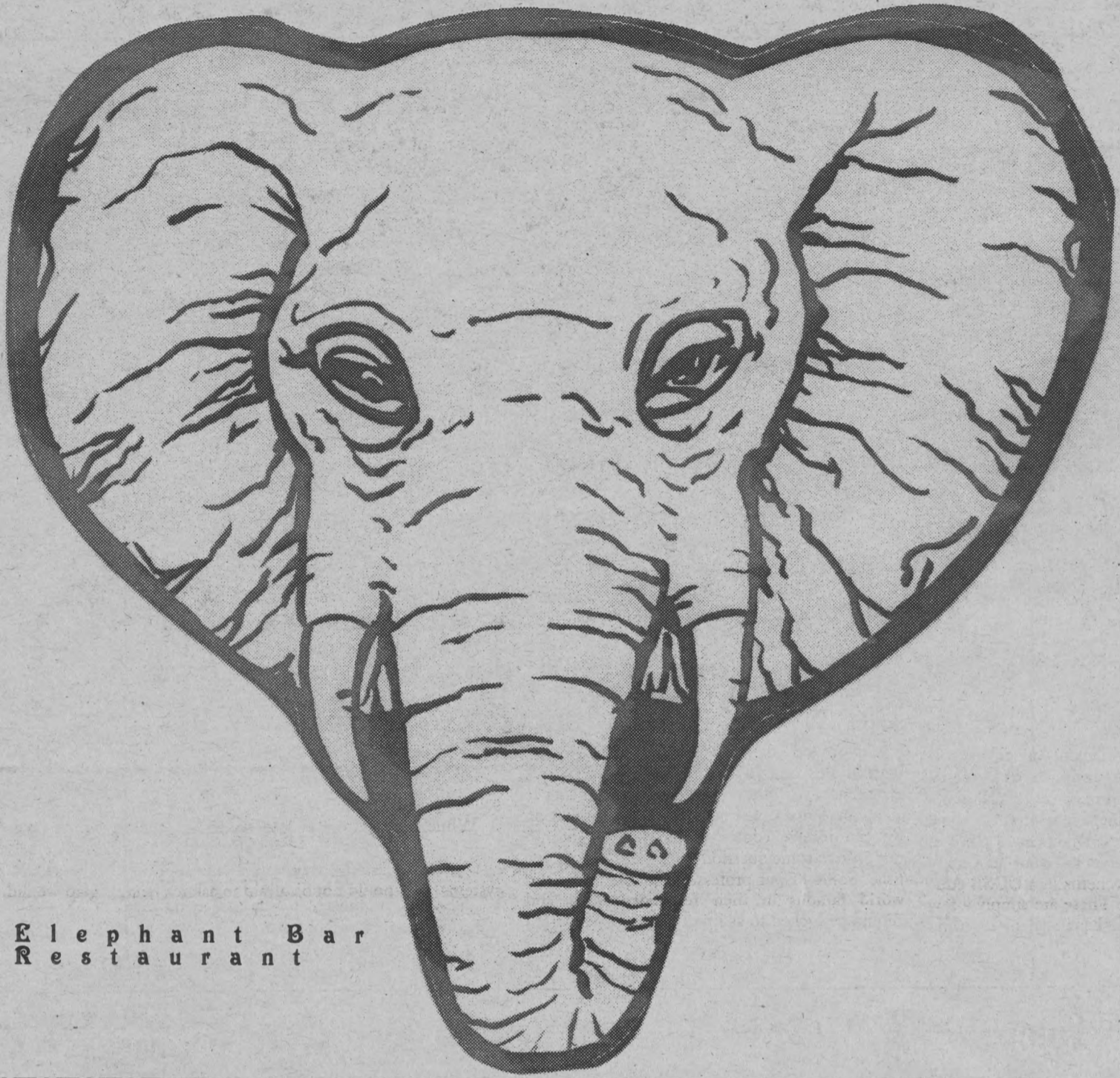


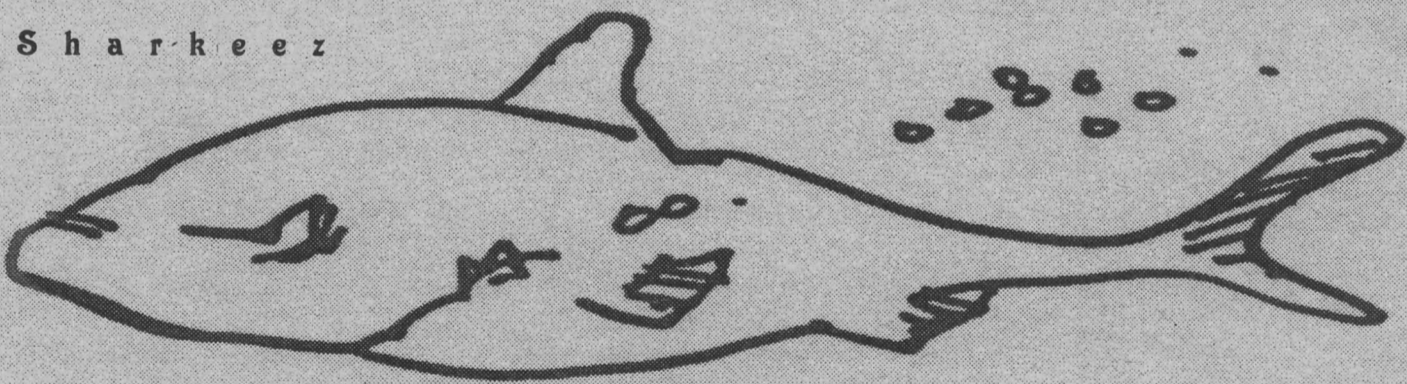
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Elephant Bar
Restaurant

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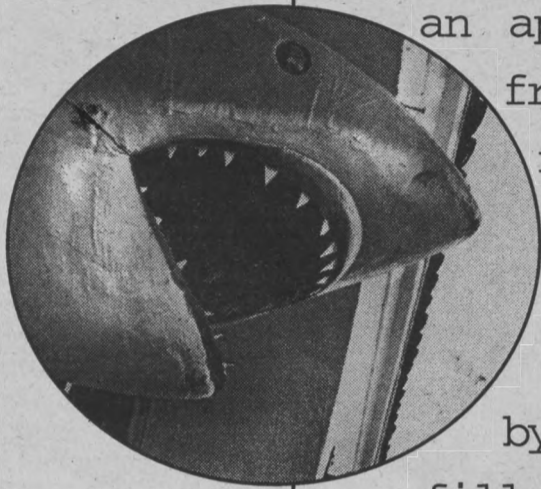
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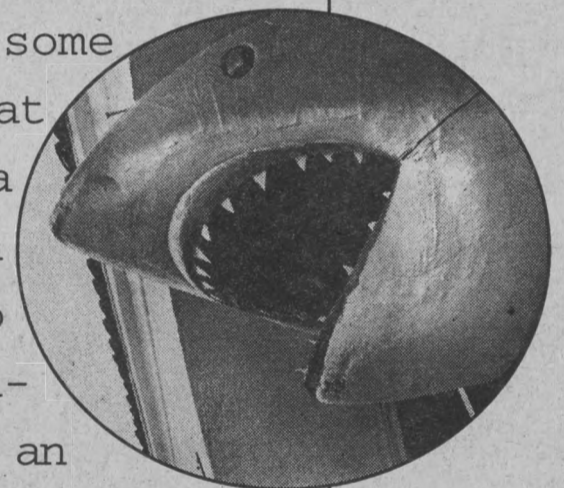
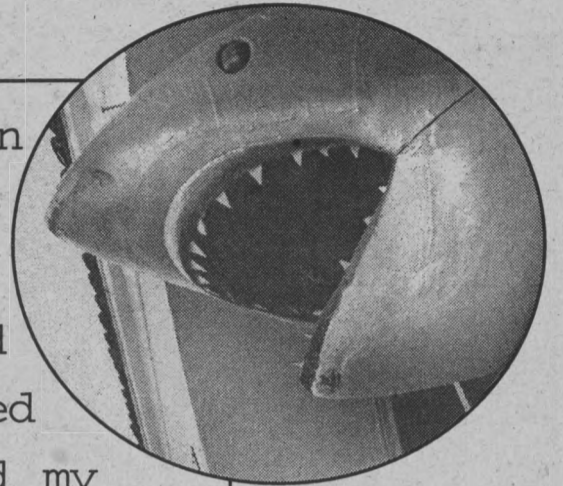
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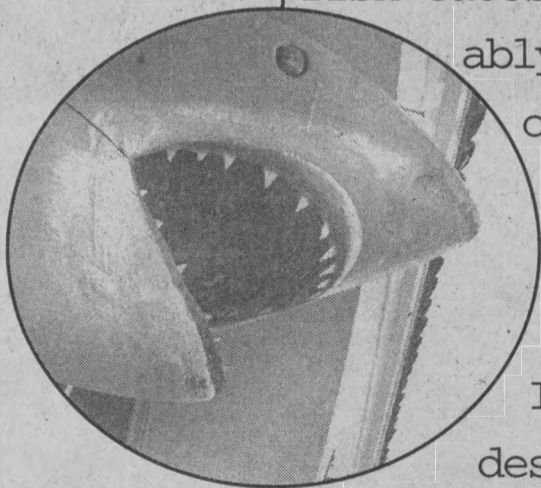
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After doing my duty as an American and going to vote, I worked up quite an appetite. I needed an escape from the dull meals that filled my everyday diet. So, I donned my Hawai'ian shirt, grabbed my lei and headed for Sharkeez. As I entered the restaurant I was greeted by a friendly host who promised to fulfill my every need ... or at least place my order. The island style decorations made me feel like I was in an authentic Hawai'ian hut, which was a nice change of pace from the dreary surrounding of my Isla Vista apartment. Upon deciding what to drink, I took advantage of its Tuesday \$1.50 drink specials on Mai Tais and Margaritas and munched on some chips and salsa while deciding what to order. The menu contained a wide array of island delicacies with dishes ranging from hamburgers to fish tacos. All entrees were reasonably priced. While dining on an order of cheese fries and a quesadilla I enjoyed watching the numerous televisions, showing surfing and sports events. To finish off the meal I went with the lava pie, a must-have dessert for any native islander, a generous helping of vanilla almond ice cream, whipped cream, chocolate and cookie crust. With a friendly staff, reasonably priced dishes and island ambiance Sharkeez is a great place to kick back and grab a bite to eat. Not only did I have a great meal, but I got lei'd, also.

Here fishy, fishy, fishy.



Here fishy, fishy, fishy.



Review by Jill St. John

● Why do people read the Friday issue of the *Nexus*?

● It's a great source for entertainment information.
Restaurants...movies...music...

● When parents come for the weekend, you can find a place for them to take you to eat.

● Everyone wants to read something other than a textbook.

● Some students don't have class on Fridays.

● Everyone can't wait to read *The Weekend Guide*.

● Did someone say restaurant listings?

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Tim Robbins
★ MISSION TO MARS (PG)
(1:10 4:00) 7:00 9:45

Garry Shandling
WHAT PLANET ARE YOU FROM? (R)
(2:00 4:40) 7:20 9:50

PASEO NUEVO
8 W. DE LA GUERRA PL. - S.B.
THE CIDER HOUSE RULES (PG-13)
Fri-Sun - (1:00 4:30) 7:40
Mon-Thurs - (2:00 4:50) 7:40

WONDER BOYS (R)
Fri-Sun - (1:15 4:10) 7:00 9:45
Mon-Thurs - (2:15 5:00) 7:30

THE WHOLE NINE YARDS (R)
Fri & Sun - (2:00 4:45) 7:20 9:50
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Mon/Wed/Thu - (2:40 5:10) 7:50
Tues 3/14 - (2:40 5:10) only

AMERICAN BEAUTY (R)
Fri & Sun - (1:30 4:20) 7:10 9:55
Sat - (4:20) 7:10 9:55 only
Mon-Thurs - (2:30 5:20) 8:00

SWEET AND LOWDOWN (PG-13)
Fri & Sun-Thurs - Plays at Riviera
Sat 3/11 - (1:30 4:45) only

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Fri/Sat - (1:00 4:00) 7:00 9:55
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Michael Douglas
WONDER BOYS (R)
(1:20 4:10) 6:50 9:30

Bruce Willis
THE WHOLE NINE YARDS (R)
(2:10 4:50) 7:30 9:55

METRO 4
618 STATE STREET - S.B.

Sneak Preview Sat 3/11 - 7:00 pm
★ ERIN BROCKOVICH (R)

★ MISSION TO MARS (PG)
Fri-Sun - (1:00 4:00) 7:00 9:45
Mon-Thurs - (2:15 5:00) 7:40

MY DOG SKIP (PG)
Fri-Sun - (12:45 3:00 5:20) 7:45
Mon-Thurs - (2:30 5:10) 7:30

NEXT BEST THING (PG-13)
Fri-Sun - (1:45 4:30) 7:15 9:55
Mon-Thurs - (2:40 5:20) 7:50

WHAT PLANET ARE YOU FROM? (R)
Fri - (1:15 4:15) only
Sat/Sun - (1:15) only
Mon-Thurs - (2:50 5:30) 8:00

BOYS DON'T CRY (R)
Fri-Sun - 10:00 pm only
Mon-Thurs - Plays at Fiesta 5

THE NINTH GATE (R)
Fri/Sat & Mon-Thurs - At Arlington
Sun Only - (3:40) 6:45 9:50

RIVIERA
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2 Academy Award Nominations
Sean Penn/Samantha Morton

SWEET AND LOWDOWN (PG-13)
Fri & Mon-Thurs - (5:15) 7:45 only
Sat - Plays at Paseo Nuevo
Sun - (2:30 5:15) 7:45

SWAP MEET
SUNDAY - 7:00 PM-3:00 PM
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8 Academy Award Nominations
Including Best Picture
AMERICAN BEAUTY (R)
(1:00 3:50) 6:40 9:30

Giovanni Ribisi
BOILER ROOM (R)
(1:30 4:20) 7:10 9:55

FIESTA 5
916 STATE STREET - S.B.

REINDEER GAMES (R)
Fri-Sun - 7:20 9:50 only
Mon-Thurs - (2:50 5:30) 8:00

PITCH BLACK (R)
Fri-Sun - 7:10 9:40 only
Mon-Thurs - (2:40 5:20) 7:50

SNOW DAY (PG)
Fri-Sun - (12:30 2:45 5:00) only
Mon-Thurs - (2:30 4:50) 7:15

HANGING UP (PG-13)
Fri-Sun - (12:15 2:30 4:45) only
Mon-Thurs - (2:45 5:10) 7:30

BOYS DON'T CRY (R)
Fri-Sun - Plays at Metro 4
Mon-Thurs - (2:20 5:00) 7:40

FAIRVIEW TWIN
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THE NINTH GATE (R)
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Sat/Sun - (2:00 5:00) 8:00

HANGING UP (PG-13)
Fri & Mon-Thurs - 7:45 only
Sat/Sun - (5:30) 7:45 only

THE TIGGER MOVIE (G)
Fri & Mon-Thurs - (5:30) only
Sat/Sun - (1:00 3:15) only

PLAZA DE ORO
349 HITCHCOCK WAY - S.B.

A MAP OF THE WORLD (R)
Fri & Mon-Thurs - (5:15) 8:00 only
Sat/Sun - (2:30 5:15) 8:00

DROWNING MONA (PG-13)
Fri & Mon-Thurs - (5:30) 7:45 only
Sat/Sun - (2:45 5:30) 7:45

It puts the Nexus in the bin
or else it gets the hose again.



Elephant Bar Restaurant

521 Firestone Road
964-0779

After a hard day of studying and seeing the state of affair my kitchen was in, I decided that it was a good time to eat out. I gathered up some friends, and we took a trip to Elephant Bar. Located next to the airport, we were offered the choice of sitting on the patio to watch the planes land and take off, but since it was raining, we opted to eat indoors. As we walked to our table, I felt like I had been transported to the set of *The Jungle Book*, but luckily there were no snakes. Our waitress arrived quickly and took our drinks and appetizer order, and soon we were munching on tortilla chips and artichoke dip and sipping EBar half-and-half, a mix of iced tea and lemonade. No safari is complete without the hunt, so I decided to go in for the kill and order the cheeseburger complete with a side of seasoned french fries, although narrowing down my decision was difficult. I couldn't decide between the chicken tenders or the honey mustard chicken salad, so I opted for red meat. For dessert, my friends and I split the mud pie, which was big enough to satisfy all our ice cream needs. As we waited for the check, I reflected on my afternoon spent at the EBar. With its cozy jungle interior and bamboo ceiling fans, Elephant Bar is a fun place to eat and escape the rigors of the everyday food on campus. I would also suggest taking your parents there because then they will pay.

Review by Shanna Lisberg

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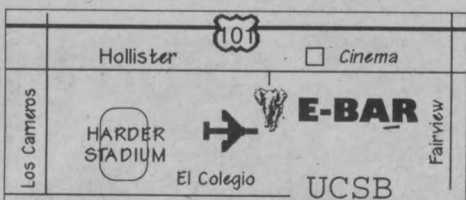
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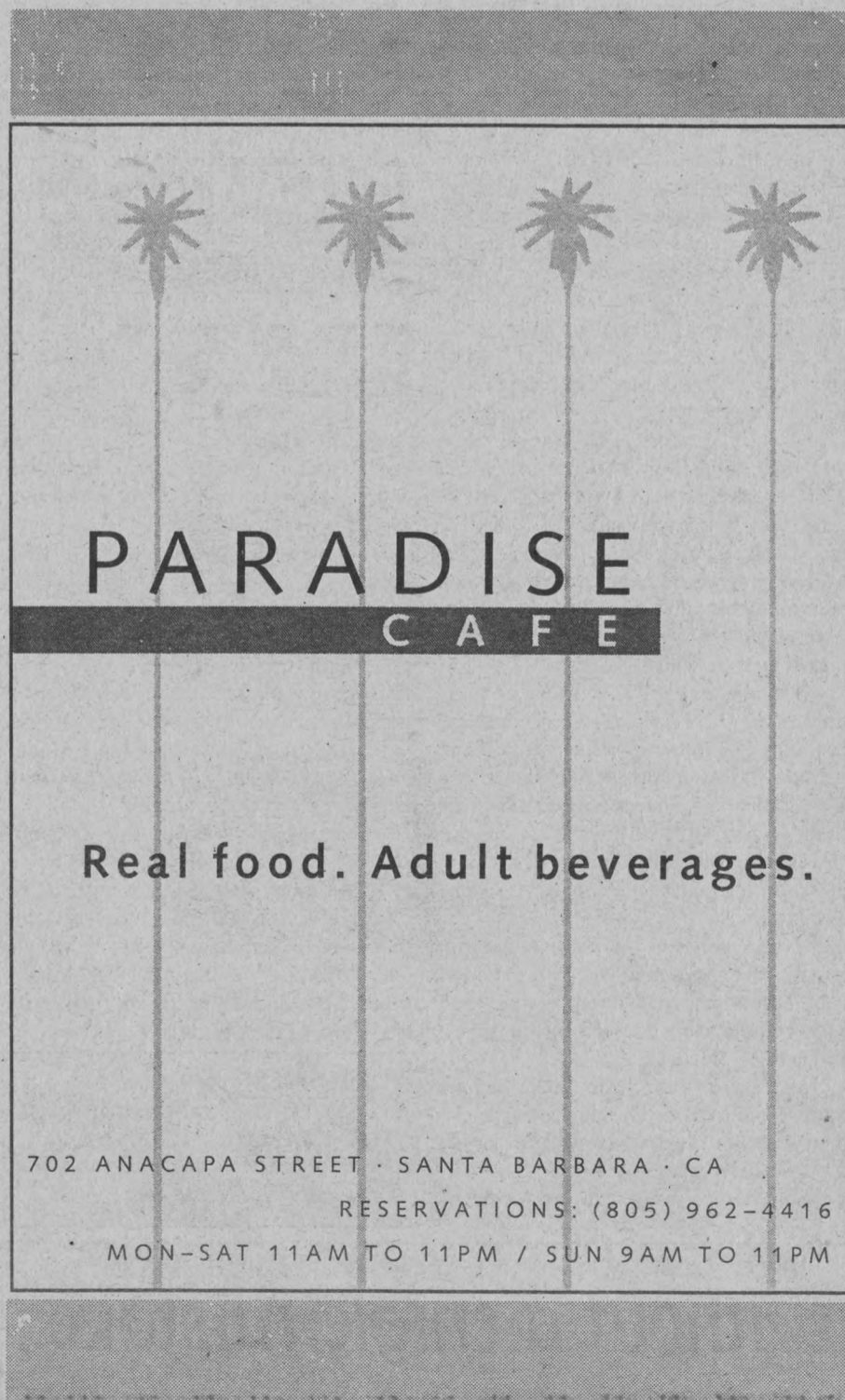
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Patrick's Day

BY SHAUN PATRICK
McGRADY
Staff Writer

As a young Irish lad, I remember always looking forward to the day that "Lucky the Leprechaun" made his way to my fireplace to leave St. Patrick's Day presents. "Lucky" was my favorite holiday character — I often envisioned him in green attire, smoking a pipe as he made his way to the homes of sleeping Irish children on the eve of St. Patrick's Day.

Yes, I know this sounds like a cross between good old Saint Nick and the Easter Bunny after a few stouts, but "Lucky" was a creation of Mother's imagination — an excuse to shower her already spoiled Irish son with presents. I believed in "Lucky" until the sad day of March 17, 1984, when I discovered that he didn't visit the homes of my kindergarten friends. That was the day that St. Patrick's Day died for me, at least for a few years, until the discovery of the frothy, refreshing, and sometimes green liquid known as beer.

The history of Saint Patrick, the man behind the holiday, takes us back to the Roman Empire according to English Professor Enda Duffy.

"Fifteen hundred years ago, the patron saint and national hero of Ireland was born. St. Patrick was born in Britain where he was captured and taken to Ireland, where he was forced into slavery," he said with his Irish brogue. "Since

Britain was a part of the Roman Empire, St. Patrick was raised as a Christian. After six years, he escaped and returned to Britain. At some point later, St. Patrick returned to Ireland to preach and convert the Irish to Christianity."

Although originally an Irish holiday, the day in honor of Saint Patrick has become an American holiday, according to Duffy.

"Although St. Patrick is Ireland's patron saint, the holiday in his honor was only taken to its full potential in America," he said. "Green beer is a product of the American version of the holiday. When I first came to America, I was startled by the green beer and bread which are absent in the celebration in Ireland."

There are more people of Irish descent in the United States than there are Irish in Ireland. It is due to the overwhelming number of Irish immigrants in the U.S. and around the world that has shaped the way St. Patrick's Day is celebrated.

"The holiday as it exists today is more of a time for Irish immigrants to get in touch with their Irish heritage. It is also a day celebrated by people not of Irish descent; it is celebrated as a day to drink."

St. Patrick's Day is ever imprinted on the liver of junior psychology major J.P. Patterson, who with clipboard in hand at a young age experimented with alcohol for the first time, in honor of Ireland's patron saint.

"'Twas the fine Irish day of March 17 when I cut my drinking gums on my first black and tan, and I can assure you that memories of the fateful day are dim," he said. "As the day faded into night, the drunken giddy feeling of alcoholic bliss fermented into darkness. When I awoke, I was startled to find that I had not discovered a pot of gold,

but a pot of an entirely different color."

Saint Patrick's ability to mask the memories of those who dare to really celebrate is a yearly phenomenon that junior political science major Jason Simison became familiar with while only in high school.

"St. Patrick's Day will always have a place in my heart and a shadowy place in my memory. One year that sticks out from the collaged blur of others happened when I was only a wee lad in high school. The night started early because I had a curfew to keep. I pounded beer after beer that we had dyed green with food coloring. I later learned that the dyed beer was not a good idea. I don't remember much about that night, but I do remember where I woke up; it was not my house. The next thing I know, I was awakened by a woman screaming, who I didn't know. The realization that I was covered in something green soon followed. I discovered I wasn't in my house. Instead, I had walked into a house two streets up and passed out on the couch where I must have puked that green-dyed beer all over myself and the couch."

Although alcohol has close ties with the Irish and their holiday, Irish heritage has had a profound influence on our nation. Nine of the people who signed our Declaration of Independence were of Irish origin, and 19 Presidents of the United States proudly claim Irish heritage — including our first President, George Washington.

Beyond politics, the Irish and their culture have made their way into the popular culture of the United States. One such cultural icon donated by the green Isle is the leprechaun.

Leprechauns are little make-believe fairies from Ireland. They are the little old men who are shoemakers for the fairies. They usually stand about 2 feet tall. Treasure hunters were said to track down

a leprechaun by the sound of his shoemaker's hammer. The legend remains that if you can catch one, you can force him to tell you where he hides his pot of gold.

Now that you are ready to celebrate like a true Irishman, it seems fitting to share a traditional Irish song to commemorate your drunken evening. "The Parting Glass" is usually sung at the end of a night well spent with the final drink, the "parting glass," in hand, and is something you might want to sing on your stumble home. Enjoy.

"Oh, all the money that e'er I spent, I spent it in good company. And all the harm that e'er I've done, alas it was to none but me. And all I've done for want of wit, to memory now I can't recall. So fill me the parting glass."

And for those who will awake to a dry mouth and pulsing headache, here is a recipe sure make your Irish eyes smile, even if you're not Irish.

You will need one shot of Irish Whiskey, 1 Tbsp. of sugar, 6 oz. of coffee and whipped cream for garnish. After you locate the ingredients in your hung-over state, add the Irish Whiskey to your favorite coffee mug, add sugar and stir in the coffee. After stirring your early morning hangover remedy, float the whipped cream on top and enjoy a true Irish Coffee.

Alcohol has influenced the tales, stories and sayings that have come to represent the green people. In honor of the hearty drinking folk, I came across the following, which seems a fitting way to end: "Morning is the time to pity the sober. The way they're feeling then is the best they're going to feel all day."

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Irish Toasts

Don't be caught speechless when raising your glass.

Here's to absent friends and here's twice to absent enemies.

Thirst is a shameless disease, so here's a shameful cure.

Here's to a wet night and a dry morning.

May you live to be one hundred years, with one extra to repent.

May your troubles be as few and as far apart as my grandmother's teeth.

As you slide down the banister of life, may the splinters never point the wrong way.

There are many good reasons for drinking. One just entered my head. If a man doesn't drink when he's living, how the hell can he drink when he's dead?

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