered to have been contagious between March 1 and May 21.

University officials have been working to notify approximately

1000 individuals who were in contact with the student. In email and letter notifications, the university is recommending prompt tuberculosis skin testing.

**SAN MARCOS Bicyclists’ Blessing**  
*By Matt Lewis, March 17*



The two-lane stretch of Buena Creek Road that connects Santa Fe Avenue and Twin Oaks Valley Road will be undergoing extensive construction during the next two weeks. Construction crews con-

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tinue to widen the bike lanes along the narrow and windy passage that connects Vista and San Marcos.

The construction is mainly taking place on the left side of the road when going northbound toward San Marcos. The dirt embankments that roughly mark residents' property lines are being excavated by about a foot in order to allow bikes and pedestrians an easier passage.

**SAN YSIDRO Trolley on the Fritz**

By T.B. Beaudeau, July 7



The Blue Line trolley came to a stop Friday morning, July 3, after an overhead power line broke somewhere between Palm Avenue and H Street, according to a transit police officer. North- and south-

bound passengers were put on MTS transit buses and driven to where trolley service was still available. The Palomar Station was completely without trolley service for the duration, which began at 8 a.m.

The one-hour-plus delay at Palm Avenue was taken in stride by would-be commuters during the five-hour-long ordeal. Repair crews had things running again by one in the afternoon.

**T.J. and More Stuff**

By reakins2000, May 31

I'm in and out of T.J., not many American faces down there anymore. Cabs on Mondays and Tuesdays to downtown are around two bucks now. June 1 is only going to make things worse, people having to get a passport just to go to T.J. If you owe the I.R.S. or even have back child-support payments, student loans, or any kind of legal problems you can scratch it. That pretty much knocked off most of the gamblers that still would rather bet

off-line and have a couple of tacos and a beer or two.

**SANTEE Found: Bombs**

By Grant Madden, March 27



On Monday, March 23, law-enforcement officials at the Santee sheriff's station on Cuyamaca Street were forced to evacuate their building in response to a credible bomb threat.

Shortly after 2 p.m., an unidentified man had entered the station carrying a bag of pipe bombs he said he'd found nearby.

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main thoroughfare, and trolley services to Santee were terminated at nearby Gillespie Field.

### Memorial Day in Santee

*By wannabe, May 26*

It's Memorial Day and there's been a heavy vibe everywhere I went today, and I know it's these wars. I have been worried about this guy I know who is a Vietnam vet. People around town usually ignore the guy because he smokes rolled cigarettes and swings his arms with hubris when telling a story. He's told me about being curled up like a baby under a cot in Vietnam, scared of the sound of distant mortar fire when a Marine told him to "get out from under there; that fire's miles away."

### SCRIPPS RANCH "Rapist! Murderer! Child Molester!"

*By lgoldfarb, March 18*

These were the words screamed at my husband as he helped out a neighbor, Lynette, by hand-watering her front yard. This happened almost every time he spent a few minutes with our neighbor's garden hose. The screamer was Maria, a pleasant, educated, friendly woman when she moved with her husband and young son into a nice house at the end of our Scripps Ranch street. Something happened to Maria's brain, and our neighborhood has never been the same.


One time, while walking with my young grandson around the block, Maria came outside as we passed her house. She shouted at me, "You prostitute. You

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Jewish whore. Hitler should have left you dead!" Stunned, with a frightened grandchild, I tried to explain to him about mental illness and its effects. Later I asked Lynette's husband, "How could Maria know I'm Jewish?" He replied, "She doesn't. It's one of her insults. She calls everyone a Jew."

### Who Cares?

By *dojomo444*, June 30



A couple of weeks back, my wife and I go to one of the local concerts

here in Hoyt Park. People set up their blankets and chairs (sometimes even the night before) to stake their spots. I sat, cuddling with my wife, and enjoyed the last couple songs of the night. At one point I exclaimed, "These guys are f@#\$#@ good!" The woman in front of me turned and glared over her shoulder like I had scooped up a litter of kittens and tossed them into a spinning blender! I leaned forward and apologized to her.

### SERRA MESA New Stoplight Going Up

By *johninsd*, February 19  
What I believe to be the only freeway interchange in San Diego without stoplights is about to lose that dis-



tinction. Crews have been busy for the last several weeks pouring new concrete and installing new poles for the signals at I-805 and Phyllis Place in Serra Mesa. This is apparently part of the so-called "traffic mitigation" scheme the city required from developers of new condo projects in Mission Valley. I guess the idea is to use Serra Mesa as a relief valve for the absurd levels of traffic the new developments will bring to MV.

### SOLANA BEACH

#### Train Travel Shake-Up

By *Steve Horvath*, June 24

An earthquake occurred at 6 p.m. Friday evening, June 19, off the coast of Southern California. The USGS website reported the quake as 4.1 magnitude. Train officials were concerned about possible bluff failures along the train tracks in Del Mar. A train dispatcher of the Metrolink San Diego subdivision directed Coaster train number 661 and Amtrak train number 582 to proceed at restricted speed through the bluff area. Amtrak train 582 incurred a delay of 27 minutes into San Diego.

#### Dug in Deep

By *Mark Jay*, June 4

According to police radio

traffic on Saturday, May 30, at about 2:00 p.m., a man was seen smashing a car window with a shovel in the parking lot of the Vons shopping center on Lomas Santa Fe Drive.

According to witnesses, the perpetrator reached into the car and removed what looked like a rifle, then fled the scene in a red SUV.

#### Amtrak Management Train Wreck

By *William Harper*,  
April 15

The day before Easter, Saturday, April 11, the Solana Beach train station was crowded with people awaiting the northbound Amtrak Pacific Surfliner No. 769. Baseball fans, most of them wearing BoSox T-shirts, were headed for



Anaheim to see the Angels vs. Red Sox game. Other train-ticket holders were seemingly there to entrain for Orange and Los Angeles County holiday gatherings.

The train appeared down the line at 10:02, two minutes ahead of schedule. When it stopped and the doors opened, the conductor appeared on the platform and announced that only those with connections to flights from LAX and passengers headed for parts north of Los Angeles would be

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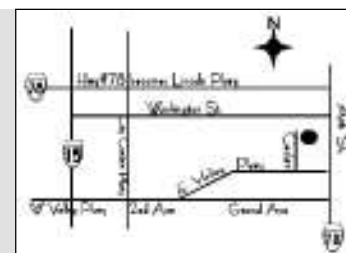
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allowed to board. There was no room on the coaches for anyone else, he declared in frustration.

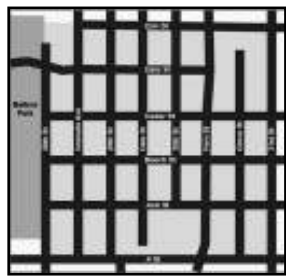
#### SOUTH PARK

##### You Are Here, Or So

By harris, February 17

Often I get confused looks, even from long-time San Diego residents, when they ask where I live. "South Park...heh heh...they killed Kenny!" Ha. "No, really, where is that?"

"Near downtown,



on the other side of the park," I say. Or, "South of North Park."

"Oh, yeah? Huh."

SanDiego.gov is helpful, sort of. Balboa Park to the west and A Street to the south, okay. And a panhandle to the

Southeast, a squiggly line to the east, and somewhere about halfway up the park to the north.

#### Comments

1. I've wondered about a district within the district of South Park: Brooklyn Heights. As in Brooklyn Heights Elementary — which was on Ash Street until Albert Einstein took it over and the new Brooklyn Elementary opened on

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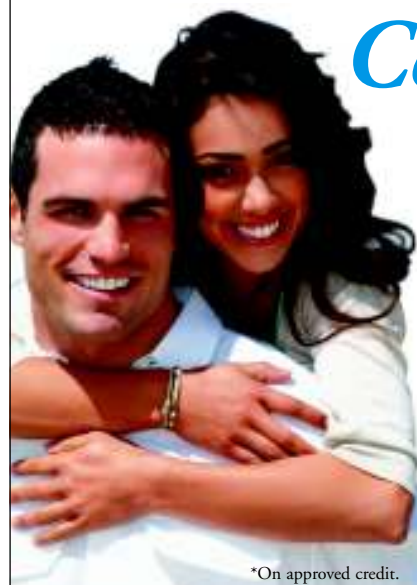
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33rd Street.

I consider the northern boundary of South Park to be Switzer Canyon — but guess that means it also envelops the “district” of Burlingame — and the eastern boundary to be the 15.

*By janeb, Feb 26*

2. Agreed that the canyon is the northern boundary...not sure about the 15.

*By harris, Feb 28*

### SPRING VALLEY

#### Mystery Tower

*By Steve Terry, April 6*

Last week in a Spring Valley business park, a tower nearly 100 feet tall sprang up seemingly overnight. It was not there on Monday, March 30, but the thin skeletal structure was noticed on Tuesday



morning. It dominated the sky in the center of the block bordered by Sweetwater Springs Boulevard, Austin Drive, Calavo Drive, and Jamacha Boulevard, near the main Spring Valley post office.

At about 2:35 p.m. on Tuesday, I approached three men, dressed as though they might be engineers, who were standing in the parking lot outside NSM Surveillance on Via Orange Way. When I asked them what the tower was for, one of them responded with the joke, “We can’t

tell you. We’d have to kill you.”

#### Slasher Apprehended

*By Mark Jay, March 19*

According to a police-radio scanner, at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 18, a 15-year-old male was stabbed on Central Avenue and Troy Street. Sheriff’s deputies arrived and found the victim sitting on the sidewalk. Deputies set up a perimeter and ordered nearby schools into lockdown mode.

The victim stated he was walking down the street when he was approached by two individuals and was stabbed by one of them. According to deputies, both suspects were Hispanic males with shaved heads in their late 20s.

Witnesses directed

police to the suspects, who were at nearby Lamar County Park.

When police approached, the suspects ran through the park and jumped over backyard fences to try and get away.

#### Youth Can Be Exciting

*By cori\_zaragoza, May 31*

It was last Friday, my best friend Paulina, my cousin Cassi, and I were cruising around town in her little gold car that makes a funny noise when you turn it off. After getting some grub at our local T.G.I. Friday’s, we sat in the parking lot of Target for a while, wondering what to do... We drove around for a while longer, with Paulina leading us down more scary stories. We went online to find more scary places in San Diego to explore. Other than the Whaley House, we couldn’t really find any places other than a rumor that there is an old insane asylum somewhere in Spring Valley.

#### TIERRASANTA

##### The Burbs

*By Siobhan, May 19*

We moved to Tierrasanta from the heart of El Cajon.

My kids think Tier-



rasanta is peaceful.

They don’t mean peaceful in a good way. “It’s so quiet here!” they grumble.

People are always running or riding bicycles. They walk their tiny suburban dogs on designer leashes and actually pick up the poop. In El Cajon our townhome drama was over whose kid started the lice epidemic. In Tierrasanta the moms gossip over which parents allow their children to have high-fructose corn syrup.

People around here take their homeowners’ association very seriously. Members walk around town with shiny clipboards and issue citations if your paint is chipping or if you have noticeable clutter around your home.

#### Tierrasanta, Tierrasanta

*By Islandman, May 22*

Boy, it’s quiet here in Tierrasanta! I first moved here back in ’97. You have Mission Trails as your backyard and

the rattlesnakes as your pets. It doesn’t get better than that. I’m always trail-running here in my backyard, and running in them I almost got bit the other day; the snake was curled up and ready to strike.

#### UCSD

##### Dinky Break

*By Nathaniel Uy, July 19*



UC San Diego chancellor Marye Anne Fox announced on July 15 a temporary reduction in parking fees for faculty, staff, and students. Starting August 1, 2009, annual parking fees will be reduced by 5 percent. The reduction will be effective through June 30, 2010. Meter, monthly, and visitor parking fees are expected to remain the same.

#### UNIVERSITY CITY

##### Wherever You Go, There You Are

*By smahin, December 23*  
For some reason University City doesn’t believe in high-wattage street lights, so when I walk the dog at night I feel like

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### Getting Wet

*By skipcarufe, March 30*  
When I closed my front door, crows hopped from the treetops and flapped eastward, most likely going to peck garbage at the Miramar Landfill.

My walk skirted the



Marine Corps Air Station, passed the water treatment plant (I held my nose), and came to an overpass where the cars below looked like migrating salmon. Farther, among the smog shops and truck rentals, tile outlets and tire shops, were weeds and shallow puddles left over from yesterday's rain. A sign on the chain-link fence read "Habitat Restoration. Vernal Pools."

I walked to the green Pontiac station wagon. The quickest route was through Rose Canyon, following the

train tracks to Regents Road. I straddled a guardrail and descended through bushes and weeds to the floor of the canyon. The air was cooler than at street level and smelled like wet wood. I passed the decomposing carcass of a coyote, its pelt dried and torn, white ribs exposed, obviously there for weeks, no doubt the victim of a train.

### UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS

#### The Mystery of the Masonic Effigy

*By jeffblankman, June 29*  
"Cream," as the coffee shop is named, is nestled on a busy corner of this eclectic "uptown" neighborhood populated with ethnic eateries, a school of massage and holistic healing, a small theater, salons catering to every taste and

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### Uh...Porch Studies

By *janetgoes*, February 28  
A recent conversation evolved into pondering the words uh, uh-uh, and uh-huh. We consulted the dictionary. Uh, the sound the voice makes while the brain is busy transforming ideas into words, is also an acronym for University Heights.

UH holds many simple urban pleasures. It’s pedestrian and bicycle friendly. There’s all types of gardens; some thriving and content, carefully tended by humans. Others, having survived neglect, drought, and apathetic tenants, serve as a reference for abuse-tolerant plants. There’s the multitude of textures in xeriscaping and an array of decora-

tive tikis, trolls, and insects. There’s esoteric dead-end canyon streets with intimate neighborhood auras. Endearing architecture of original homes, my favorites being quaint Spanish interior courtyards and Craftsman-style bungalows with big front porches.

### The Grass is Always Greener (MUCH greener in this case)

By *jeffblankman*, June 30  
Don’t get me wrong, there are some wonderful cafés here in San Diego. Mystic Mocha in University Heights comes readily to mind. They make fresh-baked muffins, mesa-esque pancakes, and chilaquiles heralded by Gabriel himself. The coffee is not bad; in



fact, it’s as good as or better than anywhere else I’ve found in San Diego: it’s just not what I now know as “Seattle coffee.”

We do have some great neighborhoods, and some that are very similar to the feel of Seattle. I think if Balboa Park were removed and the Gaslamp District, Petco area, Little Italy, Morena, Hillcrest, Mission Hills, North Park, University Heights, Normal Heights, Kensington, South Park, and Golden Hill, and some

wet, green forest were all sucked in toward the center and piled on top of one another, it would rival the density and feel of Seattle.

### The Adams Avenue Simulator

By *TheUrbanWitch*, January 22  
Yesterday, about 5:30

## Yuppies, artists, misfits, iconoclasts, homosexuals, hipsters, students...

p.m. I was driving up Adams Avenue. It was getting dark.

In the stretch of two short blocks, no less than three people walked in front of my moving vehicle. By the time I got to my destination, I had watched

two cyclists enjoying a side-by-side conversation, a dog break free of its owner, and someone back their body into traffic to balance a cup of coffee on the roof of their car while digging for keys with a cell phone scrunched between their head and neck.

### VALLEY CENTER SDG&E Serves Up a Shut Off

By *oakgirl*, July 18  
Today’s menu special was served up by SDG&E. A taste of SHUT OFF. Originally this was called “de-energization,” but

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everyone stumbled over the pronunciation. So now anyone can simply holler "Shut Off" in the back county and we will all know what's coming down the road — fire prevention by shut-off. Today's special was an eight-hour shut-down of the electric power.

Yikes! Almost the hottest day of the year, and it certainly is dry — dry eyes, dry vegetation, and hot. The only criteria missing is the wind. It will come. There's already been spot fires at Guejito, Palomar Mountain's east grade, and Ramona. But none caused by SDG&E's downed power lines. I can hardly wait, a taste of the future! We packed the car with some bottled water and left about 10:30 a.m., after the power had been off for a couple of hours. There were five SDG&E trucks across the road, and the repair

in question appears to be replacing a wooden utility pole with, wait, could it be? Yes, another wooden utility pole.

### VISTA At Home At Vista Ranch

By LaPlacaRifa48619,  
June 19

The part of Vista I call home is a former motel called Vista Ranch. Located on Escondido Avenue, this 1950s-era motor lodge offers a nice place for a single fellow to come home to. A small laundry, a basketball court surrounded by grass, plenty of parking, and decent rent make Vista Ranch worth having to "hang-a-ueee" on Escondido Avenue to get to.

Escondido Avenue runs from Highway 78 to the south, to Euca-

lyptus Avenue to the north. Across the street from my place is a Vons Grocery, a Yum-Yum Doughnut Shop, a fabric store, a Trendy Indoor Bazaar, and various other shops. The NCTD Breeze's 334/335 route services it on weekdays, while the 302 can be caught on South Santa Fe Avenue. The Sprinter can be accessed at the Escondido Avenue station, which is a 12-minute walk uphill for me.

During the day, the neighborhood is busy. Transients make South Santa Fe Avenue a rest stop, and the Vons lot is a gathering place for undocumented workers.

There have been two murders (in the Vons lot across the way) since I moved in on February 28, 2008.



### Just One of the Gang By paula, April 28

Me, my son Aaron, and daughter Morgan live in a busy yet cozy old neighborhood in Vista. Our house, the big yellow one on the corner, with a big yard and trees, has become a routine stop for neighborhood dog-walkers and their dogs. The

other evening, as we sat outside, a group of five neighbors and their dogs came up the road. There was a new dog in the group, one that was hard to tell what breed it was. As the dogs got closer, this unusual-looking dog may have been just an overweight wiener dog. This dog wasn't a dog, it was a pet pig!

### Going Native

By SuT, February 28

The other day I saw a horned toad under one of the sage bushes in

our yard. It was about four inches long. It looked like a fat lizard with a stubby tail, its body covered with short spiky horns.

When our family first moved to San Diego County in 1958 the land was much different than it is now. California scrub oak spotted the hillsides, their smallish curled leaves adapted to the semi-arid climate. Rust-colored buckwheat matched the parched earth, its tiny white flowers adorning the very tip ends of its prickly stalks. Gray-green sage was referred to as "brush." ■

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# Your Week

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## Thursday | 29

### REMEMBRANCE OF THOSE PAST

The Bonita Museum and Cultural Center showcases family altars that were created in memory of local residents during Día de los Muertos festivities. The museum also hosts workshops in making and decorating sugar skulls and building a shadow-box altar. See **SPECIAL**, page 72.

### THE KIND DIET

Actress and activist Alicia Silverstone visits Warwick's Cooking Club to share "insights that encouraged her to swear off meat and dairy forever."



Tickets include dinner (meat- and dairy-free, of course), wine, book discussion and signing, and a copy of Silverstone's new cookbook. See **FOOD & DRINK**, page 74.

## Friday | 30

### ALTERNATIVE ALTAR SHOW

The Mixed Media Gallery displays nontraditional and "thought-provoking" altars by 13 artists in the spirit of Día de los Muertos. In past years, altars have been created in honor of fallen soldiers in Iraq, to address the plight of children in Uganda, and in memoriam of the artists' loved ones. See **GALLERIES**, page 75.

### HALLOWEEN DOGGIE CAFÉ



There's nothing like a decked-out dog. Bring your friendly, leashed, and (ideally but not necessarily) costumed dog to socialize with other canines at the San Diego Humane Society. Awards given for scariest, cutest, and most original dog costume. See **SPECIAL**, page 72.

## Saturday | 31

### HAUNTED TALES OF THE SHIP

Enjoy "ghostly tales of enormous proportions" and eerie legends during a lantern-led tour around the *Star of India*, and attend a carnival onboard the ship with games, prizes, food, and costume contests for all ages.



See **FOR KIDS**, page 74.

### RENAISSANCE FAIRE

Fear not what others might think of thy garb, good lords and ladies, for on this special night there are others dressed as Wolverine. Expect a full day of battle pageants, crafts, period music, and much more from the Elizabethan era. See **SPECIAL**, page 72.



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## Sunday | 1

### CLEAN OUT YOUR TACK ROOM!

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## Monday | 2

### DODGEBALL TIME!

Create a name for your five-member team, dress up in costumes (last year boasted a team of pirates), and enter the Shaun Phillips second annual dodgeball tournament benefiting the After-School All-Stars. At least one female per team required; awards given for best costume and first-place team. See **SPORTS**, page 79.



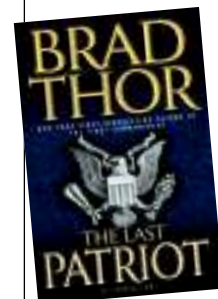
### DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS

All of the skull making and altar adorning over the past month have led to today, the official Day of the Dead. This festival at Mission San Luis Rey promises a display of authentic *ofrendas* (altars) created by artists, students, and Oaxacan and Michoacán families. Music, dancing, food, parade, crafting area, and a "Chalk Cemetery" — in which you can add your own memorial with candles, flowers, and chalk — make this a true celebration for the dearly departed. See **SPECIAL**, page 72.

## Wednesday | 4

### READ, DISCUSS, CHANGE YOUR WORLD

You don't have to be an alumnus to join the UCSD Alumni Book Club, a "forum for discussing political issues ignored by mainstream media." This month, discussion is about Brad Thor's latest political thriller, *The Last Patriot*. See **SPECIAL**, page 72.





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*Taj Mahal*

### Agra, India

By Derek Ray

The Taj Mahal is often regarded as the most beautiful building in the world. So, of course I watched in horror as my digital camera slipped from my grasp and fell to the hard pavement while I was waiting in line to get in. I picked it up quickly, inspecting it for signs of damage. It appeared okay, thank goodness.

A 12-year-old boy who had approached me earlier while I was walking to my hotel advised me to take advantage of the complimentary shoe covers — the marble is slippery, and shoes are not allowed without covers in or near the mosque.

It was early in the morning and the Taj was bathed in mist, adding to its allure. As the mist burned off, I took pictures of the beautiful marble structure from various angles. It looked completely fresh and different to me in a variety of shades of light. When the sunlight emerged, the magnificence of the Taj was clearest. There was a sense of

unreality about being there that I had never experienced before — not when I saw the Grand Canyon or the White House or other iconic places I'd also long anticipated.

I hired a boatman to take me across the Yamuna River while I took shots of the Taj with its reflection on the river. On the other side of the river, I experienced my first camel ride. How many visitors view the Taj from the back of a camel?

### Forestiere Underground Gardens, Fresno

By Jan Austin

If I'd been living in Fresno in the early 1900s, I'd have visited Baldasare Forestiere often, especially in August.

To beat the scorching heat, this



*Niches in the subterranean home*

Sicilan immigrant spent nearly 40 years creating an underground dwelling. Temperatures underground are a refreshing

*continued on page 70*

### Other Adventures



**bookishsue:** London was crowded when we were there in August.



**ageitgey:** The island of Ibiza off the coast of Spain is the party capital of the world.



**chendri887:** Layers of sculptured sediment and mud are known as the Blue Mesas in Petrified Forest National Park, Arizona.





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20 degrees cooler.

On a guided tour, you can follow the pathways that meander through his subterranean home. His network of rooms, patios, courtyards, and niches have skylights made by cutting circular holes for light, ventilation, and rainwater for his plants. A bath alcove is chiseled out of bedrock. A kitchen and two bedrooms are nearby.

Forestiere arrived in the United States in 1901 at the age of 22. During the following 38 years, working alone with a pick, shovel, and wheelbarrow, the 5'4" man who never learned to read or write created this 10,000-square-foot underground abode.

The dwelling lies 20 feet below the surface of the earth at 5021 West Shaw Avenue. Tour prices: adults \$12, teens \$8, children \$7. Days and times can change, so call 559-271-0734 to confirm, or visit their website: [undergroundgardens.com](http://undergroundgardens.com).

## Tokyo, Japan

By Dominic DeGrazier

Tokyo is one of the three world finance "command centers" alongside New York and London. But, unlike the others, Tokyo has a serene feeling of safety along with pristine cleanliness.

With the world's most extensive urban railway network in an area about



Tokyo, Japan

six times the size of Manhattan, there are an intimidating amount of things to do and see in Tokyo. Stroll around Ginza at night to take in the mayhem of lights. Jolt yourself at 4 a.m. with bells and yelling at the world's largest wholesale fish market, Tsukiji. Saunter through the old entertainment district of Asakusa with its temples, but don't miss the modern playland of the Shinjuku area. Club and dance with other foreigners and locals at Roppongi's discos, pubs, and bars (if you're so inclined).

Other things to do: Go karaoke'ing in the Japanese private-room style. Hit up an *onsen* (bath house) to soak in an ancient ritual.

Prices: Tokyo is expensive. Taxi fares start at \$8, and each additional 200 meters is about a dollar. Tall coffee at Starbucks: \$3.75.

Where to stay: Shop around. With the convenient JR Line, location is not so important.

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## OUTDOORS

### Daylight Saving Time Ends

this Sunday morning, November 1, at 2am. With the resumption of standard time, midday (the time when the sun reaches its maximum altitude in the south part of the sky) will again be close to 12 noon on our clocks, rather than 1pm, as before.

**San Diego's Latest Sunrise** this year occurs on Saturday, October 31, at 7:05am, owing to both the steady shortening of the daylight hours, but more importantly due to fact that Daylight Saving Time is in effect until the first Sunday in November. If standard time were observed year-round, then the latest possible sunrise in San Diego (6:52am PST) would take place near January 8.

**Halloween Evening** (Saturday, October 31) will be well illuminated by the light of the moon, just two days short of its full phase. By the time night falls, the moon will gleam brightly from a position high above the east horizon.

**November's Full Moon**, on Monday, the 2nd, rises dramatically in the east at around 4:50pm, only a few minutes before the time

of sunset. Barring the incursion of overnight low clouds across the coastal region, San Diegans can witness the same full moon setting over the Pacific Ocean at sunrise the following morning.

**The Taurid Meteor Shower**, featuring about 10-15 visible events per hour — as seen under clear, dark skies — peaks this year around Wednesday, November 4. Best times for viewing are approximately 10pm to 3am. Individual meteors belonging to this shower are relatively slow-moving (they're caused by particles burning up when colliding with the Earth's atmosphere at a mere 18 miles per second). All Taurids seem to radiate from a fixed point in the direction of the constellation of Taurus, hence their name.

**"Feathered Friends of Mission Trails"** Learn "five simple techniques" for identifying birds and how to use field guides (bring one if you have one) during Birding Basics class. 619-668-3281. Saturday, October 31, 1pm; free. Mission Trails Regional Park, One Father Junipero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

**"Monster March" through the Marshes!** San Diego Audubon Society and UC Natural Reserve System call for volunteers to patrol Mission Bay Marshes for invasive

mangrove plants, trash. Group is working to restore rare coastal salt marshes to benefit endangered light-footed clapper rail and Belding's savannah sparrow. Wear long pants, old clothes, sturdy waterproof shoes. Water, snacks, gloves, tools provided. RSVP: 858-273-7800 x101. Saturday, October 31, noon; free. Kendall Frost research trailer, Pacific Beach Drive at Crown Point Drive. (PACIFIC BEACH)

**"Sunset and Moonrise on Stanley Peak"** Naturalist Rita Ospelt leads brisk 6.7-mile hike up Stanley Peak to see sun set and full moon rise. Hikers continue on Sage trail, up East Ridge, follow Creek Crossing back to parking lot. Expect "some steep up- and downhill sections." Not suitable for children. Bring a flashlight if you wish. 760-839-4680. Monday, November 2, 3:50pm; free. Daley Ranch — La Honda trailhead, 3024 La Honda Drive. (ESCONDIDO)

**A Sting and a Prayer** Take a trail guide-led hike to learn about survival skills of our native plants, animals, insects, birds. How did Native Americans thrive in chaparral? 619-668-3281. Saturday, October 31, 9:30am; Sunday, November 1, 9:30am; Wednesday, November 4, 9:30am; free. Mission Trails Re-

# ROAM-O-RAMA

A Guide to Unexpected San Diego and Beyond | by Jerry Schad

## SOMBRERO PEAK

Scale Anza-Borrego's Sombrero Peak, step by step, boulder by boulder.

Distance from downtown San Diego: 105 miles

Hiking length: 3 miles round-trip • Difficulty: Strenuous



En route to Sombrero Peak

**S**ombrero Peak rises head and shoulders above the southern precincts of the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, its summit overlooking a hundred-square-mile expanse of rock-strewn mountains and gorges, sun-baked valleys, and shimmering badlands. Conversely, the peak itself is a prominent and familiar landmark — having a sombrero profile — that is widely visible from the desert floor below.

Climbing Sombrero Peak is a feat attempted by relatively few people, but not because of its height (4229 feet above sea level), which is quite modest. Rather, the peak is remote from paved roads, and its boulder-guarded flanks discourage those who are not willing to put up with either a long march to its base (from the west) or a shorter but sweaty eastern approach up from the desert floor. Sketched here is the shorter eastern ascent — only one-and-a-half miles one way, but with 1900 feet of elevation gain. The three round-trip miles might require three hours at athletic-event speed, or it might take up to six hours at a dilly-dally pace. Don't skimp on drinking water. Desert temperatures are cooling in late October, but they can still top 85 degrees.

On Highway S-2, the main

road through the south half of Anza-Borrego, note the green mile-marker signs posted at one-mile intervals. When you reach mile 46.1, just south of mile 46, turn west onto a dirt road (suitable for high clearance vehicles) and drive toward and finally through steep-walled Indian Gorge. After 2.7 miles the road splits, with branches going into the north and south forks of gently sloping Indian Valley. Keep left at the junction and drive into the south fork about three more miles to the road's end near the mouth of a canyon dotted with a few native palm trees.

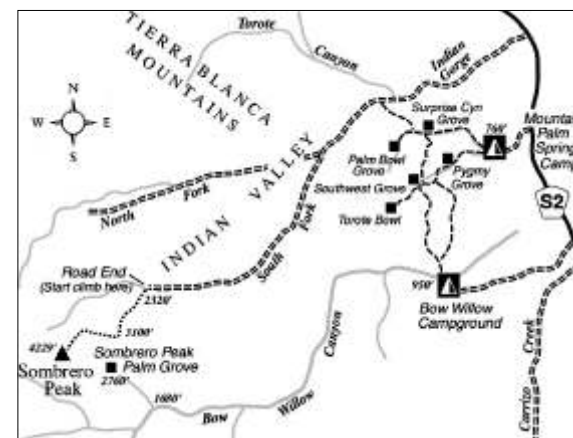
From the road's end, climb straight up the ridge to the south

until you reach a flat spot at an elevation of 3100 feet. (As a side trip, if you're game, you could traverse over to Sombrero Peak Palm Grove, a dense cluster of palm trees perched on a rocky slope high above the big canyon to the south — Bow Willow Canyon.) Continue west, then southwest up the ridgeline to Sombrero's boulder-studded summit, scrambling over modest-sized rocks at first, then over car-sized or larger boulders near the top.

On the summit, the best view is east, where Bow Willow Canyon and its tributaries yawn open in the blazing sun.

On your way up, carefully note your route so you can follow that same route back down. Don't descend the peak on a route too far to the south, lest you run into a nearly impenetrable maze of house-sized boulders and scratchy thickets of scrub oak.

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 be properly equipped and have safety and navigational skills. The Reader and Jerry Schad assume no responsibility for any adverse experience.



gional Park, One Father Junipero Serra Trail. (SAN CARLOS)

**Basic Birding** Tom Troy leads basic birding program with emphasis on identifying birds by sight and sound and using binoculars, spotting scopes, field guides. Directions: 760-967-6915. Saturday, October 31, 8:30am; free. Buena Vista Audubon Society Nature Center, 2202 S. Coast Hwy. (CARLSBAD)

**California Native Plant Society Walk** Bring binoculars and drinking water. 858-581-9944. Sunday, November 1, 9am; free.

Teacolote Nature Center, 5180 Teacolote Road. (CLAIREMONT)

**Discover Magnificent Beauty!** Nature walks led by trained naturalist. "Marvel at the reawakening vegetation throughout the reserve and be enchanted by fabulous flowers along the trails." 760-436-3944. Saturdays, 10am; free. San Elijo Lagoon Ecological Reserve, 2710 Manchester Avenue. (CARDIFF)

**Tour del Dia** Offshoot Tours offers an hour-long guided stroll highlighting the Park Palisades area of Balboa Park. 619-235-1122. Saturday, October 31, 10am; free.

Balboa Park Visitors' Center, 1549 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

## SPECIAL

**"A Taste of Spain in America"** Foundation for the Pure Spanish Horse hosts the PRE (Pura Raza Española) National Celebration Horse Show. Highlight of show is "Theatre of the Spanish Horse" on October 30 (7:30pm), following "Pure Spanish Stallion Showcase," a parade of the glorious "peacocks of the breed" (7pm). Admission to



day events is free; Friday night, tickets are \$10-\$15 general (7pm). Reservations: 505-294-0800. Thursday, October 29, 8am; Friday, October 30, 8am; Saturday, October 31, 8am; Sunday, November 1, 8am; free-\$15. Del Mar Horsepark, 14550 El Camino Real. (DEL MAR)

**"Alimento para el Alma"** Ruby Lang returns to display her seventh annual *ofrenda* (altar) in commemoration of Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead). This year's piece offers "Food for the Soul," reminding "us that as we nourish our bodies so must we nourish our souls through tradition, memorials, customs, and celebration." 858-794-9016. Thursday, 10am; Friday, 10am; Saturday, 10am; Sunday, 11am; Monday, 10am; through Monday, November 2, free. SoLo, 309 South Cedros Avenue. (SOLANA BEACH)

**"Bats in Your Belfry"** Event promises trick or treat and Halloween games (5pm), bat lecture by Cindy Myers of Bat Rescue (6:30pm). Free for members, \$5 per nonmember family. 619-804-1969. Saturday, October 31, 5pm. Agua Hedionda Lagoon Discovery Center, 1580 Cannon Road. (CARLSBAD)

**"Come as You Were in a Past Life"** Psychic fair and metaphysical conference promises costume contest at 5:30pm both days. Also: lectures, tarot, palmistry, numerology, other psychic arts featured. Admission is free; \$20 per reading. 619-298-3422. Saturday, October 31, noon; Sunday, November 1, noon; free. Alexandra's Bookstore, 3545 Midway Dr., Suite G. (MIDWAY DISTRICT)

**"Culture and Cocktails"** Explore "American Artists from the Russian Empire" exhibition while DJ spins, "exotic beverages flow." 619-232-7931. Thursday, October 29, 6pm; free-\$15. 21 and up. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Living Under the Trees"** Exhibition of photographs of indigenous Mexican farmworkers in California by journalist, documentary photographer David Bacon opens with presentation, followed by reception. Exhibit documents "consequences of economic dislocation from Mexico and the challenges these dislocated communities face in California." Reservations: 858-453-5560. Thursday, October 29, 6:30pm; free. Institute of the Americas, UCSD, 10111 North Torrey Pines Road. (LA JOLLA)

**"Muerte de Todos Ofrenda de Participación (Death Comes to Everyone: A Participatory Offering)"** Eloy Tarcisio's 15th annual Día de los Muertos installation opens with community reception; participate by bringing objects (such as photographs, mementos, flowers) in memory of loved ones. Reception includes live music, entertainment, crafts, traditional Mexican treats. 760-839-4120. Sunday, November 1, 6pm; free. California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 North Escondido Boulevard. (ESCONDIDO)

**"Room for One More"** Monster Manor returns, with visits to the Ghostleys' haunted family

home in their Victorian mansion during the night haunts (for those 13 and older). Manor transforms for "lite frite," aimed at young children and families (October 31, noon-4pm; \$5). 858-222-4815. Thursday, October 29, 7pm; Friday, October 30, 7pm; Saturday, October 31, noon and 7pm; \$5-\$12. Target center, 8235 Mira Mesa Boulevard. (MIRA MESA)

**"Spiral Galaxies"** Local astronomer offers "The Sky Tonight"

planetarium show. View real sky through telescopes after show (weather permitting) with San Diego Astronomy Association. 619-238-1233. Wednesday, November 4, 7pm; \$9-\$10. Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, 1875 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**"The Faces of Chronic Fatigue Syndrome"** National traveling photo exhibit features portraits and stories of chronic fatigue syndrome patients, family members,

health-care professionals shot by photographer George Lange. 704-365-2343. Thursday, October 29, 10am; Friday, October 30, 10am; Saturday, October 31, noon; Sunday, November 1, noon; free. Westfield North County Shopping Centre, 272 East Via Rancho Parkway. (ESCONDIDO)

**54th Massing of the Colors** Military Order of the World Wars hosts "Service of Remembrance" honoring those who have served

or are serving our country. Organizers expect 60 color-guard units representing military, high school, college, fraternal, patriotic, police, fire, scouting organizations. 760-494-0709. Saturday, October 31, 10:30am; free. Spreckels Organ Pavilion, 2211 Pan American Road. (BALBOA PARK)

**Bookish on Hispanic Heritage Month** Book discussion series continues with *The Hammon* and *the Beans and Other Stories* by

Américo Paredes. San Diego City College English professor Virginia Escalante leads discussion. Book "documents the history of the Mexican-American literary experience in the United States." 619-236-5817. Wednesday, November 4, 6:30pm; free. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

**Books Sale** Used book sale with half-off prices. 619-466-5270. Saturday, October 31, 10am; free.

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Lemon Grove Library, 8073 Broadway. (LEMON GROVE)

**Carlsbad Village Faire** Organizers promise over 850 unique vendors offering arts and crafts, antiques, unique clothing, items from around world, more, along the streets surrounding Carlsbad Village Drive and State Street. 760-945-9288. Sunday, November 1, 8am and 8pm; free. (CARLSBAD)

**Celebrate the Departed** Dias de los Muertos personalized celebration altar making offered. Materials, instruction provided "to help you create an altar in celebra-

tion of your departed loved ones." Participants use small shadow box altar to learn to prepare, set up a traditional altar for Days of the Dead. Reservations: 619-282-8708. Saturday, October 31, 2pm; \$20. Back from Tomboctou, 3564 Adams Avenue. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Check-In Time at Haunted Hotel** Experience all kinds of scares in this hostelry. 619-696-SCARE. Thursdays, 7pm; Fridays, 6pm; Saturdays, 6pm; through Saturday, October 31, \$14-\$24. 10 and up. Haunted Hotel, 424 Market Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**ChemExpo 2009** National Chemistry Week celebrations include exhibits by local organizations, chemistry demonstrations, hands-on activities for all. 858-587-8283. Sunday, November 1, 11am; free. Casa del Prado, El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**Clean Out Your Tack Room!** El Capitan Equestrian Center tack sale promises horses for sale and lease, boarding options, lesson packages, pony-party deals, lots of tack. Barbecue lunch for sale. Sellers: \$10. 619-443-1939. Sunday, November 1, 9am; free. El Capitan Equestrian Center, 12307 Willow Road. (LAKESIDE)

**Concentration, Visualization, Meditation** Learn techniques for stress reduction, relaxation during free meditation classes, as well as advanced breathing tech-

niques 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)

**Day of the Dead Festivities** Celebration features live performances commemorating loved ones who have passed. Folklorico dancing, Día de los Muertos altars on display in stores. 619-297-3100 x22. Sunday, November 1, 11am; free. Fiesta de Reyes, Juan Street at Calhoun Street. (OLD TOWN)

**Día de los Muertos** Day of the Dead festival promising display of authentic *ofrendas* (altars) created by artists, students, Oaxacan and Michoacan families as memorials. Enjoy music, dancing, variety of foods, retail mercado, a parade, crafting area, more. Patrons invited to create *ofrendas* at "Chalk Cemetery" with candles, flowers, chalk. Parking: \$5. 760-757-3651 x164. Sunday, November 1, 10am; free. Mission San Luis Rey, 4070 Mission Avenue. (OCEANSIDE)

**Ghost Tours!** Meet "real ghosts" and hear their "scary and tragic stories" during jaunts led by a "clueless ghost hunter" who misses "seeing the ghosts our visitors always see." 619-220-5422. Friday, 6:30pm and 7pm; Saturday, 6:30pm and 7pm; through Saturday, October 31, \$5-\$10. Old Town State Historic Park, 4002 Wallace Street. (OLD TOWN)

**Halloween Burlesque Carnival** Burlesque performers from New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles, and "local favorites" present "dancing and debauchery." Vote for your favorite costume in the crowd (\$300 prize for winner). Doors open at 8pm, show at 10pm. Admission: \$15 in costume, \$20 otherwise. 707-599-7104. Saturday, October 31, 8pm; 21 and up. Ruby Room, 1271 University Avenue. (HILLCREST)

**Halloween Doggie Café** Take your friendly, on-leash, costumed dog (costume optional) to socialize with other canines. Trainers offer training tips on keeping dogs calm, civilized around distractions. Costume contest with prizes for scariest, cutest, and most original dog costumes. Pictures on offer (\$5). Donation: \$10. Reservations: 619-299-7012 x2230. Friday, October 30, 6pm. San Diego Humane Society and SPCA, 5500 Gaines Street. (LINDA VISTA)

**Halloween "Pawrty"** Party and pet food and toy drive. Psychic readings for pets and people by Sindi Somers (pets need not be present), 11am-2pm, \$1 per minute. Items collected will be donated to San Diego Animal Support Foundation. 619-463-1134. Saturday, October 31, 9am; free. Paw Country, 5652 Lake Murray Boulevard. (LA MESA)

**Health and Wellness Expo** Enjoy how-to classes, mini-lectures,

workshops, raw/healthy food demonstrations, organic and natural beauty exhibitions, physical health demonstrations, and more than 50 vendors. 619-295-8232. Thursday, October 29, 3pm; free. Pala Mesa Resort, 2001 Old Highway 395. (FALLBROOK)

**RB Fall Festival at 45 Ranch** Live entertainment, "kiddieland," arts and crafts booths, international cuisine, more. 858-487-1767. Sunday, November 1, 10am; free. RB Fall Festival, Camino del Norte at Dove Canyon Road. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

**Read, Discuss, Change Your World** You don't have to be an alumnus to join UCSD Alumni Book Club, a "forum for discussing political issues ignored by mainstream media." This month discuss Brad Thor's *The Last Patriot*. "Books are selected from the federal government's book list." 858-534-7323. Wednesday, November 4, 6pm; free. Porter's Pub at UCSD, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**Remembrance of Those Past** View exhibit of family altars created in remembrance of local residents, museum volunteers during Día de los Muertos festivities. Museum hosts sugar skull making, decorating workshop (10-11:30am, \$17) and shadow box altar workshop (12:30-2:30pm; \$25) on October 29. Workshop reservations: 619-267-5141. Thursday, October 29, 10am; Friday, October 30, 10am; Saturday, October 31, 10am; free-\$25. Bonita Museum and Cultural Center, 4355 Bonita Road. (BONITA)

**Renaissance Faire** Queen Elizabeth I and her royal court and Renaissance re-enactors gather for days full of entertainment, period music, battle pageants, arts and crafts, games. Elizabethan-period costumes encouraged. Weekend passes available. 805-496-6036. Saturday, October 31, 10am; Sunday, November 1, 10am; \$8-\$16. Felicita Park, 742 Clarence Lane. (ESCONDIDO)

**Rooftop Yoga** Yoga One leads vinyasa flow mixed-level classes for

hotel guests (free) and public (\$15 per class). 619-544-0164. Thursdays, 5:30pm; Fridays, 9am; Sundays, 5:30pm; Mondays, 9am; Tuesdays, 5:30pm; Wednesdays, 9am; free-\$15. Porto Vista Hotel & Suites, 1835 Columbia Street. (LITTLE ITALY)

**Sweet Skulls!** Maryann Luera and Ana Ibarra lead class, promising brief Day of the Dead history, symbolism of sugar skulls, and their use in altars. Learn basics of crafting and decorating sugar skulls; each student leaves with completed sugar skull. Required reservations: 619-280-8408. Thursday, October 29, 6pm; Saturday, October 31, 2pm; \$20. Vintage Religion, 3821 32nd Street. (NORTH PARK)

**Sweets for the Dead** Learn to make sugar skulls and decorate a skull (provided in class) during workshop covering this traditional Day of the Dead activity. Registration: 619-282-8708. Saturday, October 31, 11am; \$15. 8 and up. Back from Tomboctou, 3564 Adams Avenue. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Take the Haunted Trail** This "all-outdoor haunted attraction," follows mile-long trail through twisted grove of pines and gnarled oaks. 619-696-SCARE. Thursday, 7pm; Friday, 7pm; Saturday, 7pm; through Saturday, October 31, \$14-\$24. 10 and up. Marston Point, Laurel Street at Sixth Avenue. (BALBOA PARK)

**Tall Ship Time** The *Lynx* privateer sails into Oceanside Harbor, with grand arrival set for 2pm on November 1, followed by dockside tours (3-5pm). Dockside tours offered November 7 and 8 (10am-1pm). Tall Ship Festival battle sailing on November 7 and 8 (2-5pm). Tours: donation. Sailing: \$35-\$65. Sailing reservations: 866-446-5969. Sunday, November 1, 10am. Oceanside Harbor, 1540 Harbor Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

**The Cambrian Explosion...** Why did it occur? Gain understanding with P&R Discussion Group. 619-370-1027. Thursday, October 29, 7pm; free. Filter, 4096 30th Street. (NORTH PARK)

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**The Ghosts of Copperwood!** Uncle Jeepers and his family of miscreants have relocated to a "new haunted location" for "House of Horrors." Cross an eerie bottomless pit, crawl through blood-stained tunnels, visit a laboratory, more. 760-929-0662. Saturday, October 31, 7pm; free. 7 and up. Carlsbad House of Horrors, 3384 Corte Panorama. (CARLSBAD)

**Time to Scream!** Del Mar "Scaregrounds" hosts annual Scream Zone, boasting "House of Horror" with rooms filled with "terrifying scenes and scares," haunted hayride through haunted barns on racetrack, and "the Chamber," promising "the largest spinning tunnel in San Diego." Call to confirm hours, open dates: 858-755-1161 x2855. Thursday, 7pm; Friday, 7pm; Saturday, 7pm; through Saturday, October 31, \$14-\$27. Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. (DEL MAR)

## CLASSICAL MUSIC

**"(E)Merging Voices"** La Jolla Symphony and Chorus opens season with "Romanian Folk Dances" and the "Miraculous Mandarin Suite" by Béla Bartók, Osvaldo Golijov's "Three Songs for Soprano and Orchestra," and Beethoven's "Symphony No. 7." Soprano Susan Narucki helps on Golijov piece. 858-534-4637. Sat-

urday, October 31, 8pm; Sunday, November 1, 3pm; \$26-\$29. Mandeville Auditorium at UCSD, 9500 Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**"Fresh Piano: New Keyboard Music from Southern California"** Palomar College's artist-in-residence Peter Gach performs compositions from Madelyn Byrne, Roger Przytulski, William Bradbury, Ellen Weller, Norm Weston. 760-744-1150 x2453. Sunday, November 1, 2pm; \$8-\$12. California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 North Escondido Boulevard. (ESCONDIDO)

**"Guitar Unlimited"** UCSD guitarist Pablo Gomez performs works by Murail, Brouwer, Donatoni, Rivas, Lopez-Lopez, Romero, Sosa. 858-534-3229. Thursday, October 29, 8pm; free. Conrad Prebys Music Center at UCSD, Russell Lane at Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**"Old Masters of Music and Art"** Sacra/Profana performs for series. Included in museum admission (free-\$12). 619-232-7931. Sunday, November 1, 2pm. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Requiem Mass in D Minor"** San Diego Master Chorale joins San Diego Symphony to Mozart's work, along with Wagner's "Prelude to Act 3 of *Lohengrin*," and the "Violin Concerto No. 2" by Bruch for Jacobs' Masterworks concert series. Reservations: 619-235-0804. Friday, October 30, 8pm and 8pm; Saturday, October 31, 8pm and 8pm; Sunday, November 1, 2pm and

2pm; \$20-\$93. Copley Symphony Hall, 750 B Street. (DOWNTOWN)

**"The Italian Sojourn: Handel in Rome"** Bach Collegium San Diego traces Handel's early formative years in Rome with concert boasting Handel's "Dixit Dominus," as well as instrumental music by Corelli, Albinoni, others. 619-840-7353. Sunday, November 1, 7pm; \$15-\$35. Saint James-by-the-Sea Episcopal Church, 743 Prospect Street. (LA JOLLA)

**Grossmont Symphony Orchestra** Concert with pianist Tatiana Roitman-Mann promises music by R. Strauss, Beethoven, and Respighi. 619-461-2681. Saturday, October 31, 1pm; free. Saint Gregory the Great Catholic Church, 11451 Blue Cypress Drive. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

**Music in Sacred Places** Grossmont Symphony Orchestra performs "Festival Procession" by Strauss, Beethoven's "Piano Concerto No. 4 in G Major," and Respighi's "Church Windows," a work with themes based on Gregorian chants. Offering. 619-644-7254. Saturday, October 31, 1pm; Saint Gregory the Great Catholic Church, 11451 Blue Cypress Drive. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

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## LOCAL EVENTS

5567. Monday, November 2, 7pm; Wednesday, November 4, 7pm; free. Dance Place San Diego in NTC Promenade, 2650 Truxtun Rd., Suite 108. (POINT LOMA)

**Cajun and Zydeco Dancing** Zydeco lesson and dance. Beginners' dance lessons at 7pm; open dancing to recorded tunes 8pm. 619-857-8409. Tuesdays, 7pm; \$5. Tio Leo's, 5302 Napa Street. (LINDA VISTA)

**Contras in Costumes!** Costumes are optional when Martha Wild takes on calling duties, Pick of the Lizard makes music for contra dance hosted by San Diego Folk Heritage. Beginners' dance workshop 7:30pm; dances taught and called to live music 8-11pm. Wear soft-soled shoes. 619-283-8550. Friday, October 30, 7:30pm; \$7. Trinity United Methodist Church, 3030 Thorn Street. (NORTH PARK)

**Dance Like No One Is Watching** DanceJam hosts "barefoot boogies" every Friday. Contact improvisation classes on second and fourth Friday (8-9pm); improvisational jams with live music and dancers on first and third Fridays. DJs spin dance mixes 9-midnight. Fee: \$10 for class/jam and barefoot boogie; \$5 for barefoot boogie before 9:30pm, \$7 for after 9:30pm. 760-758-8270. Fridays, 8pm; Eveoke Dance Theatre, 2811 University Ave., Suite A. (NORTH PARK)

**Dancing, Costumes, Fun!** Halloween dance party with music for salsa, cha-cha, swing, funk dancing. "Bring your favorite song." Contests: best costume, dance. Tickets: \$7, for class (7pm) and party (8-10pm). 858-729-0910. Friday, October 30, 7pm; free-\$7. A Time to Dance Studio — La Jolla, 565 Pearl Street. (LA JOLLA)

**Halloween Costume Dance Party** Wear your costume for a chance to win. Merengue dance class (7:30pm) followed by party (8:30pm). Refreshments, snacks, fun included. All ages. 858-451-3775. Thursday, October 29, 7:30pm; \$7-\$15. Dance Motions, 12120 Alta Carmel Court, Suite 410D. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

**Halloween Swing Dance Party** Mini-classes, prizes, Jack and Jill contest, live music by Band Diego. Costumes welcome. Tickets: \$15 per person, \$20 per couple. 858-679-8277. Friday, October 30, 7pm; \$15-\$20. Academy of World Dance 'n' Arts, 12621-A Poway Road. (POWAY)

**Spaghetteria Salsa Night** Dancing with Manny Cepeda's live dance jams, and salsa, merengue, timba, bachata, more. Salsa lesson by Vidal Cordova of Salsa Casino and Rueda San Diego (8pm). Music continues for dancing until midnight. No cover. 352-359-2733 or 619-398-2974. Friday, October 30, 8pm; free. Little Italy Spaghetteria, 1953 India Street. (LITTLE ITALY)

**Swingin' Ghosts' and Goblins' Halloween Dance Party** Expect

cake, candy, costume contests. DJ, host Jane Hance plays club mix and requests. "Night Fever line dance" lesson, 8-8:30pm. First time free. 619-275-3533. Saturday, October 31, 8pm; free-\$7. Pattie Wells' Dancetime Center, 1255 West Morena Boulevard. (BAY PARK)

## FILM

**Baby, It's Cold Outside** See this independent romantic comedy during screening. Local filmmaker Pam E. Ross answers questions after film. 760-753-7376. Tuesday, November 3, 5:45pm; free. Encinitas Library, 540 Cornish Drive. (ENCINITAS)

**Between the Folds** Preview screening of Vanessa Gould's film chronicling several people whose lives have been transformed by paper folding. Representatives from Greater San Diego Origami Group conduct paper-folding demonstrations before screening, answer questions after film. 619-236-5821. Monday, November 2, 6:30pm; free. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

**Jonestown: The Life and Death of People's Temple** Film provides revealing portrait of People's Temple founder Jim Jones, his followers, the tragedy in Guyana, told by Jonestown survivors, former People's Temple members, relatives of those who died. SDSU religious studies professor Rebecca Moore introduces

film. 619-236-5821. Wednesday, November 4, 6:30pm; free. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

**Ma vie en l'air** Enjoy Rémi Bezançon's 2005 comedy with Vincent Elbaz, Marion Cotillard, Gilles Lellouche when Cine Club of Alliance Française convenes. In French with English subtitles. Donation. 858-550-0144. Friday, October 30, 7pm. Alliance Française de San Diego, 6640 Lusk Boulevard Suite 104. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

**Halloween "Sapstravaganza"!** Saps at Sea Tent of Laurel and Hardy fans gather for "live" Laurel & Hardy skit "Laurel and Hardy Meet Frankenstein," screenings of *Oliver the Eighth*, *The Live Ghost*, a spooky short flick. Wear a costume! Donation: \$6. 619-417-9032. Saturday, October 31, 6:30pm. Trinity Presbyterian Church, 3902 Kenwood Drive. (SPRING VALLEY)

**Is Health a Human Right?** International Museum of Human Rights hosts screening of *Sick Around America*, followed by discussion. 619-223-8074. Sunday, November 1, 2pm; free. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Three Short "BorDocs"** Three short media projects from local border region screened as part of BorDocs Foro Documental (BorDocs Documentary Forum). BorDocs promotes documentary video as "tool for storytelling, addressing social issues, and conveying reflex-

ive and personal discourse." 619-236-5821. Sunday, November 1, 2pm; free. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street. (EAST VILLAGE)

**Una notte blu cobalto** San Diego Italian Film Festival convenes for *Cobalt Blue Night* on October 31. Next up: *Uno su due (One Out of Two)* on November 1. *Basta un niente (Before You Know It)* showcased on November 2. *Se fossi in te (If I Were You)* slated for November 3. Week wraps up with *Apena* on November 4. 619-238-7559. Saturday, October 31, 7pm; Sunday, November 1, 7pm; Monday, November 2, 7pm; Tuesday, November 3, 7pm; Wednesday, November 4, 7pm; free. Museum of Photographic Arts, 1649 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

## FOOD & DRINK

**The Kind Diet** Warwick's Cooking Club convenes for evening with actress/activist/conservationist Alicia Silverstone, sharing "insights that encouraged her to swear off meat and dairy forever." Tickets include dinner (appetizer, entree, dessert), wine, book discussion and signing, copy of Silverstone's new cookbook. Reservations: 858-454-0347. Thursday, October 29, 6pm; \$70-\$85. Isabel's Cantina, 966 Felspar Street. (PACIFIC BEACH)

**Taste of Little Italy** Purchase a "passport" (ticket) to be stamped by participating restaurants in exchange for tastes of featured menu items for visitors strolling through neighborhood. Participating restaurants include Anthology, Buon Appetito, Caffe Italia, Filippi's Pizza Grotto, Illume Bistro, Indigo Grill, Waterfront Grille, Mimmo's Italian Village, Pappalecco, Petrini's, Zagarella, others. 619-615-1092. Wednesday, November 4, 5pm; \$35-\$40. Little Italy. (LITTLE ITALY)

**What's Cooking?** Culinary arts students host five-course dinners in Culinary Arts patio dining area near student center. Dinners include appetizer, intermezzo, entrée, dessert, coffee service; vegetarian meals available. Dinners are fundraisers for students to compete in state and national culinary competitions, as well kitchen maintenance, equipment, supplies. Reservations: 619-644-7550 or 619-644-7549. Thursdays; through Thursday, November 5, \$15. Grossmont College, 8800 Grossmont College Drive. (EL CAJON)

## FOR KIDS

**"Halloween 'Spook-tacular' Family Day"** Expect hands-on activities, music, performances, special programs. Fifteen museums open their doors free to children as part of parkwide festivities; kids 17 and under admitted free with paid adult admission. 619-239-0512. Saturday, October 31, 10:30am. Balboa Park, Park Boulevard at Presidents Way. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Spooktacular Hat Family Day"** Create unique hat using historic photographs of vintage hats for inspiration during Balboa Park-wide Halloween celebration. 619-232-6203. Saturday, October 31, 11am; free. Museum of San Diego History, 1649 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**Peter and the Sword of Mercy** Bestselling authors Ridley Pearson and Dave Barry visit shop to discuss, sign their new book. 858-454-0347. Monday, November 2, 5pm; free. Warwick's Bookstore, 7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**The Polka Dot Ghost** Witches, dragons, ghosts take stage with Big Joe Productions performances. 619-544-9203. Thursday, October 29, 10am and 11:30am; Friday, October 30, 10am and 11:30am; Saturday, October 31, 11am, 1pm and 2:30pm; Sunday, November 1, 11am, 1pm and 2:30pm; \$3-\$5. Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theatre, 2130 Pan American Road West. (BALBOA PARK)

**Elves and the Shoemaker** Millie Patterson's Weaver's Tales present story of two elves who sneak into a shoemaker's shop to help make shoes. 619-544-9203. Wednesday, November 4, 10am and 11:30am; free-\$5. Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theatre, 2130 Pan American Road West. (BALBOA PARK)

**Creepy Crawly Critters** Just in time for Halloween, Darwin brings "some of his creepiest bug friends" to visit kids and their families. 858-573-5007. Thursday, October 29, 10:30am; free. Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton Parkway. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Haunted Library!** Second annual haunted library bash promises a magician, carnival games, face painting, costume contest, and a "haunted cemetery." 619-463-9810. Friday, October 30, 3:30pm; free. Lemon Grove Library, 8073 Broadway. (LEMON GROVE)

**Haunted Tales of the Ship** Enjoy "ghostly tales of enormous proportions" and eerie legends during lantern-led tours around the *Star of India*, October 30 and 31 (5-8pm). Tickets: \$8-\$14.

Carnival onboard *Star* with games, prizes, food, costume contests, for parents and kids of all ages (October 31). Admission is \$8-\$14; pay additional \$5 for carnival activities. 619-234-9153 x101. Friday, October 30, 5pm; Saturday, October 31, 11am and 5pm; \$8-\$14. San Diego Maritime Museum, 1306 North Harbor Drive. (DOWNTOWN)

**More?** The plucky orphan Oliver meets up with Fagin, the Artful Dodger, and Bill Sykes in *Oliver!* This musical based on *Oliver Twist* by Charles Dickens is season opener for San Diego Junior Theatre. Reservations: 619-239-8355. Fridays, 7pm; Saturdays, 2pm; Sundays, 2pm; through Sunday, November 8, \$8-\$14. 8 and up. Casa del Prado Theatre, 1650 El Prado, Suite 208. (BALBOA PARK)

**Papier-Mâché Calaveras** In celebration of Day of the Dead, artist Daniel F. Martinez leads hands-on paper-mâché *calaveras* (skeletons) art workshop for family day pro-

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**Put on Your Costume!** Children (2-6) invited to wear their favorite costume and join parade around garden during Halloween party. Expect Halloween crafts, plant potting, trick-or-treat hunt, small snack. Regular admission fees for accompanying adult. Required advance registration: 760-436-3036 x222. Saturday, October 31, 9:30am and 11:15am; \$12-\$17. 2 and up. San Diego Botanic Garden, 230 Quail Gardens Drive. (ENCINITAS)

## GALLERIES

**"Alternative Altar Show"** Opening reception for exhibition "in the spirit of Día de los Muertos," featuring nontraditional altars by 13 artists. Through Friday, November 20. 619-527-2508. Friday, October 30, 6:30pm; free. Mixed Media Gallery, 4576 Federal Boulevard. (CHOLLAS VIEW)

**"Art Wow"** Gallery celebrated one-year anniversary "by luring 11 artists out of their studios to create art on site"; creation process was filmed. Video of these artists creating their works played during opening reception. See work by

Eric Wixon, Daniel Thedell, Chris Vannoy, Anna Stump, Anna Zappoli Jenkins, Dan Adams, Kim Maria Cruz, Maura McHugh, Joseph Paul Mueller through November. 619-534-8120. Friday, October 30, 5pm; free. Edgewise Gallery, 4186 Adams Avenue. (KENSINGTON-TALMADGE)

**"Flesh and Bone"** Opening reception for Halloween group show with work by Dark Vomit, Celene, Mike Maxwell, Bret Barrett, David Russell Talbott, Dan Allen, bd dombrowsky. Closes Wednesday, November 18. 619-563-9770. Saturday, October 31, 7pm; free. Art of Framing Gallery, 3333 Adams Avenue. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Halloween Artists' Reception** Party for exhibition of work by artists Geromel, TRUE, Joyce, De Leon, Tellez, J.S. Thompson. Evening includes live art demonstrations by the artists, body paint-

ing, music by DJ Andy Jimenez. 619-237-8044. Friday, October 30, 7pm; free. Latin Trader, 740 Fifth Avenue. (DOWNTOWN)

## IN PERSON

**"Come to Me, My Love"** Miracosta's choirs and guest artists share "exquisite songs of loves lost and found" in Studio A. 760-795-6815. Friday, October 30, 7:30pm; Sunday, November 1, 2pm; \$8-\$10. Creative Arts Complex at Miracosta College, One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

**"Strange and Haunting Tales"** Stories of hauntings, witches, terror, assorted mayhem told by storytellers Sarah Saulter, Linda Whiteside, Marilyn McPhie, Fred Lakowski, Leo Baggerly and Charles Johnson during adult story concert. 858-484-1325. Saturday,

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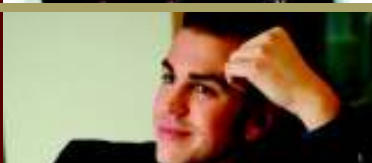
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**Frankenstein** Adaptation of  
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Chouinard, Jake Arky, Mary  
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2856. Saturday, October 31, 8pm;  
\$5. Lestat's Coffee House, 3343  
Adams Avenue. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Spooky Mo** Explore "seven  
deadly sins and sundry roads to re-  
venge" when Marivi Soliven Blanco  
reads from her short story collec-  
tion. The "pre-Halloween horror"  
is heavy on goth and gore. 858-534-  
9689. Thursday, October 29, 6pm;  
free. Price Center at UCSD, 9500  
Gilman Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**Arabian Nights Halloween  
Party** Costume party featuring  
live music by Middle-Earth En-  
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Saturday, October 31, 8pm. Ali  
Baba's Cave, 10921 Roselle Street.  
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**Autumn Reading** Poetry Inter-  
national reading with Brian Teare  
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Power series. Among his books:  
*Dress Your Family in Corduroy and  
Denim*, *Barrel Fever, Naked*, and  
*Me Talk Pretty One Day*. Book  
signing follows. 858-534-TIXS. Fri-  
day, October 30, 8pm; \$30-\$48.  
Balboa Theatre, 868 Fourth Av-  
enue. (DOWNTOWN)

**Comedy on the Crest** Improv  
sketch comedy show by members

of Comedy Under Construction.  
858-550-8088. Wednesdays, 8pm;  
through Wednesday, November 18,  
\$5. 14 and up. Café Libertalia, 3834  
Fifth Avenue. (HILLCREST)

**Control of Your Space** Profes-  
sional home organizer Sandra Mun-  
son discusses, signs *Do-It-Yourself  
Organizing for Dummies*. 858-454-  
0347. Wednesday, November 4,  
7:30pm; free. Warwick's Bookstore,  
7812 Girard Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**Día de los Muertos Concert**  
Celebrate the Day of the Dead with  
Mariachi Champaña Nevin, led by  
Jeff Nevin. 619-235-0804. Sunday,  
November 1, 7:30pm; \$20-\$72.  
Copley Symphony Hall, 750 B  
Street. (DOWNTOWN)

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to curtain. 800-988-4253. Wednes-  
day, November 4, 4pm; free. Cali-  
fornia Center for the Arts, Escon-  
dido, 340 North Escondido  
Boulevard. (ESCONDIDO)

**Magic and Illusion!** Las Vegas  
magician Garry Carson takes stage.  
Proceeds benefit Fallbrook Animal  
Sanctuary. Reservations: 760-685-  
0012. Sunday, November 1, 4pm;  
\$30. Bob Burton Center for the  
Performing Arts, 2400 South  
Stagecoach Drive. (FALLBROOK)

**Navy Band Southwest** Com-  
munity concert. Ticket availability:  
800-988-4253. Thursday, October  
29, 7pm; free. California Center for

the Arts, Escondido, 340 North Es-  
condido Boulevard. (ESCONDIDO)

**Science and Epic Fantasy!** Ken  
Scholes (*Canticle*) and Kate Elliott  
(*Traitors' Gate*) sign, discuss their  
books. 858-268-4747. Monday,  
November 2, 7pm; free. Mysteri-  
ous Galaxy Books, 7051 Claire-  
mont Mesa Blvd., Suite 302.  
(KEARNY MESA)

**Supernatural Suspense!** Author  
John Connolly signs *The Gates*.  
858-268-4747. Thursday, October  
29, 7pm; free. Mysterious Galaxy  
Books, 7051 Clairemont Mesa  
Blvd., Suite 302. (KEARNY MESA)

**World Literary Series** Literary  
reading by poet Kate Greenstreet,  
author of *The Last Four Things*, in  
Grand Salon (room 113) of M.  
Gordon Clarke Field House. Park-  
ing fee. 760-750-8077. Thursday,  
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Marcos, 333 South Twin Oaks Val-  
ley Road. (SAN MARCOS)

## LECTURES

**"Balancing Building During a  
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sion highlighting efforts of building  
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29, 5:30pm; free-\$10. 10 and up.  
Museum of San Diego History,  
1649 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

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important to their own identities.” 619-594-1213. Wednesday, November 4, 7:30pm; \$10-\$25. Neurosciences Institute, 10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**“God, Darwin, and Design”** Brown University biology professor Kenneth Miller focuses on “America’s Continuing Problem with Evolution” and “how his role as a cell biologist is not contradictory of his Catholic faith.” Among his books: *Finding Darwin’s God: A Scientist’s Search for Common Ground Between God and Evolution* and *Only a Theory: Evolution and the Battle for America’s Soul*. Registration: 619-260-7936. Friday, October 30, 7:30pm; free-\$5. Shiley Theatre at University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park. (LINDA VISTA)

**“Green Roofs and Urban Sustainability”** Gain comprehensive introduction to green roofs and their role in sustainability. Topics include historical use of green roofs, green roofs in different climates and cultures, components and assembly of green roofs, benefits to building owner and community, discussion of how green roofs contribute to living sustainably in urban settings. Taught by Rosalind Haselbeck of Building Green Futures. Required advance registration: 760-436-3036 x206. Wednesday, November 4, 6:30pm; \$25-\$30. San Diego Botanic Garden, 230 Quail Gardens Drive. (ENCINITAS)

**“Inside the Architect’s Studio”** San Diego Architectural Foundation hosts event focusing on life, career of Robert Mosher, “one of San Diego’s architectural pioneers.” Hosted by Keith York. 619-232-1385. Thursday, October 29, 6:30pm; \$10. Neurosciences Institute, 10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive. (LA JOLLA)

**“Lives Through a Different Lens”** Joyce Axelrod presents three-part series, “Video Views on Women, Creativity, and Frivolity.” Series commences with “Women,” offering look at an ensemble of 11 Julian belly dancers of all ages and sizes, how dance has changed their lives. Second video explores challenges, travails of an anorexic woman and her friend. Psychotherapist Marjorie Hansen Shaevit, author of *The Confident Woman* and *The Superwoman Syndrome*, leads discussion around themes emerging from these films. 858-454-0268. Monday, November 2, 5:30pm; free. La Jolla Library, 7555 Draper Avenue. (LA JOLLA)

**“Rome Through the Ages”** Art historian James Grebl leads “virtual tour of Eternal City” from its humble prehistoric origins to its Baroque grandeur in 17th Century during lectures blending art, architecture, archaeology, historical anecdotes, more. This week: “Medieval Rome.” 858-454-5872. Thursday, October 29, 7:30pm; \$12-\$17. Athenaeum Music and Arts Library, 1008 Wall Street. (LA JOLLA)

**“Technology and Identity Theft”** Does use of technology and Internet make identity theft inevitable, or are there technological protections that could be intro-

duced? What should you do to limit your vulnerability as potential victim? Find out when Exploring Ethics series continues. 619-238-1233. Wednesday, November 4, 5:30pm; free. Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, 1875 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**JJ’s Journey: A Journey About Autism** Lori Ciccarelli’s film about her autistic son screens for LIFE learning group in room 1068 (1pm). DeWitt Drury presents photograph-illustrated “Michelangelo, God’s Architect,” focusing on design, construction of St. Peter’s Basilica (2:30pm). 760-721-8124. Friday, October 30, 1pm; free. MiraCosta College, One Barnard Drive. (OCEANSIDE)

**Wesley the Owl** Author Stacey O’Brien discusses her 20-year relationship with a barn owl named Wesley, when San Diego Audubon Society gathers. 858-273-7800. Thursday, October 29, 7pm; free. Wesley Palms meeting hall, 2404 Loring Street. (PACIFIC BEACH)

**Improve Efficiency!** SDG&E hosts energy-efficiency workshop for local business owners to improve efficiency, lower energy bills, conserve resources. 760-334-0229. Thursday, October 29, 6pm; free. Encinitas Library, 540 Cornish Drive. (ENCINITAS)

**Résumé-Writing Tips** Learn to tailor your résumé, choose right format, avoid “red flags” that may turn off the reader during class taught by professional career counselors Simona Cherlin and Janet McAfee. Bring draft résumé. 858-271-8918. Tuesday, November 3, 3:30pm; free. San Marcos Library, 2 Civic Center Drive. (SAN MARCOS)

**Sommelier Wannabe?** Professional-level wine classes (level one) led by certified sommelier Tracy Wallace. Participants in five-week series meeting Sundays or Mondays need to purchase *Oz Clarke’s Introducing Wine: A Complete Guide for the Modern Wine Drinker*. No in-class wine tasting. Reservations, details: 619-459-6967. Sunday, November 1, 1pm; Monday, November 2, 6:30pm; free. 20 and up. Malcolm A. Love Library at SDSU, 5500 Campanile Drive. (COLLEGE AREA)

**Who Was Otagaki Rengetsu?** Learn about this late Edo period Buddhist nun, martial arts expert, calligrapher, poet, and prolific potter when Meher McArthur, former Pacific Asian Museum curator of Japanese art, speaks for Asian Arts Council. A recent gift to SDMA of Rengetsu’s work will be shown, discussed. 619-543-9810. Thursday, October 29, 10:30am; free-\$10. San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado. (BALBOA PARK)

**Writing Practice** “Connect with your creative self through timed writing practice exercises and round-table discussions” led by Maureen Pierre. 760-753-7601. Thursdays, 6pm; through Thursday, December 17, free. 18 and up. Encinitas Library, 540 Cornish Drive. (ENCINITAS)

## SPORTS

**Day of the Dead Ride** Wear a costume (prizes awarded for most original, scariest) and join Knickerbikers for 25-mile bicycle ride including some of San Diego’s old cemeteries, altars on display in Sherman Heights area. Bring money for lunch at farmers’ market. 619-262-3969. Saturday, October 31, 9:30am; free. County Administration Building, 1600 Pacific Highway. (DOWNTOWN)

**Dodgeball Time!** Name your five-member team, dress up, and enter costume contest for Shaun Phillips’s second annual dodgeball tournament benefiting After-School All-Stars. Registration: 5pm; play at 6:30pm. Prizes awarded for best costume and first-place team. One female per team required. Nonplayer admission: \$25. 619-223-3916. Monday, November 2, 5pm; \$25-\$250. 21 and up. In Cahoots, 5373 Mission Center Road. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Fishing Fun** Catch and release bass fish up to seven pounds. Fishing for all ages. 619-442-9891. Friday, 5pm; Saturday, 5pm; through Saturday, October 31, \$10. Cottonwood Golf Club Bar & Restaurant, 3121 Willow Glen Drive. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

**Komen San Diego Race for the Cure** This 5k run/walk starts at Sixth Avenue and Olive St., raising funds and awareness for fight against breast cancer. 858-573-2760. Sunday, November 1, 8am; \$18-\$35. Balboa Park, Park Boulevard at Presidents Way. (BALBOA PARK)

**Meander to Mesa Grande** Join San Diego Bicycle Touring Society riders for 80-mile ride through Valley Center, Rincon, Lake Henshaw, and Mesa Grande. Meet up with bicyclists in southernmost parking lot. 619-566-3846. Sunday, November 1, 8:45am; free. Kit Carson Park, 3333 Bear Valley Parkway. (ESCONDIDO)

**Raiders Invade!** San Diego Chargers host Oakland Raiders during game broadcast on CBS. 800-745-3000. Sunday, November 1, 1:05pm; \$54-\$98. Qualcomm Stadium, 9449 Friars Road. (MISSION VALLEY)

## MUSEUMS & PUBLIC ART

**Chula Vista Nature Center** Interactive living museum devoted to the endangered Southern California coastal wetlands, located in Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge. Visitors use a bioscanner to view animals macroscopically, use a Wentzscope for views of microscopic organisms found in the “Sweetwater Soup,” and interact with computerized videos exploring how tides affect the bay in the “Moons, Tides, and the San Diego Bay” exhibit. Pet sharks and rays in the David A. Wergeland Shark and Ray Experience, see burrowing owls and migratory birds, and enjoy the xerophytic gardens.

Visitors meet a shuttle bus at the Bayfront E Street Trolley Station or at the center’s parking lot at the foot of E Street and Bay Boulevard. 1000 Gunpowder Point Dr., 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

**Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla** “Automatic Cities: The Architectural Imaginary in Contemporary Art” is innovative exhibition mapping influence of architecture on contemporary visual art in an international context. Exhibition sets work by architecturally engaged artists such as Julie Mehretu, Matthew Ritchie, Rachel Whiteread in dialogue with that of emerging practitioners including Catharina van Eetvelde, Jakob Kolding, Sarah Oppenheimer. On view through Sunday, January 31.

“Museums in Miniature: Works by Marcel Duchamp and Joseph Cornell” explores use of collage, assemblage, staged tableaux by Duchamp and Cornell “as plays on the notion of an exhibition space.” Closes Sunday, January 31. 700 Prospect St., 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

**USS Midway Museum** Permanent exhibits include 25 restored aircraft. Former World War II pilots and other veterans share personal stories with guests in front of a restored SBD. Navy knot-tying demonstrations and activities for youngsters offered most weekends. Self-guided audio tour narrated by former Midway sailors. 910 North Harbor Dr., 619-544-9600. (DOWNTOWN)



**The Big Empty** Beck, the Strokes, and the Pixies have all played UCSD's 4700-capacity multipurpose RIMAC arena. The school is



TOO MUCH METAL AT RIMAC, NOT THE RIGHT KIND

looking for a concert promoter to take over RIMAC and run it the way Live Nation handles SDSU's Viejas Arena.

notes that a slumping economy has caused some headliners such as the Mars Volta, which used to play the 4600-capacity Open Air Theatre, to

viable to use it as a venue. Besides, it's basically a gym. The acoustics are horrible. There is too much metal in the room."

Insiders say that USD at one time was reaching out to promoters to use its Jenny Craig Pavilion and that the City of San Diego has over the years made overtures for concert companies to use the Starlight Bowl in Balboa Park.

"This has been a real slow year for concerts," says the promoter. "And what you have is that most of the major tours are handled by either AEG or Live Nation, and they would rather put shows on in their own rooms. AEG has the Sports Arena, and Live Nation has [Viejas] Arena and Open Air Theatre. They aren't going to put anything in RIMAC when they have commitments to their own venues."

Meanwhile, a constricting economy has forced one major casino to cash in its concert chips.

Valley View Casino will not present any concert headliners in 2010. This year the casino presented some 15 major-name headliners at its 3000-capacity outdoor concert facility, including Julio Iglesias, the Beach Boys, Pat Benatar, and Seal. While Valley View's James Taylor show was a sellout, many others — including Frankie Avalon, Three Dog

Night, and Kansas — did not do well at the box office. AEG booked the shows for Valley View.

Valley View general manager Bruce Howard confirmed that the casino will not be announcing a summertime concert lineup for 2010 and will instead focus on booking artists for its main stage lounge, mentioning acts such as Hot Rod Lincoln, Lady Dottie and the Diamonds, and the Heroes.

— Ken Leighton

#### Episode I: The Combs

**Wars** Said ya can't dis the homie for free/ If anyone's gonna talk shit, it's gonna be me

"Somebody suggested that the song might not be such a good idea because I might

were drunk that night/ the Jack Daniel's had made ya bitter/ So ya hopped on your mobile device and ya started talking shit on Twitter

"It was the night of the [2009] San Diego Music Awards, and [Combs] said on Twitter that 'Josh Damigo sucks balls.' I thought, Wow, that's kind of mean. Josh is a brother... I've been collaborating with [Damigo] for around three and a half years now." Damigo won Best Local Recording at the SDMAs for his album *Raw*.

*I thought Twitter was the end of it/ But it turns out I was wrong/ I guess ya also like talking shit in CityBeat/ Well, I like talking shit in songs*

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EPISODE II: REVENGE OF THE SETH? (DAMIGO, COMBS, DEEZ)

burn a bridge," says comedic rapper Rob DeeZ of his track "Seth Combs," concerning a *CityBeat* contributing editor.

*But you, Seth Combs, you*

issue included this Combs comment: "I'm now convinced that the San Diego Music Academy voters are smoking the same shit as

Slightly Stoopid. How else can you explain Josh Damigo's win...?"

*If you wanna dis my boy Josh Damigo by usin' a CityBeat/ then I'm a dis you and piss on your ego by usin' a shitty beat*

Deez hadn't met Combs before recording the track ("He definitely goes to different shows. I think he's more like a Casbah kind of guy"), so in verse he wondered, "What's up with that weird beard? Where did that come from?" and speculates, "I bet you wear tight pants...you probably smell like a hippie."

Deez's MySpace profile quotes a 2007 *CityBeat* article that states, "This is either the shit, or just shit." Deez says, "I kind of like that quote. I take it as a compliment... I might use it in my press kit."

On October 20, Deez and Damigo performed at U-31, where Combs was bartending. "So, naturally I played 'Seth Combs,'" reports Deez. "It was cool 'cause it was my first time playing it live, and he was there. Seemed appropriate."

Count on hearing Deez sing "Seth Combs" when he plays Java Joe's at Cafe Libertalia on Saturday, October 31, or download the track from *sandiego reader.com*.

— Jay Allen Sanford

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the inside track

UCSD is seeking bids for an "exclusive promoter services" agreement on RIMAC. The school has had no takers. Several insiders say the university is not likely to get one.

"There are too many buildings and not enough acts," says one promoter, who

labor to put on a show there," says one promoter. "That lowers your level of professionalism. Plus, I would say it costs about 40 percent less to do a show at [SDSU's Viejas] Arena than it does at RIMAC. Because of that, it is simply not

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## The Bob Vila of Boxes

Local musician and media-relations manager David Moye calls himself an “insensitive singer-songwriter.” Moye, 44, has worked as a reporter and an editor at the WirelessFlash, a San Diego news agency. Moye says that recent coverage of Colorado’s balloon boy, six-year-old

called me up about a video he had made called *Box Time*, which was a video about how to make playhouses out of boxes. It was a kid’s video. But I thought, let’s make this wackier. I asked Heene if it was possible to make homes out of cardboard boxes for homeless people. And he was, like, smelling an opportunity. ‘Oh, yeah, yeah,’ he said. ‘These things can withstand 20-mile-an-hour winds.’”

Moye says that in the years to come he would write



PHOTOGRAPH BY DAVE GOOD  
INSENSITIVE SINGER-SONGWRITER DAVID MOYE

Falcon Heene, who was originally said to have been trapped inside a homemade helium balloon that allegedly accidentally went airborne (the boy was later found hiding in the family garage) brought back memories of Richard Heene, the boy’s controversial father.

“I gave him the title ‘the Bob Vila of Cardboard Boxes,’” Moye says.

“I first interviewed Heene by telephone for the WirelessFlash in 2001. He

another four or five stories about Heene for WirelessFlash. “He talked really fast. I’d have to slow him down.

“We did a story about Heene trying to get people to send in their tornado photos to somehow help science determine when tornados start. Heene talked about how he took his kids to tornados, literally drove into the tornado. For the weird-news world, he was a great combination of a crackpot who loved publicity.”

Moye says he contacted

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Heene again after Hurricane Katrina for another story. “We said, ‘Hey, we know you did this [*Box Time* video] for children, but do you think all those displaced homeless people who don’t want to live in Houston might benefit from, say, Target donating a bunch of used refrigerator boxes?’ He was all over it like a cheap suit.” Moye says Heene made a second *Box Time* video showing how discarded refrigerator boxes could be reinforced with duct tape, latex paint, and shingles.

“What fascinates me is that the box theme keeps coming back. He asked reporters to put questions in a cardboard box. His kid was hiding in a box. Why is Heene so obsessed with boxes?”

Moye will perform his insensitive songs at the open mike Sunday, November 1, at Java Joe’s in Cafe Libertalia.

— Dave Good

## Record-Release

**Roundup** Family Wagon have a new EP they’ll be playing and selling October 31 at Side Bar’s Acoustic Halloween show, while the Robin Henkel Band is bringing in a horn section for the release of *Steel Guitar Lounge* at Lestat’s on November 1.

Cathryn Beeks’s release party for her album *Mood*

an acoustic set at 5 p.m., and 18 other artists are playing before and after.” Beeks financed the album herself by soliciting sponsorships, raising over a thousand dollars and an additional \$280 in presales. “Sponsorships were \$50 to \$200,” says Beeks. “The largest donation was \$500.”

Jason Mraz’s CD and DVD set *Beautiful Mess — Live on*



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*Swing* happens November 8 at the Swedenborg Hall. “There’s no cover,” says Beeks. “It’s all ages, and refreshments will be available. The Ordeal will play

*Earth* comes out November 10, featuring concert footage recorded August 13 in Chicago with guest performer Colbie Caillat. The release party for

Brenda Xu’s new ten-track CD, *A Little Illusion*, is at Lestat’s on November 14. “I’ll be playing with a full band,” says Xu, who’ll be backed by Ben Kent (drums), Jeff Johnson (bass), Kenny Eng (guitar), and Veronica May (guitar). “That’s just who I have so far, but I’m hoping to have cello and violin, too.”

*Ghost*, the full-length debut from Tape Deck Mountain, is due November 17. According to Mountain man Travis Trevisan, when they play the Soda Bar that night, “Bring in a receipt of purchase of *Ghost* and you get in free. Otherwise, it’s five bucks.” As for the planned set list, “We’ve been covering Danzig’s ‘Mother’ for a while, but we might be sick of it by then.”

— Jay Allen Sanford

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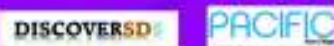
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## Thursday 29

Chi-town sludge-rock quartet **Pelican** alights at Casbah tonight. The instrumental act aims for your



BLACK TIME AT KEN CLUB

eardrums on their fourth for Southern Lord Records, *What We All Come to Need*. Bay Area band **Black Cobra** and art-core crew **Sweet Cobra** slither

in to set the stage. (Cobra might be this year's Wolf).... Jersey pogo punks the **Bouncing Souls** have been on the road for over 20 years. They'll visit House of Blues behind the culmination of their *20th Anniversary Series*, which has been dropped digitally and piecemeal. **Broadway Calls** and **Bayside** share the bill.... Eric B.'s other half **Rakim** raps at Canes tonight. The borough o' Queens MC is touring in support of his third solo flow *The Seventh Seal*.... And there's more hip-hop to be had at Belly Up, where half of rap group **Blackalicious**, **Gift of Gab**, joins **Deep Rooted** and **Addiquit** at the Solana Beach hot spot.... Uptown, Bar Pink books indie-pop experimentalists **Finn Higgins** from Idaho and, from "Pain Zone, CA" **Zion Laser Strike**...while in the Red trio **Black Time** bring their "heavy vampire sounds" to Ken Club.

## Friday 30

The NYC art-pop act **Dirty Projectors** will screen a set at Birch North Park Theatre. This brainchild of Brooklyn recording artist Dave Longstreth features San Diego native and former Sleeping Peep

DIRTY PROJECTORS AT BIRCH NORTH PARK THEATRE



Amber Coffman. And in case you hadn't heard, the collective's '09 offering *Bitte Orca* is just about every indie critic's pick for best-of so far this year. It's fancy, all right.... Staying uptown, at Whistle Stop you got country-fried barroom rock courtesy of the **Deere Johns** and **Bartender's Bible**...and Radio Room will dial in **Monsters from Mars** for your Halloween Eve entertainment. **Behind the Wagon** and **Beta Lion** set the stage there.... Here's a trip-treat bill: Sam Simkoff's electro-folk five-piece **Le Loup** (Wash D.C.), Portland indie-pop trio **Nurses**, and our own odd-pop quartet **Cuckoo Chaos** at Casbah. It's a sort-of homecoming for Nurses.... At the new swank Balboa Theatre downtown, Art Power presents the literate and hilarious **David Sedaris**, who as far as I know doesn't do anything musical except for the occasional whistle through that adenoidal nose of his. My astute proofer tells me Sedaris does a convincing impression of "Lady Day" Billie Holiday.

## Saturday 31

Happy Halloween. Neighborhood watering hole Whistle Stop has a fun-filled party bill featuring math-y experimentalists **Kill Me Tomorrow** and ex-Sess cats the **Beaters**, with **DJ Claire** spinning round sets. The Stop's annual 'Ween is a treat, no trick!... Up at Ken Club, SoCal psych-pop animal the **Donkeys** bray from their Dead Oceans grower *Living on the Other Side*. Take a taste at *donkey-songs.com*. New to SD, **John Foothillsband** sets the stage with their own string-and-sing haunts.... **Night Marchers** and **Creepy Creeps** fill your spook-rock bill at Casbah. Seattleites the **Black Whales** will warm the room.... and Soma stages

a melodic metal monster for all-agers. Check this bold type: **Seconds From Disaster**, **Vanguard**, **As They Burn Alive**, **Murder on the Dancefloor** — deep breath — **With Liberty**, **Remains Forgotten**, **L'Amore**, and **Antietam**.

## Sunday 1

Tokyo noise-rock combo **Melt Banana** will melt faces at Casbah with L.A. bass-and-drum bad asses **Big Business** — the dudes backing Melvins Buzzo and Dale these days. The bar's got your earpluggzzz.... Bar Pink bills **Crash Encore** and Austinites **Always Already** for an electroclash Sunday-nighter.... Stones tribbers **Dead Flowers** and local power-poppers a **Dull Science** play a Challenge Center charity at 4th&B. The **Corvelles**, **Ronnie Peer**, and **Mason James** will set the downtown stage at this costumes-and-auctions event. A big t'do.

MELT BANANA AT CASBAH

## Monday 2

From Russia with love, **Mumiy Troll** land at Casbah with Oakland-based **Persephone's Bees** for an Anti-Monday night of alt-pop in foreign tongues.... Belly Up books animal acts **Minus the Bear**, **Twin Tigers**, and **Antlers** (maybe Antlers is this year's Wolf).... Radio-ready rockers the **Bravery** have a new disc on the docks called *Stir the Blood*. Sales say you like it. **Living Things** and the **Dustys** will open their show at House of Blues.

## Tuesday 3

**Edward Sharpe & the Magnetic Zeros** are a great big psych-folk affair from Los Angeles. Their homespun debut *Up From Below* has got the attention of them late-night talk-show street-cred pimps who've televised another something sacred to its mediocre mean. Anyway, they play

Belly Up with the **Deadly Syndrome** and **Family of the Year** for a night of madly glamorous clatter.... J-Pop girl group **Shonen Knife** stick it to Casbah with SanFran garage-rock man **Ty Segall**.... While downtown 91X hosts indie-rock breakouts **Airborne Toxic Event** at House of Blues with fellow Los Angelinos the **Henry Clay People** and rock-n-soul quartet **Red Cortez**.

## Wednesday 4

Your hump-night highlight has to be **Dinosaur Jr.** at Belly Up, si? You still spinning *Farm*? Good for you. I catch the odd track on the good radio station now and again. The trio still kills it live. Dinosaur bassist **Lou Barlow** will play a set for a double dose of the Sebadude. And the **Missing Men** — who also feature a pretty good bassist — will set the Solana Beach stage for the bill to beat this week.... Else: loud-ass country-western rockers **Lucero** ride on Casbah behind their new crit pick *1372 Overton Park*...Ruby Room in Hillcrest stages some out-of-towners, with **Still Flyin'** from the Bay Area and



DINOSAUR JR. AT BELLY UP

**Yellow Fever** from Austin. Local hosts the **Dabbers** and **Lion Cut** up first...and nu-jazz pioneer **Jean-Luc Ponty** lands his cosmic violin at Anthology, where the French fusionist will bow for two shows at 7:30 and 10p.

— Barnaby Monk

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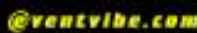
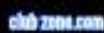
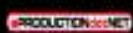
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# Heart-Shaped Pie Pan

*"I was not sad when, later, I heard that she crashed her car on the way up the coast."*

**K**nown to many as Mojo Nixon's musical sideman from the '80s, Skid Roper — at 55 — is hoping for his own turn in the spotlight. "I don't like to think that my time has completely passed. I spent a lot of years playing in many bands, supporting other people's music, and kind of forgot about my own."

For *Rock and Roll Part 3*, his first solo record in 18 years, he does most all the playing and vocals. "I could only afford three hours of studio time per week," says Roper (real name Richard Banke). "Many times, not even that. Months would go by without any recording progress."

Several of his former cohorts guest on the album, including Jose Sinatra (vocals), Jonny Viau (sax and flute), and Joel Kmak (drums). Lest you think an acrimonious breakup was what ended Roper's famous musical partnership, he points out, "Mojo Nixon added bongos on one track, 'Hope.' He's actually a pretty good bongo player."

## WHAT'S IN YOUR CD PLAYER?

1. Buddy Holly, *The Apartment Tapes*. "It's just Buddy and his acoustic guitar, in his apartment in New York, without the later band overdubs. Splendid."
2. NRBQ, *NRBQ at Yankee Stadium*. "One of my favorite bands of all time, with good songwriting, singing, and playing. Though they're not really playing at Yankee Stadium. The cover shows them sitting in the stands of an otherwise empty ballpark."
3. William Shatner, *The Transformed Man*. "Of course, I don't listen to the Shakespeare. I only like 'Mr. Tambourine Man' and 'Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds.'"

## WHAT TUNE IS STUCK IN YOUR HEAD TODAY?

"I'm infatuated with a song from the mockumentary movie soundtrack to *A Mighty Wind*. It's called 'When You're Next to Me,' by [film characters] Mitch and Mickey. It's only in the closing credits, but I love it."

## WHY HAVEN'T WE HEARD YOU SING MUCH BEFORE?

"You weren't paying attention."

## YOUR MOST OFFBEAT INSTRUMENT?

"Last year, I made a Dobro-type ampliphonic acoustic steel guitar using a heart-shaped pie pan with holes drilled into it and glued to the top of an old Silvertone guitar. Actually, the first one I ever made back in the 1970s is still hanging on the wall over at Moze Guitars in La Mesa."

## MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS?

"I can't afford any magazine subscriptions, but my mom gave me a subscription to *Smithsonian* magazine. It ran out recently, and I never renewed it."

## FAVORITE CARTOON?

"Lately, I'm enjoying the old episodes of *South Park* on Channel 6. I just saw the one poking holes in Scientology, the episode that made Isaac Hayes quit doing the voice of Chef because he was a Scientologist."

## SCARIEST MOVIE?

"When I was a kid, the *Rodan* movie was truly scary to me. It's laughably corny now, but when you're a child, you don't see crappy scenery and a man in a suit."

## BEST ADVICE YOU'VE GOTTEN?

"The artist Rick Griffin once signed one of his Fillmore posters for me with the words 'Fortune favors the brave.'"

## READ ANY GOOD BOOKS LATELY?

"I just finished a great biography of Alexander Hamilton. He's on the ten-dollar bill but was not president. Everyone knows about Jefferson and Washington, but Hamilton is one of the most fascinating founding fathers. He never thought that Aaron Burr would actually shoot him in their famous duel. Ouch."

## EVER MIX POLITICS AND MUSIC?

"On the new album, 'Monday Afternoon' has a chorus that repeats, 'Waddie Ded-deh' over and over. He was a local politico I remember as a kid. I always liked his kooky name and thought it should be in a song. So now it is."

## WHAT'S "MONDAY AFTERNOON" ABOUT?

"Everything in the lyrics is true. I was going out with a girl who wanted to go to San Francisco. On a Monday afternoon, she announced to me that we had to break up. Her best friend secretly told me it was because she wanted to visit her ex-boyfriend in Frisco with a clear conscience. I was not sad when, later, I heard that she crashed her car on the way up the coast. Karma."

## FAVORITE PERFORMANCE TUNE?

"I love to play 'Skid Drive' live 'cause it has a



Skid Roper

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couple of fake endings and people on the dance floor don't know what to do. Then, when it finally does end for real, they keep dancing. It never fails."

## YOUR SONG "HOPE" IS SPOKEN WORD — WOULD YOU EVER DO HIP-HOP?

"No, I really don't care for hip-hop. I love a melody too much."

## SOMETHING ABOUT YOU FEW WOULD KNOW OR GUESS?

"I love old barbershop harmony." ■

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*Friday, 7:30pm* — Tim Flannery. Folk/rock. \$20.

**Ali Baba's Cave:** 10921 Roselle St., Sorrento Valley, 858-784-0515.  
*Saturday, 8pm* — The Middle-Earth Ensemble. With the Shimmy Sisters. World.

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

*Thursday, 7:30pm* — NovaMenco. Flamenco/jazz/pop. \$20.

*Friday, 7:30pm* — Spencer Day. Pop/jazz. \$20.

*Friday, 9:30pm* — KPRI Homegrown. Featuring Steph Johnson, Paul Cannon, and SO3. Indie/rock. \$10.

*Saturday, 7:30pm* — Teedra Moses. R&B/soul. \$24.

*Wednesday, 7:30pm and 9:30pm* — Jean-Luc Ponty. Jazz. \$31-\$39.

**Athenaeum Music and Arts Library:** 1008 Wall St., La Jolla, 858-454-5872.

*Monday, noon* — Jaeryoung Lee Jazz Trio. Jazz. Free.

**Bar Leucadian:** 1542 N. Coast Hwy. 101, Leucadia, 760-753-2094.  
*Friday, 9:30pm* — Red Octopus. Rock.

*Saturday, 9:30pm* — Hazmatt. Hip-hop.

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

*Thursday, 10pm* — Finn Riggins. Indie/rock. 21 and up.

**Beauty Bar:** 4746 El Cajon Bl., Kensington-Talmadge, 619-516-4746.

*Friday, 9:30pm* — Echo Revolution. With One I Red, Amongst the Lost, and Synesthetic. Alternative/electronica/rock.

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

*Thursday, 9pm* — Gift of Gab. With Addiquit, Deep Rooted, and DJ Artistic. Hip-hop/rap. \$14-\$16. 21 and up.

*Friday, 9pm, Saturday, 9pm* — The Nightmare Before Halloween.

Featuring Freeze Frame. Covers/rock. \$25. 21 and up.  
*Monday, 8pm* — Minus the Bear. Indie/pop. \$17-\$19. 21 and up.  
*Tuesday, 8pm* — Edward Sharpe and the Magnetic Zeros. With the Temper Trap and Family of the Year. Country/folk. \$12-\$14. 21 and up.  
*Wednesday, 9pm* — Dinosaur Jr. Alternative/rock. \$26. 21 and up.

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*Friday, 8pm* — The Dirty Projectors. Experimental/indie. \$15.

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*Saturday, 8pm* — Halloween Bash. Featuring The Chelsea Girls and Authentic Sellout. Covers/rock. \$15.

*Sunday, 9pm* — Brigitte Handley & the Dark Shadows. Alternative/indie/punk. 21 and up.

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*Saturday*, 8:30pm — The Night Marchers. With the Creepy Creeps and guests. Rock. \$13. 21 and up.  
*Sunday*, 8:30pm — Melt Banana. With Big Business and guests. Noise/rock. \$12. 21 and up.  
*Monday*, 8:30pm — Mumiy Troll. With guests. Rock. \$20. 21 and up.  
*Tuesday*, 8:30pm — Shonen Knife. With Ty Segall and Mermaid. Alternative/pop/punk. \$16. 21 and up.

*Wednesday*, 8:30pm — Lucero. With Jack Oblivian, John Paul Keith and the One Four Fives. Country/punk. \$18. 21 and up.

**Claire de Lune:** 2906 University Ave., North Park, 619-688-9845.  
*Sunday*, 6pm — The Eben Brooks Band. Rock.

**Dirk's Niteclub:** 7662 Broadway, Lemon Grove, 619-469-6344.  
*Friday*, 9pm, *Saturday*, 9pm — FX5. Covers/standards/dance.

**Dream Street Live:** 2228 Bacon St., Ocean Beach, 619-222-8131.  
*Friday*, 7pm — Jessie Taylor and the Riffs. Blues/country/rock. 21 and up.  
*Friday*, 9pm — Children of the Grave. A tribute to Black Sabbath. Covers/rock. 21 and up.  
*Saturday*, 6pm — Metal Feast 2009. Featuring Aghori, Downspell, Eminent, 5 More Days, Open Wound, Sight Unscene, and South

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**Encinitas Library:** 540 Cornish Dr., Encinitas, 760-334-0229.  
*Sunday*, 2pm — North Coast Singers. Covers/standards. Free.

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

# OF NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

I saw **Shonen Knife** sometime around '94, and I remember this odd feeling that I was playing out a role that had been written for me by hipsters who didn't really know what they were doing. Shonen Knife's faux-naïve music — Ramones guitars, sing-along melodies in Japanese and Japanese-accented English, lyrics about candy and cute animals — was fun but didn't really merit the kind of reaction it got in concert. Before that show, I had read that people threw candy at Shonen Knife onstage, and so I brought a box of candy hearts with me. The club was so crowded that I couldn't get a good shot, and so I threw the

whole box and hit guitarist **Naoko Yamano** in the head. *Why am I doing this?* I wondered. *Why is everyone else in the club doing this? Why do their smiles seem so forced? Do they even like this band?*

After Sonic Youth, Fugazi and, especially, Nirvana brought Shonen Knife to the attention of the American public, Shonen Knife had a brief fling with the mainstream. They even briefly had a major-label record deal. But American alt-rock audiences appreciated Shonen Knife ironically, and that was an ugly thing to do.

In fact, subsequent events have shown that Shonen Knife were trailblazers. They were one of few all-female acts in rock when they started in the early '80s. When they first started touring the States, they were one of few acts in indie rock to hail from the non-English-speaking world. Today, indie is filled



**SHONEN KNIFE**

with Japanese noise bands, French electronic acts, and Scandinavian pop revivalists. And a high-gloss version of Shonen Knife's bubblegum punk is the standard sound for today's Disney Radio starlets.

**SHONEN KNIFE: The Casbah, Tuesday, November 3, 8:30 p.m. 619-232-4355. \$16.**

*Saturday*, 8pm — Alice Cooper. Metal/rock. \$40-\$100. 21 and up.  
*Saturday*, 9pm — The Clay Colton Band. Alternative/covers/rock.  
*Sunday*, 10am — Willovalot. Jazz. \$13.

**Hennessey's Tavern:** 2777 Roosevelt St., Carlsbad, 760-729-6951.  
*Thursday*, 9:30pm — The Band in Black. A tribute to Johnny Cash. Free.

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

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**House of Blues:** 1055 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-299-2583.  
*Thursday*, 7pm — The Bouncing Souls. With Bayside and Broadway Calls. Pop/punk. \$19-\$20.  
*Friday*, 8pm — The Best of Tributes. Cover/rock. \$12. 21 and up.  
*Saturday*, 9pm — The Halloween Block Party. \$10. 21 and up.  
*Sunday*, 8pm — Deadmau5. Dance/electronic. \$17-\$32. 21 and

up.  
*Monday*, 8:30pm — The Bravery. Indie/rock. \$17-\$19.  
*Tuesday*, 8pm — The Airborne Toxic Event. With the Henry Clay People and Red Cortez. Indie/rock. \$12-\$15.  
*Wednesday*, 7pm — Boyz II Men. R&B/soul. \$35-\$60. 21 and up.

**Humphrey's Backstage Music Club:** 2241 Shelter Island Dr., Point Loma, 619-224-3577.  
*Friday*, 9:30pm — Coco Montoya. Blues. \$17.  
*Sunday*, 8pm — Willovalot. Jazz. \$13.

*Monday*, 7pm — The Robin Henkel Band. Blues/funk/jazz. \$5-\$8.

**J.J. Lander's Irish Pub:** 125 South Main St., Fallbrook, 760-731-0839.  
*Friday*, 9pm — The Clay Colton Band. Alternative/covers/rock.

**Java Joe's at Café Libertalia:** 3834 Fifth Ave., Hillcrest, 619-299-9360.  
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**Kaminski's BBQ & Sports Bar:** 12735 Poway Rd., Poway, 858-748-1106.  
**Saturday, 9pm** — Nightshift. Covers/standards.

**Last Call:** 4977 El Cajon Bl., City Heights, 619-287-9505.  
**Wednesday, 9pm** — Taters Invaders. Blues/covers/rock. Free.

**Lestat's Coffee House:** 3343 Adams Ave., Normal Heights, 619-282-0437.  
**Sunday, 8pm** — The Robin Henkel Band. Blues/funk/jazz. \$10.

**The Loft:** 9500 Gilman Dr., UCSD, 858-534-8497.  
**Thursday, 9pm** — Bobby Long. Indie. \$15.  
**Monday, 9pm** — Port O'Brien. indie/rock. \$10.  
**Wednesday, 9pm** — Rupa & the April Fishes. Folk/world. \$5-\$12.

**Mangia Italiano on Third:** 248 Third Ave., Chula Vista, 619-623-3553.  
**Thursday, 7pm** — Bill Caballero. With guests. Jazz. Free.

**Manhattan Cocktail Lounge:** 400 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-422-6641.  
**Friday and Saturday, 9pm** — Stone Wolf. Rock.

**McCabe's Beach Club:** 1145 S. Tremont St., Oceanside, 760-439-6646.

**Saturday, 5pm** — Live Wire Band. Covers/rock. Free.

**McDini's:** 105 E. 8th St., National City, 619-474-6771.

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**McP's Irish Pub and Grill:** 1107 Orange Ave., Coronado, 619-435-5280.

**Thursday, 8pm** — The Manic Brothers.  
**Friday, 9pm** — BlueFrog. Blues/rock.

**Saturday, 9pm** — Northstar. Covers/rock.

**Molly Malone's:** 1270 Main St., Ramona, 760-789-9050.  
**Friday, 9pm** — Sofa Kings. Rock.  
**Saturday, 9pm** — Malaki. Rock.

**O'Connells Pub and Nightclub:** 1310 Morena Bl., Linda Vista, 619-276-5637.

**Friday, 9:30pm** — The Bermondsey Joyriders. With Londons Falling and Tim Raldo and the Filty Fuks. Blues/punk/rock. 21 and up.  
**Saturday, 9:30pm** — Hey! Ho! Let's Go! With Road Noise, Causing Problems, and Kyle Van Band. Covers/punk. 21 and up.

**Pala Casino:** 35008 Pala Temecula Rd., Pala, 877-946-7252.  
**Friday, 8pm** — 80z All Stars. Covers/rock. Free.  
**Saturday, 8pm** — Platinum Rock Stars. Covers/rock.

**Patrick's II:** 428 F St., Downtown, 619-233-3077.  
**Thursday, 9pm** — Jasper and Ain't Misbahavin'. Rock.  
**Friday, 9pm** — Joey Fender and the 55's. Rock.  
**Saturday, 9pm** — Soul Diego.

# NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

It was close to midnight, and there was an old guy out on the street scrubbing plastic restaurant floor mats. The restaurant was closed. I said hello, we made eye contact, and then he said two words: "Chelsea Girls." I told him that's where I was headed, and then he smiled as if we were male bonding or something. "They put on one hell of a show," he said, nodding in the direction of the nightclub next door. I asked if he was going. He nodded, blew out a gust of cigarette smoke. "I'll be there."

If Nick Tosches had not turned novelist and were still writing about rock music, he might've called the Chelsea Girls So Cal's best menstruating cock-rockers. Four women doing spot-on

covers of '80s man-rock at significant wattage; fems doing justice to the power-chorded might of music like "Welcome to the Jungle." But when I ask **Corey Parks** (the 6'3" ex-Nashville Pussy bassist who founded the Chelsea Girls in Los Angeles earlier this year) whether or not she thinks playing rock and roll is a guy thing, she says, "What isn't? What isn't on this planet? What profession isn't a man thing?" She says that she and the Girls talk about the subject all the time.

"We grew up idolizing men when we started playing. For me it was Dee Dee Ramone and Cliff Williams of AC/DC." Did Parks feel any feminine bonding to the first wave of hard-core chick rockers? "When I saw Joan Jett, what she embodied for me was that she was a totally smokin' hot female, but she played like a guy."

Chelsea Girls is a name on loan from pop culture. It's the title of an Andy Warhol



**CHELSEA GIRLS**

flick, Gene October's London-based punk band is called Chelsea, and then there's *Chelsea Girl*, Nico's 1967 album.

"Chelsea Girls..." Parks says. "Sounds like a f\*\*\*in' chick gang, right?"

**CHELSEA GIRLS: Brick by Brick, Saturday, October 31, 8 p.m. 619-275-5483. \$15.**

Blues/covers/soul.  
**Sunday, 9pm** — The Bayou Brothers. Zydeco/blues/R&B.  
**Monday, 9pm** — Chet & the Committee. Blues.  
**Wednesday, 9pm** — Jeff Moore & the Witch Doctors. Blues/rock.

**Piervue Pub/Bub's Whiskey Dive Bar:** 301 Pier View Way, Oceanside, 760-757-2827.  
**Saturday, 8pm** — The Hillstreet Stranglers. With Mocking Birdz and the Bomb Pops. Punk/rock. \$5. 21 and up.

**Q Restaurant & Sports Bar:** 2725 Vista Way, Oceanside, 760-757-7070.  
**Friday, 8pm** — The Dreamers. With the Gents. Experimental/rock. \$5.

**RT's Longboard Grill:** 1466 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach, 858-270-4030.  
**Friday, 9pm** — Flock of '80s. Covers/pop/rock.  
**Saturday, 9pm** — Stepping Feet. A tribute to Dave Matthews Band. Alternative/rock.

**Ramona Mainstage Nightclub:** 626 Main St., Ramona, 760-789-7008.  
**Thursday, 8pm** — Loot-N-Rock. Metal/rock.  
**Friday, 8pm** — Negative Zero. With Henry and the Sea Creatures, No Vacancy, and Dewell and His Ukulele. Indie/rock.  
**Saturday, 7pm** — Moonspell. With Divine Heresy, Book of Black Earth, Secrets of the Moon, Ruins ov Abaddon, Dark Possession, and Amun Ra. Metal/rock.

**The Rhythm Lounge:** 3048 Midway Dr., Midway District, 619-224-4835.  
**Friday, 10pm** — Dave the Butcher. Alternative/rock.

**Ruby Room:** 1271 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-299-7372.  
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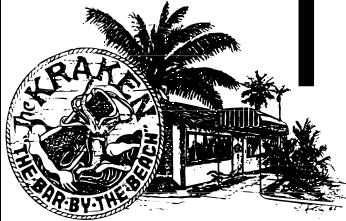


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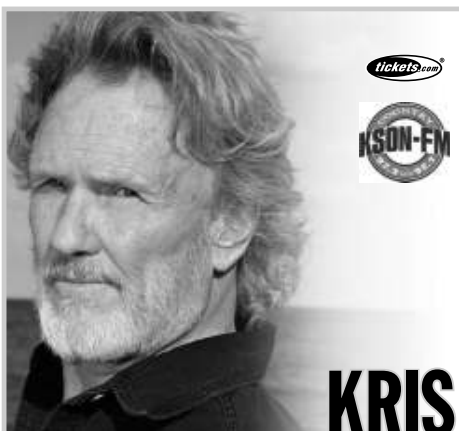
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## EVERYONE'S A CRITIC



**Out of Ashes**  
 CD Review  
 by Colin McNamara

*Out of Ashes* is the debut album from Chester Bennington, vocalist of Linkin Park. Fans expecting the music to sound like Linkin Park, however, will be disappointed. There's no rapping, no angst-ridden lyrics

screamed by Bennington, and the heavy, rumbling guitar chords have been dismantled.

What Bennington's band does have to offer is the vocalist's softer side. Songs such as "Give Me Your Name" and "In the Darkness" are slow, sung, and backed by melodic beats. There are faster songs with Bennington's trademark wail, such as "Inside of Me" and "Condemned," which should satisfy those expecting the metal vibe. It seems with *Dead by Sunrise*, Bennington is trying to appeal to audiences of hard and soft rock, and he does the job, providing the best of both worlds.

ARTIST: **Dead by Sunrise**

LABEL: **Warner Bros.**

SONGS: **"Fire," "Crawl Back In," "Too Late," "Inside of Me," "Let Down," "Give Me Your Name," "My Suffering," "Condemned," "Into You," "End of the World," "Walking in Circles," "In the Darkness"**

## Music Reviews from Our Readers

**All Shostakovich**  
 Concert Review  
 by Michell Thitathan

Dmitri Shostakovich paid a visit to Copley Hall in the haunted form of his first cello concerto and tenth symphony. Composed after the oppressive tumults of Stalin's reign in Soviet Russia, the turbulent-yet-witty numbers give a glimpse of the stifling life and survival of the artist under an unmusical dictatorship.

Cellist Julie Albers looked resplendent in

her flowing blue gown upon entering the stage for the Eb cello concerto, but she was transformed into something ethereal with the first stroke of her bow. Albers didn't play as much as she sang through her cello. The soft legato passages were so compelling that you could hear a pin drop in the auditorium.

Maestro Eri Klas's Estonian touch lent his reading of Shostakovich's gorgeous music the authenticity only found in someone who had experienced life under communism.

Albers, Klas, and the SDSO were warmly received by the audience, who would have kept on clapping all night if allowed.



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

**VFW Hall:** 136 Chambers Rd., El Cajon.  
*Saturday*, 9pm — Halloween Blowout. Featuring Dannicus Live. Acoustic/metal/rock.

**Viejas Casino DreamCatcher Show Room:** 5000 Willows Rd., Alpine, 619-445-5400.  
*Friday*, 9pm — Jamey Johnson and Randy Houser. Country. \$25-\$30.

**The Wit's End:** 420 Robinson Ave., Hillcrest, 619-294-4848.  
*Saturday*, 9pm — The Touchies.

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*November 7* — Cage the Elephant.  
*November 8* — Tiesto.

**AcousticMusicSanDiego:** 4650 Mansfield St., Normal Heights, 619-303-8176.

*November 6* — The Battlefield Band.  
*November 11* — Hot Buttered Rum.  
*November 14* — Peter Mulvey.

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

*November 5* — Tyrone Wells.  
*November 7* — Bill Champlin.  
*November 11* — Great Big Sea.  
*November 12* — The Gin Blossoms.  
*November 13* — Jon Mayer.  
*November 14* — Hiroshima.

*November 18* — Charles McPherson.

**Athenaeum Music and Arts Library:** 1008 Wall St., La Jolla, 858-454-5872.

*November 9* — Sara Petite.

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*December 5* — Allan Holdsworth.

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*November 7* — Celtic Thunder.

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*November 11* — Loud & Rich.  
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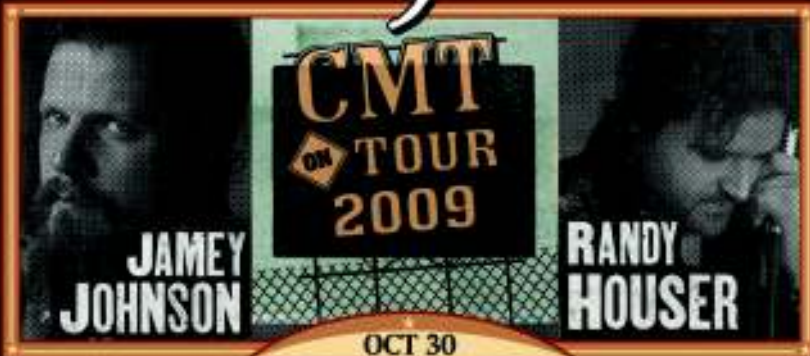
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November 10 — Electric Six.  
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**Copley Symphony Hall:** 750 B St., Downtown, 619-235-0804.  
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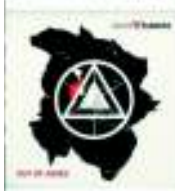
By Robert Duffy, Oct. 21, 2009



Scottish psych rockers the Soundtrack of our Lives deliver their fifth studio album, and it's no understated affair, with 24 songs spanning two discs. On Communion, the sextet's soundtrack is the late '60s, without sounding 'retro.' It's a wall of sound surrounding Beatles-esque melodies with flashes of aggression that recall ... [MORE](#) [POST A COMMENT](#)

### Out of Ashes

By Colin McNamee, Oct. 21, 2009



Out of Ashes is the debut album from Chester Bennington, vocalist of Linkin Park. Fans expecting the music to sound like Linkin Park, however, will be disappointed. There's no rapping, no angst-ridden lyrics created by Bennington, and the heavy, rumbling guitar chords have been dismantled. If the Dead by Sunrise does ... [MORE](#) [COMMENTS \(0\)](#)

### The Hazards of Love

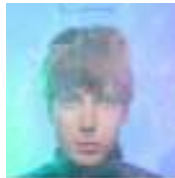
By Jesse Givens, Oct. 16, 2009



The Decembrists create another fantasy epic through clever wordplay and complex orchestration on their latest release The Hazards of Love. Colin McKay and company have crafted an album that out-shines 2008's epic Crane Wife. In Hazards, listeners follow the tale of Margaret, a young woman who falls in love with ... [MORE](#) [POST A COMMENT](#)

## Island Vapours

By Cesar Esquer Diaz | Published Saturday, Oct. 10, 2009



Unicorn-turned-Islands front man Nick Thornburn (aka Nick Diamonds) is a busy man. In the past two years the Canadian musician has released four albums: Human Highway's Moody Motorcycle, Reefer's Life Narcotic (with L.A.'s Bus Driver), and Islands' Arms Way, the follow-up to their breakthrough Return to the Sea. Islands third ...[more](#).

## CONCERT REVIEWS

### All Shostakovich

By Michael Matheson, Oct. 17, 2009



Dmitri Shostakovich paid a visit to Copley Symphony Hall this weekend in the hallowed form of his first cello concerto and tenth symphony. Composed after the oppressive mandate of Stalin's reign in Soviet Russia, the turbulent ... [MORE](#) [COMMENTS](#)

### House Party at the Brick

By Zari Davis, Oct. 1, 2009



Rocking their signature red trackuits and sunglasses Thursday night, Datsik transformed Bay Park nightspot Brick by Brick into an electro-pop dance party. Despite the low turn out, the Norwegian duo rocked the intimate setting as if ... [MORE](#) [COMMENT \(1\)](#)

### Old Crow Medicine Show

By Zari Davis, Sept. 29, 2009



Friday night, September 25, Old Crow Medicine Show took the stage at 4th & B with a driving set of bluegrass, folk, and rock. I first saw these guys in Nashville in 1996, transitioning, at that ... [MORE](#) [COMMENT \(1\)](#)

### Forget About Your Boyfriend

By Kevin Hinesy, Sept. 21, 2009



With lyrics like "forget about your boyfriend and meet me at the hotel room," from his hit single "Hotel Room Service," hip-hop homie P90a's September 16 concert at Harrah's Kincaid drew a predominantly female crowd. He ... [MORE](#) [POST A COMMENT](#)

### Funny the Way It Is

By Zari Davis, Sept. 19, 2009



I had been asked for the Dave Matthews show at the Crystal Wireless Amphitheatre on Saturday, September 12, and got there just after opening act Switchfoot ended, about 15 minutes before DMB took the stage. The ... [MORE](#)

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**The Filling Station:** *Fridays*, 9pm, *Saturdays*, 9pm: DJ Dance Party. 9522 Miramar Rd., Mira Mesa. 858-578-0757.

**The Flame:** *Wednesdays*, 9pm: Cookies with DJ Dirty Kurty. 3780 Park Bl., Hillcrest. 619-295-4163.

**The Fleetwood:** *Saturdays*: DJ Ramsey. '80s/hip-hop/house. 639 J St., Downtown. 619-702-7700.

**The Flying Bridge:** *Fridays*, 9pm: DJ Ricardo. Reggaeton/salsa. *Saturdays*, 9pm, *Sundays*, 9pm: DJ Waistline. Hip-hop/R&B. 1105 N. Coast Hwy., Oceanside. 760-722-0081.

**Gaslamp Tavern:** *Thursdays*, 8pm, *Fridays*, 4pm, *Wednesdays*,

8pm: C-Phish. 868 Fifth Ave., Downtown. 619-239-3339.

**Hard Rock Hotel:** *Saturday*, 8pm: Playboy Halloween Party. Featuring Starkillers, Richard Vission, Eric Cubeechee, Tony Arzadon, Chris Garcia, Danny Love, Icy Ice, and Beej. Electronica/hip-hop/pop. 21 and up. 207 Fifth Ave., Downtown. 866-751-7625.

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**Harrah's Rincón:** *Saturday*, 9pm: DJ Mel. Electronica. 777 Harrah's Rincón Way, Valley Center. 760-751-3100.

**Hawthorn's Restaurant:** *Wednesdays*: DJ Kiki. 2895 University Ave., North Park. 619-295-1688.

**Inferno Young Adult Nightclub:** *Fridays*, 9pm, *Saturdays*, 9pm: DJ Kool T. Spins Top 40, techno, and '80s. 15 and up. 775 Metcalf St., Escondido. 760-741-1271.

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**Moondoggies Pacific Beach:** *Saturdays*, 9pm: What's Good. DJs Enigma and Cisco. Hip-hop, R&B, and Top 40. Free. 832 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550.

**Pacific Beach Bar & Grill:** *Wednesdays*, 10pm: DJ Tony. 860 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach. 858-272-7278.

**Piervine 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: Rasta Nation Posse. Reggae. 4076 Bonita Rd., Bonita. 619-470-8000.

**Satin Lounge:** *Thursdays*, 9pm: Hot Latin Beats. Reggaeton, salsa, and meringue. 18 and up. *Fridays*, 8pm: Funky Fresh *Fridays*. Hip-hop/mash-ups. 18 and up. *Saturdays*, 9pm: DJ Dizzy D. Spins hip-hop, old skool, and techno. 18 and up. *Wednesdays*, 9pm: Blazin' '98.9 Night. With guest DJs. 6195 University Ave., College Area. 619-544-1177.

**Seau's:** *Thursdays*, 7pm: DJ FOS. Hip-hop/jazz. 1640 Camino del Rio North, Mission Valley. 619-291-7328.

**Side Bar:** *Thursdays*, 9pm: Ruby *Thursdays*. 536 Market St., Downtown. 619-696-0946.

**Sixty-Seven Bar and Grill:** *Thursdays*: Tattoo *Thursdays*. With DJ Viktor and DJ KB. *Fridays*: DJ Tony Sleeze. Spins Top 40 and hip-hop hits. *Saturdays*: DJ Girth. Spins hip-hop and rock hits. *Sundays*: Soul Glo *Sundays*. With DJ Girth and friends. *Wednesdays*: Beer Pong. With DJs. 10109 Maine Ave., Lakeside. 619-561-6767.

**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.

**Stout Public House:** *Fridays*, 9pm: DJ CC. 1125 Sixth Ave., Downtown. 619-702-7933.

**Tavern at the Beach:** *Thursdays*, 10pm: DJ D-Skew. *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.

**The Office:** *Sundays*, 8pm: Club '80s. Featuring DJs Bryan Pollard, Arzola 1, 101G, and Roxanne Redlight. Industrial/underground. Free. 21 and up. 3936 30th St., North Park. 619-450-6632.

**Tiki House:** *Tuesdays*, 9:30pm: Tunes by Trent. Every Tuesday. 1152 Garnet Ave., Pacific Beach. 858-273-9734.

**True North:** *Thursdays*, 10pm: DJ Bacon Bits. *Fridays*: DJ Ramsey. '80s/hip-hop/house. *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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11/19	Roger Clyne & The Peacemakers	12/26	Cash'd Out Christmas
11/20	West Indian Girl	12/27	Hepcat
11/21	Stripes and Lines	12/29	Cracker & Camper Van Beethoven
11/22	B.B. King	1/2	40 Oz to Freedom
11/24	Salsa Sunday	1/7	Robben Ford
11/24	The Death Eaters	1/8	Pato Banton & Now Generation
11/25	Buck-O-Nine w/Skanic	1/13	Stan Ridgway
11/27	The Aggrolites	1/15	Keb' Mo'
11/28	The Cured w/Rio	1/16	Cross Canadian Ragweed
11/30	Calypso Benefit	1/30	Atomic Punks
12/4	Dead Man's Party		
12/6	The Mar Dels Xmas Show		
12/8	Bebel Gilberto		
12/12	Metro		
12/12	Son Volt		
12/13	Average White Band		
12/15	Foreigner		
12/16	Gary Ho Ho Hoey's X-mas Show		
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# HAPPY HOUR

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## ALLIED GARDENS

**Pal Joey's:** Sunday, 7pm-close: \$1 shots.

## BALBOA PARK

**The Prado:** Tuesday-Friday, 4-6pm, 8-10pm: \$3.50 wells, pints, house wine, house margaritas. Lounge only.

## BANKER'S HILL

**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.

## 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.

## CARMEL VALLEY

**Tio Leo's:** Monday-Friday, 3-7pm: \$3 pints. \$4 wells, house margaritas.

## CHULA VISTA

**El Dorado Seafood & Grill:** Monday-Friday, 4-7 pm: \$2 margaritas. \$1.50 tacos.

## CLAIREMONT

**Fat Tony's Pizza:** Thursday, 5pm-close: \$2 Karl Strauss, \$4 taps.

## COLLEGE AREA

**Satin Lounge:** Thursday, 9pm-close: \$1 Bud 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

**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.

## DOWNTOWN

**Bondi Bar and Kitchen:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$4 select beer, wine, spirits.

**Candelas:** Every day, 5-7pm: All drinks 1/2-price.

**La Fiesta:** Every day, 5-7pm: 1/2-price calls, wells, tap beers, house wine, house margaritas. 1/2-price appetizers: ceviche, nachos, chicken pizza, taquitos.

**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.

**Fuddrucker's:** 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: 1/2-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.

**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.

**Horton's Bar & Grill:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$3 drafts, \$5 wells, \$6 house wine, \$7 margaritas/cosmopolitans; \$7 potato skins/mozzarella sticks; \$7.50 nachos grande/buffalo wings.

**The Local:** Monday, 4pm-close: \$3 Bud Light, Miller Lite. \$6 burgers. Tuesday, 4pm-close: \$3 Corona, Pacifico, Dos Equis. \$2.50 chicken/steak tacos. \$3 lobster/fish tacos. Wednesday, 4pm-close: \$10 big pitchers. \$2 BBQ pork slider, corn dogs. Thursday, 4pm-close: \$3 Jäger, wells, drafts, bottled beer. \$3 lobster tacos. Friday, 3-7pm: \$1 off wells, wine, drafts. Saturday, 8-10pm: \$5 premium liquors.

**McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurant:** Every day, 3-7pm; 9-11:30pm: Wine and drink specials; 1/2-lb. cheeseburgers \$2.95, other \$1.95 specials. Join us for Padres games, next to Petco Park.

**O'Brothers:** Every day, 3:30-6:30pm: \$3 bottled beer, \$5 glass of wine. \$7 sliders with fries.

**Patrick's II:** Every day, 10am-8pm: \$2.50 bottle beer, \$3 wells, Bud Light pints, \$4 calls, margaritas, Bloody Marys.

**The Shout House:** Tuesday, \$2.50 Karls, \$5 cosmos, \$3 fish tacos. Wednesday, \$1.50 domestic bottles, \$3 fish tacos. Thursday, \$2.50 Miller Lite drafts, \$10 Miller High Life buckets, \$2 lunchbox shots. Friday, 6-7pm: \$1 any draft. Sunday, \$2 domestic drafts, \$3 wells, wine, Jäger.

**Stage Saloon:** Every day, 5-8pm: 1/2-off all wells, beer, wine.

**Stout Public House:** Monday-Friday, 4-8pm: \$3 bottled beer, \$4 premium pints, \$4 wells, \$5 cosmo, appetini, margarita; 1/2-price appetizers. Saturday-Sunday, till 6pm: \$3 domestic and Canadian bottled beer, \$4 wells, Bloody Mary, \$5 mimosa.

**Suite & Tender:** Monday-Friday, 5-8pm: \$20 bottomless wine, 1/2-off specialty cocktails.

**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.

**Yard House:** Monday-Friday, 3-6pm: \$3.50 domestic pints, \$4 craft/import pints, \$4.50 goblets, \$4.25 wells, \$5.75 house martinis, \$2 off wine by the glass. \$6.50 sliders, 1/2-off select appetizers & pizzas.

## EAST VILLAGE

**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.

**Jewel Box:** Monday, \$2 PBR drafts. Wednesday, 6pm-2am: \$5 Jäger bombs w/military ID. Thursday, 8pm-2am: Industry Night. \$3.75 calls. Must show apron/pay stub.

## 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.

**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.

## ENCINITAS

**When in Rome:** Tuesday-Friday, 5:30-7pm: 2-for-1 on all wines by the glass.

## ESCONDIDO

**Tango Restaurant & Lounge:** Every day, 4-7pm: \$1 off all drinks; 1/2-off bar menu.

## GOLDEN HILL

**Turf Supper Club:** Friday-Sunday, 12-4pm: \$5 lunch: 1/2-lb. burger, chicken sandwich, or 2 Louisiana hot links + bag of chips. 12-4pm: \$1 off all beer/wine/spirits. All day: \$1 off sirloin steaks, surf and turf.

## GRANTVILLE

**Tio Leo's:** Monday-Friday, 5-7pm: \$3 wells, domestic drafts. \$4 margarita (keep shaker).

## HILLCREST

**Bangkok Thai Bistro:** Every day, 4-7pm: 1/2-off wine, beer & appetizers.

**Wine Steals:** Tuesday, 5:30-7pm: \$5 wine tasting. Saturday, 4-6:30pm: \$10 wine tasting.

## KEARNY MESA

**Carriage House Cocktails & Karaoke:** Monday-Friday, 4-7pm: \$2.50 domestic bottled beer, \$3 wells, domestic pints. Free munchies.

**Khan's Cave Grill & Tavern:** Monday-Friday, 3-6:30pm: \$1 off draft, \$1 off glass of wine. Saturday, 3pm-close: 1/2-off bottles of wine.

## 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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**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.

**LEUCADIA**

**The Calypso Café:** *Every day, 5:30-7pm:* \$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.

**The New Morena Club:** *Every day, Noon-7pm:* \$2 domestic drafts, \$2.50 domestic bottles, wells.

**LITTLE ITALY**

**Anthology:** *Monday-Friday, 5:30-7pm:* \$6 wells, wine specials. \$8 margaritas. \$9 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**

**Coaster Saloon:** *Friday, 10pm-close:* \$2 wells, all drafts.

**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.*

**MISSION HILLS**

**The Aero Club:** *Every day, 2-7pm:* \$4 drafts, \$3 bottles.

**MISSION VALLEY**

**950 Lounge:** *Wednesday, \$3 wells, beer, house wine.*

**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**

**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.

**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.

**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.

**OCEAN BEACH**

**Dream Street Live:** *Tuesday-Saturday, 4-6pm:* \$2 wells, domestic pints. \$4 Guinness pints.

**OCEANSIDE**

**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.

**Pierview Pub/Bub's Whiskey Dive Bar:** *Tuesday, 4-7pm:* \$2 cans of Tecate.

**OLD TOWN**

**Wine Cabana:** *Monday, till close:* \$5 off Malbec. *Tuesday, till 7pm:* 1/2-price appetizers. *Wednesday, Girl's Night Out:* complimentary chocolate fondue. *Thursday, till 7pm:* \$3 beers, 1/2-price appetizers. *Friday, Cabana Magic Show (usually monthly).* *Saturday, till 7pm:* \$3 beers, disco with DJ & PJ. *Sunday, till close:* \$4 Sangria, live jazz at 5pm.

**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.

**Big Kahuna's:** *Monday-Friday, 3-7pm:* \$2.50 beer, wine.

**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.

**Miller's Field:** *Monday-Friday, 3-7pm:* \$1 wells. \$2 street tacos.

**Pacific Beach Ale House:** *Monday-Saturday, 3-6pm:* \$3 drafts, wells, house wines. 1/2-price appetizers.

**Sinbad Café:** *Every day, 4-8pm:* \$1 drafts, \$1.50 wells, shots, \$2 imports. \$3.50 appetizers. 11am-8pm: \$12-\$15 hookahs.

**POINT LOMA**

**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.

**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**

**Kaminski's BBQ & Sports Bar:** *Monday, Wednesday-Friday, 3-6pm; 9-11pm:* \$1 off all wells, drafts, bottles & wine. \$5 appetizers.

**RANCHO BERNARDO**

**Carvers:** *Monday-Friday, 2-6:30pm:* \$2.75 beers, \$3.95 wells, \$4.25 house wines, \$4.75 well martinis.

**RANCHO SAN DIEGO**

**Cottonwood Golf Club Bar & Restaurant:** *Every day, 4-6pm:* \$2 drafts. 1/2-off all appetizers including pizza, quesadillas, wings, calamari.

**RANCHO SANTA FE**

**Cavaillon:** *Monday-Thursday, Sunday, 5-6pm:* 1/2-off glass of wine. \$19.95 two-course menu.

**SAN MARCOS**

**The Jumping Turtle:** *Monday, 11am-close:* PBR \$2.75/pint, \$6.75/pitcher. \$5 cheeseburger w/ fries or salad. *Tuesday, 11am-close:* \$2 Corona, Pacifico, margaritas. 3pm-close: \$4 tacos. *Wednesday, 11am-close:* \$2 drop drinks. \$6 monster sandwich w/ fries or salad. *Thursday, 7pm-close:* \$3 Jäger, \$2.50 Bud Lime. 3-11pm: \$50 chicken wings. *Friday, 5pm-midnight:* \$5 Long Islands. \$5 12-inch two-topping pizza. *Saturday, 11am-close:* \$3 Orange Patron, Tanqueray. \$5.75 Reuben sandwich w/ fries or salad. *Sunday, 11am-close:* \$2.50 Bloody Marys. \$5 Hole-in-One ham sandwich w/ fries or salad.

**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. \$.95 oysters, \$4.25 smoked trout quesadilla. *Saturday-Sunday, 11am-4pm:* \$3.50 wells, discounted beer & wine. \$.95 oysters, \$4.25 smoked trout quesadilla.

**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.

**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.

**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 & Mexicali Grill:** *Monday-Friday, 3-6pm:* \$2 domestic, imports, \$2.75 margaritas, \$3 wells, microbrews, \$4 Leaping Horse wine. 3-5pm: \$1.50 chicken or carnitas street tacos.

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# Fiesta for Friends

It's weird that right on the border here, we're so slow to catch up with the rest of the country on real Mexican cuisine. We've got lots of "Mexican" food but hardly any *Mexican* cuisine, compared to the ambitious, creative regional and *nueva comida mexicana* restaurants of New York, Chicago, Atlanta, et al. Our local region is Baja California (a cuisine that includes vibrant wood-grilled carne asada tacos, local-raised quails and venison, dry-aged Sonora steaks, fresh and smoked seafoods, etc.), but this side of the line, just try to get anything beyond fish tacos.

The *nueva comida mexicana* movement started in upscale resorts and particularly the deluxe Mexico City neighborhood of Polanco, where talented (and often well-schooled) chefs are turning traditional Mexican ingredients into sophisticated creations. El Vitral is a new East Village showplace, helmed by chef Norma Martínez, and it's all about that sort of urbane creativity. For my first dinner there, during Restaurant Week, I invited Sam, a Chicagoan whose palate has been happily spoiled by Rick Bayless's Topolobampo Frontera Grill (a favorite of the Obama family). El Vitral's Restaurant Week menu seemed an ideal starting place — the entrées were those I'd have chosen to order anyway.

The vast dining room has an open kitchen at the far end and parquet floors along the bar. The decor is modern, clean, suburban-shiny, and very red (walls, chairs, napkins, and the occasional patron's face, right after the first sip of one of the spicy margarita variations). A *vitral* is a stained-glass window, and they have a few of those, too, over the bar. The wall to the patio is soundproofed glass that can be rolled up in good weather for inside-outside eating. From inside, with the glass down, you can't hear the noise from Petco or even the mariachis playing for private parties on the patio a few inches away.

However, there's some sort of bad music playing on the sound system inside. From my table



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at a second meal, just inside the patio glass of the dining room, we couldn't hear any melody, just the thuds of the bass beat, like a mild headache. Who needs that in a room where, all around us, people were sharing platters, laughing, joking, and clearly enjoying each other's conversation? Suggestion: maybe some Flaco Jiménez, Los Alegres de Terán, Lydia Mendoza, some classic *corridos* and norteño bands instead? A loop of the album *Chulas Fronteras* from Arhoolie Records would be a good start. (Yeah, that's all Tejano, not Baja, but as far as I can tell, Tijuana norteño is mainly *narcocorridos* lately. Yet, even those would be preferable to *thunk thunk*.)

Sam, Jennifer, and I avoided the *thunks* by choosing a patio table to enjoy the last of summer, our toes almost touching Petco's Park on the Park. The restaurant features an enormous selec-

tion of tequilas, and much of the cocktail list is given to margarita variations. The "Classic" was just okay. Sam chose the house specialty, a spicy variation called "The Smoking Tippler" (Cabo Wabo reposado, mango, chipotle syrup) — da bomb! Jennifer tried the "Fresa," a pleasant tequila martini sweetened with puréed fresh strawberries. (A second dinner included additional spicy experiments, but "Smoking Tippler" still scored the highest.)

Our charming waiter sweet-talked us into trying the \$13 off-menu Guacamole Trio. The three versions of the spread: one base-hit, one ball, one strike. The "tomatillo" version was the best — tart and complex, topped with a scattering of Cotija cheese and *pepitas* (small toasted pumpkin seeds). The "El Vitral" was amended with sweet fruits (mango and jicama) and soy sauce and was interesting. But the *tradicional* classic was a

## DINING REVIEW

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### El Vitral

★★★ (Very Good)

815 J Street, downtown, 619-236-9420, [elvitralrestaurant.com](http://elvitralrestaurant.com).

**HOURS:** Sunday–Friday 11:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.; weekends until midnight; Saturday and Sunday brunches 11 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

**PRICES:** Appetizers, soups, salads, \$7–\$11; sides, \$4; tacos, \$9–\$13; entrées, \$18–\$35 (most low \$20s).

**CUISINE AND BEVERAGES:** Ambitious menu of creative re-creations of multiregional Mexican dishes. Huge list of tequilas and cocktails. Well-edited multinational wine list, many affordable choices.

**PICK HITS:** "Smoking Tippler" margarita. Appetizers: *Sopa de Elotes* (corn soup), quesadillas, *Callos de Hacho* (scallops). Entrées: fish taco; *Enchiladas de Pato* (duck mini-enchiladas), *Cochinita Pibil* (Mayan-style "pulled pork"), fettuccine with duck in mole sauce. Dessert: churros with coconut sauce.

**NEED TO KNOW:** Heated patio with view of Petco scoreboard and Park at the Park. Parking lot on Eighth Avenue just north of J (\$3 on nongame nights). Informal but subtly festive; T's fine (maybe not wife-beater tanks indoors). Sufficient choices for lacto-vegetarians. Easy to create a budget grazing meal, especially if sharing.

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huge yawn, in dire need of a heaping spoonful of table salsa to liven it up.

But as we looked over our table, we remembered from an earlier review we'd read that El Vitral is a bit too hoity-toity to automatically serve salsa and chips like "lesser" Mexican restaurants, much less put a bottle of hot sauce on the table. No problem with no chips, but withholding the salsas not only seems chintzy but is a



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tactical error: At a subsequent meal, small portions of three different hot sauces came with one of the entrées, and all three were scintillating — a fiery coral habanero purée, a sneaky-hot green *salsa verde*, and, best of all, a sparkling “salsita,” aka *salsa fresca*, the classic home-style table sauce of minced raw tomatoes, onions, and chilis. That terrific trio — or even just the “salsita” alone — would be the best possible advertisement that El Vitral could make for itself, inspiring instant trust.

Restaurant Week appetizers: one triple, one knockout, one comedy act. The surprise hit was a quesadilla, a world apart from the desperation dinners of starving students and vampire-shift scribblers. The coating of the empanada-sized packet wasn't a folded-over tortilla but a light batter of cornmeal *masa*. The filling was a mixture of luxurious melted Oaxaca cheese with zucchini blossoms and a bit of *huitlacoche* (corn “truffles”). On the other hand, *flautas de pollo* were tough cylinders of rolled corn tortillas filled with a leaden mixture of dry chicken shreds and black-bean purée. They were nicely garnished with Mexican sour cream, Cotija cheese, and a pleasant chipotle aioli — but who cares for this fancy-shmancy stuff when, really, all the best flautas are just topped with a heap of good guacamole along with the *crema fresca*. Sometimes the old ways are best.

We were just talking about taking home raw oysters from Blue Water on India Street and giving them the N'Awlins treatment when the mahi mahi ceviche arrived, making me break out in giggles when I realized that the sauce was a sweetened, spiced-up variation of the Creole cocktail sauce

served at New Orleans oyster bars — here, with puréed tomatoes subbing for NOLA's Heinz cocktail-sauce base. Don't eat that, eat this: the *ceviche de camarón* (from my second meal), tender shrimps in a roasted tomatillo, poblano chili, and citrus salsa, a charmer that came with thin, almost translucent house-made chips, not typical fried leftover tortilla triangles but made-from-scratch *masa* puffs. When you think of it, the variety and quality of house-made *masa* products (plus pastas and baked goods) coming out of this kitchen are impressive.

A home-run at first swing: our entrée of Enchiladas de Pato (duck-filled enchiladas). The fresh-tasting house-made tortillas were small, light, and faintly sweet. The filling mingled pulled duck and a hint of chopped apricots, and the coral-colored chili and Cotija-cheese sauce was sweet, suave, a bit spicy. The enchiladas were miniature, but the portion was generous — six of them, made to share.

Our other two entrées were good ideas, imperfectly executed. Mole Poblano had a rich, complex, dark sauce, sweet and moderately spicy, but wasted on desiccated chicken breast. “What's the deal with chicken breast in *mole* this side of the border?” asked Jennifer. “What's the Mexican cultural norm for chicken, for that matter?” asked Sam, comparing this dry version to the moist Italian-style *paillard*s he'd just eaten at Piatto. “*Mole* was designed for turkey,” I said, “back in the day when that was a wild bird and mostly dark meat, before the *guajalote* chicks started looking at cosmetic-surgery ads in the papers and getting their *chimichangas* enlarged...I can't imagine why restaurants use

chicken breasts, when thighs are more like turkey plus cheaper, easier to cook.” “And moister,” added Jennifer.

On my second visit, I tried the sauce again in Fettucini con Pato en Mole, pulled duck with apricots and crunchy cashews, served with tender house-made fresh pasta. Dark, enticing duck meat worked much better, and since the whole concept of the dish is a little nutsy, those cashews fit right in. The sauce seemed spicier, too. The combination made for a giddy, sensual mix of flavors and textures.

Back at Restaurant Week: *Ravioles en nogada* is a cute idea. The original *chiles en nogada* is a dish celebrating Mexican independence day with the colors of the flag: dark-green poblano stuffed with a fruited, minced (or ground-) beef stuffing, topped with white walnut cream sauce scattered with scarlet pomegranate seeds. Here, instead of chilis, are house-made pale-green pasta pockets (incorporating *chile poblano* purée) stuffed with beef and fruit, topped with the classic white walnut sauce drizzled with pomegranate reduction. It's near-great, except that the pasta wrappers were too thick, undercooked, chewy — a long fly to the outfield resulting in a double, not a homer.

An out-of-the-ballpark hit came with a simple dessert of cinnamon-fragrant mini-churros — crisp outside, fluffy-soft inside — with a ramekin of coconut sauce for dipping, gooey and sybaritic but not cloying. The other two Restaurant Week desserts were bad and worse: a coarse *empanada de ate con queso* (a small, thick dough-shell filled with Mexican cream cheese and jelly) and a horrendous brownie, glutinous enough to pull out your tooth

fillings and sweet enough to leave new cavities. The espresso was above average, served hot and fresh with dessert, as requested.

“Would you eat here again?” I asked my friends. “No,” said Jennifer. “For this type of upscale Mexican food, you can do much better at Candelas. Maybe even at El Agave — although I have to admit I haven't been there in years.” “Not yet,” said Sam. “Their chef has great ideas, but the kitchen has problems with execution. The food is interesting but not consistent.”

Obviously, our Restaurant Week meals wouldn't make a fair assessment — the place still felt too new. So I came back nearly a month later with Samurai Jim and Fred. We ate different dishes (no more chicken breast...in anything!), and they were all better than the first try. Either the Restaurant Week menu wasn't well chosen or the kitchen has matured rapidly.

Along with the shrimp ceviche (described earlier) we started with *callos de hacha*, a trio of big, beautiful local (Baja) scallops cooked tender-done. Each was set on a pedestal of a small quesadilla (again made with fresh *masa*) filled with *barbacoa* (pulled braised beef with citrus juice) and topped with a juicy square of fresh, seared *nopalito* cactus, the whole mixture dressed lightly in cilantro vinaigrette. It's a bold, unconventional combination, not entirely harmonious but arresting — and delicious. All three of us agreed we'd love to eat these again.

This dinner's great glory was *crema de elote con poblanos* — creamy corn chowder topped with streaks of poblano chili aioli. Its sensuous, primal comfort had all three of us batting our eyelids and smiling like

happy infants after each spoonful. By the way, budget-watchers, it's very filling: for \$8, you've got most of a dinner.

For another ten bucks, and for the hell of it, I ordered a fish taco as an extra appetizer: a small, thin, house-made corn tortilla wrapped around a generous portion of tender beer-battered mahi mahi chunks, fully dressed with *salsa verde*, *crema fresca*, Mexican cole slaw, and chipotle aioli. Hurray for that: I hate DIY fish tacos, 'cause it's not my native cuisine, so how the hell is an exiled *nuevayorquera-frisqueña gabacha* supposed to know how to dress these exotic Baja things? We were all surprised by its excellence, the fish treated respectfully and garnished well and proportionately.

Half the reason I came back was to taste the Cochinita Pibil, a Yucatecan dish that inspires me with profound ambivalence and forlorn hope. It's a great culinary idea that usually turns out dry and horrible, even (or especially) in the dreary restaurants on the central plaza of Mérida, Yucatan's “county seat.” The original: a suckling pig marinated in spices and sour orange juice, wrapped in banana leaves, and slow-baked in a fire-pit. Well, not lately. There's an even more common restaurant version in Mérida, *pollo pibil*, featuring dried-out chicken. When my then-husband, his cousin, and I went to Chichen Itza and discovered at lunchtime that there were no food vendors in the park, we decided we should open a *pollo pibil* stand among the ruins and call it “Itza Chicken!” (Cousin Peggy later topped this with an even better pun: In the woods behind the ruins, we discovered an abandoned single-gauge railroad track. “Pardon me, boy,

is this the Chichen Itza Choo-Choo?” she sang.)

At El Vitral, the moist, tasty, orange-flavored pulled pork-shoulder shreds (seeming more a *mixiote* than a *pibil*) were served atop a banana leaf for form's sake and garnished properly, traditionally, with pickled red onions. So, it's not wholly authentic — it's better.

The spenny entrée recommended by our excellent waiter (able to answer all questions about ingredients and prep methods) was Cordero al Guajillo, rack of lamb in a suave sauce of Guajillo chilis and ground peanuts. Without our specifying doneness, it arrived a perfect rosy medium-rare — cut into three meaty rib chops in a sauce that flattered the lamb. Alongside were Peruvian purple potatoes and hunks of fried plantain. (This dish, the most expensive on the menu, probably brought us the three great salsas, too, along with a basketful of the fine house-made “chips.” Either that, or you get them automatically with entrées when it's not Restaurant Week.) The lamb was excellent but overpriced for the amount of thrill it affords, given that most entrées here cost at least \$10 less.

Overall, this second meal was a fiesta for the mouth, offering guidelines for how to eat economically at this rather upscale destination. “This would be a great date place if you don't eat too much,” said Jim. “Start with a pair of ‘Smoking Tipplers,’ the scallop appetizer, and shrimp ceviche. Then a bowl of that corn soup, and if you're still hungry, a taco.” “Or the duck enchiladas instead of the taco,” I said. “And you want to finish off with the airy little churros. That sensual coconut sauce is your perfect happy ending.” ■

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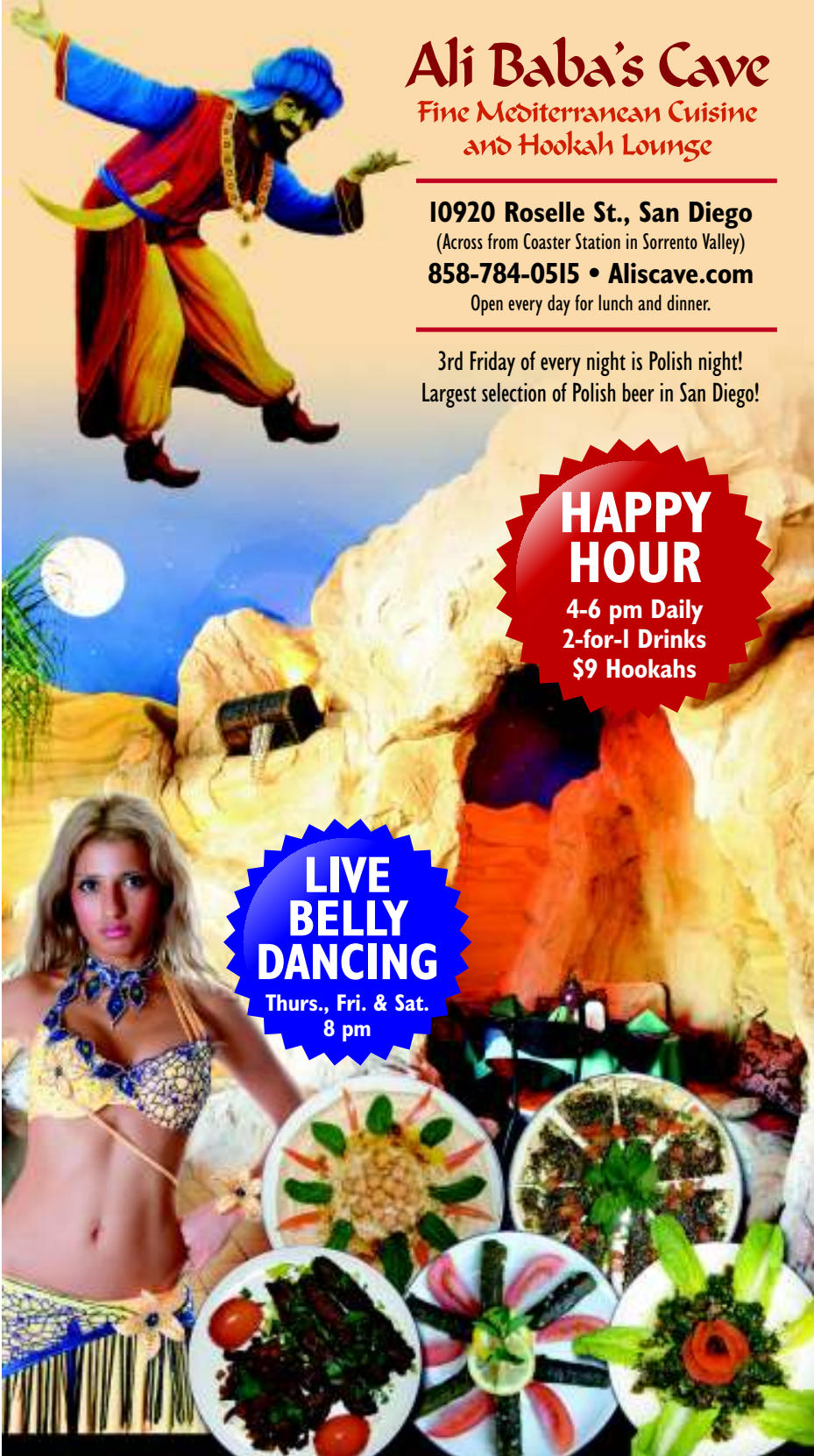
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**Lou and Mickey's** 224 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-237-4900. Fifties-style surf 'n' turf owned by King's Seafood, with fine fish quality, simple fare. Best dishes include New Orleans BBQ shrimp — a buttery, spicy Creole extravaganza (available as starter or entrée) — and the huge, juicy rib-eye Cowboy Steak. Fish moderate, meats expensive.

**Morton's of Chicago** 285 J St., Downtown, 619-696-3369. Swanky, manly Chicago steakhouse offers juicy, marbled grain-fed beef in numerous cuts and sizes, wet-aged and grilled to your specification, or good fish. Pricy à la carte sides. Very expensive.

**Oceanaire Seafood Room** 400 J St., Downtown, 619-858-2277. The best dishes tend to be the least ambitious, from the "Simply Grilled and Broiled" section. Or you can gamble on more elaborately composed entrées. Great crab cakes. Happy hour at oyster bar moderate, dinner very expensive.

**Osetra Watergrill** 904 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-239-1800. Las Vegas glitzy decor here. Appetizers tilt Asian, but most entrées are Italianate seafood. The restaurant has switched from the endangered Caspian caviar it's named for to a California-farmed sturgeon product (at the same steep tab). Very expensive.

**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.

**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.

**Taka** 555 Fifth Ave., Downtown, 619-338-0555. Top-quality seafood enlivens exquisite sushi, with rice freshly made all evening and savory appetizers like miso-baked cod and mushroom-topped *agedashi* (lightly fried) tofu. Reserve and go early for quiet. Most dishes inexpensive, but they add up.

## East Village

**Café Noir** 447 Ninth Ave., East Village, 619-235-0075. Hip E-Ville scene in antique black house, where food highlights include interesting soup du jour and a *panino* stuffed with grilled chicken, artichoke, cranberries, and Parmesan and cream cheeses. Inexpensive.

**Gen Lai Sen Hakka Seafood Restaurant** 1065 12th Ave., East Village, 619-239-5478. Stick to their Hakka specialties, like the sizzle plate stuffed tofu — deep-fried crisp rectangles with a pork meatball inserted in the tender centers, resembling meat-flavored roasted marshmallows. Mainly inexpensive.

**Sole Luna Café** 702 Ash St., East Village, 619-232-0436. Umbrella-strewn

 <p><b>Free pizza</b> Buy one large specialty pizza, get a free cheese pizza any size.</p> <p>425 S. Melrose Dr. Vista 760-295-3851</p> <p>Expires 11.12.09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p>	 <p><b>Free menu item</b> With purchase of two menu items at regular price.</p> <p>12205 Scripps Poway Pkwy. #E106 Poway 858-549-1818</p> <p>JAPAN HOUSE</p> <p>Expires 11.12.09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p>	 <p><b>6 free bagels</b> With purchase of six bagels at regular price.</p> <p>3870 Valley Centre Dr., Suite 303 Carmel Valley 858-792-2435</p> <p>Expires 11.12.09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p>	 <p><b>50% off pizza</b> Buy one pizza and get a second pizza for 50% off.</p> <p>834 Kline St. La Jolla 866-264-0533</p> <p>Expires 11.12.09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p>
 <p><b>Free entrée</b> Purchase any entrée and two beverages and receive a second entrée of equal or lesser value FREE. Good for up to two discounts per party of four. Dine-in only. Cannot be combined with any other offer, discount or coupon. No cash value. Not valid with Kids Eat Free. Valid at participating location only. Not valid on holidays.</p> <p>330 F Street Chula Vista 619-420-0751</p> <p>11122 Rancho Carmel Dr. Carmel Mountain 858-675-9428</p> <p>Expires 11.12.09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p>	 <p><b>Free entrée</b> With the purchase of any entrée of equal or greater value &amp; 2 beverages.</p> <p>3492 Adams Ave. San Diego 619-283-3153</p> <p>DiMille's Italian Restaurant "Simply Di Licious" (Dress 10718)</p> <p>Expires 11.12.09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p>	 <p><b>Free bottle of water</b> Free bottle of water when you spend over \$3.50.</p> <p>See website for locations: www.santanas.com</p> <p>Expires 11.12.09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p>	 <p><b>Free menu item</b> With the purchase of a lunch or dinner plate &amp; two beverages.</p> <p>1061 W. El Norte Pkwy Escondido 760-480-5662</p> <p>Pita King</p> <p>Expires 11.12.09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p>
 <p><b>Free entrée</b> Buy one entrée and two beverages and receive the 2nd entrée of equal or lesser value free.</p> <p>Thurs.-Fri. 9:30 am-2:30 pm Sat.-Sun. 8 am-2:30 pm Closed Mon.-Wed. 5119 Cass Street Pacific Beach 858-274-2233</p> <p>Expires 11.12.09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p>	 <p><b>Free entrée</b> Buy one entrée and two beverages and get a second entrée of equal or lesser value free. Dine-in only.</p> <p>1814 Marlon Rd. Carlsbad 760-720-4300</p> <p>Jenway's</p> <p>Expires 11.12.09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p>	 <p><b>50% off Nigiri &amp; Sushi rolls</b> 23 Nigiri and 36 sushi rolls to choose from!</p> <p>9869 Carmel Mountain Rd. San Diego 858-484-5300</p> <p>Expires 11.12.09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p>	 <p><b>\$5 off</b> your purchase of \$25.00 or more! Not valid with any other coupon. One per customer. Must bring original coupon.</p> <p>12205 Scripps Poway Parkway #104 Poway 866-777-5064</p> <p>Expires 11.12.09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p>



terrace is fun. Many items taste straight from Milano, like the breakfast croissant with prosciutto and smoked mozzarella, the Rustico Panino, and the Siciliana salad. Inexpensive to moderate.

## 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, 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 pro-

duce. 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 fusion-tinged 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

**Baby Back 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.

**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.

**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

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 <p><b>\$10 off dinner</b> Buy 2 entrées and 2 beverages, get \$10 off. One coupon per customer. Not valid on holidays or with any other offers.</p> <p>1441 Highland Avenue National City 619-474-3222</p> <p>Expires 11/12/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>50% off any breakfast or lunch entrée</b> Purchase one entrée and two beverages at regular price and receive a second entrée of equal or lesser value at 50% off. Limit 1 coupon per table. No separate checks. Not valid on weekends or holidays or with any other coupons, specials, offers or with private groups.</p> <p>7947 Balboa Avenue San Diego 858-565-4244</p> <p>Expires 11/12/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>One free entrée</b> Buy one entrée and two beverages and get the second entrée of equal or lesser value FREE. Not valid with any other offer. One coupon per table. Excludes lunch specials.</p> <p>6618 Mission Gorge Rd. San Diego 619-554-6461</p> <p>Expires 11/12/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>Free kids' meal</b> (Ages 3-8) from the kids' menu with purchase of two regular entrées. Not valid on weekends.</p> <p>2110 Birch Rd., Ste. 102 Otay Ranch 619-482-0307</p> <p>4419 Camino de la Plaza San Ysidro 619-690-1494</p> <p>Expires 11/12/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 
 <p><b>Free pizza</b> Free medium one-topping pizza with purchase of large two-topping pizza. Not valid with any other offer.</p> <p>2441 Jamacha Rd. #104 Rancho San Diego 619-588-5566</p> <p>Expires 11/12/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>Free burrito</b> Buy one bean &amp; cheese burrito and get one free. Offer only good at Terasanta location.</p> <p>10425 Terasanta Blvd. San Diego 858-503-6750</p> <p>Expires 11/12/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>15% off buffet</b> Not valid on holidays. Cannot be combined with any other offer.</p> <p>New Panda Buffet</p> <p>16785 Bernardo Center Dr. Rancho Bernardo 858-592-9555</p> <p>Expires 11/12/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>\$5 off</b> Your next purchase of \$20 or more. Not valid on Fridays 4:30pm-9:00pm.</p> <p>9988 Scripps Ranch Blvd. Scripps Ranch 858-271-5250</p> <p>Expires 11/12/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 



 <p><b>Free entrée</b> Buy one breakfast, lunch or dinner and get a second of equal or lesser value free.</p> <p>1466 Garnet Ave. <b>Pacific Beach</b> 858-270-4030</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>15% off entire check</b> Excludes catering and alcohol. With coupon. Not valid with any other offer.</p> <p>124 Lomas Santa Fe Dr. <b>Solana Beach</b> 858-481-FISH (3474)</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>50% off any menu item</b> With purchase of an entrée and two beverages. Good for both dine-in and take-out. Excludes seafood, BBQ &amp; specialties. Not valid with any other offer. One coupon per customer.</p> <p>12378 Poway Road, Ste. C <b>Poway</b> 858-679-7073</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>50% off frozen yogurt</b> Buy one, get the second of equal or lesser value at 50% off.</p> <p>16588 Bernardo Ctr. Dr., Ste. 130 <b>Rancho Bernardo</b> 858-673-4204</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 
 <p><b>Free 6" Sub</b> Purchase any 6" or larger sub, salad or wrap at regular menu price and get a second 6" sub of equal or lesser value FREE! Not valid with any other discounts. One coupon per customer.</p> <p>12233 Poway Road <b>Poway</b> 858-486-7827</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>Get 1 free order of steak fries</b> with purchase of any large Philly Cheese Steak.</p> <p>312 Bellantyne Street <b>El Cajon</b> 619-442-2036</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>50% off burger</b> Buy any burger and get a second burger of equal or lesser value for half off. Valid at San Diego Cheeburger location only.</p> <p>12002 Carmel Mountain Rd. <b>Carmel Valley</b> 858-613-1576</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>50% off yogurt</b> Buy one, get 50% off the 2nd cup. 2nd must be equal or less than 1st cup.</p> <p>12010 Scripps Summit Dr., Ste. B <b>Scripps Ranch</b> 858-549-9205</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 
 <p><b>Free edamame or miso soup</b> With purchase of any entrée (except side &amp; Kids' Menu). Good only at Mission Valley. One coupon per visit. Not valid with any other offer. Dine-in or take-out only.</p> <p>7710 Hazard Center Dr., #D <b>Mission Valley</b> 619-295-2080</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>Free entrée</b> With the purchase of an entrée of equal or greater value and 2 drinks. Not valid with private party reservations or with any other offer. One coupon per party. Good only at Clairemont location.</p> <p>9330 Clairemont Mesa Blvd. <b>Clairemont</b> 858-571-6225</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>Buy two, get one free sushi roll</b> Anytime!</p> <p>12245 Poway Rd. <b>Poway</b> 858-391-3080</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>50% off any entrée</b> Buy one entrée and get a second entrée for 50% off.</p> <p>14727 Pomerado Road <b>Poway</b> 858-748-2445</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 

 <p><b>Free entrée</b> With purchase of any entrée &amp; two beverages at regular price. Receive 2nd entrée of equal or lesser value free. Up to \$8 value. Dine-in only. Not valid with breakfast specials, discounts, on holidays or with any other offer. One coupon per table.</p> <p>9449 Kearny Mesa Rd. <b>Mira Mesa</b> 858-271-4670</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>Free pizza or large salad</b> Free Z10 pizza or large salad with purchase of any extra-large specialty pizza Z18.</p> <p>11975 Carmel Mountain Rd. <b>Carmel Mountain</b> 858-675-9300</p> <p>8657 Villa La Jolla Dr. <b>La Jolla</b> 858-450-0660</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>Free special roll</b> Buy one special roll and get a second of equal or lesser value for free.</p> <p>7905 Engineer Rd. <b>Kearny Mesa</b> 858-634-3233</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>\$7 lunch</b> Not valid with any other offer. One coupon per person.</p> <p>1580 S. Melrose Dr. <b>Vista</b> 760-597-9900</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 
 <p><b>Free edamame or miso soup</b> With purchase of any entrée (except side &amp; Kids' Menu). Good only at Scripps Poway. One coupon per visit. Not valid with any other offer. Dine-in or take-out only.</p> <p>10545 Scripps Poway #A <b>Scripps Poway</b> 858-536-1020</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>25% off frozen yogurt</b></p> <p>12165 Alta Carmel Court #120 <b>Rancho Bernardo</b> 858-618-5436</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>50% OFF Entrée</b> Buy one entrée and get the 2nd for 50% off. 2nd entrée must be of equal or lesser value. Dine-in only.</p> <p>9910 Mira Mesa Blvd., #A <b>Miramir</b> 858-578-1468</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>50% off pizza</b> Buy one pizza and get a second of equal or lesser value for half off. Valid only at Poway location.</p> <p>13332 Poway Rd. <b>Poway</b> 858-679-FAST (3278)</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 
 <p><b>\$1 off buffet</b> Limit one per customer.</p> <p>9254 Scranton Rd., Ste. 102 <b>San Diego</b> 858-458-2858</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>Free entrée</b> With the purchase of an entrée of equal or greater value and two beverages.</p> <p>391 N. Escondido Blvd. <b>Escondido</b> 866-545-3736</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>50% off frozen yogurt</b> Buy one frozen yogurt and get one of equal or lesser value 50% off. Toppings not included. No stamp cards.</p> <p>5131 College Ave. <b>College Area</b> 619-286-4200</p> <p>5664 Mission Center Rd. <b>Mission Valley</b> 619-295-9648</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 	 <p><b>\$5 off</b> Any purchase of \$20 or more. Excludes beverages.</p> <p>9978 Scripps Ranch Blvd. <b>Scripps Ranch</b> 858-695-8088</p> <p>Expires 11/2/09 • Coupon code: G1FSDR</p> 



at lunch, with weekend specials like Bento combos (sushi rolls, crab, salmon, rice) and filling soups overflowing with veggies and thick udon noodles. Inexpensive.

**Lucky Buck's Patio Bar and Grill** 1459 University Ave., Hillcrest, 619-297-0660. The only question: which burger? The Buck 'n' Bleu Ribbon Burger (with bleu cheese, bacon, onion strings, and chipotle sauce)? Buck's on Fire (pepper Jack, bacon, and jalapeño peppers)? Buck's Lucky Mushroom? Inexpensive.

**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.

## 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 dinners 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 Convoy 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 Convoy 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 Convoy 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.

**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.

**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.

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### Little Italy

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### 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 *coxinhas*, *pastes*, *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. 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 Joié** 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.

### 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 week-ends. 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 platoon of cabbage, rice, mac salad, and kimchi. Inexpensive.

**Point-Point Joint** 916 E. 8th St., National City, 619-474-2866. Dozens of

## What the Chef Eats by Pamela Hunt-Cloyd

### BUTTERCUP SQUASH NECTAR WITH SPICED RUM, AÇAÍ BERRIES, FROMAGE BLANC

BY CHEF BERNARD GUILLAS

Executive Chef, The Marine Room

My grandmother was the root of this madness I would say, this passion for food. I lived with her in Brittany until I was six and she was always in the garden. We had a beautiful orchard, hens, and rabbits. Fresh eggs every morning — it was really fantastic. We had three apiaries and an herb garden: you could almost touch the flavor of the lemon thyme and sage.

Every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, the family would gather at my grandmother's farmhouse. I have a very crazy family.

They have such a passion for food and a *joie de vivre*. We rarely bought anything at all from the market. Most everything came from the land or the sea. At low tide on the coast of Brittany, we would harvest mussels, crabs, cockles, and shrimp. When

those big tides came in they would all go on the streets where they set up a big pot to cook the fish and a table for the bottles of wine — the bottles of wine! Only in France can you do something like this. So you see, I started to cook at a very early age and what I learned was flavor.

When I was 19 years old, I went to French Guiana to work at a restaurant located near the French Guiana Space Centre. It was my first time out of Europe and I was in the middle of the Amazon. I discovered a very different lifestyle and I loved the blend of Creole, Brazilian, and European. That experience really started to shape my approach to food and ingredients and even the style of cooking. I had the great fortune to live in the Amazon for three weeks with the Samaraka

tribe. Talk about being humbled... It was amazing. It gave me a different perspective on life. It was Grass Roots 101. Our running water was the Amazon River and mosquitoes were the size of hummingbirds, but that's the way it was. What was interesting to me is the relationship the natives have for the plants and animals. And the respect. Those three weeks opened my eyes to what life was all about.

When I went back to Brittany I knew I had the [travel] bug. I thought, *I cannot stay in France. I've got to see the world*. Then I received a letter from Chef Pierre Chambrin at Maison Blanche [in Washington, D.C.] who said I had a job with him if I wanted it. I worked with Pierre for four years. When he went to the White House, I visited him many, many times



while he was the executive chef for Bush senior [George H.W. Bush].

Once, Bush senior came to San Diego and he was staying at the U.S. Grant Hotel, where I was working. One morning he came in for breakfast and the Secret Service guys told me not to talk to the president. But I was, like, "I know the guy." So I said, "Bonjour, Mr. President," and Bush said, "I know you," because Chef Pierre and Bush were really good friends.

The thing I love to do when I am not working is gather with my friends and have a nice barbeque and open a bottle of wine. Very important: always cook

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 *dinuguan* (pork meat and blood stew). Inexpensive.

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 Grueben 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.

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with a good bottle of wine. One other thing I really like to do — it's therapy — is to grow tomatoes and herbs. At the end of the day you look at your tomatoes. You look at your herbs. You open a bottle of wine and it's just fantastic.

This recipe for squash soup is from my new cookbook *Flying Pan*, which I wrote with Ron Oliver. It will come out in October. The recipe uses açai berries. For centuries, indigenous Indian tribes in the Amazon River basin have used the açai berry, a rainforest fruit known for its healing powers.

## INGREDIENTS

**SERVES 6**

### SQUASH NECTAR

2 3-pound kabocha squash, halved, seeded  
2 tablespoons brown sugar

2 tablespoons unsalted butter  
½ cup minced shallots  
⅛ teaspoon each ground cin-  
namon, clove, nutmeg,  
cayenne pepper  
1 cup dry vermouth  
2 quarts vegetable stock  
1 stalk lemongrass, split  
2 tablespoons maple syrup  
1 teaspoon grated fresh ginger  
¼ cup heavy cream  
Sea salt and freshly ground  
white pepper to taste

## HOW TO DO IT

Preheat oven to 350°F. Place squash on baking sheet, cut side up. Sprinkle flesh with brown sugar. Bake 35 minutes or until tender. Remove from oven. Cool. Scoop flesh from shell. Set aside. Melt butter in large pot over medium heat. Add shallots. Cook 2 minutes without brown-  
ing, stirring often. Add cin-

namon, clove, nutmeg, and cayenne pepper. Cook 1 minute, stirring often. Pour in vermouth. Bring to simmer. Add squash, stock, and lemongrass. Simmer 25 minutes. Discard lemongrass. Puree soup in blender until smooth. Strain through sieve into pot. Whisk in maple syrup, ginger, and cream. Bring back to simmer. Season with salt and white pepper.

## PRESENTATION

¼ cup açai berries  
¼ cup apple juice  
3 tablespoons vanilla spiced  
rum  
6 teaspoons fromage blanc  
6 sprigs chervil

In small bowl, soak açai berries in apple juice for 10 minutes. Remove berries. Ladle prepared squash nectar into warm soup cups.

Drizzle with rum. Spoon a teaspoon of fromage blanc in center of each cup. Garnish with açai berries and chervil.

## INGREDIENTS NOTES:

Dried açai berries can be found at Whole Foods, health-food stores, and other gourmet groceries. Look for fromage blanc at the same sources and at cheese stores. If unavailable, substitute Greek yogurt (Trader Joe's carries it), Quark, or in a pinch, Mexican queso fresco stirred with a little yogurt or sour cream until smooth. Lacking vanilla spiced rum, add a drop or two of vanilla to the recipe measurement of any reasonably good light rum.

To get other recipes from local chefs, go to [sreader.com](http://sreader.com).

tangy, spicy sauce) is a good value. Inexpensive.

## Oceanside

**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.

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**El Agave** 2304 San Diego Ave., Old Town, 619-220-0692. Serious Mexican food highlighting mainland regional cuisines, including five different Oax-

acan moles (plus a sixth from Chiapas). 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 garlic-rich 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.

(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.

## 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

**Cavillon** 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 SoCal comfort cooking. Try the Bag of Bones (house-smoked pork ribs) and any fruit creation for dessert. Moderate to expensive.

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## 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.

**Park Boulevard Cafe** 4646 Park Bl., University Heights, 619-298-5248. The menu offers authentic Iraqi dishes plus echoes of Vietnam and Italy. Try Vietnamese-style coconut milk soup or lamb shank with red curry sauce and couscous. Open until late except Mondays. Inexpensive.



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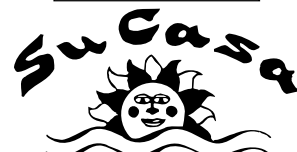
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# Top Speed

*He marries, has affairs, does drugs, hugs Nixon, isn't chasing his lost mother.*

Alexander Dodge's glitzy set for the Old Globe's *Sammy* includes stately, show-case-windowlike structures framed by rows of blinking lights. They feature props for the scene, or people who pose, in Fabio Toblini's classy period costumes, and sometimes sing. The polished black structures roll on and off. It doesn't take long to see that the musical, based on the life of Sammy Davis Jr., resembles the showcases. The life of an amazing entertainer rolls by, but from afar and at top speed. Watching *Sammy* feels like window-shopping from a passing car.

"Your whole life just moves too fast," his wife May Britt tells Davis. The musical follows suit, with no time for development. Leslie Bricusse's book creates such a shallow, itemized portrait that Davis remains a one-note character: he's an orphan, a four-year-old wunderkind, has a car crash (loses an eye and his sense of balance; his struggle to overcome both, if told in detail, could have revealed more about the man); he marries, has affairs, does drugs, hugs Nixon, isn't chasing his lost mother after all, earns Kennedy Center Award, finale, and curtain.

Name performers usually have a signature song. Davis had a handful, most of them written

by Bricusse, often with Anthony Newley: "Once in a Lifetime," "Who Can I Turn To?" "The Candy Man," "What Kind of Fool Am I?" Davis could sell a song like few others. When Obba Babatundé sings them, however, he's been encouraged to over-sell music that needs no extra hype.

The iconic numbers also create a problem. They dwarf those written specifically for the show. New songs — the ones sung to Davis, in particular ("Slow Down Sammy," "Black Sammy, White Sammy") — feel flat, and often preachy, by comparison.

Some portrayals verge on cartoon (Dean Martin, Sinatra, Eddie Cantor), and the women never rise above generic (an exception: Ann Duquesnay, outstanding as Davis's grandmother Rose). Babatundé's Davis has the hunched shoulders, the bebop head-nod, the firm grin, and manic energy down. And he sings and dances (and plays drums, for that matter) with bountiful gifts. Babatundé entertains throughout and deserves the jump-to-your-feet standing ovation the audience gives him. But in his nearly three-hour performance, Babatundé is, at best, only like Sammy Davis Jr. The hit-and-run script — scenes often just set-ups for the next song — never gives him the time to be the great entertainer.

## THEATER REVIEW

JEFF SMITH



Obba Babatundé, Jenelle Engleson, Sarah Strimel in *Sammy*

**Sammy**, book, music, and lyrics by Leslie Bricusse

**Old Globe Theatre**, Simon Edison Centre for the Performing Arts, Balboa Park

**Directed by Keith Glover**; cast: Obba Babatundé, Ted Louis Levy, Lance Roberts, Ann Duquesnay, Adam James, Troy Britton Johnson, Mary Ann Hermansen, Heather Ayers, Alonzo Saunders, Victoria Platt, Keewa Nurullah; scenic design, Alexander Dodge; costumes, Fabio Toblini; lighting, Chris Lee; sound, John H. Shivers, David Patridge

**Playing through November 8**; Tuesday and Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Thursday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Matinee Saturday and Sunday at 2:00 p.m. 619-234-5623.

**Frozen** by Bryony Lavery

**Ion Theatre Company**, Sushi Performance and Visual Art, 390 11th Avenue, downtown

**Directed by Claudio Raygoza**; cast, Dana Hooley, Matt Scott, Sunny Smith, Jared D. Herholtz; scenic design, Raygoza and Scott; costumes, Courtney Smith; lighting, Raygoza; sound and music, Joe Huppert

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Frozen

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In Bryony Lavery's *Frozen*, a researcher asks Ralph if he feels any remorse for raping and murdering seven young girls. Dead-faced Ralph says no. He's just sorry "it's not legal."

Lavery based her play on the findings of psychiatrist Dorothy Otnow Lewis. In *Guilty by Reason of Insanity*, Lewis contends that profound abuse in childhood damages the brain's cerebral cortex and hippocampus. One result: an inability to determine right from wrong. Thus the root causes of crime, she says, are neurological. They make serial killers "ill, not evil." Lewis doesn't absolve murderers — she advocates lifetime imprisonment without parole — but says they deserve our forgiveness.

"I think you're lucky if forgiveness visits you," the playwright said in an interview, "and you're in agony if it doesn't." Lavery makes *Frozen*, and an ability to forgive Ralph, her test case.

Each of the play's three characters is frozen: remorseless Ralph, Agnetha (a forensic psychologist, loosely based on Dorothy Lewis, in denial about a recent loss), and Nancy (whose ten-year-old daughter Ralph raped and suffocated). You could almost say the murder literally damaged Nancy's left brain. Good and evil blur, and she's never felt less alive. Her other daughter's bromides about forgiving and "letting go" ring hollow.

In Ion Theatre's stark, deeply moving production,

Matt Scott gives Ralph the cold logic of an irrational mind. His thoughts would make sense in a parallel universe of cruelty. As the years pass, Agnetha and a visit by Nancy create an aperture back to a moral view. In one of his best efforts ever, Scott thaws from fierce to fragile, and Ralph's re-entry shock becomes his undoing.

Director Claudio Raygoza has staged the piece on the perimeter. Scenes unfold on small stages and surround the audience with pain. The languid pacing of scenes, however, includes gaps and pauses more empty than pregnant. Sunny Smith, emotionally apt as Agnetha, would improve if she quickened her words, as would the production in general.

They say serial killers have

100 times more rage than "normal" people (whoever they are). Nancy Shirley begs to differ. In Dana Hooley's excellent portrayal, the slaying of her daughter jumped Nancy into the cycle of violence. Her blast-furnace seething compares with Ralph's, and Hooley more than suggests that, if given the chance, Nancy wouldn't just murder Ralph; she'd relish it. How Hooley moves from black-out retribution to the open-eyed Nancy at the end is one compelling reason, among many, to see *Frozen*, which must close this weekend. ■

## THEATER LISTINGS

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### The Andrews Brothers

Like *Forever Plaid*, *The Andrews Brothers* is a musical revue held together by a sketchy plot. When Laverne of the Andrews Sisters has chicken pox, the trio's quarantined.

So three male stagehands, burning to strut their stuff, cross-dress as Patty, Laverne, and Maxene. The males entertain the troops with the tight, boogie-woogie harmonies that made the sisters famous — including "Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree," "Beat Me, Daddy, Eight to the Bar," and "Bei Mir Bist Du Schoen." *Andrews Brothers* won't usurp *Hamlet's* pedestal in the realms of gold. It's about sheer forget-your-troubles entertainment. And the expert cast at Welk Resorts Theatre provides it. Bets Malone, Jeffrey Parsons, David Engel, and Johnny Bisom have worked together before, and it shows. Their voices blend beautifully. Even their shenanigans are flawless. Musical director Justin Gray added two trumpets to his band. And one of them — don't know which — gets to be the immortal "Boogie-Woogie Bugle Boy (of Company B)."

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### Best

Diversionary and Ion Theatres stage Martin Sherman's stark drama, a "Holocaust love story" about imprisoned gay men. Claudio Raygoza and Glenn Paris directed.

DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK BLVD., UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 619-220-0097. 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 22.

### Día de los Muertos

Chronos Theatre presents readings from Dante's *Divine Comedy*, along with spoken word and live music pieces about the loss of loved ones in the previous year. 619-615-3575. SWEDENBORG HALL, 1531 TYLER AVE., UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 7PM SUNDAY.

### Dog Act

The apocalypse came and went, part bang, part whimper. Now everything's fragments, including language — malapropisms coined from fuzzy memories. Through this post-apocalyptic world (a metaphor for post-deconstruction?) travels a humble vaudeville troupe: Roz(etta) Stone and her dog (actually a man named Dog who strums a mean guitar). As they seek a mystical "China," they confront evil scavengers and potentially vile vaudevillians, Vera Similitude and Jo-Jo the Baby Face Liar. Though the plot of Liz Duffy Adams's fantasy is predictable, the imagination behind it's a stunner: the seasons quake into place; Shakespeare, Abbott and Costello, Billie Holiday, and Spike Jones make cameos; Roz talks a dazzling,

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cross-purposed poetry; and all tell tall tales. To open its new space in Rolando (former Cygnet Theatre home), Moxie Theatre reprised its popular production. The new version sports the original cast (Liv Kellgren, Jason Conors, Sylvia M'Laft Thompson, Jo Anne Glover, in top form) and, under Delicia Turner Sonnenberg's smart direction, makes for a funny, wildly theatrical show. 858-598-7620.

## **Critic's pick.**

MOXIE AT ROLANDO THEATRE, 6663 EL CAJON BLVD., SUITE N, COLLEGE AREA. 8PM THURSDAYS, 8PM FRIDAYS, 8PM SATURDAYS, 2PM SUNDAYS, THROUGH NOVEMBER 22.

## **The Foreigner**

Patio Playhouse stages Larry Shue's very funny comedy about a painfully shy man who pretends not to speak English. Rob Wolter directed.

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## **Frozen**

ion theatre company presents Bryony Lavery's drama of confrontation: a murderer, the mother of one of his victims, and a psychologist "explore our capacity for forgiveness, remorse, and change after an act that would seem to rule them out entirely." Claudio Raygoza directed.

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## **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.

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## **Joyful Noise**

Tim Slover's "historical backstage drama," which Lamb's Players premiered ten years ago, still has too many notes. Scenes need compression, the dramaturgy's formulaic. But the play's dovetailing stories — of a "fallen" mezzo-soprano and the politics behind Handel's composing ("compiling," actually) of the *Messiah* in 1741 — allow the company to sport Jeanne Reith's remarkable period costumes and fill in some of the script's blanks with lively theatricality. Co-directors Robert and Deborah Gilmour Smyth do fine turns as Handel (who, beneath Germanic gruffness, has a deep inner certainty) and Mrs. Pendarves, a florid arts patron. Colleen Kollar Smith (a touching Susannah Cibber), Teressa Byrne (Kitty: a feisty diva with

a rocket soprano voice), Jim Chovick (a treat as humble King George II) make valuable contributions. Talented Jason Heil does what he can with Bishop Henry Egerton, the play's wordy villain. David Thayer, who used to work lighting wonders at Lamb's old National City space, devised a minimalist set with marbled, neoclassic columns. Special credit to co-sound designers, Gilmour Smyth and Patrick Duffy.

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## **Long Story Short**

Brendan Milburn and Valerie Vigoda's musical about 50 years in the off-and-on love between Hope and Charles recalls Jones and Schmidt's *I Do! I Do!* a lot. It also borrows from Craig Lucas's magic realism. To anyone familiar with its

antecedents, *Long Story* has a riding-on-coattails quality. That said, it's a charmer. At almost no point are Hope and Charles on the same page (or even the same bookstore). One member of the interracial couple's running full speed while the other's gearing down. Some of the liveliest songs, like "Unpacking the Suitcase" and "We Should Get Married," play in their conflicting expectations. Melody Butiu and Robert Brewer are well cast for roles that require strong singing and acting skills. They meld with Mark Danisofsky's five-piece band (Diana Elledge's cello casts an elegiac patine over Victoria Petrovich's one-room set). *Long Story* could have an extended life. But the relentless pace works against it, since every scene unfolds the same way, which takes a here-we-go-again toll in the 138-minute one-act. The spunky, thought-provoking musical might improve if the authors shortened *Long Story* by two scenes.

## **Worth a try.**

SAN DIEGO REPERTORY THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN. 619-544-1000. 8PM THURSDAY, 8PM FRIDAY, 2PM AND 8PM SATURDAY, 2PM AND 7PM SUNDAY, THROUGH NOVEMBER 1.

## **Man From Nebraska**

In Tracy Lett's drama, Ken Carpenter suffers a profound crisis of faith. He doesn't just tumble outside the box — the box disappears. He goes to London, where a kind of vague

cultural exchange occurs: the emotionally blank have-everything learns from artists who have nothing (Letts is better with the condition than the solution, which just comes about). Cygnet Theatre gives the play top production values: Brian Redfern's minimalist set, Jessica John's detailed costumes, music by Jason Connors, and Eric Lotze's inspired lighting create contrasting worlds. And the supporting cast brims with sharp cameos. On opening night Michael Sears took a while to empty Ken convincingly (gestures indicated but felt unconnected to actual hurt). Sears did express how it feels to lose one's sense of permanence. In a subplot — *Woman from Nebraska?* — Robin Christ's Nancy struggles almost wordlessly to keep her world from breaking and herself from breaking down.

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Evan Smith's comedy creates the illusion of a dispute. Young, Evangelical Melissa squares off with Margaret, her sister Mary, and their priest, Father Murphy. The play takes potshots at religious rigidities on both sides. Some strike home, but Evans takes his themes and characters only so far. He'd much rather entertain than enlighten or, perish the thought, offend, and concludes with such a sweet sitcom wrap that everyone returns to their one-note ways with most scratches healed before curtain call. The Old Globe cast received a well-deserved standing ovation on opening night. Throughout Nancy Robinette (beatific Mary), Mikel Sarah Lambert (feisty Margaret), James Sutوريوس (pensive Murphy), and Kimberly Parker Green (perky Melissa) tried to make a 90-minute, joke-driven play character-driven. Their spiky interactions made the ride enjoyable, while the ride lasted. Deb O built her cluttered set on a familiar expression. Piles of Good Books hold up the stage: the four M's literally testify on a stack of Bibles.

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**in Rosarito, the answer is always, "The bar you are in is the gay bar in Rosarito."**

By BajaAdvisor  
4:48 p.m., Oct 23

**Book Mountain Crumbles**

*Normal Heights* — **The building on Adams Avenue where Wm Burgett Books & Collectibles is located was purchased by Pilgrimage Yoga. For the next week, books are being sold for 50 percent off**

usual prices.

**The owner of the store, Bill Burgett, looked like he was losing his only child. He'll continue selling books online.**

By Galina Caraman, 10/24

**Grave Matter**

*Point Loma* — **Late in the day on Tuesday, October 13, I stopped by the Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery to visit the grave of an old friend. As I entered the side that faces the ocean, my jaw dropped. A large backhoe and other earth-moving equipment**



**stood silently over large sections of tom-up ground. Stacks of removed headstones and grave mark-**

**ers stood near large piles of dirt and deeply dug trenches. In other areas, the grass had been com-**

**pletely removed, leaving gravestones surrounded by bare earth.**

**Assuagement came in the form of a sign that explained what was going on: "We are in the process of raising and realigning grave markers and headstones... No graves will be disturbed."**

**Later on, I telephoned the number on the sign and was eventually transferred to Kirk Leopard, the cemetery director. He explained that gravestones eventually become misaligned, both vertically**

**and horizontally, due to settling and the occasional earthquake. Every ten years or so, he needs to send a crew out to realign them.**

By Steve Terry, 10/21

**No Haggler**

*La Mesa* — **A man pretending to be a shopper robbed the Susie's Hallmark store on Lake Murray Boulevard at approximately 2 p.m. on October 22. The man had entered the gift shop and browsed for several min-**

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utes, waiting for other customers to leave before revealing a dark-colored handgun. He demanded an undisclosed sum of money from the clerks and fled the area on foot.

La Mesa police and the sheriff's ASTREA helicopter responded and searched for the perpetrator but were unable to locate him. He was last seen walking in front of the strip mall, heading westbound toward Baltimore Drive. He wore large,

dark sunglasses and is described as an Asian male in his 30s, approximately 5'3" to 5'4" tall.

On October 23, San Diego Crime Stoppers issued an alert, asking for assistance from the public to help identify the "Back Room Bandit." The description of the suspect is nearly identical to that of the suspect in the La Mesa Hallmark store robbery. The "Back Room Bandit" has robbed businesses in Chula Vista, National City, El Cajon, the Midway area, and La

Mesa during September and October. The businesses include a bakery, three pet stores, a florist, a deli, and a Baskin-Robbins ice cream shop.

*By Cindy Winslow, 10/24*

**You Can Ride but You Can't Hide**

*Spring Valley* — At approximately 11:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 22, a California Highway Patrol officer traveling on northbound I-5 near SR-163 observed a motorcycle driving at a high rate of speed.

San Diego PD's ABLE helicopter was called out and was able to stay on top of the motorcycle throughout the short chase. The helicopter followed the biker from the I-5 to SR-94 eastbound to Spring Valley.

The rider made his way to his residence on the 3400 block of Helix Avenue, where the helicopter crew observed him opening his garage door, riding in, and shutting the door after him. The lone CHP officer arrived at the address to find an open

front door. His backup was too far away, so they called San Diego sheriff's deputies to assist.

**Bandit**

*Emerald Hills* — On Monday, October 19, a gentleman lost five dollars in the Payquick machine at the Arco gas station located at 1817 Euclid Avenue. He went inside to report the defective machine, and both the cashier and then the manager said there was nothing they could do and that he would have to leave his contact

information to be reimbursed on Wednesday, when the machine was next serviced.

What made the man's situation even worse is that the he originally came in with five dollars in change but the cashier would not take the change and sent him to the bank across the street. The five dollars were the last he had until he receives his next unemployment check.

I witnessed the incident and gave the man my number if he needed

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 a witness. It seemed to both of us that he wasn't going to get his money returned, but he did get reimbursed on Thursday, October 22.

*By Robert Terra, 10/22*

**Want Water?**

*Rancho San Diego*—If you live in Rancho San Diego, you may be curious as to why a fairly large "L" shape of brush was cleared from the southeast corner of open space surrounding Cuyamaca College earlier

this month.

On the evening of Monday October 19, it was evident that the digging of some large trenches had begun. As I walked through the Villa Montevino condominium complex, which is adjacent to the cleared open space, the purpose behind the activity became evident. Some flyers left for the benefit of the residents of the complex indicated that it's an Otay Water District project.

Workers had cleared the vegetation in prepa-



ration for the Jamacha Pipeline Project. It will involve over five miles of three-foot-wide water pipe, stretching from Lex-

ington Avenue and Third Street in El Cajon to Campo Road and Jamacha. Phase III of the project will involve installing the pipe from

Brabham Street and Jamacha along Via Rancho San Diego, behind the Villa Montevino condominiums and along Jamacha Road. It will run along the southern property line of Cuyamaca College before being connected to two ten-million-gallon reservoirs.

*By Steve Terry, 10/22*

**Wiry Creatures**

*Mission Valley*—Residents of the Bluffs I condominium complex on Friars Road were recently reminded that coyotes

frequently visit the lush compound looking for food. A notice was posted on bulletin boards with the warning to "be especially cautious at night when walking along the back path with small children and pets." Security personnel as well as residents have spotted packs of as many as six animals in past months.

Bluffs I is situated on a scrubby mound of earth stretching upwards about one-fifth of a mile, flat surfaced and steep. The coy-

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otes evidently find safe haven on the hilly open space during the day, though sometimes they come out while the sun shines. They have been spotted careening across Friars Road toward River Valley Golf Course as well. The critters leave their poop behind on the sidewalks, adding to the workload of the maintenance staff.

*By William Harper, 10/22*

## More Space for Us

*Borrego Springs — A lawsuit*

filed in San Diego on October 7 by the Sierra Club, the Center for Biological Diversity, and other conservation organizations charges that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service violated the Endangered Species Act when, in April, it cut protected habitat designations for the peninsular bighorn sheep by 55 percent — from 844,897 to 376,938 acres. The lawsuit also claims this reduction broke up habitat continuity, disrupting migration and interbreeding across

populations.

Once the most numerous of the desert bighorns, the peninsular bighorn sheep population in the U.S. dropped to 276 in 1996 and was listed as endangered in 1998. They dwell in low-elevation slopes in desert areas popular with real estate developers.

In 2001, the government marked off 840,000 mountainous and canyon acres in Riverside, San Diego, and Imperial Counties as critical habitat. In part, this means devel-

opers face a higher level of environmental review for those areas.

Currently, an estimated 800 sheep reside in the area from the San Jacinto Mountains to the border, partly helped by the 2001 designation, said Ileene Anderson, biologist with the Center for Biological Diversity.

*By Peijean Tsai, 10/21*

## American Appreciation

*Downtown San Diego — On Wednesday morning, October 21, at Golden*

Hall in the San Diego Concourse, 590 people were sworn in as U.S. citizens; among them were 17 military servicemen.

Thai Yin came to the United States with his family when he was three years old. They were refugees from Cambodia. He described the ceremony as "...overwhelming."

As the new citizens exited the ceremony, they were greeted by people from two informational booths — one Democratic, the other Republican.

*By Nathaniel Uy, 10/21*

Comments

1. The smart ones will head to the democratic booth.

*By sjhgd7 4:11 p.m., Oct 22*

2. sjhgd7 is a single payor Socialist activist! Sure he would want all new citizens to join him on the Democrat public tit.

*By tomjensen2*

*9:32 a.m., Oct 23*

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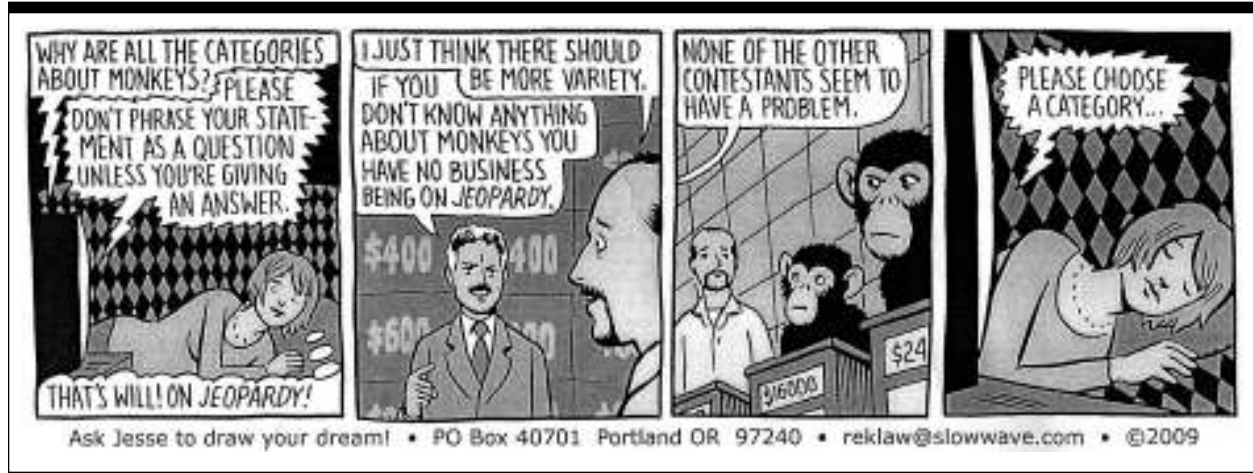
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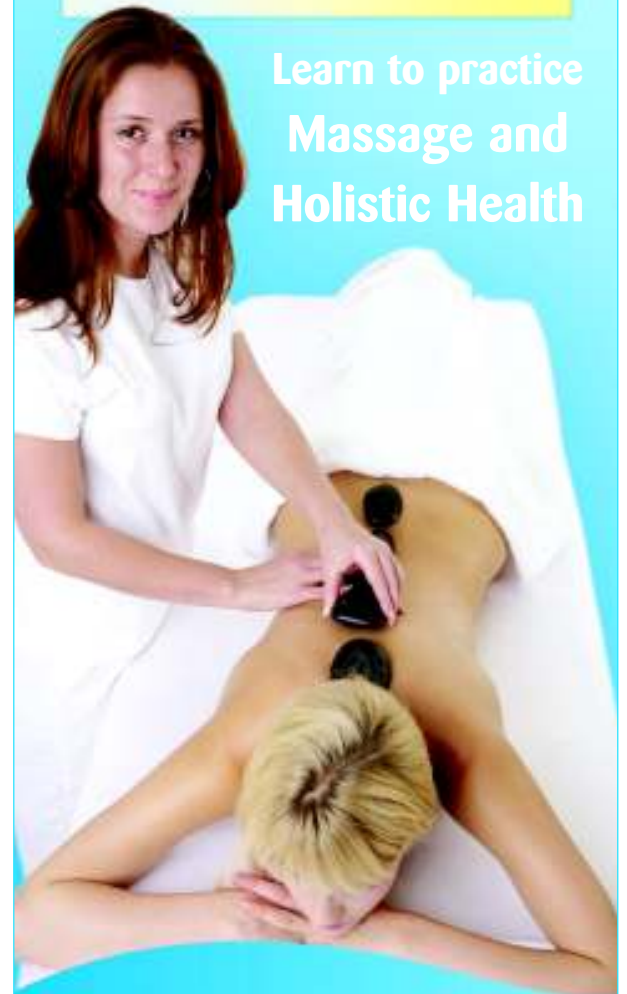
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### RULES OF THE GAME

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. 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. 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@sdrreader.com](mailto:puzzles@sdrreader.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) 10 *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

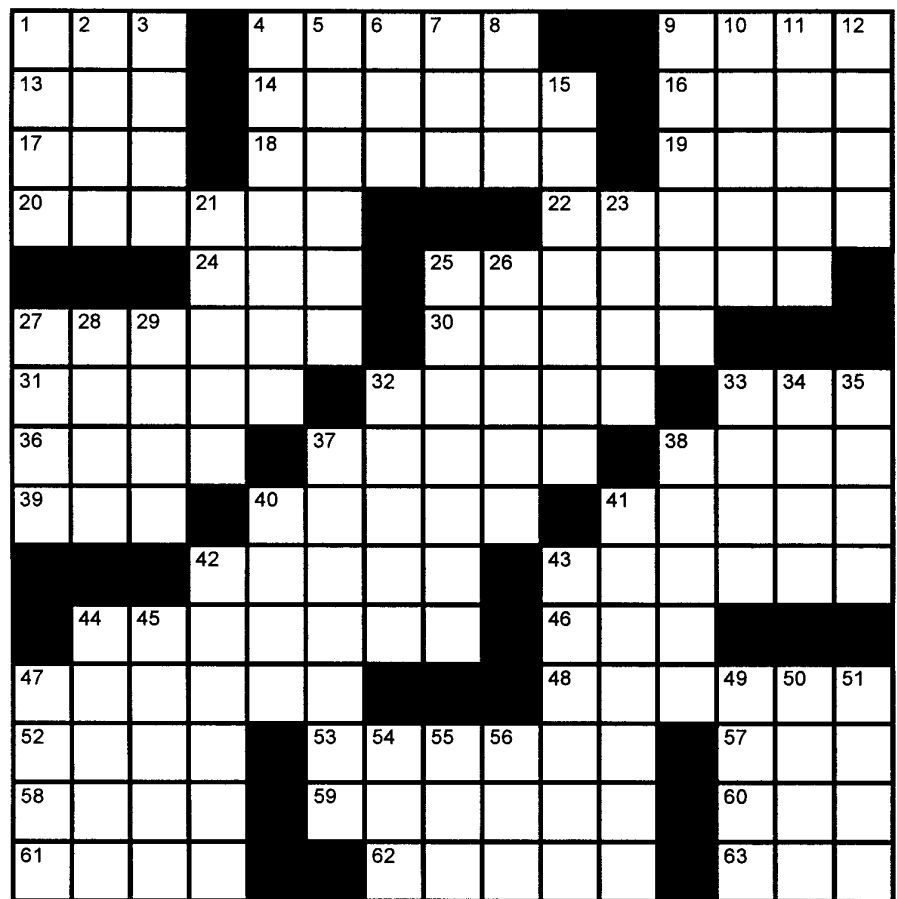
- \_\_\_\_\_ Mahal
- Mideast's \_\_\_\_\_ Heights
- Take \_\_\_\_\_ (snooze)
- Ripen
- Nobelism Sakharov
- \_\_\_\_\_ Linda, Calif.
- Regret
- Suffix with hypo- or taxi-
- Singer Redding

- Event for a marshal
- Philosophy class
- Part of LGBT
- Spelling USA Today uses for the longtime leader of 37-Across
- Dangerous
- Singer James and Jones
- Scheme of Bernie Madoff
- Animal that eats while floating on its back
- Freight weight
- 1976 loser to Bjorn at Wimbledon
- Country whose leader has been in power for a long spell (and with many spellings to his name)
- Celebrity child nick named "TomKitten"
- Turner of history
- Anklebone
- Where Al-Jazeera is based
- "Blue II" and "Red Sun," e.g.
- Snoop Dogg contemporary
- Spelling the New York Daily News uses for the longtime leader of 37-Across
- Bizarre
- "If you can't beat ... \_\_\_\_\_"
- Snoop Dogg contemporary
- Paul Simon's "\_\_\_\_\_ Rock"
- Chevy introduced in 1958
- Wade's court opponent
- Keep a Web journal
- "Supposing ..."
- Pie \_\_\_\_\_ mode
- Identical
- Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, e.g.
- Deep bleu sea

### Down

- Infield protector
- Contents of una fontana
- Catcall

- Spelling the Washington Post uses for the longtime leader of 37-Across
- Cyclops feature
- King or emir: Abbr.
- Hand holder?
- "In the," in Italy
- Hilo hellos
- "\_\_\_\_\_ I can help it!"
- Firenze friends
- It may be forward
- Lemonade + \_\_\_\_\_ = Arnold Palmer
- Staring intently
- "There's gold in them \_\_\_\_\_ hills!"
- 2003 Sean Paul hit single
- Firm bodies?: Abbr.
- Went \_\_\_\_\_ smoke
- Vincent Lopez hit of 1922
- Tizzy
- Words dropped from Olay's brand name in 1999
- Ballet attire
- Kind of testimony
- It may be barbed
- University of Wyoming city
- Famed New York City restaurateur
- Cheer competitor
- Spelling the New York Times uses for the longtime leader of 37-Across
- Run
- "King of Ragtime"
- Melbourne marsupial
- Sign in the stands
- Triangular sails
- Wee drink
- Ration (out)
- Anniversary unit
- DIII x II
- \_\_\_\_\_ capita
- Actress Ortiz of "Ugly Betty"



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Personal Message: \_\_\_\_\_

### SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE:



## THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS:

☛ indicates T-shirt winner.

**Sheila Agahan-Price, Oceanside, 4.** Watch out for children. Don't drink and drive this Halloween  
**Lucy Alderson, Chula Vista, 4.** I dreamed I did the puzzle in my SD Reader T  
**Woody Anderson, Carmel Valley, 4.** Don't they serve seaweed wraps at a sushi bar?  
**Mary Arana, Encinitas, 4.** Happy birthday Eldon!  
**Jeff Battles, Ocean Beach, 4.** Be right back. Hangin' in Vegas at the moment  
**Evelyn Bowser, Hillcrest, 4.** Sell that Prius  
**Gloria Cadenhead, Clairemont, 4.** A must read

**Eric Cash, Escondido, 4.** My huge brain pushed the hair out of my head  
**Glen and Tesi Chavira-Cournoyer, Chula Vista, 4.** Happy 21st birthday Caroline  
**Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 4.** Mother, god bless you  
**Jon Connor, Oceanside, 4.** Compton is Hollywood, closest she's ever been anyway"  
**Ben Cooper, Gaslamp, 4.** Tougher than usual, but not so clever.  
**Betsy Cory, Chula Vista, 4.** Sandra loves happy, and happy loves Carlos!  
**Craig Curtis, Escondido, 4.** Happy birthday October 28th Birthdays — Austin, Andrea, and Dawn

**William Cushing, Rancho Bernardo, 4.** Boo! To you, Hailie  
**Gary Dismukes, Scripps Ranch, 4.** Surprise, a t-shirt at last. Thanks!  
**Kurt Dornbusch, Mission Valley, 4.** We can't always be right  
**Dale Duffala, La Jolla, 4.** Happy birthday, Carol! I love you!!  
**Harry Engel, La Jolla, 4.** Getting earlier every week  
**Ben Espe, Mission Valley, 4.** If you can't beat the Raiders, who can you beat?  
**D. Faulkner, University Heights, 4.** A bike is a terrible thing to waste than you  
**Ellie Hoey, Spring Valley, 4.** I love New York  
**Sean Holt, Ocean Beach, 4.** Charger Fans Are you embarrassed yet? Go Steelers!  
**Jenny Hughes, Escondido, 4.** Yawn...

**Diana Holt, Hillcrest, 4.** Thanks for a great weekend Kelly, Debi and Lauren!  
**Norman Kenney, Carlsbad, 4.** Happy halloween! Kiera! Bodo!  
**Sara Khwaja, Poway, 4.** Congrats Cody and Diana 10-17-09  
**Emily Marie, North Park, 4.** Three left turns will always make a right  
**Michael McGriffin, Bay Park, 4.** Term limits for US Congress  
**Thomas McVeagh, Lakeside, 4.** Happy Birthday, dad!  
**Ron Meyer, Santee, 4.** Happy Birthday hunny I love you  
**Douglas Meyers, La Mesa, 4.** my amp is broke, cuz I spilt my coke  
**Susan Morfey, Little Italy, 4.** Ahoj sea goers — How was the cruise, yo!?

**Marge Nelson, El Cajon, 4.** Heartland Lions "We Serve"  
**Elizabeth Noll, Alpine, 4.** Happy halloween  
**Jim Odell, Vista, 4.** I'm the old man on the bike  
**Lisa Overton, Spring Valley, 4.** Are these getting easier or am I getting better?  
**Michael Panther, Point Loma, 4.** For the record, David has never recombined any Salmon  
**Janie Redmond, Cardiff, 4.** Soccer Hounds — Michaela and Jake  
**Jerry Riccio, Rancho Bernardo, 4.** Happy halloween  
**Matthew Rosello, San Diego, 4.** 92127 It is gone  
**Ted Scafidi, Hillcrest, 4.** A crossword turneth away wrath  
**Tom Seaman, Alpine, 4.** Once it's mature, a pun is fully groan

**Clinton Smith, La Mesa, 4.** Lessons are not given; they are taken. — Aesop  
**Thelma Strickland-Hicks, Del Mar, 4.** Thanks for the computer donation Joseph!  
**Ric Witt, Clairemont, 4.** Hyper inflation- the biggest tax of all  
**M. Zimmermann, Vista, 4.** In politics the middle way is none at all. John Adams  
**Samantha Loveira and Matt Palmer, College Area, 4.** Stop playin' your love games with me!!!  
**Thomas Baggot, Carlsbad, 3.** World Series- Phillies over Yankees  
**L. Barling, El Cajon, 3.** Myrmidon? Or myrmidon't! Rely on independent sensible curious creative thinking  
**Dennis Beabout, Temecula, 3.** Go, Angels Go!



## THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS CONTINUED:

☛ indicates T-shirt winner.

**Leslie Chase, Campo, 3.** *Greetings from Willis Texas*  
**Maria Coda, Oceanside, 3.** *Hi All! Love ya!*  
**Alfred Egaran, San Diego, 3.** *Fall, schmell. It's April for me everyday! Love you, Woman!*  
**Manny Faria, Point Loma, 3.** *Hey Pooh I'm glad we have ...*  
☛ **Jacque Glick, El Cajon, 3.** *Back to basics... ABC*  
**Ron Hootman, Santee, 3.** *Hoot101 It's true! The race is to the quickest!*  
**Kyle Matzke, Vista, 3.** *Nothing to pontificate about this week, too busy to care*

**Rumir Miravalles, San Diego, 3.** *Arf! Arf! Arf!*  
**Sunny Nelson, El Cajon, 3.** *Good luck Lakers!*  
**Robert Ott, Mira Mesa, 3.** *4th Down*  
**P. Drew Papas, La Jolla, 3.** *Happy B'day L. and L*  
**John Pertle, Santee, 3.** *Text without context is pretext for proof text*  
**Bill Pischke, Ramona, 3.** *Autumn radiates orange energy*  
**Don Romero, Ramona, 3.** *Mei Ling is a bad, bad, girl!*  
**Debbie Schultz, El Cajon, 3.** *Desha Electric is rock and roll*

**Rich Sewell, Ocean Beach, 3.** *The Phillies must spank the Yankees*  
**Michael Sheridan, San Diego, 3.** *For Shorty*  
☛ **Susie Stogsdill, Spring Valley, 3.** *Did I get it right?*  
**Carly Stone, San Diego, 3.** *Legalize it!*  
**Donna Swing, La Mesa, 3.** *"He may be nutty, but he's not a professor." — Alderden*  
**Bob Vollmar, La Jolla, 3.** *Thanks for restoring our long lost t-shirts*  
**Susan Williams, North Park, 3.** *Boo! Happy Halloween! And Dia De los Muertos!*  
**Norman Williams, San Diego, 3.** *What da fass???*

**Ron Akers, Sabre Springs, 2.** *Its my birthday; gonna have a good time*  
**D. Asencio Jr., Ramona, 2.** *TWC PAC R.I.P.*  
**Chris Baker, Huntington Beach, 2.** *Happy Halloween*  
**Marilyn Cooper, Chula Vista, 2.** *Why would you name a spouse ... Because he is...*  
**Jan Dawson, North Harbor, 2.** *If I get this bid on work, I'll be happy*  
**John L. Dreher, North Park, 2.** *There's never been an Irish Pope.*  
**George Elam, Vista, 2.** *Am I too late to qualify?*  
**Dorothy Kruse, Carlsbad, 2.** *Seaweed wrap — Ugh!*  
**Susie Lektorich, Coronado, 2.** *Is a pig with no voice disgruntled?*

**I.C. Garcia, Golden Hill, 2.** *Stationery needs? Shop India Ink Papers...*  
**Phyllis Grant, San Diego, 2.** *Try try again*  
**Jack Hawkins, Encinitas, 2.** *Life is an insane asylum and only the insane will...*  
**Phil Paradissis, San Diego, 2.** *Go Angels!*  
**Elenore Stephens, Potrero, 2.** *Better late than never*  
**Lisa Torrescano, Spring Valley, 2.** *Salt the snail*  
**Adam Traub, Oceanside, 2.** *Stimulate CA's economy — legalize Marijuana!*  
**Jerrisa Vuksinich, El Cajon, 2.** *I did it!*

**Leo Baggerly, Encinitas, 1.** *Don't let schooling interfere with education*  
**Kaye Benton, San Diego, 1.** *SDAFF is better than ever!*  
**Sharon Dang, La Mesa, 1.** *Finally!*  
☛ **Marty Ferullo, Pacific Beach, 1.** *Happy halloween*  
**Gian Ghio, Chula Vista, 1.** *Love you dad*  
**Debra Handt, San Diego, 1.** *Finally!!*  
☛ **Scott Heimer, Mission Valley, 1.** *Eaglepoint here we come!*  
☛ **Mark E. Jones, Clairemont, 1.** *Always just hard enough to be challenging. Thx*  
**Sally Lukes, Serra Mesa, 1.** *At my age, only "old Fashioneda" hit a chord*

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2) Be one of the first 100 people who submit the correct answers to one of the

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3) The puzzle-contest ranking, shown online and in the paper, will begin anew every three months. Complete the journey four times a year!

4) Entries must be faxed to **619-233-7907** or mailed to Reader Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803, or delivered through our mail slot at 1703 India Street in Little Italy, or scanned and e-mailed to:

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5) 10 Reader T-shirts are awarded weekly to contenders chosen randomly!

6) All answers must be legible and entered in the spaces provided.

7) Late entries will not be considered.

8) One entry per person per week or you will be disqualified.

9) Employees of the *Reader* and their immediate families are not eligible.

### EASY:

			1	2	5		4	7
2					3		8	
1		6		8	7			
	1	2					3	8
9			8		6			2
8	3						9	6
			6	5		8		4
	6		2					3
4	8		3	7	9			

### MEDIUM:

3							6	5
5				2				
	9	7	8					
	3		7	5	1			8
	7						1	
	8		9	4	6			2
					8	1	4	
				9				7
7	5							8

### HARD:

9			4					
	5	1		9			2	6
			5	8		7		
			8		9	3		4
1		6	3		7			
		4		5	2			
5	8			7		9	6	
				8				2

### EVIL:

3	2			9				
	6						4	
			7	8	2			
9		3				1		
		4		1		5		
		1				5		7
			2	9	1			
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We cannot accept your entry without the following:

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Circle T-shirt size: L XL

Personal Message: \_\_\_\_\_

## SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S SUDOKU PUZZLES:

### EASY:

3	4	9	7	8	1	2	6	5
7	2	5	9	6	3	8	1	4
6	8	1	2	4	5	3	7	9
8	6	3	4	1	9	7	5	2
9	5	7	8	3	2	1	4	6
2	1	4	6	5	7	9	3	8
4	3	2	1	9	6	5	8	7
5	7	6	3	2	8	4	9	1
1	9	8	5	7	4	6	2	3

### MEDIUM:

8	4	1	3	6	2	9	7	5
5	6	9	4	8	7	2	1	3
7	2	3	9	5	1	4	6	8
9	8	2	6	1	3	7	5	4
6	5	4	7	2	8	3	9	1
1	3	7	5	4	9	8	2	6
4	1	8	2	9	5	6	3	7
2	7	6	1	3	4	5	8	9
3	9	5	8	7	6	1	4	2

### HARD:

2	7	9	3	8	5	1	6	4
8	6	4	1	7	2	3	9	5
3	5	1	6	9	4	8	7	2
1	9	6	4	5	3	2	8	7
5	2	8	7	1	6	4	3	9
7	4	3	8	2	9	5	1	6
6	3	2	9	4	8	7	5	1
9	1	5	2	3	7	6	4	8
4	8	7	5	6	1	9	2	3

### EVIL:

5	3	9	6	2	8	1	7	4
6	8	7	4	5	1	2	3	9
1	2	4	7	9	3	5	6	8
7	4	5	9	6	2	8	1	3
9	1	2	3	8	4	6	5	7
8	6	3	5	1	7	4	9	2
2	5	8	1	3	9	7	4	6
4	9	6	8	7	5	3	2	1
3	7	1	2	4	6	9	8	5

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## THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS:

☛ indicates T-shirt winner.

### EASY:

**Aaron Abramson, Williamstown, 4.** Hi to HW (LJ) and GRW (LJ)

**John Pertle, Santee, 4.** Christ suffered as a substitute for all. He lives. Believe!

**Terry Thomas, Chula Vista, 4.** Support onstage playhouse in Chula Vista

**Glenn Walker, Pacific Beach, 4.** Thanks for the tshirt

**Loretta Allison, San Diego, 3.** Christine loves chicken!

**Don Bowman, Santee, 3.** What happened to Humpty Dumpty? Pushed! Became an "omelette" instead!

**M. Elliott, Ranch Bernardo, 3.** I'm about to have an October birthday!

**Rossinna Ippito, University Heights, 3.** Indexers do it in the back of the book

**Ed Rull, San Diego, 3.** Happy Halloween

☛ **Jaclyn Yee, Rancho Peñasquitos, 3.** Two nuts walking down the street. One was a salted

**Tristan Meyers, El Cajon, 2.** People like us are we everyone else is ...

**Cherie Clavo, San Diego, 1.** Hang in there Charger Fans!!

**Erin Nogle, Ocean Beach, 1.** Happy Halloween! It's spooky

**Joyce Ranches, San Diego, 1.** Happy Halloween

### MEDIUM:

**Skully, San Diego, 4.** Happy birthday Monkeyboy, miss you. Kitten, Oldman Steve R1Rabbit Goldmember

**Betty Archer, La Jolla, 4.** Fun in the sun!

**Harry Chiou, Mira Mesa, 4.** I received the t-shirt I won on Sep. 10th. Thank you

**Henry Chung, San Diego, 4.** Why is FarmVille the Facebook game so dumb but addicting?

**Kodukso, Poway, 4.** We've lost 2 wars and bankers are getting greedy again

**Tony Marsh, San Carlos, 4.** To my girls: Daddy loves you! Good job in school

**Kathleen Allegri, Pacific Beach, 3.** 1 win -SD next! Go KC Alyssa Ketcham, East Village, 3. Zeus loves you and wants you to be happy!

**Sharon Dang, La Mesa, 2.** Pau Molly Pillsbury, Banker's Hill, 2. Already for cruise #2 with my pannerton!

**Patricia Alcares, San Diego, 1.** Has anyone seen Myra Maines? **Lucky Buffy, Oceanside, 1.** Give peace a chance

**Gian Ghio, Chula Vista, 1.** Let's Aztecs floor hockey. Step it up

**Dennis Jardim, Oceanside, 1.** "Nat" has a back

### HARD:

**Amada Garcia, Chula Vista, 4.** Apoyemos la campana mama vamos juntos

**Stephen Loughrane, Bankers Hill, 4.** Godspeed to the rabbits! A and F

☛ **Lark Herrick, Alpine, 4.** I hope I win a tee shirt

**Bruce C. Mengler, Solana Beach, 4.** Four for four!

**Douglas Meyers, La Mesa, 4.** Soon some will stumble, soon some will fall

**Marty Sinigayan, Point Loma, 4.** Hurry up and come home baby girl

**Dennis Beabout, Temecula, 3.** Go Angels Go!

**D.B. Gietzen, Sunset Cliffs, 3.** The Monsters Rhythm 'n' Booze at McGregor's Halloween Night

**Lonhell Stevens, San Diego, 3.** Swimming in the money, come find me...nemo

**Pierre Gosselin, Poway, 1.** Please recycle

**M. Vanta, Mira Mesa, 1.** Malachi Caleb, Micah, Aliya, mommy loves you

**Robert Vasallo, Rancho Peñasquitos, 1.** Chargers need more conditioning. Practice, practice, practice

**Stephen Whelan, Coronado, 1.** Evil simply can't be done (by me)

### EVIL:

**Joe Arbusto, Rancho Peñasquitos, 4.** Ro-"Bust" Public Option, a "Must", 4 All of "US"! **Delfin Bernardo, National City, 4.** Ngayong undas para sa mea namayapa amen

**Jean Bradley, Spring Valley, 4.** I want to go to the desert and accumulate rocks!

**Robert Bradley, Spring Valley, 4.** Finally I can say I love my job again

**Greg Chauncey, La Jolla, 4.** 70 min., no t-f required. Note: shirt shrinks

**Clyde Christie, East Village, 4.** Reader viciously trashes conservatives, but refuses criticism of liberals

**Joseph Ciprian, Little Italy, 4.** Mother, I love you

**Thomas Daley, San Diego, 4.** Yeah baby!

**Roger Doughman, San Diego, 4.** For nothing is impossible with God. Luke 1:37

**George Elam, Vista, 4.** Jerry! Listen to Carl services before shrines!! **D. Faulkner, University Heights, 4.** "Hard" is more evil than "evil"

**Linda J. Hall, La Mesa, 4.** It's five o'clock somewhere

**Dan Holslin, San Diego, 4.** Be skeptically free

**Zdenek Hostomsky, La Jolla, 4.** Happy birthday Zuzana! (I had one too)

**Jacqueline Jordan, San Diego, 4.** For the good times!

**Raymond Land, Escondido, 4.** Practice Humility

☛ **Ralph Levy, La Jolla, 4.** Welcome home Andrew

**Karen Maegley, Sorrento Mesa, 4.** Broncos baby!

**Julio Magno, San Diego, 4.** USPS sudoku expert. Hi Jane, Lisa, Ruth

**Mike Maniss, Lakeside, 4.** My fax machine works!

**Dean McCoy, Vista, 4.** What's after evil?

**Michael McGriffin, Bay Park, 4.** Term limits for US Congress! **P.J. Mole, Point Loma, 4.** 26-life ia s game golf is serious **Bruce Ness, Mira Mesa, 4.** Does Mary Bentley still play dominoes? Please call **Lisa Overton, Spring Valley, 4.** Has anyone seen...



## THIS WEEK'S CONTENDERS CONTINUED:

☛ indicates T-shirt winner.

**Bill Petty, Bay Ho, 4.** Please follow your own drummer  
**Roy Respress, Carlsbad, 4.** Evil No! Happy Birthday Pop's R.I.P with no evil!  
**David Schwartz, Clairemont, 4.** Fire Norv Turner and replace him with a tackling dummy  
**Joe Selig, San Diego, 4.** Get well soon Lois  
**Rich Sewell, Ocean Beach, 4.** Have a scary Halloween, boo!

**Joe Steinbach, Clairemont, 4.** save gas - ride a bicycle  
**Ted Tarris, Serra Mesa, 4.** Go Yankees!  
**Duane D. Termaine, E. Village, 4.** twas brillig snd the slithy toves did grye and gimble...  
**Harry R. Walker, La Jolla, 4.** Hello to Donna and Glenn. Go Phillies!  
**Susan Williams, North Park, 4.** Is there really a black t-shirt?

**Ric Witt, Clairemont, 4.** It's flu season — watch your H1N1  
**Mark Xitco, San Diego, 4.** Thanks Mike!  
**Daniel Aames, Carmel Valley, 3.** Let's all make america the world leader in true Justice!  
**Bliss Beedle, Encinitas, 3.** Holy guacamole!  
**Larry Clark, Clairemont, 3.** Procrastination is the thief of time. Send your solution early.  
**Gary Lorenc, Encinitas, 3.** Something funny's going on here, and it's not very funny!

☛ **Christine Hennes, San Diego, 3.** All you need is love  
**Steve Koenig, Bay Park, 3.** Lori — give me work  
**Lynnette Lampton, La Mesa, 3.** Life is good  
**Deborah Schultz, El Cajon, 3.** Dehesa Electric Rocks!!!  
**Tess C. Sutton, San Diego, 3.** Happy Halloween  
**Robert Crumrine, Downtown, 2.** Howdy!  
**Michelle Dutra, Serra Mesa, 2.** Coastal Cheer #1  
**Belmont Hope, Vista, 2.** Still cool

**J.G., San Ysidro, 2.** Maria, enjoying your friendship — see you Tues, Wed., Thurs.  
**Joi Taylor, Mission Valley, 2.** Big daddy rocks!  
**Karla Avila-Torres, Bonita, 1.** Emmanuel, love you forever and ever. Love, wifey  
**Aton Douglas, Tierrasanta, 1.** 24 min. without coffee  
☛ **Paulette Greenway, Oceanside, 1.** Carving a Halloween Pumpkin is harder  
**Scott Heimer, Mission Valley, 1.** Happy Anniversary Paula! I love you

☛ **Kay Lacey, San Diego, 1.** Will someone please give me a job?  
**Minda McDorman, North Park, 1.** Mmmm... p... pie is my favorite!  
**M. Rebecca, El Cajon, 1.** Happy 21st Briana! Love, Mom-xoxo  
**Mandy Smith, Boulevard, 1.** Happy B-day Mason — Evil was hard. Hard was Evil

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**Cynthia Sanchez**  
Graphic Multimedia Designer  
Phoenix

I stole \$200 from my dad when I was 14. I went shopping, and my dad had asked who gave me the money to buy all the things I got. I got into a lot of trouble for that. I think I was grounded for a month.



**Mina Hot**  
Accountant  
Phoenix

When I was 15, I stole film from Shop Rite, the local supermarket. It was the last days of school, and everyone was taking photos. I got away with it, so I tried again. It was when I was supposed to be in class. I got caught that time, and they called my father. He asked why I didn't just ask him to buy something if I needed it. So I handed him some film and said, "Okay, can you buy me this?" Three months later, I got a job at Shop Rite. I ended up working there 12 years, doing the books and accounting.



**Cathy Radcliffe**  
Graphic Designer  
Chula Vista

I was walking home from school, and my brother and his friend had stolen some gum from this store. And my brother gave me an "I dare you"...and it was to steal a piece of bubble gum. We were crossing this lot, and I was easy to spot because I was in Catholic school and had the plaid skirt. The store manager came running out. They took off, but I was caught. I had to go into the office as they called my parents. They also threatened to call my principal and Sister Mary. That really scared me.



**Lori Brusler**  
Radio  
Mission Hills

I was living in Taiwan when I was little. My dad was a Marine and stationed there. We were shopping in this town with all these Chinese stores. They had these erasers with designs all over them that smelled really good. I sniffed one and then slipped it into my pocket. I didn't have any money. My sister saw it when we got home and told on me. My dad dragged me down there, and this poor guy didn't understand English. My dad was miming what I did, showing him how I put it in my pocket and now we're bringing it back. It was so humiliating.



**Amber Irwin**  
Artist  
Solana Beach

I wanted this bottle of ink when I was in third grade. It's the kind you use with those model airplanes that are thin pieces of plywood and you could put the two pieces together. I realized it was wrong, so I ended up digging a hole and burying it. I even buried a dollar with it. For all I know it's still there.



**Albert Preston**  
Retired  
New Mexico

I had a best friend in the late '50s that was a kleptomaniac. In those days, they didn't have terms and diagnoses for everything. You didn't have ADD or were bipolar and all that. I look back now, though...and the things he would steal. Oftentimes it didn't make sense. He'd steal things from my mom's sewing kit. Things like buttons. And it's not like he collected them or anything. Oh, that reminds me...I did actually steal something. I'm not proud of this, but as a boy, I would steal my favorite comic books from the five-and-dime. They were only a few cents to buy, or a nickel. But when you're a kid and you don't have any money, sometimes you resort to those types of shenanigans.

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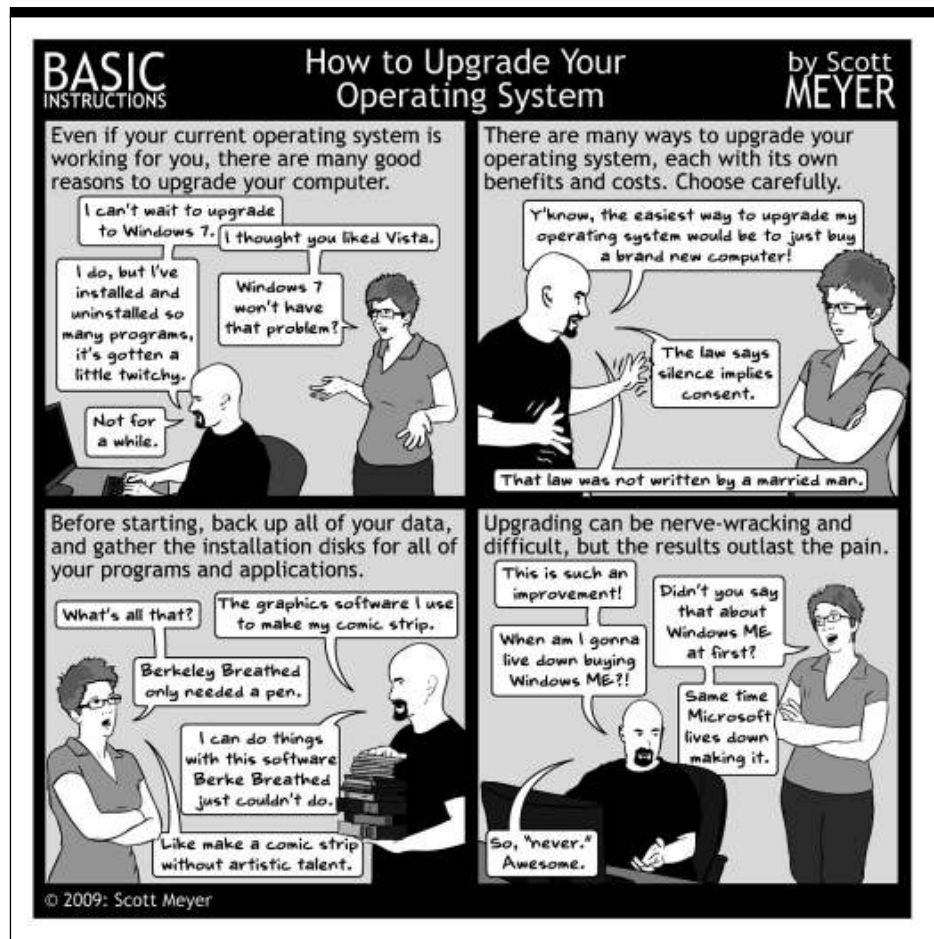
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**Health and Wellness Expo.** Thursday, Oct. 29, 3-8pm. Classes, mini-lectures, workshops, raw/healthy food demos, organic and natural beauty exhibitions, physical health demos. More than 50 vendors. Free. Pala Mesa Resort, 2001 Old Highway 395, Fallbrook 92028. 619-295-8232.

**The Kind Diet.** Thursday, Oct. 29, 6pm. Warwick's Cooking Club with actress/activist/conservationist Alicia Silverstone, sharing "insights that encouraged her to swear off meat and dairy forever." Tickets include dinner (appetizer, entree, dessert), wine, book discussion and signing. Admission \$70-\$85. Isabel's Cantina, 966 Felspar Street, San Diego 92109. Reservations: 858-454-0347.

**Rooftop Yoga.** Mondays/Wednesdays/Fridays 9am, Tuesdays/Thursdays/ Sundays 5:30pm. Yoga One leads vinyasa flow mixed-level classes for hotel guests (free) and public (\$15 per class). Porto Vista Hotel & Suites, 1835 Columbia Street, San Diego 92101. 619-544-0164.

**Psychic Readings.** Saturday, Oct. 31, 9am-6pm. Halloween Party/Pet Food and Toy Drive benefits San Diego Animal Support Foundation. Free treats all day long for cats, dogs and people. Fun door prizes. Costumes encouraged. Leashed, well-mannered canines welcome. Psychic readings for people and pets \$1 per minute 11am-2pm. 5652 Lake Murray Boulevard. 619-384-0761, wildandtame@gmail.com.

**Alternative Altar Show.** Friday, Oct. 30, 6:30-9pm. Opening reception for exhibition "in the spirit of Dia de los Muertos," featuring non-traditional altars by 13 artists. Admission free. Mixed Media Gallery, 4576 Federal Boulevard, San Diego 92102, 619-527-2508.

**Komen San Diego Race for the Cure.** Sunday, Nov. 1, 8-11am. 5k run/walk starts at Sixth Avenue and Olive Street, raising funds and awareness for fight against breast cancer. Admission \$18-\$35. Balboa Park, Park Boulevard at Presidents Way, San Diego 92101. 858-573-2760.

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**DOWNTOWN.** Gaslamp area. \$425-\$550. Community kitchen, shared bath, on-site laundry, vending machines, no pets. Star Hotel, 522 7th Avenue. Hughes Management, Lic#955724, 619-235-6068. HughesManagement.net.



**DOWNTOWN.** Outstanding furnished rooms, \$450-\$500. Heart of Gaslamp. Shared bathrooms. Community kitchen. Free cable. No pets. Windsor Hotel, 843 4th Avenue. Hughes Management, Lic#955724, 619-239-3808. www.HughesManagement.net.



**DOWNTOWN.** Attractive rooms. Shared rooms. Shared baths. Utilities included. Near City College. \$450-\$595/ month. 719 14th Street. Villa Victoria. Hughes Management, Lic#955724, 619-239-1639 x103. www.HughesManagement.net.

**DOWNTOWN.** Brand new rooms near City College. Single rooms with kitchenettes from \$140/ week deposit (long-term). Includes utilities/ cable. Quiet, secure. Shared bath/ laundry, Hotel Mediterranean, 619-231-8656. www.hotelmed-sd.com.

**DOWNTOWN. \$950- 1 bedroom/ 1 bath and a \$750 studio available. Quiet building, gated, parking, on-site laundry. No pets. 1830 Market. 619-405-7368.**

**DOWNTOWN.** \$775. Studio. All utilities included! Laundry, street parking. No pets. Close to Balboa Park. 1758 6th Avenue. Agent, 619-298-7724.

**DOWNTOWN.** Stay the week, stay the month! Monthly rates from \$21, 87/ night. Wireless Internet in all rooms. 1-2 blocks to bus, train. Flat-screen TVs. Weekly rates from \$37.14/ night! Community kitchen and dining area. European-style detached bathrooms. Monthly rentals must qualify under the San Diego Housing Commission's low-income program. Subject to availability. Taxes not included. 500 West Hotel, 500 West Broadway. 500WestHotel.com. Toll free: 888-281-2676 or 619-234-5252.

**DOWNTOWN.** \$1099. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 1-car parking. Vaulted 9-foot ceiling. Ceiling fans, elevators, courtesy patrol. Extra storage available. Fee. Free search at www.westsiderentals.com. 619-367-3333.

**DOWNTOWN.** \$550/ month. Furnished studio in quiet SFO. Close to colleges. Manager, 619-232-6334.

**DOWNTOWN.** Fully furnished studios with utilities included. Rates start at \$160/ week. Free wireless Internet. Baltic Inn: 521 6th Avenue. 619-237-0687. www.affordablehosingsd.com.

**DOWNTOWN.** Premier location. Furnished studios with full baths, from \$199/weekly. Two award-winning buildings to choose from, 24-hour staff, gyms, laundry rooms, sun decks. Free wireless Internet. Island Inn: 202 Island Avenue (Second/ Island), 619-232-4138. J Street Inn: 222 J Street, 619-696-6922. www.affordablehosingsd.com.

**DOWNTOWN.** 777 Lofts. \$1245. \$1595 move-in special! Incredible 1 bedroom loft across from The Ivy. Best rental loft/condominiums, one block to Downtown's popular 5th Avenue. Washer/ dryer. Small pet considered. A must see! TPPM, 619-544-0017, or stop by 777 6th Avenue at F Street.

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**DOWNTOWN/ GASLAMP.** Las Flores Hotel. Small, quiet. \$125/ week and up. Four-week minimum. Color TV with basic cable. Refrigerator in most rooms. Secure. 619-235-6820.

**DOWNTOWN/ GASLAMP.** Move-in specials. Live/ work lofts in heart of The Gaslamp! Roof decks with barbecue. Laundry on every floor. Parking available. Seven locations Downtown. Select pets OK. Visit loft leasing office: 315 Fourth Avenue. 619-231-1505 x12. www.trilogymanagement.com. Also visit www.sdreader.com/news/rent2064.

**DOWNTOWN/ GASLAMP SQUARE.** 1 bedroom. Appliances, washer/ dryer, cable-ready. Amenities. Steps to hot spots, restaurants, 5th Avenue. \$1200

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Downtown/ Gaslamp. Historic Beaumanor, unique urban mini lofts, \$650-\$900. Several sizes, 12' ceilings, brick, hardwood floors, near Horton Plaza. Hardwood furniture available. Paid cable/ electric/ water. Most include sleeping decks. Refrigerator/ microwave included. High-speed Internet available. On-site laundry, barbecue deck, outdoor kitchen. Impeccable renovation. No pets. 927 6th Avenue. Michael, 619-232-1517. beaumanor927@yahoo.com. http://www.sdreader.com/news/rent2127.

**DOWNTOWN/ GOLDEN HILL.** Large studio. Private, fenced yard. Good neighborhood. Tile floors. Security gate. All utilities included. 942 23rd Street. Cat OK. Call 619-994-0449.

**DOWNTOWN/ GOLDEN HILL.** 1 bedroom. Tropical setting. Security gate. Tile floors. \$850. \$950 with private garage. 2559 C Street. Cat/ small dog OK. 619-994-0449.

**DOWNTOWN/ HARBOR SIDE.** \$750. 1 bedroom 1 bath. Private porch. 1 parking space. Near bay. Harborside trolley. SD Naval base, General Dynamics. \$500 deposit. 619-233-1700.

**DOWNTOWN/ LITTLE ITALY.** One bedroom apartment, \$1995. 550 square feet. Large closets. Ideal location. Available mid-November. Located in Little Italy. Call. 619-595-1477.

**DOWNTOWN/ LITTLE ITALY.** From \$800/ month. Private bath, cable TV, microwave, refrigerator. Utilities included. Secure, quiet, charming. Efficiency apartments with laundry. Near trolley/ bus lines, blocks from harbor. On-site manager. Villa Caterina, 1654 Columbia Street. 619-232-3400.

**DOWNTOWN/ LITTLE ITALY.** Corner studio apartment. \$895. 9' ceilings. Ideal location. Secure, quiet building with laundry. 1534 Front, near Beech Street. 619-233-7428.

**DOWNTOWN/ MARINA DISTRICT.** \$1200-\$1425. Park Row. Very nice 1 bedroom condos. Lush grounds. New carpet and appliances. No pets. 701 Kettner Boulevard. Agent, 619-469-7790. www.westmanproperties.com.

**EAST SAN DIEGO.** \$725. Spacious 1 bedroom, upstairs, in our lovely, small, gated community. On-site laundry. Assigned parking. No pets. 4336 Estrella Avenue. 619-298-7724.

**EAST SAN DIEGO. \$695. Furnished studio alcove apartment. Complete living room, bedroom and kitchen furniture. No SDG&E deposit or hookup fee required. Near SDSU and University. \$101 Towle Court. Close to SDSU. Laundry room. Off-street parking. Low deposit. Call 619-281-9451.**

**EL CAJON.** 2 bedroom, 1.5 bathroom townhouse with patio and storage. Washer/ dryer in unit. Air. Garage, parking stall, pool. \$1250. 230 South Pierce. 619-295-4983.

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**EL CAJON.** 1 bedroom, 1 bathroom. \$950 rent. 2 huge closets, patio storage. Quiet community, gorgeous grounds, pool, spa,

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barbeques, laundry facilities. No pets. 619-442-0291.

**EL CAJON.** Large 2 bedroom 2 bathroom. \$1000 rent. Gated, air conditioning, laundry, transportation close. No pets. \$35 credit check. Security deposit \$700 OAC. 619-588-5420.

**EL CAJON.** \$925. Move-in special! 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Balcony, dishwasher, new carpet/ vinyl, vaulted ceilings, air conditioning. Call 619-593-0211. www.sdapbrokers.com.

**EL CAJON.** Cajon Villas. 3 bedroom, 2 bath: \$1275. 2 bedroom, 2 bath: \$950. 1 bedroom, 1 bath: \$735. Pool. Parking. Air conditioning. Laundry room. No pets. Available now. 933 Peach Avenue. 619-447-9193.

**EL CAJON.** 1/2 off 2nd month OAC! 1 bedroom, \$750; 2 bedroom, \$850+. Appliances, on-site laundry, air, pool, off-street parking. Lushly landscaped. 294 Ballantyne. **619-334-7934** or 858-703-4932.

**EL CAJON.** 2 bedroom, 1 bathroom. \$985 rent. Air conditioning, pool, balcony, laundry, parking. Centrally located. No pets. \$35 credit check, deposit \$600 OAC. 619-444-1876.

**EL CAJON.** 1 bedroom apartments, \$750-\$775. New carpet, paint. Assigned parking. Laundry. No pets. Available now. 452 Emerald Avenue. More Property Management, 858-514-8201.

**EL CAJON.** \$715. 1 bedroom. Attractive, well-maintained property with beautiful courtyard. Gated access and quiet location. 340 Orlando. TPPM, 619-818-9839. www.northwindapts.com.

**EL CAJON.** \$635. Studio in fabulous pool/ courtyard complex. Super clean apartments. No pets. Palm Towers Apartments; see www.palmtowers.com for details and pictures. 234 West Park Avenue. TPPM, 619-850-9722.

**EL CAJON.** \$705. 1 bedroom. 2 bedroom at \$825. El Cajon's best maintained property with beautiful courtyard and sparkling pool. No pets. **\$199 deposit!** 1072 East Madison Avenue. TPPM, 619-444-1614. www.fourwindapts.info.

**EL CAJON.** \$840. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath. 1 bedroom for \$725 in beautiful property with sparkling pool. Walk to courthouse and Main Street shopping. No pets. **\$399 Deposit!** 163 Ballantyne Street. TPPM, 619-579-6248. www.tradewindsapts.info.

**EL CAJON.** \$815. 2 bedroom, 1 bath starting. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, \$975. Very clean with great location and on-site parking and laundry. 432 Dominguez Way. TPPM, 619-405-4500.

**EL CAJON.** Gated community park. Trailers for rent, different sizes. From \$550-\$850. Plus utilities/ deposit. Conveniently located, close to trolley, bus, shopping. No pets. 619-933-5189.

**EL CAJON.** \$725. 1 bedroom. Beautiful landscape with gated entry. No pets. 1018 E. Lexington Avenue. TPPM, 619-838-8088. www.eastwindsapts.com.

**EL CAJON.** \$625. Studio in fabulous pool/ courtyard complex. Super clean apartments. No pets. 314 Wisconsin

Street. TPPM, 619-742-7600, www.palmestates.info.

**ENCINITAS.** \$825 and up. Sick of roommates? Cozy beach trailers in quiet park. Near beach, Coaster, restaurants, shops. 152 North Coast Highway 101. No pets. 760-753-4101.

**ENCINITAS.** \$1675. Ocean-view 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 parking, A/C. No pets. Gated. Carpet/ paint. Dishwasher. Pool/ gym. 6406 Friars Road, #237. Juno, 619-275-3455.

**ENCINITAS/ LEUCADIA.** \$1350. sunny, breezy 2 bedroom, 2 bath duplex near beacon's beach. Laundry and two parking spaces on-site. No pets. Nonsmoking. Year lease. 760-931-1012.

**ENCINITAS/ LEUCADIA.** \$2900. 2 bedroom, 2 bath luxury duplex. Steps to beach, best area. All new/ remodeled. Pool, wood floors, fireplace, washer/ dryer. Huge deck with ocean view. No pets. 1571 Neptune Drive. TPPM, 760-436-6441.

**ESCONDIDO.** \$945 to \$975. Extra large 2 bedroom, 2 bath in very quiet and attractive property on Grand Avenue bus line. Sparkling pool and spa. No pets. A must see! **\$299 deposit!** 1315 E. Grand Avenue. TPPM, 760-445-0995. www.fountainestates.com.

**ESCONDIDO.** \$1000. Remodeled 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Park-like property, pool. Balcony; all new kitchen, baths, carpet, window coverings. On-site laundry. Section 8 welcome. 619-895-0102.

**FASHION VALLEY.** \$975-\$1100. Large 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. Huge walk-in closets. Dishwashers. On-site parking. Balcony. No pets. 5720 Gaines Street. 619-299-3477.

**FASHION VALLEY.** Beautiful, fully furnished, executive 3 bedroom, 3 bath townhome. In exclusive Fashion Hills. \$2550/ month, includes water, cable, Internet. Carol Prior, 858-254-1588.

**FASHION VALLEY.** \$1295. 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Near USD, upgraded with granite counters and stainless steel appliances, washer/ dryer in unit. No pets. 1205 Colusa Street #1. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

**FASHION VALLEY.** \$1695. 3 bedroom, two bath condo! Large patio, washer/ dryer, fireplace. Tandem 2-car garage. 7087 Camino Degrazia. Call Jeff, 619-713-1044, or Rachael, 619-804-1044.

**FASHION VALLEY.** \$1395 rent, \$800 deposit OAC. Walk to USD. 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse, laundry in unit, granite counters, balcony, parking for 2 cars, no pets, at 1333 Brunner Street #B. Agent, 619-299-8515.

**FASHION VALLEY.** \$1500. The Courtyards. 1176 square feet, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, underground parking, resort-like complex. Lease. No pets/ smoking. ETS Realty, rosie2801@aol.com, 858-560-5564.

**FASHION VALLEY.** \$1095. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Fireplace, balcony, community pools, spas, gym, clubhouse. Close to all. Nonsmoking. No pets. Agent, 619-582-4119.

**FASHION VALLEY.** \$1335. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 parking, A/C. No pets. Gated. Carpet/ paint. Dishwasher. Pool/ gym. 6406 Friars Road, #237. Juno, 619-275-3455.

**FASHION VALLEY/ WEST.** 1 bedroom, \$825. Great lower unit, across from USD. Near bus, shops, golf course, and freeways. No pets. Agent, 619-296-3189.

**FASHION VALLEY/ USD.** \$1175 rent, \$800 deposit OAC. Walk to USD! 2 bedroom, 2 bath, laundry, parking, no pets, at 1330 Eureka Street #14, #18 or #35. Agent, 619-298-5820.

**FASHION VALLEY/ WEST.** \$1450. 3-bedroom, 2-bath units. Upstairs and downstairs available! Dyer with balconies! Washer/ dryer hookups! Across from USD. 5845-5865 Lauretta Street. 619-222-4836x14. www.liveatthebeachnow.com.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$775/ month, \$700 deposit. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Near all freeways. All new carpet, wood blinds. Free laundry. 1 off-street parking space per apartment. Credit check, \$25. 2851 C Street, #A, downstairs available now. #D upstairs available 11/15/09 (behind 2849 C). 619-213-2706.

**GOLDEN HILL.** Charming 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$775 & \$600/ month. Hardwood floors. Great neighborhood, on-site laundry. No dogs. Available now. 2427 E Street. 619-857-3706.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$1495. 3 bedroom, 1 bath townhome. Contemporary setting, fully remodeled. Upstairs patio. 1300 square feet. Minutes to downtown. Garage. Laundry facility. 3035 Broadway. 619-247-7372.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$1095. 2 bedroom garden apartment, laminate and tile floors, on-site laundry, cat OK. 2849 B Street. Call 619-300-1365, or 619-588-4106.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$2400. Beautiful tri-level townhome, 3 bedrooms, 2-1/4 baths. Hardwood floors, fireplace, stainless steel appliances, granite countertops, washer/ dryer. Front patio and huge balcony overlooking canyon and downtown view! 2-car garage. Extra storage. Available 11/1/09. 1-year lease. Walk to cafes and restaurants. 1304 24th Street. 619-523-2355.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$1195. 1 bedroom. Historic building, Golden Hill. Laundry. Parking. Available 11/1/09. 2470 B Street #A. www.amgsd.com. 619-295-1165.

**GOLDEN HILL.** \$795. Studio. Historic building, Golden Hill. Laundry. Parking. Available now. 2472 B Street #F. www.amgsd.com. 619-295-1165.

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**GOLDEN HILL.** \$850. Cute 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment with hardwood floors. Near bus line, restaurants, freeway access. 3528-1/2 Broadway. Leasing Unlimited, 760-436-7273.

**GOLDEN HILL.** Victorian-type mansion. 2 bedroom; hardwood floors; 1700 square feet; leaded glass windows; all wood trim in excellent condition; large, covered, private veranda porch with patio and chairs; spectacular view of whole city from kitchen window. \$1500. 858-353-9191.

**GOLDEN HILL.** Charming 2 bedroom, 1 bath. \$1095/month. Hardwood floors. Great neighborhood, on-site laundry. No dogs. Available November 1. 2412 E Street. 619-857-3706.

**GOLDEN HILL.** Bright, charming studio; new paint. Tile. Gated property. Cat OK. Close to park, shops, Starbucks. \$650/month. Year lease. On-site washer/dryer. 619-487-1555.

**GOLDEN HILL/ DOWNTOWN.** \$950, water/ trash included. 1 bedroom, some view. Hardwood floors, decorator colors, on-site laundry. On bus line. Cat OK with deposit. 619-231-8723.

**HILLCREST.** \$200/ week and up. Refrigerators, cable TV and HBO. Embassy Hotel, 3645 Park Boulevard, San Diego 92103. 619-296-3141.

**HILLCREST.** Spacious 1 and 2 bedrooms! Berber carpet, fireplace, spa, gym, intercom and elevator. Sorry, no pets. Hillcrest Summit, 4134 4th Avenue. See photos at [www.wexfordliving.com](http://www.wexfordliving.com). Call 619-299-0047.

**HILLCREST.** \$795 Extra large studio (over 500 square feet). Includes utilities. No pets, year lease. 109 University. Call 619-286-8487 or 619-723-8609.

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**HILLCREST.** Hillcrest Palms. Senior complex, 55+, \$800. 1 bedroom apartments. Gated community. Convenient location. Near hospitals, restaurants, shopping. No pets. 4042 Albatross Street. 619-574-0784.

**HILLCREST.** \$1395. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. New paint. Berber carpet, dishwasher, laundry, 2- car parking, garden setting. Available now. 3672 Georgia Street. 619-542-0708.

**HILLCREST.** Move-in special! \$1495. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartments. Over 1000sqft! Balcony, canyon views. Pool. Laundry. Parking. Pet friendly. 4053 8th Avenue. 619-297-0269.

**HILLCREST.** \$865. 1 bedroom. Stove, refrigerator, shared lawn area. Cat OK with extra deposit. Great location on the bus line. Available now. 3749 Fourth. Del Sol Property Management. [www.delsolpm.com](http://www.delsolpm.com). Broker, 858-270-2071.

**HILLCREST.** \$1195. 2 bedroom, upstairs vintage unit. Stove, refrigerator, convenient location on bus line. Cat OK with extra deposit. Available 12/1/09. 3753-1/2 Fourth. Del Sol Property

Management, Broker. [www.delsolpm.com](http://www.delsolpm.com). 858-270-2071.

**HILLCREST.** \$1195. 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath apartment. Downstairs, new carpet, hardwood floors, new granite counters in kitchen. 1 parking. No pets. 3835 Third Avenue #9. 858-483-3534. [www.cal-prop.com](http://www.cal-prop.com).

**HILLCREST.** \$925. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Adorable unit, hardwood floors. No pets. 1904 Cypress Avenue. 858-483-3534. [www.cal-prop.com](http://www.cal-prop.com).

**HILLCREST.** \$925. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Bright and spacious. No pets. 1263 Pennsylvania Avenue #1. [www.cal-prop.com](http://www.cal-prop.com). 858-483-3534.

**HILLCREST.** \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Next to Whole Foods. Parking, laundry, upstairs unit. Sorry, no pets. Available now! 3820 8th Avenue #4. [www.amgsd.com](http://www.amgsd.com). 619-295-1165.

**HILLCREST.** 3815 Georgia. \$1495/ \$1000 deposit. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, gated, laundry, 2 parking spots, 2 balconies. No pets. 858-692-6601 or [www.bkbinc.com](http://www.bkbinc.com).

**HILLCREST.** \$1000. 1 bedroom, 1 bath in beautifully landscaped gated property. Beautiful hardwood floors, breakfast nook with built-in table and seats. Laundry on site. A must see! Available now. 3718 Park Boulevard #3730. [www.cethron.com](http://www.cethron.com). Elisa, 619-295-1100.

**HILLCREST.** \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Reduced move-in. Upstairs, off-street parking, on-site laundry, small pet on approval, Section 8 OK. 4109 Front Street #5. 619-640-7530.

**HILLCREST.** \$950. 1819 University Avenue (behind The Crypt). 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage. Breakfast nook, carpet, gas stove, laundry room shared with tenants. Street parking (we offer some spaces no charge, first come, first served). No pets. Phillips Realty, 619-291-6686.

**HILLCREST.** \$1100. 1807 University Avenue (behind The Crypt). Lovely 2 bedroom, 1 bath cottage. Breakfast nook, gas stove, hardwood floors, laundry room. Street parking (we offer some first come, first served spaces, no charge). No pets. Phillips Realty, 619-291-6686.

**HILLCREST.** \$825. 3820 Georgia Street between Robinson and University Avenue. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Carpet, 4 closets, downstairs, laundry room, one assigned parking. No pets. Phillips Realty, 619-291-6686.

**HILLCREST.** \$875. 1 bedroom. Senior, 62 plus. Best deal in Hillcrest! Come make new friends at the ParkView Robinson Senior Complex. Units are painted in designer colors. Range, refrigerator, ceiling fan and air conditioning included. Bedroom has a walk-in closet. We have an activities room, elevator, and on-site laundry. Building is gated with intercom. \$300 deposit. \$400 off 1st month's rent with lease. We welcome Section 8 participants. 1220 Robinson Avenue, San Diego, CA 92103. Cats and small dogs OK. Contact the resident manager at 619-291-7284. [scott@hendershawandassociates.com](mailto:scott@hendershawandassociates.com).

**HILLCREST.** \$850 rent, \$800 deposit OAC. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, parking space, laundry, no pets, at 3745 7th Avenue #4. Agent, 619-299-8515.

**HILLCREST.** 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Gated, parking, laundry on site. Small pet on approval. Available late November. Rent: \$980. 1033 Robinson. Call 619-295-1210 or 858-490-1600.

**HILLCREST.** 1/2 off 1st! Extra large studio and 1 bedroom, \$895/ up. Wood floors, full kitchen, laundry. Near Balboa Park. Pet negotiable. 2311 4th Avenue #27 and #34. 619-804-2654.

**HILLCREST.** 1/2 off 1st! \$795. Beautiful studio on the 3rd floor, near Balboa Park. Wood floors, custom paint, walk-in closet, laundry. 2241 4th Avenue #303. 619-804-3325.

**HILLCREST.** All utilities included! 1/2 off 1st! Lower 1 bedroom, 1 bath, \$895. Gated, new carpet and paint, underground parking. 4155 Georgia #110. 619-297-7662.

**HILLCREST.** \$1015. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. Bright top floor, end unit just remodeled with new carpet, paint and appliances in well-maintained building. Laundry, garden setting, parking. Near Henry's Marketplace. No pets. **Move-in special! 1/2 off first month's rent! Open Saturday and Sunday noon-1pm.** 4225 Georgia Street. #8 TPPM, 619-299-1004.

**HILLCREST.** Large 3 bedroom with 3 bath craftsman-style house. Hardwood floors, antique charm, washer/ dryer hooks, gas stove, refrigerator. \$1995. 1264 Robinson Avenue. 619-293-7426.

**HILLCREST.** \$1095. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, large top-floor unit in small, quiet garden setting complex near zoo. New designer paint and gas stove, air conditioning, parking, laundry. Call today! **1/2 Off first month's rent! Open Saturday 11:00am-12:00pm.** 3706 Georgia Street #7. TPPM, 619-296-8802.

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— If society were ever attacked by zombies, we would probably be doomed, and quickly. That was the conclusion of two university researchers in Ottawa, Ontario, who set up mathematical models hypothesizing zombie attacks as infectious diseases with the well-known characteristics of zombie biology from popular fiction. In fact, according to a July BBC News report, zombies are more threatening than virulent diseases because they can regenerate (unless decapitated or incinerated, of course). More troubling was the researchers' presumption that zombies move slowly, as in older movies, but in recent fiction, they're super-quick, making them nearly invincible.

**Government in Action**

— Scaredy-Cat Brits: (1) In June, the Peterborough City Council ordered retirees who come together for weekly coffee at the public library to give up hot drinks, in case one accidentally spilled on a child. (2) In July, the Dagenham Pool in Essex, citing (according to the manager) drowning risks, banned swimmers from doing "lengths" and forced them instead to swim "widths." (3) In June, the Brighton and Hove City Council

ordered nature-lover Hilaire Purbrick, 45, out of the cave that has been his residence for 16 years, citing its lack of a "fire exit."

— Among the personal tasks allegedly demanded by Portsmouth (Va.) mayor James Holley of his public-payroll assistant Lorraine Stokes (from a list Stokes released in August, alleging Holley's abuse): affixing labels to boxes identifying Holley's assorted-color argyle socks; placing orders for "tummy support T-shirts" and "90-minute abs" videos; and locating retailers for his favorite English Leather cologne, Stri-Vectin Cream (for "turkey neck"), geese repellent, T. Barry underwear, grass seeds, and Gillette hair paste.

**The Police Department**

— Latest Domestic Disturbance Calls: (1) A couple fought with each other using water, mouthwash, and powdered whey protein (Bremerton, Wash., July). (2) A wife repeatedly punched her husband and then, as officers arrived, pulled him inside the house by his ear (Niceville, Fla., August). (3) A 78-year-old woman kicked her husband in the groin several times recently because she believes he had an affair 35 years ago (Lynnwood, Wash., May).

— San Antonio police chief William McManus announced in August an upgraded training program to teach his officers how to obey the law while off-duty. The department has had to fire ten officers so far this year for law-breaking, and included in McManus's program is a personal talk to each incoming cadet to stress that police officers must not commit crimes.

**Chutzpah!**

— In August, Jorge Iglesias petitioned a judge in Madison, Wis., to regain custody of his 66 roosters and hens that police confiscated in a suspected cockfighting raid. Iglesias said he feared that the Dane County Humane Society, temporarily holding the animals, was treating them with "cruel and barbaric" abuse. (2) Afghan refugee Fridoon Sadiqi filed a lawsuit against Britain's Home secretary in August after being turned down for political asylum because he had presented a forged passport to enter the U.K. According to Sadiqi, the rejection made him clinically depressed.

**The Continuing Crisis**

— Elsie Poncher decided reluctantly in August

to go back on a promise she had made to her late husband. Richard Poncher had purchased a crypt (for himself) just above the one in which the body of Marilyn Monroe rests in a Los Angeles memorial park, but Elsie now needs money and thus offered the crypt for sale in August, planning to move Richard to a less-prominent place. Richard had been assured by Elsie that he could spend eternity lying face down "over Marilyn."

— Ultra-Dangerous Activities: (1) In May, a man in his 20s was killed in a fight at a community center in Calgary, Alberta, following a dominoes tournament. (2) Kenneth Reppke, 54, was charged with assault in Fraser, Mich., in July for allegedly smacking a woman in the head, knocking off her glasses, because she refused to sell him Boardwalk and Park Place in a Monopoly game. (3) Jason Keller, 40, was acquitted by a jury in San Francisco in June of hitting a fellow homeless man in the face with a skateboard. According to testimony, Keller had become angry during a discussion about particle physics.

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## Thirty Years Ago

This year's KGB *Homegrown* album may not be rotting on the vine, but from all indications it seems to be turning a little brown around the edges. Only 175 songs were entered in this year's competition for a spot on the record, compared with an average of well over 200, and the peak year of 1976, when 354 songs were submitted.

—CITY LIGHTS: "HOMEGROAN," Mark Orwell, November 1, 1979

## Twenty-Five Years Ago

In the summer of 1981 Marc Berman staged 60 concerts in town, including one by the Rolling Stones, and by the end of that year he claims to have been making more than \$150,000 per annum. Not bad. But not for long. The next year, 1982, he claims he made no money at all — due in large part to his efforts in promoting an unsuccessful NFL all-star football game during the player strike — and in 1983

he took another bracing dive, plunging more than \$150,000 in debt. In July of that year he was also arrested for possessing cocaine on a small side street near Diego's in Pacific Beach.

—CITY LIGHTS: "A MARC BERMAN PROMOTION," Abe Opincar, November 1, 1984

## Twenty Years Ago

When the invitation to audition for a local production of Gilbert and Sullivan's *Trial by Jury* arrived in the mail last winter, my first reaction was to drop it into the trash. I hadn't sung anywhere in public for nearly 15 years, and I had imagined myself safely retired from a lifelong ambition to star at La Scala. It was a fantasy I had been nourishing since the age of 16, when I was taken to the opera for the first time to hear a performance of Wagner's *Tannhäuser* at the old Met in New York.

—"FROM THE SHOWER TO LA SCALA," William Murray, November 2, 1989

## Fifteen Years Ago

Was the San Diego Zoo's Joan Embery viciously attacked by her own cheetah on the set of the *Suzanne Somers Show*? Or was the nationally publicized incident a product of the overly fertile imagination of the show's public relations staff? "Respected Animal Trainer Joan Embery Attacked by Cheetah," howled a recent news release from the show, which also reported that Embery received "two long, deep gashes" to her face.

—CITY LIGHTS: "CHEETAH FALSELY CHARGED?" Thomas K. Arnold, October 27, 1994

## Ten Years Ago

Padres owner John Moores is delivering on his million-dollar fundraising promise to Democratic presidential candidate Bill Bradley by getting San Diego's business types to open up their checkbooks. Moores and Padres co-owner Larry Lucchino — said to be a one-time teammate of

Bradley when both were undergrads at Princeton — have been putting the heat on everybody from their own employees to Qualcomm execs to consultants working on the proposed taxpayer-financed downtown baseball stadium. Padres employees among the ranks of \$1000 Bradley donors include Moores; PR staffer Mary Michell; Moores's daughter Jennifer McCleod; Robert J. McCleod, who is married to Jennifer; Lucchino's secretary, Fay Scheer; and Dr. Charles Steinberg.

—CITY LIGHTS: "PADRES GOLD," Matt Potter, October 28, 1999

## Five Years Ago

I asked [Russell] Banks if his new novel, set in part in Liberia, was like Walter Abish's *How German Is It?* Mr. Abish, when he wrote *How German Is It?*, had never been to Germany. Mr. Banks has been to West Africa but *not* Liberia.

He said, "I was trying to get in there a year ago this past summer, in



San Diego Reader, November 2, 1989

July. I was in Sierra Leone, which is not that different, really right next door, and in its history bears the same relationship to England that Liberia bears to the United States. That was when the bodies started piling up in Monrovia. The roads were blocked and no flights were going in. I got stopped in Sierra Leone.

—READING: "THE DARLING," Judith Moore, October 28, 2004

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## PLACES OF WORSHIP REVIEWED

**Denomination:** Southern Baptist  
**Address:** 855 Brotherton Road, Escondido, 760-745-4995  
**Founded locally:** 1949  
**Senior pastor:** Todd Hitchcock  
**Congregation size:** 400  
**Staff size:** 7  
**Sunday school enrollment:** n/a  
**Annual budget:** around \$600,000  
**Weekly giving:** around \$11,000  
**Singles program:** yes  
**Dress:** mostly semi-formal  
**Diversity:** mostly but not entirely Caucasian and African-American  
**Length of reviewed service:** 1 hour 30 minutes  
**Website:** [bbcsc.org](http://bbcsc.org)

The lights dimmed in the purple quarter-circle church, and Pastor Hitchcock appeared behind the baptismal pool situated high in the back of the Sanctuary. New congregant Catherine, clad in a white robe, stepped down into the pool up to her shoulders. "As we know," explained Hitchcock, "baptism isn't what saves us. The blood of Jesus is what saves us. Baptism is a very spiritual act, a following of Christ in obedience, a physical representation of what has happened to us spiritually. And it's part of our membership requirement." Catherine was baptized as an

infant, but "now that she has come to the point in her life where she has accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior, she wants to follow Him in obedience to baptism."

He spoke to Catherine. "Have you accepted Jesus Christ as your personal Lord and Savior?"

"Yes," she replied, sounding a little nervous.

"Then I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." As he spoke, he dipped Catherine to the side so that she was entirely submerged, and then raised her back up. "The word *baptizo* is actually a dyer's term," he said, addressing the congregation. "It means, 'to be dyed.' That's an interesting thought when you think about how we give up our life for Christ — we've been crucified with Him completely. That's why we do full-immersion baptism; to show that our whole body, our whole being, is dedicated to Christ."

The lights rose and Hitchcock prayed and a congregant got up and prayed as well, begging Jesus for the strength to

"perform this week in a way that's pleasing to You" and "not to do anything to grieve You."

Then music director Bruce Gearhart led the choir and band (two saxophones, two flutes, guitar, drums, and piano) in a medley devoted to the name of Jesus. "I've been reading a lot of Scripture, especially Revelation," said Gearhart. "There's going to be a shout of praise unto Jesus like you've never heard before! I want you to do it two ways. I want you to shout the name of Jesus!"

"Jesus!" boomed the congregation.

"Then, softly, like you're in a quiet place, just worshipping His name, calmed by His Holy Spirit."

"Jesus, Jesus," they murmured.

"One more time, for He is the sweetest name."

"Jesus."

The soft sound felt intimate, as did the song that followed, sung by Hitchcock's wife Dina. "Like oil upon Your feet/ Like wine for You to drink/ Like water from my heart/ I'll pour my love on You." As she sang, an image flashed on the

screen behind her: the woman anointing Christ's feet with her hair.

Hitchcock took the stage to announce an upcoming ministry to Mexico, as well as another to the homeless of Escondido. "I'm calling it Project 1:8, from Acts 1:8. We're to be His witnesses in Jerusalem, which is our local community; Judea, which is a regional level; Samaria, which is a cross-cultural idea, since the Jews hated the Samaritans; and then the outermost parts of the earth." He talked about providing kits of necessities and about partnering with local businesses. "In doing that, we connect with others, and share Christ with them."

Sunday was part six of Hitchcock's series "A Fruitful Life Is a Spirit-Filled Life." Next week would touch on "the impact that the Spirit has within our lives," but this week took on the uncomfortable subject of sins against the Holy Spirit. Why uncomfortable? Because Jesus says in Mark 3 that "whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; he is guilty of an eternal sin." Scary stuff. But Hitchcock,



Todd Hitchcock

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God. There is nothing that can be more unpardonable than rejecting God's redemptive plan for you. But if we still believe that Jesus is who He says He is, then we have no fear that our standing before God has been rejected.... The simple truth comes down to this: you did nothing to earn your salvation, and you can do nothing to lose it." And as for those who leave the fold: "If someone gets to the point in their life where they honestly say that they want nothing to do with God, then the truth is they probably never really had Him in the first place." Still, Hitchcock warned against grieving or quenching the Spirit — stifling "the fullness of the Spirit's blessing."

He closed with prayer and a challenge to grow spiritually.

What happens when we die?

"We're face to face with God in final judgment," said Hitchcock.

— Matthew Lickona

addressing his congregation of believers, said, "Fear not. We cannot sin so often that God cannot forgive, and we cannot sin so badly that God cannot forgive."

What can we do that's unpardonable? "The unpardonable sin is fully conscious and stubborn hatred against

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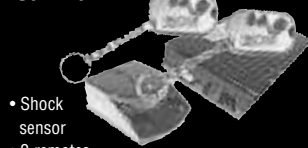
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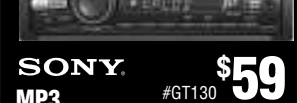


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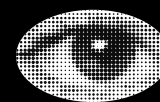
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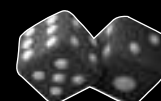
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