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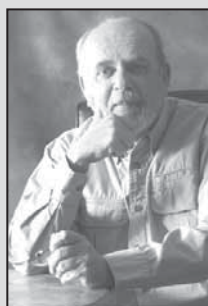


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“Don’t Tell Me Who I am... Let me guess !”



Men With a Mother Complex

(What Happens in Psychotherapy -- Part III)



totally absent.

Others had fathers who were weak or passive, which left the upbringing totally to the mothers. Over the years I’ve worked with many single mothers and I believe many of them to be the true heroes in our society - their sacrifice and dedication is unfathomable.

In this article, however, I want to explore mother-son relationships, where the mother has been wounded herself. There are some mothers who eroticized the relationship. Son becomes consort, confidant, or “lover”. This relationship between mother and her ‘little man’ results in sexual energy being cathected very early in life and this is constantly reinforced. A high sex drive, with a need for immediate gratification, compulsive masturbation, Don Juanism and hyper-sexuality can often be traced to the mother-son relationship. In addition, being the recipient of this kind of attention by the mother-goddess tremendously inflates the son. He is convinced that he is ‘extraordinarily special’, which leads to all the complications and sufferings later in life that neurotic vanity and grandiosity bring. Inflation and grandiosity never come without the opposite pole, namely deflation and depression.

Since the sexuality is never consummated and since mother does have a relationship with father, brother or another man, the son is left feeling abandoned and betrayed. He constantly alternates between victory and defeat. Delusions of superiority are followed by feelings of inferiority. He is left with a dilemma - he desperately needs a woman, as his self-esteem is dependent on her adoration, yet no woman can be trusted.

There are some other mothers who spoil their sons and who can’t separate between “I love you” and “I want you to love me” or “I love you” and “I want the satisfaction you can bring me”. What she doesn’t know is there is a concealed egotism behind her ‘altruism’. (Harding) Her own inability to say no to him is her own inability to say no to herself. She denies seeing her own selfishness and softness. As society sees this attitude of indulgence as a virtue, it is hard to see its true character. Mother appears admirable, sacrificing her own comforts for his. It is only later, when the son’s total lack of self-discipline, his inability to live responsibly, that the true nature of his upbringing is revealed. The son, who cannot resist this psychological seduction, is robbed of his individuality as a man.

There are still other mothers who are too domineering and don’t allow their sons enough space to explore and develop a sense of independence. They interfere incessantly and control their behavior. They overprotect him from real or imagined dangers where it would be better to let him test his capabilities and face life’s challenges. Through this attitude, a mother enhances her son’s fear of women and saps his masculine confidence. To adapt, he takes on a false mask, which is moderated in response to the demands of mother and doesn’t meet the needs of his inner life. Whereas spoiling mothers devour their sons whole, the domineering mothers are often more selective, they go for the will or the genitals. In both cases, the son’s dependent and masculine identity is injured, leaving him weak and dependent on others to provide for him. Behind this dependence lies a smoldering rage, which is usually directed against the self (i.e. depression and anxiety) and other people in a passive-aggressive way.

The treatment I’m familiar with for men with the above mentioned mother complex is soul-centered psychotherapy. This inner work helps men become conscious not only of their neurotic relationship to their mother, but also and most importantly on how they make inappropriate demands and project neurotic expectations on their wives. Unconscious men either idealize or demonize women. If the man with a mother complex idealizes his woman, she feels suffocated and realizes he is not in an intimate relationship with her true self at all - it’s not personal. If he unfairly devalues and demonizes his wife, she will leave him (unless she is neurotic herself). Most men with unconscious mother complexes do both - they initially worship and later on demonize their women.

Love to Mother Meera. One for all and all for one.

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VIEW UPDATE

Earth Friendly Gen

Hello Ojai ! How’s it going ?
I’m having a wonderful summer in Ashland. I actually ride around TOTALLY NAKED and not even one police officer has ever harassed me ! Yet I do miss all the wonderful, caring folks in Ojai that support me . . . I LOVE YOU ! I’ll visit soon !

Now, I heard through the grapevine that Ojai Valley News Editor Brett Bradigan, wrote some article slandering me. I feel sorry for people who believe everything they read. The Associated Press ALWAYS GETS THE STORY AT LEAST A LITTLE WRONG. I hope you all stop judging and have the courage and compassion to really think for yourselves. I am a decent human being who happens to live a unique life. I am different from many folks because I have the raw courage and fearlessness to be naked and free !

By the way, I have changed my name from Jennifer to Gennifer and I now go by: **Earth Friend Gen** (with spaces). (I am into numerology and lexicogramming and I like the vibe of Gen.) I do not care if folks think I am crazy. I understand they are coming from an ignorant and fear-based reality. No one can bring me down because my happiness comes from within.

I’m not here to play egotistical games of gossip like **Brett Bradigan**. Brett put down my friend, **Dan Misiaszek**, for taking a bunch of newspapers. Dan is an honest, hard working man and one of the most caring and generous souls I have ever met. The real reason he took OVN papers was because his friend was in a terrible car accident and his girlfriend died. His friend was sober but the police did not believe him. Then, on pure speculation, the OVN printed an important story about her death and said that the driver was intoxicated. NOT TRUE ! Dan was just protecting the honor of his friends. The newspaper can print anything they want and slander anyone



“I am not ashamed of what I did.”
- L.S.

they want. I could share some information about the true character of **Brett Bradigan**, but I will not lower myself to his pathetic level. Get a life Brett, and please leave mine alone ! May everyone think, say, and do only what is constructive and healing. After all, what we give is what we get. So, I am sending infinite blessings of bliss to everyone in Ojai . . . ESPECIALLY Leland, Brett, and all the gossipers !
I LOVE YOU!

*Genuinely, Gennifer Moss
Ashland, Oregon*

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LETTER

Thanks Boys

Editor,
I would like to thank Caltrans for keeping Hwy 33 a safe and beautiful scenic highway. As a resident of the backcountry of Hwy 33, I travel 19 miles one way on this highway at least several times a week. Throughout the year I can encounter snow, hail, and torrential rains or on an average day a landslide, boulder or rocks can be around any corner of the switch backed highway. I can say with confidence that if I see something on the highway coming down (boulders or rocks) it will not be there when I go back up. (Or vice versa)

As I listen to the local radio weather report, experience has taught me if they are reporting snow levels at 5000 feet it will be at 3000-3500 on Hwy 33. There is always the fear in the back of my mind that maybe I won't be able to get up the mountain and back home. But as I head up to the back country on Hwy 33, either Caltrans has already plowed the road or I'm right behind them going up. It is nice to know that the team that works this highway are diligent, reliable, hard workers that make me feel secure and safe as I make my drive home. Oh, and they are all very friendly and good natured too. Thank you Mike and all the Caltrans crew of the 33, every one of you.

- Marsha Robison, Ojai

LETTER

So 'Not' Ojai

Last Thursday (Aug. 7) I was riding down the bike trail and ran into a woman who was staying at the Ojai Valley Inn. She caught up with me and asked if I was from this town. I told her I was and we started talking. She asked if I had kids and what if anything was there to do in this town for them.

I was kind of puzzled because here she was staying at the Inn, where isn't there lots of things to do? She explained to me that her son was a BMX bicycle rider and could only ride the bike trail, around the Inn, and swim for so long. I did tell her (embarrassing as it was) that we had a skate park in town that kids ride bikes on. She laughed so loud and asked me if I was kidding. She said they had gone there when they had first arrived and she thought the structure was unsafe. She told me that she is never going to come back to our little town.

I did ask her if she would consider writing a letter to the paper and she told me that she wouldn't waste her time that she would simply not come back. There are no video places and just nowhere that reaches out to children. I did tell her that there are lots of organized sports activities for the kids who live here but even the kids I've been around and have talked to for over 20 years, feel exactly the same way.

What does Ojai offer for kids that cannot afford to join some of the organized sports but better yet, what does Ojai offer the kids and tourists that can?

Deborah Moe, Ojai

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McCain House Parties

John McCain's maverick record and ability to work across party lines to reach common ground appeals to the independence inherent in the voters. McCain's pledge to put country above politics is not an empty sound bite from a rehearsed speech but rather a guiding principle that has shaped his entire life. From his time in the Hanoi Hilton to his successful record in Congress, John McCain has shown the leadership and character that will deliver results. Our grassroots team will effectively carry our message of lower taxes, energy independence and a safe America to every voter. John McCain will provide the leadership much needed to ensure a more successful tomorrow," said Ralph Munro, former Washington Secretary of State.

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Small Townie

Ventura City Council Meeting
August 4, 2008

"The Ball is Now in Your Court"

by Helen Yunker

I was very grateful and appreciative finally to have the matter of Lot #7 as a regular agenda item at the July 28th, 2008 council meeting. It was actually the first full discussion of a matter involving my health and safety, and that of the homes surrounding and affected by the landslide which occurred Feb. 3, 1998.

These past 10-1/2 years, the ongoing problem has now devolved into a "now or never" situation with only two solutions

- (1) negotiating and granting an extension to the already-defaulted 3-year time limit given the buyer at time of purchase in

November, 2004, or, now, with the lot having reverted back to City/public ownership, to do the necessary slope stabilization itself.

I would like to comment on the "Potential Development Terms for Site Sale, Slope Restabilization and Construction" to allow the Buyer to stabilize the slope and to obtain a change of zoning from 1 to 2 units, allowing a cost-effective project for the Buyer. This change, of course, will require both Council and Planning Commission action, a very time-consuming process.

Step 1 of the construction process will require stabilization. Unlike the last 3 years when no activity was realized, the obvious conclusion must be that there was no direct overseeing or realization of staff as to the critical nature of the project nor the terms of the sales contract. The city is now proposing strict time periods

and managed approvals to complete the project and will assign a single case planner to expedite the processing of permits and construction.

Also discussed was the matter of the buyer's not only covering the on-going slope erosion with heavy-duty plastic, but maintaining it. This is a really great concern of mine, as the buyer's negligence in this matter allowed the ongoing top-of-the-slope erosion to progress another 4' onto my property, leaving my chainlink fence hanging in mid-air. I want to thank Councilman Monahan, Andrews, Morehouse, Summers and Fulton for personally checking the dangers inherent in this neglect. Also, my deepest thanks to Atty. Ariel Calonne who was concerned



Helen Yunker at the precipice of her Ventura home, August 8.

Obama's Ojai H.Q.



Peter Strauss and a gathering of enthusiastic supporters (among them Sue Groidy, David Bush, Stephen Rose, Joan Kemper, Lisa Clark, Jennifer Guernsey, Nicolaus Sommer, Meg Goodwin, Nina Shelley, Dale Hanson, and many others) joyfully attended the opening of the Ojai Official Obama Center Aug. 4. If you are going to vote for Obama, and what sane person wouldn't, stop by the office and pick up your support buttons and flyers located at 323 E. Matilija St., Ste. 116.



enough to view the damage shortly after being hired. He is doing his best to rectify and solve the many problems inherited from his predecessor Bob Boehm. Also, my sincere thanks to Mayor Christy Weir for her personal interest. My apologies to Councilman Brennan whom I failed to make contact for a visit inspection. I hope I have not forgotten anybody.

This matter has been percolating over the past 5 councils, with many changes in Council makeup during those 10-1/2 years. This is really my first collaborative effort with a Council.

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Cuttin' Back Here Boss

R. Ellis Smith



At last count the **City of San Buenaventura** was at the very least \$4 million in the hole when it came to balancing the

budget, the **Gang in the Ivory Tower**, (**Ventura City Hall**) decided to make a few cuts. I e-mailed the city and asked exactly what cuts were being made to fill in this \$4 million gap. The e-mail I received in return explained a few of the cuts.

#1. Eliminating the "office services" function which provided document processing and other assistance to busy departments like **Police and City Clerk**. Now does this mean that those busy departments are now free of processing documents or do you suppose it means that each of those busy departments will now have to fend for themselves when it comes to "document processing"? If the latter is the case, doesn't it simply mean that the cost of "document processing" has simply been moved to another location and still costs just as much?

#2. Closing the city's warehouse to go to "just in time" delivery of supplies. It would appear to me that this "cut" would possibly entail having a few people whose primary job would be to order "just in time" supplies and make sure they arrive "just-in-time". It would also appear that if the supplies did not arrive "just in time" there would be additional cost involved in waiting for the "just in time" supplies.

#3. Switching from **Social Security** to a less expensive form of retirement plan for seasonal and part-time support staff. In other words take it out, (budget deficit), on the lowest ranked employee.

#4. Scrapping the "neighborhood traffic calming" program. To really save money the **Gang in the Ivory Tower** should have retained the "neighborhood traffic calming" program and scrapped the **RedFlex Red-Light Camera Program** which is costing our city about 1.5 million dollars per year.

#5. Slashing outside planning and environmental consultant support. This is a good start, however the phrase "slashing" could amount to reducing the outside consultant support by \$50.00. What they should have said was "eliminating" the outside consultant support, plus nothing was mentioned about eliminating the outside consultant support for the city's legal department.

#6. Closing City Hall every other Friday, starting July 18, while extending hours from 7:30 am to 5:30 pm during the rest of the week. So let's see, they will eliminate every other Friday or 16-hours-per-month, but will open for 10-hours-per-day for all other days for a total of 8-hours-per-week

or 16-hours-per-month. Am I missing something here? It would appear this last one is simply another one of the **Gang in the Ivory Tower's** spin programs.

Now if this is the best the **Gang in the Ivory Tower** could come up with to reduce spending by \$4 million.... Lordy we are in one hell of a mess. P.S. They also eliminated 11 full-time and more than 20 part-time positions. You can bet these were the lowest positions in the city, they did add 6 police officers and 3 fire fighters however.

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Open Mouth Insert Foot

R. Ellis Smith

I don't know what it is about some writers, or wanna be writers that make them subject to that old idiom of Opening their Mouths, and then Inserting their Foot.

In an issue of the **Breeze**, **Mr Sheldon Brown**, owner, publisher, editor, and wanna-be writer once again, I am sorry to say, had taken pen to paper without thinking out exactly what it is he is saying.

The first paragraph in his **Op/Ed piece of July 16, 2008** states: "There will not be any further **Iraq** news in the paper, unless it is really monumental."

I just wanted to make sure that you knew that it was still going on."

First off, **Mr. Brown** assumes that his readers are of such a low intelligent level that they don't know the **Iraq War** is "still going on". Secondly, and most important it would appear that **Mr Brown** does not consider the deaths of myriad of **American Service** personnel as being "really monumental."

Now he of course is not required to print anything about the **Iraq War** in his rag, but to say that nothing "really monumental" is taking place shows an obvious lack of understanding about the consequences of the death of even one **American** in the unlawful **Bush** war. A war that was begun and still wages because of the treasonous, illegal, idiotic, egocentric, moronic, actions of one man. The fact that man is the **President of the United States of America** even makes the entire **Iraq War** a truly "really monumental" action.

I would hope that **Mr. Sheldon Brown** would apologize to the thousands of grieving family members that have had a son, daughter, nephew, cousin, brother, sister, or any other member of their family killed, a really monumental action, because of the actions of **George W. Bush**, and also refrain from making anymore such non-thought-out-statements.

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Dumb, Dumber, Dumbest !

R. Ellis Smith

- August 6, 2008

The **Gang in the Ivory Tower**, (**Ventura City Hall**), is at it again, tossing our hard earned tax money hither and yon !

The other day there was a story about the **Ventura Housing Authority** owing the city somewhere around \$500,000, thumbing their collective noses at the city and the **Gang in the Ivory Tower** stuck their tails between their legs and are considering forgiving the debt.

Now on August 6, 2008 there is a story in the **Ventura County Star** entitled, "City Plans its Case Against Insurer." The insurance company the **Gang in the Ivory Tower** is planning to sue is **Ventura-base Tolman and Wiker Insurance**. They just happen to be the insurance carrier for the, you guessed it, **Ventura Housing Authority**. Supposedly **Tolman and Wikers Insurance** did not file a claim within the deadlines and the **City of Ventura** lost coverage as a result. There are other problems that have been going on for years.

No matter the outcome of the "legal suit," this entire broo-ha-ha is just another example of the **Gang in the Ivory Tower** not paying attention to the hen house until the fox has already eaten all the chickens.

As with the \$10 million the city lost by allowing its finance director to invest in the **Bear Stearns** mess and not

correcting it before the ultimate collapse, it would seem the **Gang in the Ivory Tower** has had their eyes closed for over 20 years regarding anything going on with the **Ventura Housing Authority**.

All in all it's really no surprise that the **City of Ventura's** finance problems are in the mess they are in. When you allow the "inmates" to run the "funny farm" you can be assured of complete and utter nonsense.

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Fish Taco's Anyone ??

R. Ellis Smith

On Tuesday, July 22, 2008 I was taking a walk on the **Ventura Pier** which I do almost every day. Most of the time I take along my trusty fishing pole and snag a few **mackerel, opal-eyed-perch, sea trout**, or other denizens of the deep. This day I was just looking for a good photo of the **Pelicans** that are usually hanging around looking for a free fish.

As I walked up to the end of the pier, the second home of the **Mayor of the Pier, Mr Three**



Dog, he was busy bringing in a 6-foot-**Thrasher Shark**, he had caught a 30-pound **Angel Shark** just a few minutes before. He was having a hell of a good fishing day.

Three Dog always has a bunch of extra poles on hand that he will lend to anybody that wants to try their luck, he does ask for any contribution they may want to toss his way. He uses that money for more fishing gear.

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Ojai Summers End Concert



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Lavon Roberts leads the Balloon Parade, Aug. 13 at Libbey Park - Thank You Rotary Club West Sponsors

Helen Yunker

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cil who has finally come together to do the right thing and to correct the abominable injustice to which I have been subjected. Maybe I will still be alive to enjoy a safe home and a joie de vivre.

Hey !! And don't think I won't continue to be here on every First Monday, God willing !! Until full realization of a complete solution. AMEN -- AMEN !!

*Respectfully Submitted,
Helen Yunker*

What does it mean ?

Helen Yunker Lot # 7 Drainage History-Timeline

- 1886** Buena Vista Tract subdivision is recorded
- 1908** Samuel Cole buys Cole Canyon Parcel, builds house/barn & begins farming; constructs drainage diversion burn prior to 1923
- 1921** John McElrea builds house at 1405 Church Street
- 1922** John McElrea sells Lot 5 to Helen Wilde
- 1923** City sells Lot 6 to Wilde;

City also reserves easement to conduct stormwater & maintain existing channel on Lot 6

Prior to 1937 Wilde records a lot line adjustment changing Lot 5/6 boundary to run east/west

1925 City paves Aliso & Church Streets; builds stormdrain improvements (60" RCP crossing Aliso & Church Streets)

4'x4' RCB Culvert constructed from RCP outfall (within Aliso St. right-of-way) east, through alleyway to outfall on Lot 5

1927 Airphoto shows sediment at box culvert outfall and alignment of open channel segment of stormdrain on Lot 6/7

1928 Houses at 264 through 1440 Brodiea Dr. constructed

1937 House constructed at 240 Aliso St. (Lot 5)

1943 City Acquires Lot 7 from McElrea heirs

1964 City constructs stormdrain improvements replaces the Aliso St. 60" RCP inlet with two catch basins west of burm & adds 1 catch basin at east Aliso curb outletted directly into 4'x4' RCB Culvert

1456 Brodiea Drive (Yunker) building plans approval & permitted by the City; residence constructed

1971 18" diameter RCP added from C.B. at Mariposa Dr. along Brodiea Dr. C.L. outletted into the Aliso St. 60" RCP

1978 Sara Ridley (1440 Brodiea) complains to City requesting repair of the Lot 7 Cliff.

1979 City Engineer's letter to Sara Ridley states that work planned by the City will help to stabilize the Lot 7 cliff.

City-commissioned report by Buena Engineers, Inc. (8/79) determines cliff to be unstable & endangers neighbors, presents buttress stabilization design to City.

Public works issues "Aliso Canyon Grading Plan" (9/79) showing proposed infilling of the channel on Lots 5, 6 & 7 (omits buttress)

1980 Open-channel infilling proposed on "Aliso Canyon Grading Plan" (9/79) is completed

1998 Landslide occurring on Lot 7 (2/3/98) creates a head scarp that encroaches onto the Yunker property & deposits slide debris on Lot 5 (240 Aliso Street).



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Helen Yunker at the precipice of the poorly maintained Lot 7 Cliff adjacent to her property, August 8.

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In Praise of Black Tea

by Lorraine Mariz

Black tea is back ! New research shows that black tea is nearly as healthy as green tea and contains the same cancer fighting anti-oxidants. So get out the teapot and some good black tea and go nuts.

If you have been drinking so much green and herbal tea that you forgot how to brew black tea here are some instructions.

What you need:

Good tea - loose is best but use tea bags if you must.

A tea pot - whatever size you need, they come in 2 to 12 cup sizes and in many shapes. I think the traditional round English "brown betty" is best but other shapes will make good tea. Many novelty tea pots are not intended for actual use so if you are considering a tea pot shaped like a teddy bear, make sure it is not just for show.

Fresh, cold, good-tasting water. If you don't normally drink your tap water don't use it to make tea (or coffee, or ice cubes, or lemonade for that matter). Use filtered or bottled water.

An infuser or strainer if you are using loose tea. The advantage of an infuser is that you can remove the infuser from the tea and not drink it all at once. Infusers come in sizes from the spoon style for 1 or 2 cups to three inch tea balls for 10 to 12 cups. Choose the largest infuser that will fit in the top of your tea pot. This makes for flexibility in the amount of tea you make - it is okay to put enough tea for 2 cups in a three inch infuser.

Some tea connoisseurs feel that the best flavor comes from tea leaves loose in the pot. In this case a strainer is necessary. Or if you know any fortune tellers, forgo the infuser and strainer and read the tea leaves in your cup.

Some way to boil water - a stove top, electric kettle, campfire, etc. Now you have the supplies and are ready to brew !

Heat the tea pot by filling it with hot water. Measure the tea. In general use one teaspoon of tea per 6 ounces of water. If you are using an infuser, make sure the tea takes up no more than 1/3 of the space in the infuser. The leaves need room to expand. Put the kettle on (start heating the water). Pour the hot water out of the pot and place the tea inside. When the water

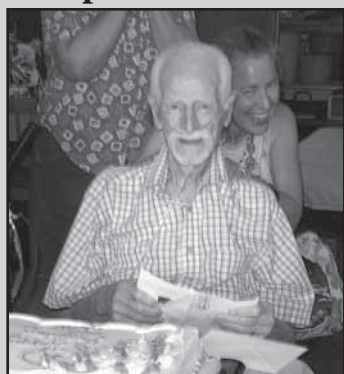


boils bring the pot to the kettle (very important) and pour the boiling water into the pot. Make sure the water boils but only let it boil for a few seconds.

This will ensure

the fullest taste. Steep the tea 3 to 4 minutes according to taste (less if you use tea bags). Remove the infuser or bags from the pot when the tea is done steeping. Then serve. Put a tea cozy on the pot if you want the tea to stay hot for more than 1 1/2 hour or so. If you prefer the tea leaves loose in the pot strain the leaves as you pour the tea into the cup. Serve all the tea at once as any tea left in the pot with the leaves just steeps more and gets bitter and undrinkable. Now enjoy your great cup of tea. **f**

Special Note



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Wine And Roses



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by Ron Rowe

Tis summertime in Ojai, the serene philosopher of the pink Rose is steadying its fragrant, delicate petals open fully and are ready to fall without regret or disillusion after only a day in the hot Ojai sun. It is so, every summer, one can almost hear their pink fragrant murmur as they settled down upon the grass. Summer, summer; it will always be summer in Ojai.

Lord Byron described summer as follows, "violent pink is smeared grotesquely on the riotous foliage, daffodils and crocus dyes are emptied over limes and chestnuts, our eyes surfeit themselves on this gorgeous feast of colors, purple, mauve, vermillion, saffron, russet, silver, copper, bronze and old gold, the leaves are dipped and soaked in fiery hues and the mischievous artist will never rest until he has used up every drop. Ah, the mystery of it all. We cannot fathom the mystery of a single flower, nor is it intended that we should."

How sad to see a great oak succumb to mother nature in the **Ojai Meadows**. We will all miss its majestic presence and vibrations.

Note on the upcoming **Ojai** elections. The trouble with holding elections is that you don't know in advance how they are going to turn out. I see that councilperson's Horgan and Rae Hanstead are performing a noble deed by sacrificing their private life and reversing themselves by running for election once again. They claim they are responding to the pleas of the people to run again. Ah well, such is politics. Good luck to both.

Anyone know if **Buddy Wilds** has signed up to run for **Ojai City Council**? He still responds to questions on his running with a "No comment", word is, he has been seen attending city council meetings recently. Why the sudden interest in city politics Buddy? Anyone with any further information, please let me know, the mystery deepens.

Quote from **Albert Einstein**, "If the facts don't fit your theory, change the facts". That's good advice for politicians.

Upset about gasoline being \$4.75 a gallon? Take heart, in **Paris** it's \$9.43, **London** \$8.96, **Oslo** \$9.85, **Sao Paulo** \$6.38, cheapest rate in the world is **Saudi Arabia** at \$4.47 a gallon.

Incidentally, we are the biggest oil importers of the world at 12.4 million barrels a day, followed by **Japan** at 5 million barrels, **China** 3.4 million, **Germany** 2.5 million, **India** 1.7 million. Gasoline is becoming so expensive in the U.S.: prostitutes are now accepting gas cards as payment. **Kentucky** police say **Kenneth Nowak** paid for a tryst with prostitute **Angela Eversole** with a \$100 gas card. Many hotels in **England** are offering a free tank of gas for tourists staying for a



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week, sounds like a good idea for **Ojai** motels.

Everyone in the world is not broke. A 36-year-old **Russian** billionaire has launched a new 390 foot yacht that looks like a futuristic warship. **Banker, Industrialist** **Andrey Melnichenco** named the yacht after himself, its name, "A". It has two swimming pools, a helicopter, a master bedroom that rotates on a giant turntable plus many other luxuries. Oh, it uses 700 gallons of fuel per hour.

Here in the U.S., the wealthiest 1% garnered 22% of the national income in 2007, their highest share since 1929. According to **Internal Revenue Service** the same group at the top of the income pyramid saw their income tax rates fall to 22.8% the lowest tax rate paid by the top 1% since 1988.

For you average **Americans** who are cutting back on expenses, try using baking soda as an underarm deodorant, sprinkle a little of the powder on your hand and apply it to your underarms. If it keeps your refrigerator free from unpleasant odors, it will do the same for you.

Ojai Clothing Co. It's Flirty & It's Fun



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Reagan (fit and function with flair) models a fun, flirty Salsa Dress with a dropped waistline - just right for your summer fun at **Ojai Clothing Co.**, across from the Arcade.

Naom Gottesman, an American hedge fund manager, has title of the most expensive home in **England**, it's in **Kensington Palace Gardens**, the price \$231 million, and you think homes are expensive in **Ojai**.

Do you know supporters of the **2005 Bankruptcy Act** said that by punishing deadbeats, the law would reduce consumers borrowing costs. But since its passage, credit card borrowing costs have risen as high as 17%. It proves an economist is an expert who will know tomorrow why the things he predicted yesterday didn't happen today.

Some things keep their value. A pair of **Queen Victoria's** bloomers with a 50-inch-waist was sold at **Sotheby's** auction house in **London** for \$9,000. The hand-made bloomers, dated from 1890, had a monogram "V.R." for **Victoria Regina**. Also sold was **Queen Victoria's** chemise with a 66-inch-bust, and her nightgown for \$11,000.

Looking for interesting and varied clothing? Try **Ojai Clothing Co.** at **325 East Ojai Ave., 640.1269**. Their clothes are fashionably designed, clothing designed for travel or a casual evening out on the town. You can visit the store in person, or visit www.Ojaiclothing.com.

Clothes for men and women.

Owners and partners **Julio and Annelle** designed most of the exclusive clothing. **Julio's** mens shirt creations are really exceptional and unique. Do pop in, browse and ask manager **Reagan** for more information.

Attention all porridge lovers, the world's porridge making championship will be held October 12 at **Carrbridge, Scotland**. Porridge or oatmeal is a hot dish made with oats, water and salt. Some experts claim porridge should be only stirred clockwise using the right hand so as not to invoke the devil. It should only be stirred with a spurtle or a wooden stick without a molded flat end. I always stir with a wooden spoon making my morning porridge. If you would like to try good porridge check out **Plaza Pantry, located in the Arcade Plaza 221 E. Mattila St Ojai, phone, 646, 6325**.

The porridge is as good as I make it, so, if you would like to enter the contest, visit www.gold-enspurtle.com. And good luck to all.

Wise saying, "Education is when you read the fine print, experience is what you get if you don't."

If you own stock in **Exxon Mobil Corp.**, rejoice. The company reported second-quarter earnings of \$11.68 billion, the biggest quarterly profit ever by any U.S. company.

Has any wine drinking reader used the magnetic wine collar? Pouring an inexpensive wine with the magnetic collar on improves the wine tremendously. It was tested by wine critic **Anthony Dias Blue** of **bon appétit Magazine** who proclaimed it made a \$10 wine taste like an \$80 bottle. Cost of collar \$34.95 check out www.Heringtoncatalog.com Let me know what you think.

Time to open a good bottle of wine and think of the following. To do something, however small, to make others happier and better is the highest ambition, the most elevated hope which can inspire a human being.

Peace and love to all beings on earth. And so it is.
Your comments are welcome
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Summer Recipe Recommendation from Ojai Olive Oil, Inc

Olive Oil and Peach Marmalade Parfait

2 cups milk
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6 egg yolks
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup extra-virgin olive oil *
100 g Peach Marmalade

Beat the egg yolks and sugar with a mixer until thick and light in color; then drizzle in the olive oil until combined.

Heat the milk and cream in a large heavy-bottomed saucepan over medium heat until almost boiling. Add a cup of milk to the eggs and whisk in com-

pletely; repeat with a further 2 cups of milk mixture. Add the eggs to the remaining milk in the saucepan and stir briskly over the heat for a few minutes until thickened slightly. Take off the heat, strain through a fine mesh strainer and cool completely.

Place in a small loaf pan lined with cling film and place in freezer. Just before the mixture sets, swirl the marmalade through it. Allow to freeze.

To serve, cut into slices and drizzle a little more of the marmalade over each slice, or add a teaspoon of cognac per serving.

*We recommend **Ojai Mandarin Flavored Olive Oil**

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Krista Neumann's "No Excuses Yoga"



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by Cristobel

Think you can't 'do' yoga? Are you feeling too inflexible or are injuries hindering you? Is the idea intimidating or you've never done it before?

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Lisa Clark and Mary Nelson's Boutique

by Cristobel

Lisa Clark has been working her way up the coast for years and luckily for us she found her way to **Ojai** and plans to stay. **Mary Nelson** grew up here, left, and fortunately came back. **Lisa** and **Mary** have been crossing paths, working at a number of the same beauty venues in the valley and developing their friendship for quite a while, so, it is of no surprise that eventually they decided to join compatible forces and open their own special beauty boutique. Both of them wanted to be on the boulevard so they patiently waited for the right space to open up.

Last December "**lisa + mary boutique**" opened their doors for business in the beautiful old **Bank of America** building next to **Libby Park**, and it is a beautiful shop inside as well.

It is such an **Ojai** irony that one **Lisa Clark**, of **Busy Babe fame** would move away only to have another **Lisa Clark** appear in the same genre business. **Lisa Clark** of "**lisa + mary boutique**" is very much her own person making her own name for herself here. She is doing that through her ongoing passionate pursuit of developing her own line of cosmetics. She has been fine tuning this effort for twenty years.

Lisa Clark Cosmetics is a complete product line that includes realistically priced makeup that is custom blended, mineral based and infused with botanicals. Her approach is geared to each client's individual and personal needs. You can have her do your makeup or give you an application lesson. For the brow challenged she will shape yours with tweezers and tint them too, and if you don't like mascara have your lashes tinted. She can even custom blend your own lipstick!

Before you put any of Lisa's luscious makeup on your face remember you want to start with a clean canvas and that's where **Mary Nelson** comes in. She worked for years at **Dr. Jordan's** dermatology practice and has over ten years experience in the skin care field. She knows her business, likes what she does, cares about her clients and her enthusiastic personality is genuine. Although the boutique has a spa feel to it, the emphasis is really more of a clinical treatment approach. Mary offers a seventy-five minute signature facial, mini facials, specialty treatments that include microdermabrasions and peels, and also body massage.

After having all these wonderful things done you will certainly want to continue to spoil yourself. This can be accomplished by either dressing yourself in the beautiful She

and Me lounge wear offered in the store or spray yourself with perfume from **roger & gallet**. They also carry **Mor**, **Mario Badescu**, **Rhonda Allison**, and **Osmosis**.



Lisa Clark and Mary Nelson in their lisa + mary boutique in Ojai.

There is so much thought and care that has gone into this gem of a store. The "**lisa + mary boutique**" has achieved its goal to be sophisticated, contemporary and elegant. Probably, one of the biggest challenges facing a business in **Ojai** today is to balance having a store that can appeal to both tourists and high end customers but also service locals without intimidating them or being out of their price range. The store is ever evolving to meet the needs of our community and to provide services and products accordingly. Remember, even beauty can be local.

- Lisa + Mary Boutique, info. 646-3100 f

Krista Neumann - 'No Excuses' Yoga

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Put your silly doubts away and join **Krista Neumann** at **Ingrid Boulting's Sacred Space Studio** on **Bryant Street** for her "come as you are, pay what you can" Thursday night (6:30) class. **Krista**, a former **Broadway** performer, is also known in our community for her directing skills and founding **Theater for the Community**, and rumor has it she may be going a little "batty" on us in the near future. Her many life journeys have inspired her to share the passion she has for yoga and **Ayurveda** and to encourage others as she encourages herself to "accept and love yourself as you are". She believes that yoga should not be limited by what a person can afford or how experienced they already are. Come

as you are means that while in class things can be adapted for your individual needs and abilities. Private therapeutic yoga classes are also available for anyone interested.

Ms. Neumann has pretty much eliminated any excuse to not go, and her giving spirit is reason enough to go.

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CALL FOR ARTISTS

The **Ojai Valley Museum's** first juried art show, **OJAI CELEBRATES ART**, is open to artists 18-years-of-age and older working in any gallery media. Cash awards will be given for first, second, and third place winners in the amounts of \$300, \$200 and \$100. Awards sponsor, **Shari Skinner, President of Ojai Community Bank**, will present prizes at the opening reception on October 18. Entries must demonstrate some connection to the **Ojai Valley**, its people, history, or natural environment. The exhibit will run from **October 18 to November 16, 2008**. The selections for the ex-

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Flash or Trash ? Tips for Club Dressing

by Lori Stepner Battaglia

Baby do you want to dance ? Better check the mirror first ! Underworld dressing Diva Lori Stepner gives tips for how to wear clubbing gear for a night on the town. For everything that is better "not scene" but that makes all the difference between looking like a wreck, a Rock Star or a wrecked Rockstar (sorry Brit), visit Lori at Aphrodite's, her mecca for women's enhancement.

Aphrodite's is located at 477 E. Main Street, Ventura, or for the shy or distant, visit Lori's amazing on line store at aphrodite-online.com

Q. What is with all of these young girls letting it all spill out, my husband and I were out downtown last weekend and saw two lines into two clubs most of the girls were wearing practically nothing ! Is there nothing left to the imagination anymore ?

A. Well, if you've got it, flaunt it ! But flaunt it in the right ways, with the right styles and sizes.

I was summoned home a few months ago by my middle daughter who stated

it was a BOOB emergency... MOM, bring home lots of tape and some padding with tape and some push ups! There are eight of us ! I grabbed my bag and supplies, TITTY FAIRY to the rescue !

Behold were eight lovely young girls, straightening their hair, some curling theirs, all in "come do me stilettos" and shirts of various styles.

I wondered why they hadn't put their pants on yet and had already bothered with their shoes....

I sat patiently addressing the boobs at hand, some just needed a simple breast pedal to cover the headlight. Others needed some tape and a double pad on one side, some just needed a little cleavage tape, and another needed the more than a handful "stick and click."

Picture time ! They were off to a party. I was aghast as those were not

shirts, those were dresses! I was shocked and horrified as I asked them all to lift their arms, and their privates were showing !

"Chill out, Mom, this is how everyone dresses. The Invitation said dress to impress !" Were they all off to a stripper interview, **The Playboy Mansion** ?



Lori Stepner Battaglia and daughter Bree on Main St, Vta.

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What could I do ? I was outnumbered, over aged, and outside the loop. I looked at all of these young bountiful young women and wondered, 'Am I just old or do they look like sluts ?' These are good girls, and I am all about being open with human sexuality, but this was a whole-a-fying.

I took each girl individually and made them dance in the mirror, some girls "dresses" were shorter than others, some could lift their arms higher than others, the BOTTOM line was that I finally convinced them, that if nothing else, lose the thong and wear full bottom booty shorts !

Miss Manners I am not, but there are a few fine lines of dressing etiquette that need to be addressed ;

The major NO NO's

- Do not let your rhinestone thong hang out of your too low rise jeans.
- Do not borrow your friends size 32 corset when you are a 38.
- If your rump hangs out of your skirt or dress when you lift your arms - cover it.
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• **August 8, 2008 through September 14, 2008, THE FANTASTICKS, The High Street Arts Center, Moorpark, Box Office at (805) 529-8700**

• **August 8 Opening thru August 31, Rabbit Hole, Ojai ACT, info contact John Hankins, 785-5432w**

• **Saturday, August 9 at 1:00pm. Dedication of Ventura's first public peace garden, Commemoration and vigil on the anniversary of the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Plaza Park in Ventura (Downtown Ventura on Santa Clara between Chestnut and Fir, info. 805-850-5849**

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Tech Talk...

...With Tony and Ryan



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If you need some advice on this, we would always love to hear from you and help out. You can write an email to us at hottechguys@venturahighspeed.com...yah we wish!

- Tony and Ryan, The Tech Guys
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VENTURA COUNTY WEIRD VIEWS

by Richard Senate

Weird Views: stories of the strange, the off beat and downright bizarre accounts of things in Western Ventura County for your pleasure, edification and amusement. Compiled by the Master of the Mysterious; Richard Senate.

Zoey's Restaurant on Main Street, Ventura, at the rear of the El Jardin Plaza, continues to be the center of supernatural events. Expanding into new digs the popular restaurant will soon double its capacity to serve the public. But its success has not scared away her phantom residents. In the past, doors have rattled and footsteps heard. Some time ago an apparition of a woman dressed as a flamenco dancer was reported. The newest strange event centers on the intercom. One unit is in the second floor dining area, the other in the kitchen. This is so orders can be placed to better serve the public. The owner tells of having the intercom turn on by itself and bizarre voices come from the unit. They are garbled and truly mysterious. Are ghosts using the system to talk to the spirit world?



The Zander Building, also on Ventura's Main Street continues to have ghostly events happen. Some call the Zander Building the "Zander Zone" (a take off of the Twilight Zone). Supernatural events have a long history in the Zander Building. Jacky at the Attic Trunk told of losing an item, asking the ghost to return them and when she circled the desk the object reappeared. And the Tarot

shop in the building has the doorbell ring only to find no one there. What is the cause of the phantom doorbell, maybe ghostly shoppers?

Mr. Keith Richardson of the **Things from Heaven** store on Main Street informs me of good news. His book; *The Secrets of the Butterfly Lovers*, is now being made into a screenplay by the noted screenwriter **Richard Broadhurst**. The book on **Ancient China**, reincarnation and spirit guides is a mystical quest that reveals the culture and spiritual side of China. It may soon be a major motion picture!

Ventura City Hall continues to report strange things. A new account tells of seeing a floating head in the first floor men's bathroom.

Could this be the same account of a floating head reported in 2002? My dilemma is why the thing is in the bathroom? One would think that being dead one wouldn't need to use such places. The old 1912 building has always had its share of ghosts.

Accounts have come to the **Weird News** desk of a ghostly young woman haunting Wal-Mart in **Oxnard**. One security camera caught the semi-transparent apparition shopping, only to vanish. The video is now on **YouTube** for your amusement. Is it real? Who can say for sure. The phantom wears contemporary clothing and it is believed she was an accident victim, who lost her life near the site of the store. What do you think? Look up: "Ghost of the Oxnard Wal-Mart" if you want to view the video.

My new web site also has a free newsletter where I have posted stories and upcoming events. A number of new tours are now being offered that should provide a few chills and thrills to all who are interested in the paranormal in Ventura County.

My new website is simple to remember:
www.RichardSenate.com

Happy Hauntings!

- Richard Senate, Oak View

So.... you think you know a little something about backing up your computer and you're making backups like you should to your external hard drive. Great job, you get a **Gold Star** for being one of the smarter people out there, especially if your digital life is important to you!.... Now, I'm taking back that gold star because... what happens when the place burns down to the ground and all hell breaks loose?

Well, it's a good thing you can earn that gold star back by beating that really crummy situation ahead of time...like starting now!

We all live in dry **SoCal** and lets face it, this place is always burning near us, or all around us! Depending on the content size of your hard drive you can get offsite data backups for as little as \$10.00 a month! It's setup once and then completely automated so you don't have to worry about it. I don't know about you, but I know I have much better things to do than geek out on some freaking backup. It works flawless and it will save me if anything catastrophic happens! It's so easy a caveman could do it.

There are many offsite backup companies to choose from, but keep in mind the customer service and support aspect when shopping around. The last thing you want is to get someone on the phone that can't help you after you've made it through what seems to be an intergalactic time travel call transfer.

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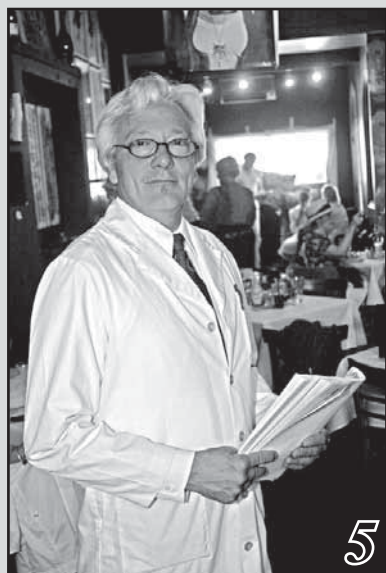
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Elwood P. Dowd, (left) played by Steve Grumette attempts to convince Dr. Chumley, played by Ron Rowe, (#7 at left) and Nurse Kelly Played by Tracey Williams that there really is a six foot invisible rabbit... Veta Dowd, played by Linda McNeil (#9) pleads with Dr. Chumley to please get rid of that awful invisible rabbit... Nurse Kelly (#2 & 4) celebrates with a few happy members of the audience at the end of the show reading. #1 Cast members Steve Grumette, Robert McNeil, Laura Ring and Ron Rowe thank the audience. #7 Ron Rowe and cast member John Hankins who plays Judge Gaffney relax at the end of the show. #5, Dr. Sanderson played by Buddy Wild doesn't seem to believe that Elwood Dowd really lives with a six foot invisible white rabbit. #6 Steve Grumette relaxes with director Gai Jones who plays dual roles, Mrs. Chumley and Mrs. Chauvenet in the play. #8, The play is in full swing with Dr. and Mrs. Chumley, Dr. Sanderson and Nurse Kelly trying to understand if there really is a six foot invisible white rabbit....

If you missed **Harvey** at the **Jester** restaurant, there will be a repeat performance at the **St. Joseph Care and Retirement Home**, located on Ojai Ave., Admission is Free, Donations are welcome. Show is on Aug. 31st at 2 pm.



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Costner Comes Home...

By Hollywood Beat

Donna Jeffries & Larry Leverett

...and throws one hell of a party ! Thousands of people swarmed downtown Ventura July 26 to meet and greet **Academy-Award winning Actor Kevin Costner** as he premiered his new Disney flick "Swing Vote" and performed a free concert on Main Street with his country-rock band **Modern West**.



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The festivities were kicked off earlier in the day with a VIP reception at the new **Watermark** restaurant raising nearly \$125,000 for local charities. The star of "Dances With Wolves", "Bull Durham," and "No Way Out" claimed that he had long wanted to give back to the community where he grew up, and felt that this was the perfect opportunity for him to do so.

A special stage was erected at the intersection of **California** and **Main Street** for the evening concert, which drew thousands of people to downtown **Ventura**. In fact, some people arrived nearly 10 hours early in order to stake their claim to seating areas. As the sun began to settle down toward the horizon, an impressive montage of **Costner's** films was screened on stage. **Costner** then made a grand entrance at the top of the hill at city hall, overlooking the ocean. As the beautifully orchestrated theme song from his film "Field of Dreams" filled the air, he slowly made his way down through the cheering crowds and towards the stage, shaking hands, high-fiving, and hugging new and old friends all along the way.

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Pub Crawling on Costnerama Night

By Mary M. Long

I found myself catching the excitement of the block party as I wound through the side streets of **Ventura** en route to the **Costner** Movie preview and benefit concert. The streets were still a bit empty but the carnival atmosphere was catching. We stopped at the **Good Club** to catch some great rock 'n roll by **The Flailingtons** then went Up the street where the "hot" band **Shades of Day** was entertaining the waiting crowds. After a quick beer at **San Souci** we headed back to the big black leggo-like temporary stage at the corner of **Main and California** which was teaming with sound techs and security staff. I marveled a bit about the audacity of blocking off the main street for anything less than a national holiday, but like a kid I was thrilled to be part of it. I wondered if the entire concept was pure self indulgence, a brilliant piece of marketing or was **Kevin Costner** still a god in his home town of Ventura ? As night fell and the throng of people grew so did the anticipation of **Costner's** arrival. From somewhere near the city hall end of the red carpet **Costner** was winding his way down

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Shades of Day Brendan James, 'Concert at the Curb'



Hollywood Beat (left), Larry Leverett (Mr. Hollywood) and Donna Jeffries



stage, it was a happy enchanted evening. Nearing the end of the concert we decided to check out a few more clubs in downtown Ventura and ended up at the new **Pangaea Lounge** on **Thompson** for a friendly chat with **Bar Manager Erik Myles** we decided that **Costner's** event was pretty cool and maybe just maybe I can understand why my cousin is in love with **Kevin Costner**.



Californian firing on the Lynx

The Tall Ships arrived from around the world at Channel Island Harbor August 7 - 10. Photographer Tim Hauf was onboard to photograph these Magnificent Sailing Ships in action as they staged a battle re-enactment complete with Pirates and Swashbucklers.



The Spirit of Dana Point



The Californian



Lynx closing in on the Californian



Kerri Galgas and her '90 348ts Ferrari at the Ventura Motorsport Gathering

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THE LEASHES END

by Ron Rowe

We have a crisis here in **Ojai**. The **Humane Society** is in urgent need of additional community support they said due to the foreclosure crisis. People forced into apartments are leaving their pets at the shelter, said the shelter, which is struggling to take in as many as possible. Families losing their homes and moving into rental properties must leave their beloved pets behind and are turning to the **Humane Society Shelter** to take dogs and cats and put them up for adoption, since the Ojai shelter is a no kill shelter many want to be sure their trusted friend will find a new home. The society is issuing an urgent appeal for donations to help them through this period and help the animals be fed, housed and cared for. The shelter is filled to capacity with over 100 animals. People can help by donating a tax deductible gasoline card, gift certificate for food from a pet supply store, cash, anything to help the society pay for their increased utility bills and food. The **Humane Society** receives no government funds and relies 100% on donations from the public to continue its services. Call 805.646.6505 or visit the website www.humanesocietyvc.org. Any help will be appreciated.

Governor Sonny Perdue of Georgia said dogfighting is a repulsive senseless organized crime, it's not a sport, it's barbarism. He later signed a bill that provides tougher penalties for individuals involved in dogfighting, including the spectators. The new law makes it a felony to train, transport, sell or promote a fighting dog or to advertise, promote or bet on fights. The state of **Georgia** will no longer be a haven for these depraved dogfights, said the governor. Many barks for the governor, let's hope all the other states follow suit.

I see that **Spain's** parliament voted in support for the rights of great apes to life and freedom. This is the first historic time any national legislature has called for such rights for nonhumans. The new law covers apes in circuses, TV commercials or filming. They are forbidden from mistreating the apes and breaking the law will now be an offense.

If you want to help rats, mice and other animals who suffer in cruel experiments in laboratories in the **U.S.** contact stopanimaltests.com. A thank you to **Prince Charles of England** for instructing chefs at the **Royal** residences to stop serving foie gras and banning it from all menus.

Well I always knew a man that talks to his flowers can't be all that bad. Now, if he will only convince his mom to stop using bearskins for the headgear the guards wear at **Buckingham Palace**. It takes an entire skin of a black bear to make one hat. Many bears in **Canada** are lured to bait sites and shot by hunters, leaving many orphaned cubs to crawl away and die - and all for silly outdated ceremonial hats to be worn.

How old is the oldest dog? **Bella**, a **Labrador** from **Derby, England** is 28-years-old and still going for long walks with his 76-year-old person **David Richardson**.

Kaiser, an **American Bulldog** holds the **Guinness** record. She gave birth to 20 puppies in one litter. **Americans** eat over 10 billion cows, chickens, pigs and other animals every year, according to the **New York Times**.

Maxine, a reader in **Ojai** asks, is raw food better for my dog then canned food and kibble? Well, dear reader, I am not an expert in dog food, my many years at **Rowes Academy for Dogs in Beverly Hills** was limited to Boarding and Training, but fortunately I can recommend an expert - **Linda at Linda's Claws and Paws** pet shop. Specializing in raw food for cats and dogs, the store has been nominated as best pet store in **Ventura** for the past four years, and for **Ojai** readers, she delivers to **Ojai**. Do visit or call Linda for details, I highly recommend her, the store is located at **1865 E. Main St. Ventura** telephone at **805.648.6060**

Just signed up for "**Operation Blankets of Love**" which is an organization that collects blankets, towels, beds, etc. for animals in the animal shelter. People will drop off these items at **Claws for Paws** and will be picked up by the volunteers. Great idea! More info, contact **Eileen Smulson, 818.402.6586**

Also **Claws and Paws** now has only 100% biodegradable bags, which hold up to 15 lbs! Now THAT's reducing your carbon footprint!

Speaking of footprints... Raffle tickets are still left for **Aussie Rescue**.....1st prize is a \$100 gift card to **Paws and Claws**, 2nd prize is a free grooming for dog or cat at **Applause For Paws**, and just added a 3rd prize for the guardian - a free hair cut and style at **Mimosa's Hair & Nail Salon**! Drawing will be held Saturday, September 6th. Need not be present to win.

Good news for **New Zealand** residents. Scientists have developed a sheep flatulence inoculation, which will cut down on the massive amount of methane produced by sheep and cows. There are over 45 million sheep and 10 million cows in **New Zealand** that burp and fart and are responsible for 90% of the countries methane emissions and over 50% of its greenhouse gases, causing huge environmental problems.

Don't fight mother nature with crude methods. **Joshua Molin of Alabama**,

resented a swarm of bees living in his utility shed in a large rag pile on the floor. He doused the rags with gasoline, but the pilot light from the nearby water heater ignited fumes from the gas. Later, when the fire was put out, the \$80,000 shed was gone and poor **Mr. Molin** suffered many bee stings and slight burns. It's not nice to fight mother nature.

Greg Miller of **Canine Testicular Implantation** said over 100,000 dogs have had artificial implantations in their scrotums. He claims owners of neutered dogs, want their dogs to look natural with neuticles like nothing has ever changed.

Peter Pracilio has designed a modern dog crate that looks like a piece of modern architecture. Built for dogs weighing up to 40 pounds, it comes in a variety of colors, cost is only \$420 for discriminating owners who want the best. He can include a 22 carat gold leaf for only \$11,000. Check shopsurbanpaws.com for more info.



Ron and his companion, Dudley.

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If you are planning on adopting a dog from a shelter or humane group I recommend you read **Successful Dog Adoption** by **Sue Steinberg**. She has dedicated 25 years to helping dogs, the book gives many temperament tests and tips on age determination, intelligence etc. A must read before adopting a dog. Another good book on helping, training and understanding an adopted dog is **Your Outta Control Adopted** pet by **Eve Adamson**. She breaks down complex relationships and situations into something humans can understand. This short book reads like a chat with a really smart doggie friend. It's a solution filled training manual, cost \$12.95 from **T. F. H., Publications**.

Did you know every year, the testing of cosmetics and other personal care and household products brings intense pain, suffering and death to millions of animals around the world. If you'd like to know which companies use

cruelty free cosmetics check leapingbunny.org.

A **Chinese** woman in **Beijing, China** is seeking a divorce from her husband, claiming the family's pet talking **Myna Bird** told her the husband was having an affair. The bird heard her husband talking on the phone to his mistress so the bird told the wife the following words repeatedly, "*Affair, affair, divorce divorce, love you, love you.*" The wife and her lawyer want to take the bird to court as a witness. Good luck to you.

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Lauryn Wood with her dog, Pearl

legs gave out shortly after the start, an English Bulldog too plump to finish the walk, some Chihuahuas whose legs were so short they were carried by their owners over the three mile loop of the Ventura Promenade, all came, and all gave their best at the July 20 event.

The Spirit of the Day far outshone any disparity of breeds, sizes or abilities. Fun for everyone and a prize for everyone, every dog appreciated for their unique talents and every owner knowing that their dog was the best dog in the world !

Celebrity Grand Marshall Steve Kanaly presented awards with wit and humor, and fitness expert celebrity Sheila Cluff helped judge the many competitions from the kissing contest (dog to human) to best costume, to best Frisbee player and more. Hosted by the Canine Adoption and Rescue League the Pooch parade was to raise money for dog rescue, rehabilitation, and owner education programs undertaken by the League.

Mary M. Long

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"Man, my whole world is wrapped here," Costner said as he stood on stage and gazed out across the town. "It's good to be home." Costner and his six-member band played mostly all original music, and were actually quite good. Their musical repertoire on this warm summer evening was filled with catchy sentimental tunes chronicling life in small-town America. Between sets, Costner reminisced fondly of his youth and "Huckleberry Finn existence" in Ventura. While making reference to all the windows he might have broke, and all the fences he may have knocked down while growing up - "I want to apologize to everyone" he said, as the audience chuckled.

Costner quoted a character in "Field of Dreams", telling the crowd that he thought returning to Ventura would produce "memories so thick you have to brush them away from your face. That's how I feel right now," he admitted. The actor's mother and father also attended the concert, and Costner expressed his gratitude that they were alive to see this and share the memories with him.

It may have been the first time a Hollywood actor genuinely shared his spirit, showed his true humanity, and gave his all to an entire city - and in such a gracious and humble manner. Any way you look at it, it turned out to be a wonderful day filled with positive vibes - when most of the world is not doing so wonderful these days - Ventura appeared to be at the top of her game.

The event encompassed so much more than just being an entertaining or fun-filled day; it actually synthesized into an enriching community-building experience that brought the whole town together. The buzz of excitement could be felt building for weeks as downtown shops and cafes geared up for the big day. Businesses teamed up with each other, restaurants collaborated with restaurants, and everyone promoted each other for the good of the whole. It was the kind of camaraderie you don't see in most other towns. The result was a family-friendly feel-good day that not only uplifted the whole community, but benefited several charities along with hundreds of downtown merchants, and in turn show-cased our thriving town to the world.

But, don't think that's the happily-ever-after end of it... rumor has it there may be a second big street party and free concert (featuring another famous musical artist) before the end of the year.

We'll keep you updated as we learn more, so stay tuned !

Larry Leverett and Donna Jefferies



Adopt a Pet: Steffi !

A pretty Girl is like a melody, and the guys at the Fillmore Truck Stop couldn't resist this lovely damsel. Kudos to the guys who shared their lunches with Steffi and eventually brought her to C.A.R.L so that she could start a new life in a safe environment.

Steffi is now the proud mother of 7 beautiful Shepherd pups who share their mother's lovely disposition. These pups and several other litters will be available for snuggling behind the Ventura Pet Barn on Saturdays 11am - 4pm and Sundays noon - 4pm. Puppies galore are available in a variety of shapes and sizes and of course lovely Steffi herself will be looking for a full time human family to adopt in the near future.

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- Annette Cooper, Ojai

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LITTER BOXES - ANOTHER SHITTY SUBJECT

by Janet McNeil, D.V.M.

In New York City, a pet storeowner paid \$960 for a bit of fossilized dinosaur dung. This coprolite, as the fossilized fecal tidbit is properly called, is still feces, dung, manure, etc. The difference between this **Jurassic-era** (130-million-year-old) bit of a-hem and your pet's daily offering(s) is time.

Now as a veterinarian, those daily rectal (unless you are a more exotic species) offerings have considerable informational and diagnostic value. To the world in general, the value is considerably less. IT may be very valuable **S__t** in your eyes, depending on what you are feeding. It may be very costly **S__t** if your animal has taken up eating socks, jewelry, currency, and the host of other oddities taken (or passed) out of pets every year.

It may be dangerous **S__t**, as the **Companion Animal Parasite Council (CAPC)** will remind you (www.petsandparasites.org); diseases can be passed to owners, especially children if precautions are not observed. Pet store/puppy mill and ranch animals are often represented in this category. An animal does not have to have diarrhea or be sick in order to be a carrier. **S__t** has its uses as a soil additive if you have a cow, horse, bat, or chicken.

Dog and cat **S__t** in the garden is a major annoyance and does not grow anything worthwhile (see the **CAPC** site). Many people take pride in the fact that their cat does not need an indoor commode, but fail to realize that their neighbor has to suffer the consequences. Animals are more often inclined to unburden themselves elsewhere, thus having the combined benefit of territory marking and general elimination.

When you are hiking, you might notice a pile of **S__t** at a prominent point on the top of a hill, in the middle of a trail, etc. This is a dominant predator. While you are appreciating this "scat", as it is known to the wildlife community, take note of what has been eaten. I bet it isn't kelp and brown rice. Bit O' cat is common at the edges of urban dwellings.

Speaking of commodes, for small dogs there is now a litter and box arrangement. This is a boon for small dog owners in apartments or on long shifts at work. Remember, training may be needed! How long did it take you to get potty trained? www.doglitter.com, www.kturdy.com/litter/litter.htm.

Even if you are planning on setting a few choice bits of **S__t** aside as an investment in the fossil market, cleaning the litter box (canine or feline) should be a daily, not epochal event. **Jacqueline C. Nelson, D.V.M., DACVB (behavior specialist)** points out that those covered cat boxes are a direct equivalent to a port-o-potty, which we all know and love from sporting events and camping.

So if YOU like your commode uncleaned and eye watering with ammonia, so be it. Do not inflict it on your animal. Why? Aside from the obvious cruelty/neglect issues, cats vote with their butts, as **Dr. Nelson** points out. That pile of washed laundry may be just the thing for a sore hiney if the alternative is an over-perfumed

large-chunk filthy litter box down two flights of stairs behind whatever in the basement/dungeon with the scary monster.

The number one thing cats are taken to a veterinarian for is urinary issues. A detailed inquiry is needed to unravel the issues, and often, medical tests need to rule-out non-behavioral causes of urinary accidents such as diabetes and arthritis.

Your preferences may not be as significant as the cats. Cats can be complex in social structure and habits. Their bid to inform you of deficiencies in their bathroom accommodations can take a variety of forms from selecting an unusual area to direct action ON their owners.

As you can imagine, the communication interface not being easy between species, many a cat has been put on behavioral medication or condemned to death. As an owner, you need to take some time to sort these issues out. Things may have been fine for years (or gone unremarked), but something has changed: think like a cat, look, sniff or get help. This applies to choices in litter types,

placing and number of litter boxes. Cats most commonly prefer unscented, small-grain, clumping litter in a box big enough to turn around in comfortably and with the litter deep enough for a good dig. There should generally be one more litter box than the number of cats in the household. All those self-tending

and wash/dry litter boxes are generally not for the majority of the cat population. They are too small and scary for many cats. If in doubt, line up a few litter boxes with a variety of litter types, pull up a chair, pour the **Char-donnay** and settle in for a little reality show of your own.

Need summer reading? Many of the best reads can be found in the used bookstores. They may not be the newest but are easy on the budget!

James the Connoisseur Cat by **Harriet Hahn** may not be a realistic feline diet, but good fun to read.

Big Red by **Jim Kjelgaard** gives a great look at a good owner's relationship with a dog and observations of wildlife.

Protecting Your Garden from Animal Damage put out by **Ortho** has a section on fencing and other protection for your yard.

Toys and Treats is a loose-leaf packet of recipes and toy instructions for dogs and cats put out by **San Francisco SPCA** and **Animal Care and Control**. www.sfsPCA.org.

- Janet McNeil, D.V.M., Ojai



INTERVIEW: Dany Canino Dog Training Expert & Celebrity

by Mary M. Long

Do you ever long for a dog like you remember from the Disney movies when you were a kid? You know, the kind that is incredibly loyal, wonderfully obedient and completely trustworthy? How would you like to have a dog that ALWAYS comes when it's called, stays until it's released, and goes for a walk without dragging you ??? Yes **Virginia**, these things are all possible! A great dog starts with a good disposition and then is developed with training.

Remember those amazing dogs in the movies the **Incredible Journey**, **Big Red** and **Swiss Family Robinson**? **William Koehler** was the head animal trainer for **Walt Disney** in those days and also served as **Chief Trainer** for the largest dog club in the **United States**. His firm but fair methods produced thousands of dogs who were trained without "tid-bit" tossing to the highest levels of off leash obedience. He also believed in giving the problem dog a second chance and he was responsible for rehabilitating thousands of last chance animals. There are only a few trainers who are approved **Koehler Method Dog Trainers** today and we are lucky enough to have one of the best right here in the **Simi** area.

Dany Canino has over 40-years experience in **Dog Training** and is an amazing source of dog training wisdom, advice, and colorful accounts of her experiences in the business. Known as a straight shooter, Dany "tells it like is" with the assurance that only a lifetime of living with and training dogs can bring. Instantly assessing a dog's attitude, Dany knows when to insist on compliance and when to "call it a day, always making sure to end on a good note with praise for a job well done. I wonder if some of Dany's insightful ability with animals was developed from her early days in a traveling

circus where she performed not only with trick horses and dogs but as a trapeze artist. Or perhaps it's her native **Indian** blood with her father being full-blooded **Cherokee** that gives her the ability to look into a dogs eyes and know what it's thinking? Dany's early life in the entertainment business led her to perform as a singer/dancer on the **Jimmy Durante Show**, the **Sophie Tucker Show**, the **Ed Sullivan Show**, and the **Patti Page Show** among others. It wasn't until the late sixties and the birth of her two children that she gave up show business and became



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interested in dog training professionally. Dany has not only been extremely successful with her dog training school and judging career, but was also recently nominated for the **Judging Legend Award**.

We recently visited with Dany and observed her advanced Utility class in **Simi**.

VIEW: Explain who **William Koehler** was and how you became a **Koehler** method trainer.

DANY: **Mr. Koehler** was the head trainer for **Walt Disney**. Famous movie dogs such as **Old Yeller**, **Big Red**, **Swiss Family Robinson** and **The Ugly Dachshund**. I met him when I went to him for basic dog training. He seemed to feel I had a talent with dogs and suggested I become a trainer. This was in the late 60s.

VIEW: What are the benefits of having a well trained dog? **DANY:**

Security and a feeling of pride. The reliability of owning a trained dog is so rewarding.

VIEW: Why do you think people are afraid that if they discipline their dog, the dog won't love them?

DANY: Probably for the same reason

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that people are permissive with their children. It's proven that a child or a dog feels safe if they're taught right from wrong. Far too many people feel you have to give cookie rewards if your dog obeys you. Not true. God put dogs on earth to serve mankind. I've never met a farmer that carries a delicatessen in their pocket to ensure their dogs will perform their duties. Dogs that have responsibilities; jobs, are healthier and much happier.

VIEW: It has become almost impossible to buy a training collar in my town. Explain this misperception of the training tool the choke chain?

DANY: The biggest problem is people aren't being shown how to properly use these collars. Just the proper application of putting them on is important. These collars, if used properly can be effective for **Chihuahuas and Great Danes**. Collars represent the action of momma dog when the dog makes a mistake. Momma would grab the pup around

the neck. She would never grab the pup around the mid section like a harness.

Also, a harness encourages the dog to pull, (like a sled dog). Usually the opposite of

what an owner wants to accomplish.

VIEW: The most common problem I see is dogs that pull and there are a number of new products on the market to discourage this. How do you train dogs not to pull?

DANY: Well this question is difficult to answer without a physical demonstration. However, you need a loose lead on the dog and when he starts to pull; simply turn around and go in the opposite direction for a few feet. DON'T pull on the lead, simply change your direction. A dog that wants to pull you is a dog telling you he wants to be the pack leader. If you take away the urge by you becoming the pack leader your walks will be more enjoyable.

VIEW: What is the most common problem you see in how people interact with their dogs?

DANY: Most people are afraid that if they discipline their dog, the dog won't love them. Truth is; if you first teach a dog what you want them to do, and then when you command it (ONE TIME ONLY) if he doesn't obey there should be a consequence for his actions. We hopefully raise our children to do the right thing and if they don't, there is usually a consequence for their actions.

It works the same way with a dog. Also, far too many people wait too late to train their dogs. Four to five months is ideal; not 1 1/2 years after so many problems are set in.

VIEW: Is there any breed that the **Koehler** method can't be used for? I have heard that small dogs with a tendency for tracheal collapse should be walked in a harness. Used correctly does a choke chain cause tracheal problems?

DANY: In over 40 years as a trainer I've only encountered two dogs that had a trachea problem. This was an individual dog problem as these dogs littermates didn't have that problem.

VIEW: Have you trained dogs for the movies and what celebrities' dogs have you trained?

DANY: I helped train 10 Rottweilers for a **Paul Newman** film entitled "Quintet." The dogs got great reviews, the film didn't. I've trained several dogs for celebrities. I do it a bit different than most trainers. I insist that the celebrity do the actual training so that the dogs will work for them. I've worked with **Kirk Douglas, Greg Louganis,**

Patrick Duffy, Pat Benetar, Nick Nolte, William Shatner, and others. I was also the technical director for the movie **Best In Show**. I also portrayed a dog judge in the film. I had to teach the actors how to handle the different breeds and I suggested a **Bloodhound** as the lead dog.

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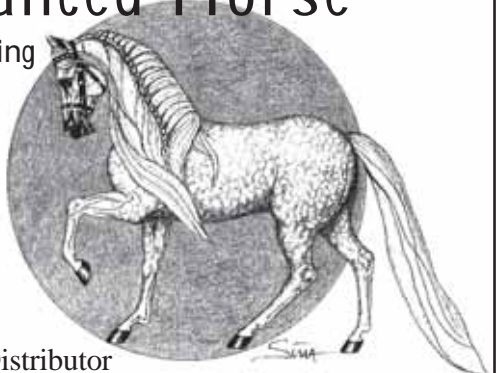
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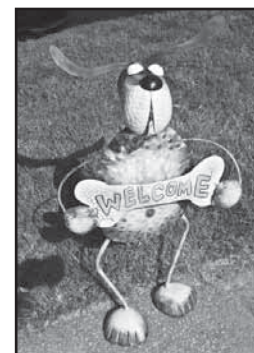
Tyler, nose to nose with a Box Turtle.

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Eileen Smulson (top right), started **Operation Blankets of Love**, where much needed blankets are donated by caring people for shelter animals that appreciate them so much. Above, **Tony Ochoa**, animal control officer with one of the dogs that was adopted, a 'Dobi-Mix'!

(See **Ron Rowe's** **VIEW** column "The Leashes End" - Page 14 for more info).



A Friendly and happy staff in Camarillo.



Michael Gomez and Brian Cook 'Picked Up' the pace at the Sunday 'Ani-pal' event. Shown here with volunteer **Tyler** and 'Theo' - woof, woof!

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INTERVIEW

Skateboard Legend Tells Ojai How It Is - Says, "Every Town Needs a Skate Park"



Jason Jessee and his 1947 Knucklehead.

by Joel Anderson

I recently sat down with **Jason Jessee** and **Jennifer** to talk about Bikes, Cars, Skateboardin' and livin' under the grid in Ojai. I asked him what he thought of Ojai's forever 'temporary' Skate Park...

I lived in **Ojai** for a year and I rode by the **Ojai Skate Park** on the way to the **Santa Paula Park**. I go to **Santa Paula** to skate because they have a concrete park and they just have the best park. Ojai was well.....because it just wasn't really... The Ojai one is **knarly**, it's wood and it's super small. I have just pulled into the parking lot and just **tripped out** on it. There are some super good skaters. There is a handful of dudes that I'd see skateboarding there who are really good. I checked it out....there's a few kids who are **super rad** and they probably just don't want to take the bus; it's a hassle to go to Santa Paula.

We've been confused the whole time we've been here, like....why isn't there a big park here? There are all these kids from, everywhere and boarding school kids and "that" is all they have. There's just THAT skate park... it's tacky.

Big O is where I actually started in **Orange County** when I was a kid and then **Del Mar**, and **Upland Skate Park**. Skateboarding has been my life since I turned pro when I was 17.

It's hard to break into skateboarding and then it's impossible to get out. Like I can't escape, it's everywhere now and it's such a big part of my life. I got everything I needed to get done with by the time I was 19. It was nice....I got to go everywhere, **Australia, Europe, Canada, Hong Kong** just all over....everywhere -- skating made my life complete for sure. I still don't regret any of it. I love it, still, and I'm 38 and I started when I was 11. I skate board and surf and that's all I wanted to do forever...

I don't think Skateboarding is going anywhere. It's not like rollerblading, I don't see that anymore, thank god. You know, your mom wore those, not you and your friends. You skate board and surf. That's just how I was raised you know.

Skate boarding feels better, they're not strapped to your feet. You can do so many things with them. There's a hundred and eighty uses for them. You can use them for a shovel, a ladder, you look cool in front of girls when you're younger. You can do so many things with them it's amazing. You can use them as a defense shield if people are throwing rocks at you. A ladder for your girlfriends room. haha...it's really amazing. An outlet for artists....

There's nothing negative about a skate park it's just all good, it's healthy. It's not true that skate parks are drug attractions. If people think their kids are "doing something" then, perfect - at least they will know where they are. If you believe the drug thing, that garbage is everywhere, at



Kyle Hunt and the King Gypsy at the Hut in Meiners Oaks



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least with a skate park the kids are where you can watch them.

Look at it this way, it's job security for the police. A skate park is good no matter what. If the city has the money "lets do it"...get it going! They need to do

Jennifer: "my son was depressed the whole time he lived here because there was nothing to do. He's sixteen -- tried to skate down at Starbucks and they called the police on them. Where are they supposed to go?"

something for the kids and it's even more terrible if they don't.

The first time I ever skate boarded I was nine-years-old, it was on **Red Hill** in **Tucson**, my dad took me and he told me to zig zag and instead I went straight down the hill and I got super hurt. I totally remember, honestly thinking, I should have listened to my dad... and then I got thrown....I remember the whole thing... he

ran down the hill, threw me into the car and took me to the hospital and they had to pick all the gravel off. But I didn't care I was into skate boarding and I was going to do it no matter what.

When I worked for this company in '92 we started a push to get a skate park in your town. **Consolidated Skateboards**, I worked there for 10-years. They would send packets to skate shops to help towns get their own skate parks. It worked. Now it's amazing, so cool, every town should have one. You have to have one if your a kid. Skateboarding is super super cool, it's just different. Maybe people are threatened because most skate boarders are free thinkers and all.

Now I'm doing a shoot for **Vans** and I'm doing some stuff for leather tooling in **Japan** -- some custom stuff. I'm also doing some stuff for **OBEY**.

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Kickin' it With Dmitry Owens and Neal Mashburn of "The Volume Knockers" at Mai's in Ventura

by Joel Anderson

We just got back from playing in upstate New York, at a big music festival called 'Nick-stock.' Two days, 3,700 people, 40 bands. People came and camped out all weekend. We also played a pre-show which went awesome, girls were switching their shirts out for the "Rock out With Your Knockers Out" shirt. Those things are gold!

I would describe our music as **Punk, Funk, Metal with a Sex Groove**. I grew up with old school, hard core, classic **Rock N Metal**, then I got real into the **Chili Peppers**, that kind of stuff....and **Grudge**. I grew up on, **Judas Priest**, and **AC/DC**, then I started getting into more the alternative, **Jane's Addiction**, **Chili Peppers**, and like, the whole **Seattle scene**....the **Sound Garden**. My drummer, **Neal Mashburn**, he's more into **X**, new wave, **the Police**... We're a two piece band which is kind of unusual. I'm **Dmitry "Vitamin D" Owens** on the guitar and vocals: and Neil "The Deal" Mashburn is the drummer and vocals.

Neil also plays keyboards. He puts on a show. We mix it up. It's like entertainment. We both sing. Being in a band is sort of like a marriage. What defines whether a band makes it or not is not necessarily the best band but the best chemistry. This line up with this name (**Volume Knockers**) has been like 2 1/2 years but we've jammed together for years.

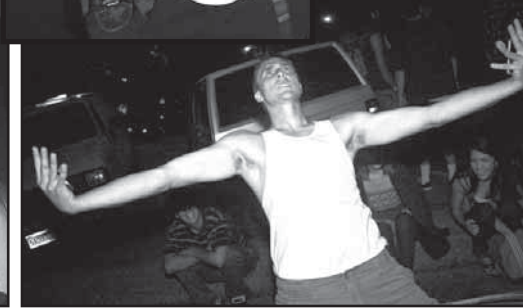
I write all my own music. Sometimes we just come up with stuff together. One of the songs, "**Couch Critic**" came about because we were taking about other people saying bad things.... "step up or shut up"....He (Neil) was working on a drum beat that he wanted me to make up a riff to go with and we just sort of starting working on it. There's another song called "Defeated" about a girl that I was in love with, a relationship thing.

My songs are about sexual frustration mainly (laughs), Neil's songs are just about freaky characters....Like he has one about a chick who digs through trash for cans he calls her Sick Sick Sadie. It's kinda about tweakers too, he's telling them to stay away from drugs, it's called "Get Right". I have one called Rebel Soul, because everyone tries to fit you in little boxes. The chorus is "you'll never fit me into your little boxes" That's my thing - Rebel Soul.

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I hate formula music that lacks passion. I grew up poor, in the Ghetto's of Ojai, the Evergreen cottages, which were torn down and now there are like \$800,000 dollar condos there. I worked all summer to buy my first guitar. My first guitar was a **Fender Mustang** (right handed) which I restrung upside-down, because I'm left handed.

I think that having to fight and struggle for something gives my music more integrity. I hope people will feel the passion and energy of it. Hopefully my music will make people want to dance, get down and rock out!



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Stick People

When their youth pastor asked them if they wanted to compete at the **AG Arts Festival in Orange County** they didn't even have a name, but **Mimi Gilbert** did have a song she had recently written and would sing and play guitar, her brother **Cody Gilbert** plays the drums and their friend **Alex Miotti** could cover bass. So with less than two



weeks to prepare the trio knocked off a few practice sessions and named the band "**Stick People**". They performed Mimi's original song "Come To Me" at the competition that brought bands from all over the state, many of which had been playing together for years and doing cover songs. **Stick People** wowed the judges and won the statewide competition for **Best Christian Band** and qualified to go to **North Carolina for the National Arts Festival** to be held the first week in August. Out of seventy six bands only seventeen would advance to the finals with the winner performing at the closing concert at the stadium venue where other professionals like **Amy**



Grant would be playing. **Stick People** just missed the cut but received "**Superior Mention**" from the judges with one of the three voting for advancement to the finals. Mimi and Cody's father, **Troy Gilbert** said the experience was indescribable but a bit like doing anything for the first time and not really knowing what to expect so now that they know they are planning for next year. Everyone expects big things for **Stick People**.

by **Cristobel**

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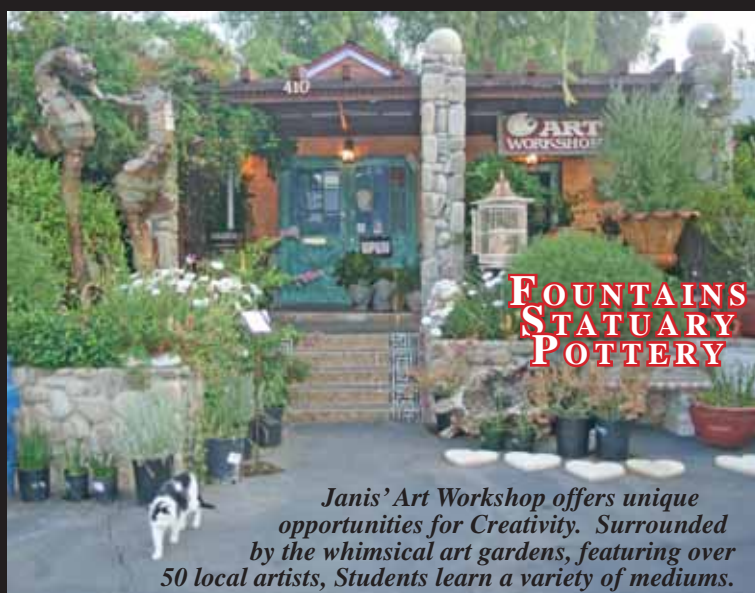
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