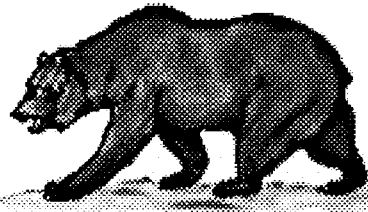


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the Spanish Civil War, 1936-1939",
with Lynda Claasson**

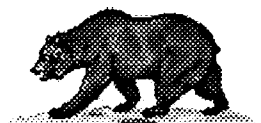
Linda will take us to the *Special Collections* at the Geisel Library and the exhibition illustrating the multiple experiences of women — wife, mother, soldier, propagandist — during the Spanish Civil War

**Saturday, February 26,
at 2 PM.**

*This event is jointly sponsored with
Friends of the International Center.*



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CAMPUS NEWS & HAPPENINGS

UNIVERSITY ART GALLERY

Now through March 18, you can gain an insight of what is in store for living in the new millennium.

"Living in Context: Archetypal Urban Housing for the 21st Century," features seven San Diego-based architects who have created alternative multi-family urban design projects. They have been working as the Little Italy Neighborhood Developers (LIND).

You may visit the Gallery from 11:00 AM to 4 PM, Tuesday through Saturday. The Gallery is closed Mondays and school holidays. Admission is free, and you can reach the Gallery at 534-2107 if you need directions.

AMERICAN ENGLISH IN ACTION

The next session of the New Tutor Orientation/Training for the American English In Action Program (AEIA) will be held on Saturday, February 12, from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM, at the International Center.

Why not consider becoming a tutor for a foreign student. Many tutors participate in the program for many years, but there are a large number who only do so for one or two years. Students are matched with their tutors so you will enjoy helping a student to gain understanding and fluency in the English language.

Contact Jane Reeder at the International Center, 858-534-0603, Email jreeder@ucsd.edu for more information on participating in this excellent program.

UCSD Emeriti Association Happenings

Helen M. Ranney, president

On Thursday, February 17th, you are invited to attend a photography exhibit showcasing members' work, along with a discussion led by Lea Rudee and a demonstration of Adobe Photoshop by Henry Wheeler. Members interested in exhibiting their work must contact Janice Stearns (Ext. 4-0101) by Friday, February 11th. Please find further details on the Emeriti Association website.

The first financial seminar for members will feature Tuyet Le, a Certified Financial Planner who has joined the UCSD Benefits staff. The seminar will be held on Friday, March 3rd, at 10:30 AM at the Faculty Club.

Nominations are now being accepted until Friday, February 11th, for the deserving emeritus or emerita for this year's Constantine Panunzio Distinguished Emeriti Award. Contact Janice Stearns at the Academic Senate office for information on procedures.

More New Interest groups forming...

DEVILISH DINERS...

"Devilish Diners", a new luncheon & dinner group has been formed and will be meeting once a month on the first Friday of each month. We will be experiencing various restaurants throughout San Diego.

Our first group get-together will be at Trattoria Acqua, 1298 Prospect St., La Jolla, on Friday, February 4th, at 1:00 PM. Call Audrey LePen 858-457-1946 if you are interested in joining.



YOGA & YOU...

Ginny Das is a newcomer from Albany, New York. She taught Yoga and would like to start a Yoga class. If you are interested please call her at 858-454-9195.

(Of course, (giggle) you don't have to go to the extreme as pictured above, but you could try if you want. ...Ed.)



DATES TO REMEMBER

February 21 Presidents' Day the International Center will be closed.

February 25 Friends of the International Center will host an Ethnic Dinner.

Through March Explore the UCSD campus and see what's new! Free Minivan tours are available the first and third Sundays of each month, starting at 2 PM from the Gilman Information Pavilion and wheelchair accessibility is available upon request. Walking tours are also available. Reservations are necessary, and may be made by calling 858-534-4414.

April 8 Southland women's Conference at UCLA.

April 18 North Campus meeting at UC Berkeley.

OCEANIDS' INTEREST GROUPS

Interest Groups are the backbone of our Oceanids organization. They are here to meet the many varied needs of Faculty Families, especially those new to the UCSD campus, and the community.

If you do not find an activity that you would like to participate in, please contact **Carole Ziegler, co-president** @ 619-297-0798. If five or more Oceanids wish to start a new group on their own, please let Carole know so we can inform other members. All we ask is that your members be Oceanids and/or belong to one of the many *Friends* groups on campus. Membership in a *Friends* organization allows you to join Oceanids. If you are not yet a member of Oceanids, please consider joining us today by utilizing the membership application on page 9 of this issue.

AVI SET Birders

Contacts: Sidney Bagley 858-453-1411, Lou Bowles 858-755-7102, or Teresa Lein, 858-453-4785

Our birding group meets the **SECOND MONDAY** of the month during the academic year. Once you have signed up for Avi Set, our committee will phone you each month to tell you where we will go. We always meet promptly at 8:00 AM. One group meets at the home of Teresa Lein, 8653 Dunaway Dr., La Jolla; while the North County Birders will meet at the home of Lou Bowles, 13040 Caminito Mar villa, Del Mar. We also visit these locations and visit sites around the county.

BOOK GROUP

Contact Odette Filloux, 858-453-0749 or Carol Schultz, 858-453-0458

Book Group will meet Feb. 8 at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Elibet Marshall, 2767 Hidden Valley Road. The book to be discussed is "Waterland," by Graham Swift. Call Odette Filloux or Carol Schultz for more information.

CAFÉ FRANÇAIS

Contacts: Denyse Haney 760-929-9120, or Paula Desii 619-287-3644

Prochaine reunion mercredi 9 fevrier 2000 a 13 hrs (1:00 PM), Chez Helga Stark, 7599 Caminito Avola, La Jolla, 858-454-9834.

CINEMA SOIREE

Contact: Laurette Verbinski, 858-453-4699 or Roswitha Enright 858-459-7375

Our group goes out once a month to the most interesting movies and meets later for coffee and conversation to discuss the film. Numbers vary from month to month. Call for film information, meeting location, and time.

DAY BRIDGE

Contact: Isobel Wheeler 858-459-7461

If you like to play bridge, this group is for you; meeting the first and third Tuesdays of the month at various members homes. Call for information.

EVENING BRIDGE

Contact: Barbara Bank 858-484-4597

If you like to get out at night to play, then this is the group for you. The couples' bridge meets at 8:00 PM, on the fourth Friday of the month for "party bridge". If you wish to play on a regular monthly basis, or just occasionally, please give a call.

FACE OFF

is in limbo, its fate will be decided at a later date.

GARDEN GROUP

Contacts: Laura Norris 858-272-3299, Mary Lynn Hyde 858-488-9283, Jean Lindsley 858-453-4043.

NOTE CHANGE OF DATE! On Tuesday, February 15 Betty Shor has invited us to visit her greenhouses at her home. She propagates many interesting kinds of succulents. We are very lucky to be able to see them. We will meet at her house at 10 a.m. 2655 Ellentown Rd. La Jolla. There is two hour parking on her street or you may park at Jean Lindsley's house and we will walk there. A small tea will be served during the morning. Her husband, George Shor may have time to show us his hobby, bamboo.

Questions? Call Jean Lindsley 453-4043, Laura Norris 272-3299 or Mary Lynn Hyde 488-9283.

GRACIOUS AGING

Contact: Elibet Marshall 858-459-5246

This group's focus is that you must have lived at least 80 years to participate. They meet at Elibet's home to discuss various associated topics. Pure

spring water is provided. Call Elibet for more details.

HIKING & WALKING IN & AROUND SAN DIEGO

Contact: Roswitha Enright 858-459-7375

Join us the second Saturday each the month for our leisurely hikes which last 3 to 4 hours and cover about 4 - 7 miles. Depending on interest, plant bloom, weather, we travel from the snowy mountains to the seashore as well as Anza Borrego Desert searching for wildflowers in winter and spring.

We meet at 8:30 AM in the parking lot of the La Jolla Village Shopping Center; we usually carpool to the starting point of the hike.

Be sure to wear sturdy shoes, sun protection, and appropriate clothing; bring a lunch and enough fluids to drink. Don't hesitate to call if you have any questions.

KITCHEN EXCHANGE

Contacts: Maryruth Cox 858-755-4007, Louise Keeling 858-755-7121, or Liz Fong Wills 858-454-6858.

Our Kitchen Exchange serves the short-term foreign visitors who come to UCSD. We rent kitchen equipment and baby things for nominal fees.

Open every Wednesday from 10:00 AM to 12:00 noon. We are always happy to accept your donations; and if you enjoy meeting and helping people, we can use your help!

LA JOLLA RENAISSANCE SINGERS

Contact: Connie Mullin 858-454-6871.

If you like singing motets and carols and various English secular music, the La Jolla Renaissance singers is your group. Potential new members are always welcome — especially men! Please call if you are interested.

INTEREST GROUPS

MOVEABLE FEAST

Contact: Liz Fong Wills 858-454-6858

Watch you Email for further information.

MUSEUM GROUP

Contacts: Odette Filloux 858-453-0749, Sally Kroll 858-459-1322.

The next meeting is Wednesday, February 9th, at 1:00 PM, at the Timken Museum of Art, the Prado, Balboa Park. The exhibit, "The Art of Conservation: Preserving the Past for a New Millennium" features paintings and drawings from public and private collections which have been restored by the Balboa Art Conservation Center. We will have an opportunity to learn the secrets of art restoration and conservation. There is no admission charge. For further information please call Odette or Sally.

PEOPLE TO PEOPLE

Contact: Carole L. Ziegler: (w) 619/260-4099, (H) 297-0798, pager: 619/585-9232 (note this is a new number)

People-to-People PLEASE NOTE: different day, time and place. We will meet at 10:00 AM, Thursday, February 10, at the home of Edie Nierenberg, 8055 Via San Saba, 858-452-1358. Please park on Navidad. Edie will talk to us about one of her great trips.

POLYMER CLAY CLASS

Contacts: Mary Dashen 858-456-7848, or Maxine Bloor 858-459-7665.

This fun craft class meets every fourth Monday, from noon to 3:00 PM, in the International Center Kitchen. Projects will now involve "Goose Eggs". Come and learn what marvelous creations you can make. You will need a blade, four colors of polymer clay (may be purchased in class for \$10), and a fondness for exciting creativity. The classes are free and our gift to you. We hope you have as much fun with clay as we do. See you next year!

SOUNDING BOARD

Contact: Jean Lindsley 858-453-4043

The topic for our February 3, Sounding Board will be U.S. Foreign Policy. The speaker will be from the UCSD Speakers' Bureau where we get some of our best speakers. It is frustrating not to know the name of the speaker right now but they have never let us down

We meet at 12 noon in one of the small rooms at the Faculty Club. The cost of lunch includes the speaker. If you are not a Faculty Club member, not to mind. Get you lunch and you can pay in the room. The cost is \$8.50

We are very sorry about the lack of parking at the Faculty Club in December. At 11:45 AM, there is usually room in front. But sometimes there are several special meetings going on there. We hope it doesn't happen often

Do be assured that everyone is welcome at Sounding Board. For questions call Jean Lindsley.

STAMP GROUP

Contact: Betty Shor 858-453-0334

Our Stamp Group is one which does not hold regular meetings as we collect stamps more for pleasure than profit. There are only a few of us; we exchange (mostly used) stamps with each other. Anyone interested in stamps is welcome to join us.

If you have stamps you wish to give us, we very much appreciate the U.S. and foreign stamps. You may leave them at the office of the Friends of the International Center. If you have questions about collecting stamps, please feel free to give a call.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE

Contact: **JUST COME!**

Our coffee hours provide opportunities for forming friendships, learning about other International Center activities, along with local community functions. We serve the spouses of our foreign scholars. Our many volunteers provide assistance with the problems associated with adjusting to life in a different country with its intriguing culture.

Join us and we will try and make your transitions pleasurable. We welcome women with babies and toddlers, and provide materials and instructions for craft activities. Our conversation Table is for women needing practice in English — 9 AM to noon.

Those **without** little ones have a conversation session of their own every Wednesday afternoon starting at 1 PM. A companion program meets separately to enjoy outings **without** children.

WINE TASTING GROUP

Contact: Pat Kampmann 858-454-1856

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DAY. Exploring the taste sensations of a new wine or an old vintage, this group meets the third Friday monthly. Members rotate as hosts, providing four wines to try, along with cheeses and breads, as well as pleasurable company.

Give them a call if you want to know more.

WITS I & II

Contact: Pat Kampmann 858-454-1856

This is a Stock investment group for women only so they may learn to earn on their own. Procedures are followed which analyse all stocks before they are bought. A regular monthly investment is required along with a required "buy in" when openings occur. Membership is limited due to the "nature of the game"

At present there are a few places in WITS II, which is a newer group. Call to find out more.

New Groups

(HALF) WITS...

The new investing group had its planning meeting on January 25; too late for information to appear here.

If you are interested in joining this new group which will focus on learning for private investing — not group investing as WITS I & II — please contact Liz Fong Wills 858-454-6858, or Mary Anne Pentis by Email at maryanne@pentis.com for information on the next meeting.

TAI CHI...

The new Tai Chi exercise through controlled movement group met on January 10. It will continue to meet on Mondays at the International Center from noon to 1:15. You are welcome to join, just show up and wear comfortable clothing for maximum movement.

HOUSING

WANT ADS MAY BE PLACED REGARDING HOUSING NEEDS.

Ads are \$10, run two months. Make ck payable to Oceanids, International Ctr., 9500 Gilman Dr., La Jolla CA 92093-0049

UCSD CALENDAR JANUARY 2000

ART- 534-2107

BOOKSTORE 534-0121

DANCE

February 23 The Parsons Dance Company. Contemporary dance from New York. Thrilling audiences with exuberantly witty, high-energy, athletic works. Founded in 1987 by David Parsons, one of today's most promising choreographers. Mandeville Auditorium, 8 PM. \$20, \$18, \$15 534-4090

FACULTY CLUB 534-0876

FILMS

Movies at the Price Center. The Price Theater, equipped with Dolby Digital Sound and seating nearly 500, screens films at 7 and 10 PM. twice a week during each academic quarter. General Admission \$2. Movie membership cards can be purchased for \$4 per quarter, which discounts admission to \$1 to any movie during that quarter. For info call 811-2068. For the upcoming schedule go online <<http://www.theuniversitycenters.ucsd.edu>>

Starts February 22, 2000. San Diego Film Festival presents the best new films available from around the world. All the films presented are San Diego area premiers and for some films this will be their very first United States screening. Mandeville Auditorium. Season tickets available or singles, \$6. 534-0497, Tu-F 10-5 Web site <<http://ueo.ucsd.edu>> or 534-4090

LECTURES SEMINARS

February 7 "Humor and Laughter: Is This Siliness Really Serious Stuff"? - The Neuroimmunology of Humor and its Effect on the Immune System," a lecture sponsored by the UCSD Sam and Rose Stein Institute for Research on Aging. 6:30 PM., Garren Auditorium of the Basic Science Building, UCSD School of Medicine with a reception following. SIRA 858-534-6299.

February 8 "Travel Study" Attend a free session on Travel Study language programs in Mexico, Spain France and Italy. Meets 5:45 PM., Room 122 UCSD Extension Complex. RSVP to 822-2747

February 9-March 1 "Complexities of Culture: Understanding Russia." Tim McDaniel and UCSD faculty colleagues present four lectures on the complexities of Russian culture. Meets 7 to 8:30 PM., Wednesdays. Deutz Conference Room. Institute of the Americas. Course fee is \$55, 534-8042

February 10 The UCSD Millennium Lecture Series. 7 PM. Copley Conference Center Auditorium, Institute of the Americas, 7 PM.. David Gutierrez, UCSD associate professor of history. 822-0510 Free

February 15 UCSD Economics Roundtable.

Janet Yellen, former chair of the President's Council of Economic Advisors and current Professor of International Business and Trade, UC Berkeley. Faculty Club, 7:30 AM. Admission \$50 includes continental breakfast and parking. Call 822-0510

MUSIC 534-3229 or 534-5404 Admission: The first amount is for general admission and the second is for faculty, staff, seniors and the third for students.

February 8 Steven Schick, faculty percussionist is joined by Fritz Hauser in a concert of recent percussion works. 8 PM., Mandeville Recital Hall, \$8/\$6 at the door.

February 9 SONOR UCSD's resident contemporary music ensemble performs compositions by Webern, Berg and Cage. (Pre-concert lecture at 7 PM. in the Recital Hall) 8 PM., Mandeville Auditorium, tickets at the door, \$10/\$8

February 12 8 PM. and **13** at 3 PM., LA JOLLA CHORUS, directed by David Chase, is joined by San Diego Symphony Orchestra to present *Israel in Egypt* by Handel. Mandeville Auditorium. Call 435-4637

February 14 Special Valentine Soiree for Music Lovers, with violinist Janos Negyesy and friends performing Mozart, Brahms, Moszkowsky and Schumann on the anniversary of the 40th Soiree. Optional dinner (\$40/person, includes Soiree ticket) at the Faculty Club before the Soiree at 6 PM. Call Faculty Club for dinner reservations. 534-0876 Mandeville Recital Hall, tickets at the door \$10/\$8

February 18 Prometheus Piano Quartet Mandeville Auditorium, 8 PM. Chamber music performed by Eric Lewis, violin; Ronald Gorevic, viola; Matthias Naegele, cello; and David Korevaar, piano. \$22 students \$10. 534-4090

February 26 Janos Negyesy and Paivikki Nykter, violinists, present a CD release introducing their new CD, *Dedications to JN and PN: Works for Two Violins*, with contributions by Otte, Korneitchouk, Greene, Verin, Burkhardt, Carriq and Thompson. Mandeville Recital Hall. Tickets at the door, \$8/\$6

February 29 CSEP (Critical Studies and Experimental Practices) Forum. Students in the CSEP program present an evening of improvisation. Mandeville Recital Hall. Free.

SPORTS for information call 534-4211 Events in February include Men's Volleyball, Baseball, Women's Basketball, Track and Field, Softball, Men's Basketball, Men's Tennis, Women's Tennis.

SPECIAL EVENTS

February 18 "The Blues-and-Border Workshop", with Maurice "Mighty Mo" Roberts, Regent Lecturer. Price Center Galleries A and

B, 12:30-5:30 For information call 534-4790.

Ongoing: HIV Primary Care Mini-Residency Program, Owen Clinic Conference Room, 3rd fl., Ambulatory Care Center, Hillcrest. Ongoing throughout the year and scheduled on individual basis. The program is designed for primary care givers who currently care for or are willing to care for HIV-infected patients. It is one week of full-time clinical training and offers 30 hours of CME Category I credit. Schedules are flexible. Call 543-2415. The topics will include bicycle safety equipment, defensive riding and accident prevention, rules of the road, slow speed riding skills, proper gear selection, riding on rough terrain, basic bicycle maintenance and "A-B-C" Quick Check bicycle inspection. \$20 822-0245.

STEPHEN BIRCH AQUARIUM-MUSEUM 534-7336 Advance reservations are required for all activities. Please call for schedule of classes.

To February 13 Winter Whale Watching. Scripps naturalists share their knowledge of the gray whales on weekend cruises leaving Mission Bay twice daily, 9:30 a.m.-noon and 1 to 3:30 PM., Ages 5-15 with paying adult \$17, juniors 5-15 \$12. Please call Seaforth Sportfishing at 224-7767 and request the Aquarium Cruise.

February 23 Drifting Wonders: The Mysterious Jellies. 6 to 8 PM. Explore the life history of an animal with no heart, brain, or nervous system. Ages 10-adult (10-13 with paid adult) Fee is \$20

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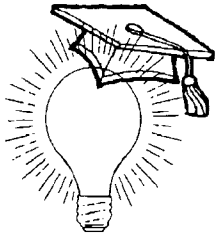
February 9-13 "Polaroid Stories," by Naomi Iizuka, a graduate of UCSD's MFA program. This is an adaptation of Ovid's epic poem, "The Metamorphoses." Mandelle Weiss Theatre, 8 PM., Call 534-4574 for information.

February 16-20 "A Heart of Flesh," by Angelo Parra, directed by Jack Reuler, artistic director of Mixed Blood Theatre Co. A powerful new drama. Mandell Weiss Forum Studio. 534-4574

UCTV University of California Television Online UCTVonline.org, the first internet site using video streaming technology to broadcast faculty lectures, research and creative performances from all 9 campuses, is now available 24 hours a day.

February 11 at 7 and 9 PM. "San Diego Opera Spotlight" featuring an in-depth look at how an opera production is created.

February 4 at 7 and 9 PM., "Opera Talk!" with San Diego Opera's Rick Reveles



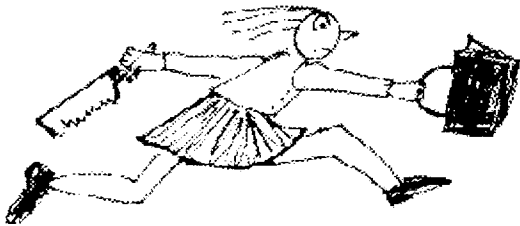
PUT ON YOUR THINKING CAPS...

It's not too soon to start thinking about your suggestions for the *Maxine White* or *Oceanid of the Year* awards. Our Spring Luncheon will be here before we know it. If you have a suggestion, please contact Glenda Rosenblatt or Carole Ziegler. We have some exciting plans being formulated for the luncheon, so save the tentative date of June 1, or possibly May 30, or June 2; actual date depends on restaurant availability. This is one luncheon you won't want to miss!

Advice & Comment

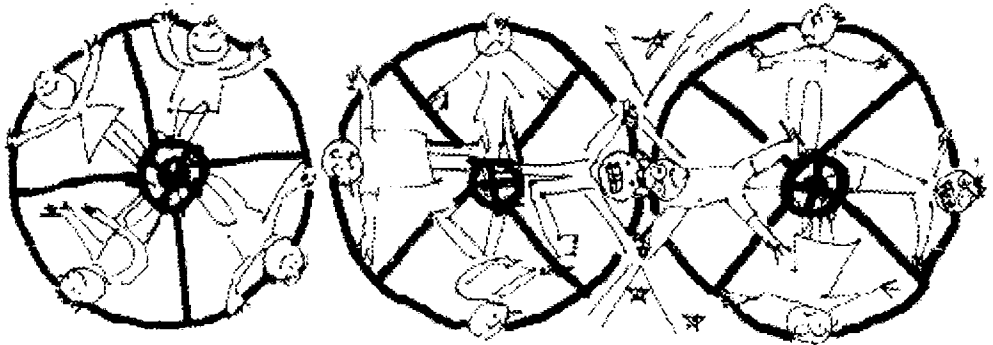
from Elibet Marshall of the Gracious Aging Interest Group

Are we missing something? Whatever happened to that delightful "passa tiempo" — benign gossip? Missing somehow. Has it metamorphosed into distasteful scandal? Who's responsible? We're being denied a pleasant and innocuous pastime. Ah, those relaxed laughs at ourselves and especially your weird foibles.



We need probably to blame this loss on all the hectic people so swamped and busy, strenuously harnessed to meeting unrelentingly zealous and frenzied goals.

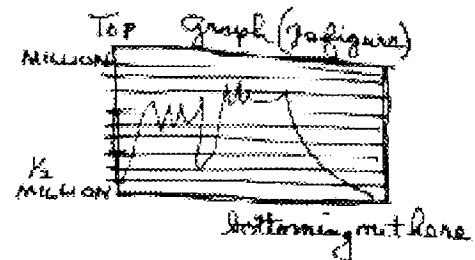
What we so desperately need here, is to insert some delectable dribbles of tittle-tattle to oil the wheels of social intercourse, the pleasing kind, agreeable, tantalizing, squeelingly piggish, but not heavily hoggish.



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Millions and millions of us with minds happily unencumbered by thought, could do with an infusion of some low key hearsay. People devoted to rectitude are not good at this. They soon slip into moralizing and warnings of Bolshevism, completely avoiding the art of clueless understatements. Distasteful, to say the least. Real gossip, you see, is rarely bad, but here's the thing, sometimes it IS bad. You've got to be smart and sift out, and tamper with the distressfully odious, and even sometimes only a wee bit bleak sediment-free stuff.



Here are the statistics: of the 3021 repugnant scandals any given moment (and we're not talking world-wide here, just local county bulletins) about 98% of that stuff is certifiably innocuous. So, as previously stated (Vol. 7, #5, page 809) in a kind of theoretical sense, you simply have got to retrieve and the gentle jolts, bumps, and hiccoughs, from the atrabillious and malevolent. It's a challenge. Snapping turtles and eviscerating remarks are out. Tone it down. What you say and pass on should be likened to the items you pick up in the closing moments of a garage sale. A hearing challenged person is a good source too, to tap for unsound but delightful news.

Go for it. A heady challenge to you!

With apologies to my sources: GOLDBLOCKS AND THE SEVEN DWARFS, TIME, INC., PLAGIARIZING MADE EASY, and GUIDE TO MAKING THE BEST APPLE SAUCE EVER. ... Elibet



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Day Bridge 1	Wed. Coffee, LJRS, Kit X 2	BOARD MEET, Sounding Bd. 3	Devilish Diners 4	5
6	Tai Chi 7	Book Group 8	Wed. Coffee, LJRS, Kit X, Café Français, Museum Gp. 9	10	11	Hike/Walk, Tutor Training  LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY Actual 12
13	Tai Chi AviSet Birders Valentine's Day 14	Day Bridge. Garden Group 15	Wed. Coffee, LJRS, Kit X 16	17	Wine Tasting 18	19
20	Tai Chi Presidents' Day Observed 21	 WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY Actual 22	Wed. Coffee, LJRS, Kit X 23	24	Evening Bridge, FIC Ethnic Dinner 25	Library Tour WOMEN IN WAR 26
27	Tai Chi Polymer Clay Class 28	29				

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