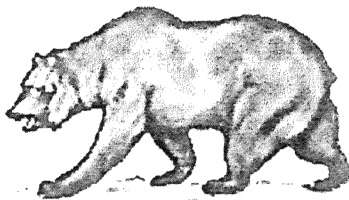


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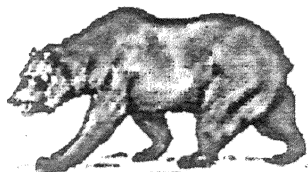
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International Center, 9:30 AM social, 10:00 AM meeting
You are welcome to attend!

President's Message

Interest groups are a key part of Oceanids. I have been enjoying attending some groups' activities that are new for me, such as Devilish Diners and Wine Tasting II, in addition to attending my regular favorites, Cafe Espanol, Avi-set and Moveable Feast. It's been fun to organize the new Walking groups (although they are not all up and "running" yet), and I'm very excited to announce that February 28th will be the kickoff for my latest interest group, Environmental Conservation Discussion Group (see elsewhere for details).

I've been perusing some of the newsletters of the other UC womens' organizations, and, in addition to many groups similar to our own, they have some groups that sound intriguing that might be fun for us to organize. Some of the UCLA sections include "Moms and Kids", which meet at local parks and members' homes to chat and play; swimming; tennis; writers; and music (performing and listening). UC Davis offers lots of stitching and arts and crafts groups, as well as dinner groups that try out gourmet and Sunset magazine recipes each month. They even have

Bunco (how DO you play that??).

Recently I've been meeting Oceanids members who enjoy getting this newsletter, but don't attend any interest groups, or who only attend our luncheons each year. I'm glad you are in Oceanids, and we'd like to see more of you, so I encourage you to try an interest group, or start a new one!

Oceanids is always reaching out to welcome Newcomers to UCSD. Liz Fong Wills and Georgina Sham work hard to identify and invite new UCSD arrivals and their families to special events all year long. As you will read in this issue or next month's issue, we are changing the scope of our membership to include all those interested in UCSD, not only those associated with UCSD. While Oceanids began 50 years ago basically as an SIO faculty wives' group, it has expanded its scope over the last several decades to include staff, faculty, family members, as well as members of the San Diego community that enjoy the intellectual and cultural offerings that make UCSD such a dynamic and interesting institution. I hope you'll encourage your friends from the community as well as UCSD newcomers to try out an Oceanids interest group and join our organization.

Warmly, Judy Vacquier

Café Español celebrates with a Rosca de Reyes party

Oceanids Spanish conversation interest group, Café Español, meets on the first Monday of each month at 1:30 PM. In January, this day fell on January 6, which is the Día de los Reyes, or Day of the Kings, in Mexico. This is the day that the three wise men supposedly arrived in Bethlehem to celebrate the birth of the baby Jesus. The group took this opportunity to learn about this custom by celebrating with a traditional Rosca de Reyes. This is a sweetened bread baked in the shape of a ring and decorated with candied fruit. Hidden inside are baked one or more plastic dolls representing "El Niño." Each person cuts their piece of bread, and the person who gets a doll in their piece is obliged to have a party for the others on the Día de la Candelaria, February 2. Café Español will celebrate this day at their next meeting, Feb. 3, with traditional tamales and hot chocolate and other goodies. Café Español is open to all Oceanids who can converse in Spanish. Only Spanish is allowed for the two hour meeting! The first hour is unstructured conversation and the second hour usually involves reading aloud a short story or newspaper article followed by discussion. Contact Judy Vacquier if you'd like to attend.

The Rosca is Ready!

Café Español members enjoying a Mexican tradition (left to right): Beate Menzel, Sonia Hamburger, Marianne Burkenroad, Judy Vacquier, Marjorie Jackson, Blanca Galindo, Yvonne Courtney Brown, and Jean Lindsley



Subject: Turkey-Weekend - Hike

Well, I have finally done it: Planned and done a hike that was really too much for me.

If it wasn't for Peter, I would have had to turn around after just getting a 3rd of the way down the Royal Arch route of the Grand Canyon. As it is, Peter missed a whole day of work, and we missed our plane Sunday night. When we finally got back to San Diego, it was almost Tuesday AM (after Thanksgiving Day!) and we were happy to be alive. Of course we never had a chance to do non-shopping day on Nov 29 as we were stuck in one of the remotest parts of the Grand Canyon.

I should have been warned when I got the Golden Eagle pass to enter the Grand Canyon and other National Parks for the rest of my life for \$10. The route (note route, not trail) we were going to take meant you better be prepared, and, thank goodness, Peter was, with rope, harness and slings and wet- and cold-weather gear. Of course we didn't have crampons or suspected that the conditions would be quite so absurd for me with my bum leg.

The 20 foot rappel toward the end of the hardest part was nothing compared to the slithering 10 foot-drops all the way down the Royal Arch canyon.. worrying about rain, snow and flashfloods and water supplies and the two technical moves to turn me with my pack around on a ledge 200 vertical feet above a narrow canyon safely. Peter nicely said, we can go back-- He took my rucksack and set me up safely with a sling that was protection for the few rock moves that we had to make. When we didn't turn back on the narrow ledge, Peter said we wouldn't go back, that would not work!! Therefore instead of 23 miles, we had to do 40 plus miles to go along the Tonto trail and up the Bass trail, would miss our plane and be short on food, but relatively safe. The second night, sleeping in the narrow canyon with the rain pouring down, I thought of flash floods. The 3rd night, I was no longer thinking of flooding as it rained when we were already traversing out on the Colorado River trail toward the Bass, but Peter was having nightmares of snow up high with ice and us with no crampons. Actually there was less snow walking out Monday than there was coming down Thursday evening and it hadn't iced up. We also found water to filter in pools quite high up, so we didn't get dehydrated. Peter's light hiking pants were shredded! I only got to see the Royal Arch from above on the trail out while Peter ran down for an hour detour to get some photos of this beauty that spans the canyon, an arch over a hundred feet thick and several hundred meters wide with water flowing underneath and lots of flowers nearby even in December!

An amusing side note of the trip: the 25 miles of dirtroads took 1 1/2 hours and we stopped to make decent tea in our rental pickup truck. Then we had to wash the vehicle as it wasn't supposed to be off-road and when we got to the airport, they kindly asked Peter in his shredded clothes to please bathe before flight time!

Well, I missed the turkey but Peter doesn't eat it anyway, and we are again safe, clean and back in San Diego dealing with our happy daily lives. Nona & Peter Rowat

PS: Of course this was my 15th time to the bottom and hopefully not my last, but I will want to stick to paths and trails in the future!

WALKING FOR FUN AND EXERCISE

This is a new interest group to encourage fitness by walking with friends in your neighborhood. We have 3 groups formed so far: Del Mar, North La Jolla (UCSD), and South La Jolla (Mt. Soledad/Bird Rock). Please contact Judy Vacquier (858) 459-7834 if you would like to join a group, start one in your neighborhood or be willing to be team captain.



There is a wonderful group of mainly seniors who are exercising twice a week at the La Jolla Recreation Center. We have a great caring teacher and do light aerobics, mat exercises, yoga and a little weight training on Monday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 10:20 a.m. For those who have problems with balance she also does chair exercises, which are not for "sissies", meaning exercising sitting down from 10:30 to 12:00 on the same days. For more information call Roswitha 858-459 7375.



Free Yoga Class

One of our Oceanids members, Virginia Das, has offered to teach a free yoga class to anyone who is interested. The type of yoga is Kirpalu yoga, which she describes as gentle, compassionate yoga. No previous experience is necessary. The class will be one hour, and you need to wear comfortable clothing and bring an exercise mat, yoga mat, or towel. Please email Virginia at virginiadas@email.msn.com or call her at 858-454-9195 to register, and when she determines the class size she will set a date and location. Also, if you can suggest a suitable location such as a studio or conference room, please tell her or Judy Vacquier at jvacq@san.rr.com.

IMPRESSIONS FROM A 1992 VISIT TO GUIZHOU PROVINCE IN SOUTHWESTERN CHINA (II)

By Marianne Burkenroad

I had been inspired by colorful women's costumes from that area, displayed in the Mingei Folkart Museum, then at University Town Center. Phila McDaniels, curator of that show and of the current "Silver and Silk" exhibit in Balboa Park, led the tour,

We were royally received by the villagers. We approached each village entrance slowly on foot, trying to keep our dignity as we stumbled over rocks and avoided puddles. Often long lines of men, women and children welcomed us, clapping their hands. Boys often wore military outfits; girls were in elaborate dress, like their mothers. Tiny heads protruded from baby carriers. The infants wore "wind" or "tiger" caps as protection against evil spirits, or as good luck charms. Baby carriers and hats were individually made by mothers and grandmothers, who proudly display them on festive occasions. They were not sold since the child's soul is thought to reside in them.

Whispy-bearded skinny old men in long robes leaned on carved walking sticks, some smoking long pipes. Bent old women wore simple, somber outfits. In one market I saw an old woman hobbling along on tiny shoes. She was obviously crippled by her bent toes. The custom of binding feet has long been outlawed by the Communist government, which also forbade the so-called "blind stitch" that used to ruin women's eyes.

Tour members expected to learn about the elaborate women's costumes, jewelry, and textiles. Young girls are taught by their mothers how to spin, weave, dye, and embroider festive garments. In earlier times ramie (or China grass) and hemp were the primary textile materials. Both of these plants required long, arduous labor to prepare the fibers for weaving. During our visit, cotton, silk, wool and linen were also widely used. Nowadays, I understand, commercial nylon is beginning to displace some of the older fibers.

Elaborate decorations, especially on jacket sleeves, but also on aprons, belts, and skirts are produced by braiding, pleating, couching, using the folded silk stitch, a flat satin stitch, or cross stitch, sometimes with silver or gold threads. Women's attire, their hair styles, their silver headwear, and jewelry are important in asserting group identity. A young woman's skill and artistry in making her garments are also vital in attracting a husband.

Miao history and values are symbolized in traditional patterns handed down from generation to generation. The distinctiveness of the garments of the different groups is reflected in descriptive names given them by outsiders, such as Long-skirt or Short-skirt, Side-comb, Small-flower or Big-flower, or Folded-silk Miao. A village shaman explained the lines and colors on a woman's jacket, which represented the Yellow River, the Yangtze River, or memorialized villages and fields of the homeland from which they were driven by invaders. Shimmering silver head-dresses with upward-curving ends symbolize water buffalo horns. Water buffaloes are sacred beings, as well as draft animal. In earlier times they had been sacrificed. Nowadays they are too valuable to be slaughtered; pigs are used instead.

In some villages ear-splitting firecracker explosions greeted us. Men played exotic welcoming music on long trumpets, large copper drum or lusheng flutes. (Lusheng flutes, the characteristic musical instrument of the Miao, are played by adults and children.) Finally we reached a table or a series of tables - I counted ten such stations in one splendid village - hosted by strikingly dressed young women with tinkling silver crowns on their heads. Three cups of rice wine were successively pressed to our lips. It would have been rude to refuse the offered drinks. So we drank. The women took delight in seeing us uncomfortable. Later Dui advised us to press our lips together and let the

liquid spill down when we had enough.

In the village center the people put on performances in our honor. They sang, danced, made music individually or in groups. Young people danced on stilts; a charming lion tamer controlled two lively "lions" in bright orange costumes. In one village, a group of women enacted the various phases of planting, sowing, and harvesting. Sneakers peaked out under their ethnic clothing.

In another village women performed the so-called "stool dance". Each woman carried one wooden stool in each hand. The noise produced by clapping the heavy stools together recalled the noise made to frighten away forest beasts during the Miao journey south long ago.

The performance of an Old Han street opera was one of the unexpected events. We joined people from the street to watch the actors on stilts, with costumes, masks, and other paraphernalia appropriate for their roles. The all-male cast acted out an old legend involving fighting for a beautiful princess. We laughed at the antics of the monkey character, not realizing that in Chinese legends the monkey was often the good demon who outwits the evil magicians. The actors moved with flowing ritualized movements accompanied by a drummer to heighten the excitement.

We participated in many line dances, some stately, others more lively. Two young men, playing lusheng flutes and weaving their bodies in time with the haunting music were the leaders.

Food and drink were always offered at these performances: tea or wine, a half yam, or a few cigarettes. A typical offering consisted of sticky rice patties filled with sweet bean curd. Rice comes in two forms: hard, and glutinous,) In the central plaza of the village, two men turned the dough with wooden paddles in a large wooden bowl. Then the women removed handfulls of dough and arranged the patties on a large round split-bamboo tray. It was a tasty and filling appetizer.

We had marvellous food on this trip, although we often ate under primitive conditions, taking rice patties from dirty hands, using much-used chop sticks hanging in wall baskets, drinking from not-so-clean cups. All food is freshly harvested and washed in public troughs; then quickly and thoroughly cooked. Since refrigeration is not available, leftovers end up under the table for animals. We were never served raw food. I augmented my diet with peelable fruit from the open-air markets. I never got sick.

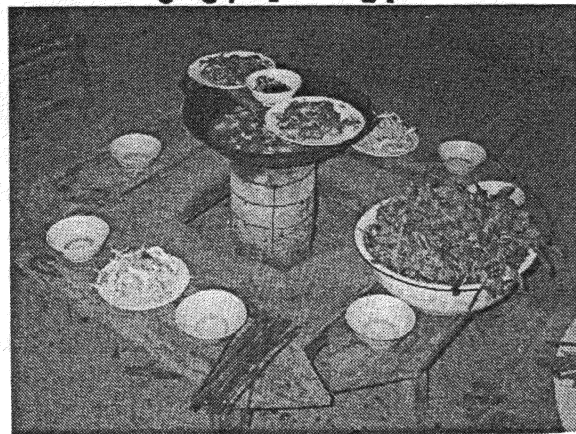
One memorable vegetarian meal was served in the Hong Fu Temple on Mount Quiangling. The vegetables were artfully disguised to resemble meat dishes. It was a visual delight. Radishes were shaped like dragons, carrots like roosters, hard-boiled eggs like rabbits. Of course, it didn't deceive the monks who were used to meat, but the meal was tasty and nourishing. The proud cook appeared afterwards and took a well-deserved bow.

It is impossible to remember the great variety of dishes and sauces which appeared at our tables. We had quail eggs, rice stems, bamboo shoots, chicken feet, frog legs and eggs, eel, peanuts, cabbage, many kinds of greens, fish and duck soups, beef and pork. Dishes appeared one after the other, rice late in the meal, and the soup at the very end. The worst dish was a huge mound of pork fat over bean curd. I reluctantly ate a tiny braised quail. I would have tasted dog meat, a specialty of one town through which we passed. The skinned animals were hanging in a butcher shop. After all, I have eaten horse meat in 1952 in La Jolla. But the rest of the group shuddered at the thought.

The welcoming ceremony was repeated at the end of each visit. Singing plays a big part in Miao culture. A farewell song went like this:

*My guests you are leaving
We won't hinder you by ringing our hands
Instead we sing a Miao song
To wish you a safe journey*

The women are often quite emotional, and tears flowed.



We detoured to observe the roof-raising celebration for a house built by cooperative community effort. Men and boys sat around a table heaped with dishes of wonderful looking, fragrant food. The men invited us to share their meal. We declined since many men and women were intoxicated.

The framing was impressive. The wooden beams were joined without nails. The house looked as if it would last forever. Flowers were tied to the apex of the roof. The posts were hung with red banners inscribed with the usual good wishes. Cash contributions from the family were attached to the beams.

Many of the houses we saw were solidly built two-storey wooden structures. The house where the wedding took place had several rooms, curtained-off bedrooms, a room with a large loom, an alcove where the men cooked the meat for the feast. Some houses had dangerous tangles of electric wires on the ceiling, although there was only one bulb to give light at night. The people seemed to be grateful to the Government, which had supplied them with access to clean water, and electricity. They have freedom to plant what they considered suitable for their land, to sell their harvest in open markets, to attend universities under favorable conditions, and to have their oral customs and legends recorded. As a recognized minority, they were exempt from the one-child-per-family regulation. We could not, however, tell how closely the Government watched over their lives.

The trip took us further to Kunming, capital of Yunnan Province, and close to the Burmese border. But no other place made a greater impression on me than Guizhou Province and the vitality and creativity of the Miao people.



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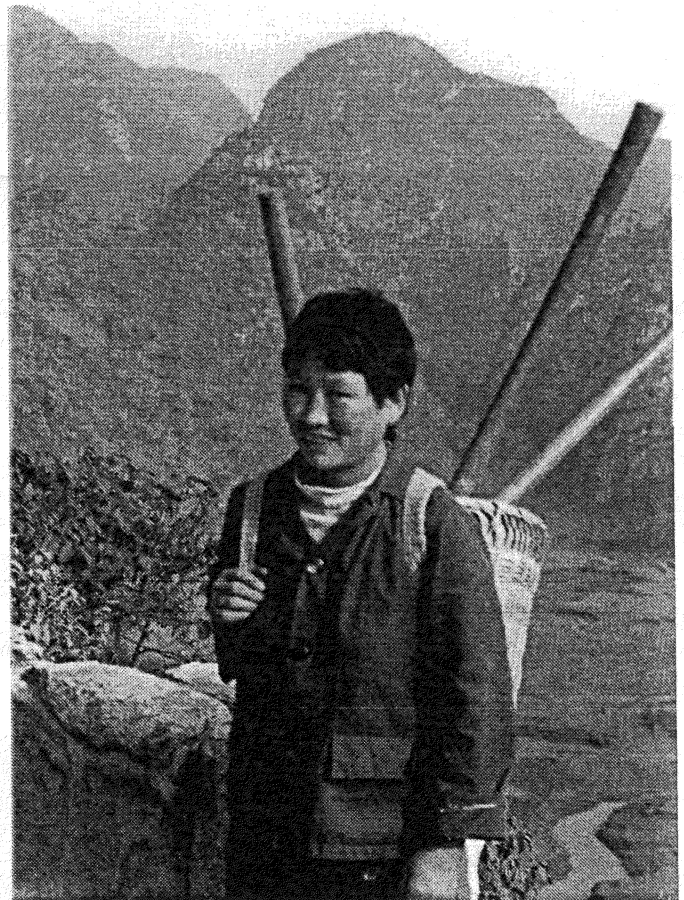
**SPECIAL MUSEUM OUTING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1 P.M.
AT THE MINGEI INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM
BALBOA PARK, PLAZA DE PANAMA**



We will have a docent-led tour of the exhibit: "Textures and Jewelry of the Guizhou Province, China". This is a major exhibition of intricately embroidered hand-woven textiles and silver head dresses, necklaces and bracelets from a mountainous province in Southwestern China. For background information read the article by Marianne Burkenroad on the preceding pages.

For Carpooling meet at 12:25 at Sally Kroll's house, 2457 Calle del Oro

For more info call: Sally Kroll, 459 1322
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Carol Schultz, 453 0458



Sounding Board News

Please come to hear our speaker in
MARCH:

Jim Pokorny , Aviation Attorney & 1970
UCSD graduate, active in the Lawyer-
Pilots Bar Association; Legal commen-
tator on KUSI.

OCEANIDS' INTEREST GROUPS

Interest Groups are the backbone of our Oceanids organization. They are here to meet the many varied needs of UCSD Families, especially those new to the UCSD campus, and the community. If you do not find an activity you would like to participate in, please contact Carole Ziegler, Interest Group Coordinator@ 619-297-0798. If five or more Oceanids wish to start a new group, please let Carole know so we can inform other members. All we ask is that your members be Oceanids. If one has no affiliation with UCSD, she/he is encouraged to join any of the many Friends groups on campus. If you are not yet a member of Oceanids, please consider joining us today by calling Madeleine Rast, 858-755 0478.

AVI SET BIRDERS

Contacts: Sidney Bagley (858)455-1477, Lou Bowles (858)755-7102, or Joany Mosher (858)454-0017

Our birding group meets promptly at 8 a.m. the second Monday of each month during the academic year. The La Jolla group will now meet at the corner of Dunaway Drive and Glenwick Dr. in La Jolla, and the north county birders will meet at the home of Lou Bowles, 13040 Caminito Mar Villa, Del Mar. We carpool from these locations and visit sites around the county. Members will be called. **Next outing is February 10**

BOOK GROUP

Contact Odette Filloux, (858) 453-0749
The Book Group will meet at Elibet Marshall's house, 2767 Hidden Valley Road, La Jolla, on **February 11**, at 9:30 AM. The book to be discussed is *Bel Canto* by A. Patchett. Liz Vincent will lead the discussion. For any questions call either Odette Filloux at 453-0749, Sally Kroll at 453-1322 or Carol Schultz at 453-0458

CAFÉ ESPAÑOL

Contact: Judy Vacquier, (858) 459-7834
La proxima reunión de Café Español será el lunes, **3 de febrero**, 1:00-3:30, en la casa de Miki Pappone, 1865 Soledad Avenue, La Jolla. Será una comida especial para el Día de la Candelaria. Favor de contestar a Judy (858-459-7834) para venir o si tiene preguntas.

PLEASE NOTE THE EARLIER TIME.

CAFÉ FRANÇAIS

Contact: Lucie Walther, (858)755-8069 and Martha Morera (858)481-7723
Prochain cafe francais mercredi le **12 fevrier** 2003 a 13:00 heures (1:00PM) chez Claire Hirschfeld, 7629 Draper Avenue, La Jolla, tel 858.459.4686.
Pour autres renseignements, contactez Martha ou Lucie

CINEMA SOIRÉE

Contact: Laurette Verbinski, (858) 453-4699 or Roswitha Enright (858) 459-7375. We meet on the second Sunday of each month at 7:00 p.m. for socializing, and movie discussion will start at 7:30 sharp. For information call Laurette or Roswitha. **Next meeting February 9**

CRAFTS GROUP

Interested in creating family photo albums and scrapbooks? If you have ideas or experience, or want to join us, please contact Maxine Bloor (858)459-7665) or Mary Dashen (858)456-7848.

DAY BRIDGE

Contact: Isabel Wheeler (858)362-5732 or Barbara Bank (858)484-4597 (barbara@sdnal.ucsd.edu)

We meet the first and third Tuesdays of the month at various members' homes. We start at 10 a.m. and usually end at about 3 p.m. Everyone brings their own lunch. The hostess only provides drinks. Call for information.

Next meetings: February 4 and 18.

DEVILISH DINERS

Contact: Mary Dashen (858) 457-4631, fax 457-4371, or mdashen@san.rr.com.

The devilish diners are going to Old Town for High Tea on Friday **February 21st** 12:00 noon. We meet at TGIF at 11:00 and carpool to the tea parlor, maps will be handed out at TGIF. Mrs. Burton's Tea Parlor is located in Heritage Park in Old Town. The tea takes approximately two hours and then people are free to walk around Old Town. The Tea costs \$22.00 each and that includes all taxes and gratuities.

Mrs Burton's Tea Parlor is like stepping back in time to the Victorian era and the tea itself includes Tea sandwiches, scones, lemon curd, tartlets, short bread, cakelets, fresh fruit and of course tea.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION, NEW

Contact: Judy Vacquier (858) 459-7834.

This is a new interest group which has the first meeting on Friday, February 28th, 11:30-1:30. See page 11 for more information.

EVENING BRIDGE

Contact: Barbara Bank at (858)484-4597, or e-mail (barbara@sdna1.ucsd.edu)

The couples Evening Bridge Interest group meets at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Saturday of the month all year long at one of our members' homes. If you wish to play on a regular basis, or just occasionally, please contact Barbara Bank.

Next meeting February 22

GARDEN GROUP

Contact: Mary Lynn Hyde (858) 488-9283.

GRACIOUS AGING

Contact: Elibet Marshall (858)459-5246

This group has an age limit; you must have lived 80 years to participate. We meet at Ellen Revelle's home on the first Monday of the month from 11 a.m. to about 2 p.m. to discuss various associated subjects. Pure spring water is provided. You bring your own apple (lunch). Call Elibet for details.

Next meeting February 3.

HIKING IN AND AROUND SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Contact: Roswitha Enright (858)459-7375

We meet at 8:30 a.m. on the second Saturday of each month (October to May or June) at the La Jolla Village Shopping Center parking lot and carpool to the starting point of the hike. Bring a lunch, plenty of fluids, sturdy shoes and sun protection! Friends and family are invited. Call the week before the hike if you would like to come.

Next hike February 8.

LA JOLLA RENAISSANCE SINGERS

Contact: Bill Propp at (858-459-2019 or wpropp@ucsd.edu. The group (formerly the UCSD Madrigal Singers) is rehearsing under the direction of Professor William Propp. The group meets every Wednesday at the La Jolla home of Connie Mullin, a member of the UCSD Oceanids. Experienced singers (particularly of the male persuasion!) are invited to contact Bill Propp concerning auditions.

MOVEABLE FEAST

Contact: Liz Fong Wills (858) 454-6858.

This dining out group is currently at capacity but we are taking a wait list. For questions, please call Liz.

MUSEUM GROUP

IS LOOKING FOR A NEW CHAIRPERSON. PLEASE VOLUNTEER IF YOU CAN, SO THAT THIS GROUP WILL NOT DISAPPEAR.

In the meantime we will occasionally have museum outings where all Oceanids are invited to join. Please see page 8 for information about the Mingei Museum outing on **February 26.**

outing on February 26.
With more ideas call Carol Schultz at (858) 453 0458

PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE

Contact: Carole Ziegler, (619) 297-0798.
We are not having a meeting in the middle of this month. Please check our announcement next month for the March meeting.

SOUNDING BOARD

Contact: Barbara Baehr (858) 272 4370.
Please join us for an interesting talk about 6th College by Dr. Gabriele Wienhausen at the Faculty Club after the Boardmeeting on February 6. For more info see article in January's Bear Facts

STAMP GROUP

Contact: Betty Shor (858) 453-0334
We do not meet on a regular basis, but welcome other collectors to join our informal exchange.
For information call Betty.

WALKING GROUP (NEW!)

This is a new interest group to encourage fitness by walking with friends in your neighborhood. We have 3 groups formed so far: Del Mar, North La Jolla (UCSD), and South La Jolla (Mt. Soledad/Bird Rock). Please contact Judy Vacquier (858) 459-7834 if you would like to join a group or start one in your neighborhood, or if you would be willing to be a team captain for your neighborhood.

WINE TASTING GROUP

Contact: Pat Kampmann (858) 454-1856
Exploring the taste sensations of a new wine or an old vintage, this group meets the third Friday monthly. Members rotate as hosts, however, this group is currently at capacity. For questions, contact Pat.

NOTICE-The University now has a free publication, *UCSD Showcase*, that gives all events for the quarter. To get it mailed to you, write to: UCSD Showcase, University Communications Office, 9500 Gilman Dr., Dept. 0938, La Jolla, CA 92093-0938

WINE TASTING II

Contact: Barbara Scholz 858- 350-6014 or bscholz@hotmail.com.
We meet monthly. Members rotate as hosts. The cost for wine and food is shared between the people attending. Next meeting will be second half of February. Call chair for further information.

WITS I

Contact: Pat Kampmann, (858) 454-1856.
This long-time investment group allows one to learn and earn on one's own. Procedures are followed which analyze all stocks before they are bought. A regular monthly investment is required along with a "buy-in". At present there are a few places open. We meet at the Oceanids Pavilion on the 4th Tuesday of the month all year long from 1:30 to 3:30. Next meeting, February 25

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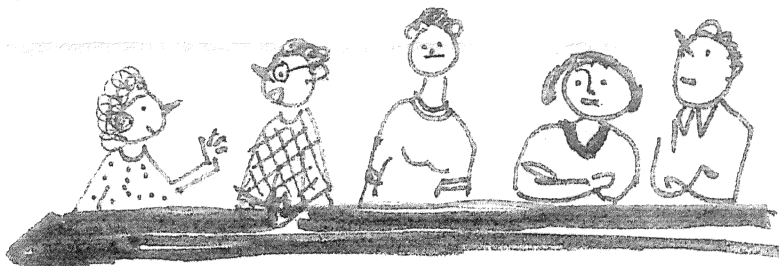
Contact: Ruth Ried (619) 226-2538
WITS II meets the 4th Wednesday of the

month, all year long, at various members' homes. We study companies, using the stock investment guides of NAIC, educating ourselves to have a better financial understanding and competence. Come visit us for a couple of meetings. Next meeting February 26. Call for information.

Half WITS

Contact: Liz Fong Wills (858) 454-6858.
If you are not yet up to speed about the stock market and want to learn in a fun, no pressure way, please join us on the third Thursday of each month at the Oceanids Pavilion, at 10:00 a.m. (Please see different day and time for this month only.)

(We are a discussion group only, no money involved, so we do "half" of what the other WITS groups do.) Next meeting: February 25 at 1:30. For more information call Liz.



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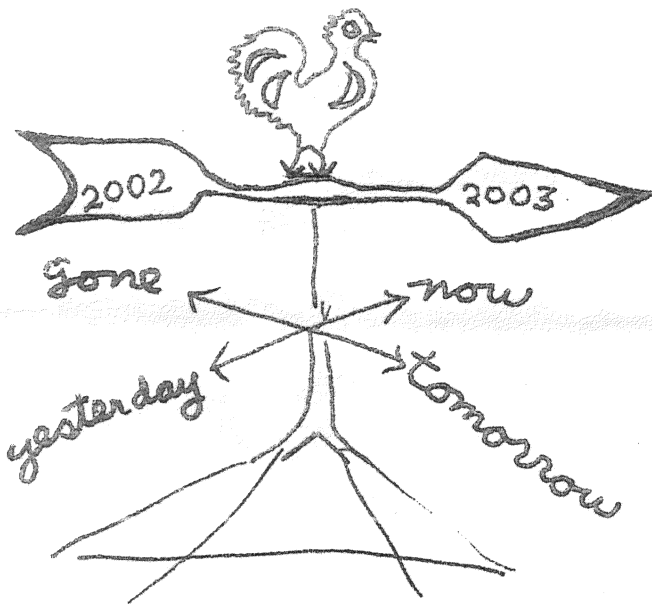
In Memoriam: Professor Jules Fejer

January 22, 1914 Budapest, Hungary- December 21, 2002

Jules Fejer, Professor Emeritus in the ECE Department, came to La Jolla and UCSD in 1964. He is survived by his wife, Ruth, several children and grandchildren. He will be remembered fondly by a host of friends and colleagues around the world. His daughter, Stella Lohmoeller, was visiting from Germany at the time of his death. She said, "He was a modest, sweet man who was devoted to his family."

A memorial gathering to celebrate the life of Professor Jules Fejer is planned for March 1, 2003 at 2 pm at the International Center at UCSD.

You may contact Mary McIlwain (454-4857) for information.



NEWS FROM MEMBERSHIP

Please welcome our new member

Beatrice Kartus Rose has a background in both medicine and education. She attended the George Washington University School of Medicine in Washington D.C. and the University of Washington in Seattle. She ran a private practice in Portland, Oregon, and is a Professor Emeritus in the Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine at the Oregon Health Sciences University in Portland, Oregon. In 1994 Bea retired and with her husband Len moved to California settling in La Jolla for their retirement. In the fall of 1998, after reading about the tutor program at the International Center in a local publication, she volunteered as a tutor. Skills acquired during her professional years have been of great value to the American English in Action program where she is tutoring several foreign medical students in a group. Since her retirement Bea also pursued her interests in music, the theater, gardening, reading, and enhancing her computer skills.

NEW INTEREST GROUP

Environmental Conservation Discussion Group

This is a new group that meets the fourth Friday of the month to discuss a book on environmental conservation and related topics. Our first meeting will be Friday, February 28th, 11:30-1:30, in the conference room at the Birch Aquarium at Scripps. You must pay \$3 per vehicle (for the parking machine) or have an A or B parking sticker. Bring a brown bag lunch. The book for February will be *The World According to Pimm: A Scientist Audits the Earth* by Stuart L. Pimm. You do not need to be a scientist to attend this group, only concerned about becoming informed about what human beings are (or are not) doing to the planet and its biodiversity, and willing to read a book a month and discuss it. For more information and to RSVP contact Judy Vacquier, 858-459-7834 or jvacq@san.rr.com.

Sounding Board 2003

We have been able to make Oceanids' Sounding Board a joint lunch/lecture series with the UCSD Faculty Club.

There will be a short write-up of each month's speaker in Bear Facts the month before, so everyone will be able to plan in advance to attend. This is the list of our stellar speakers:

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| March | 6 | Jim Pokorny , Aviation Attorney & 1970 UCSD graduate, active in the Lawyer-Pilots Bar Association; Legal commentator on KUSI. His talk "When Airplanes Fall Out of the Sky as an Aviation Attorney sees it" |
| April | 3 | Father Joe Carroll of St Vincent de Paul Village, a poor kid from New York's Bronx, has developed a unique 'one-stop-shopping' approach to restoring dignity in rehabilitating the homeless with a comprehensive list of services from medical care to job preparation to summer camp. Also he's a delightful, amusing speaker. |

Please contact Jean Lindsley for reservations as we expect a crowd.

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| May | 1 | Neil Morgan, past-editor of the SD Evening Tribune & columnist for the SD Union Tribune, & Jim Goldsborough, columnist for the Union Trib have been invited, but neither was able to commit so far in advance. |
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