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AT THE INTERNATIONAL CENTER



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BOARD MEETINGS first Thursday every month at the Oceanids Pavilion, International Center, 9:30 AM social, 10:00 AM meeting

You are welcome to attend!

MEET OCEANIDS NEW PRESIDENTS



JANE TAKAHASHI

Jane Jackson Takahashi is a third generation Californian of Japanese American descent. She received her B.S. degree at the University of California in Berkeley. She married her first husband in Berkeley, and they moved to Vancouver, Canada where he taught economics at the university. Later they spent two years in Geneva where he worked with the United Nations Committee on Trade and Development. In 1964 the family returned to California where he was a professor at San Diego State University.

For over 20 years, Jane worked for San Diego County as a Grants Administrator redeveloping low income communities. Jane did not join Oceanids until her retirement in 1998. Jane's second husband is a Solar Physicist at the UCSD Center for Astrophysics (CASS). She has been active as Oceanids' Assistant Treasurer and has done whatever jobs needed to be taken on, like helping with Campus Focus events, the Desert Outing and the International Center with "Cooking in America".

She is hardly a novice at volunteer work. Jane has been on boards such as the United Way, the Girl Scouts, the League of Women Voters and the Human Relations Commission for San Diego County. Her deep concerns for human rights stems from her Quaker family background and because of her family's internment in a "relocation" camp during World War II.

She has been actively involved as an outings leader in the Sierra Club. One of her out-of-doors activities is identifying wild flowers, especially with the "Botany Babes", a group of like minded women friends. It is no wonder she considers the Avi-Sets a very special Oceanids group and does not like to miss our Desert outings. Jane's latest passion is quilting. She likes to think of quilting as painting with fabrics. She is an avid reader (one of her favorite books is "Angle of Repose" by Stegner) She wishes she could continue to pursue her interests in Pottery and flower arranging, time permitting. But, Jane has two children and three grandchildren and baby sitting is now an important part of her life.

When she was asked what she sees as the most important aspect of her life today she replied:

"Just as I used to try to help communities of people, I now want to support each member of my family in achieving fullfillment in their lives and help them find their own true passions".



ADY ROSENBLATT

Adylin (Ady) Isabelle Rosenblatt has been living in La Jolla since 1964 when her husband joined the UCSD Math Department

Ady was born in the Bronx in New York City, Her only brother resides still in New York. She attended Brooklyn College and received her B.A. in Pre Socialwork and Physiology at Hunter College in Manhattan. She met her husband in the Bronx after they both graduated from Evander Childs High School. They married in Ithaca New York at Cornell University where she worked in the Sociology Department. Together they moved to Chicago where Ady pursued her Master's in Sociology. (Two children and many years later she finally finished her Master's Degree in Social Work in 1971 at San Diego State U...) After Chicago the family lived in Bloomington, Indiana for 3 1/2 years, and spent 6 years in Rhode Island, where Murray taught at Brown University.

When they arrived in San Diego, Ilse Warschawski, the wife of the Math Department Head, greeted them warmly. The university was only 2 years old and the departments were much smaller ("one could invite the whole faculty for a party"). Ady soon became a member of Oceanids and joined various groups: Newcomers, Book group, People to People, WITS, Garden Club, and Museum Group. She tried Avi Set outings ("I could never see the birds"). She met Jane at a Museum group, and found they had much in common

Ady has also done plenty of volunteer work: She belonged to the AASWG (Assoc. for the Advancement with Groups), an international organization, joined the National Association of Social Workers, Hadassah, belonged to the Red Cross Disaster Mental Health Team, where she specialized in people traumatized by airplane crashes, earthquakes, and fires

Ady likes old movies, contempoary theater, walks with her husband, line dancing and travel. She listens to the classics but also to international folk music and jazz. She reads mysteries and other novels, looks at Hitchcock movies ("39 steps") but also at comedies like "The Producers". One of her favorite actresses is Helen Mirren. [We seem to have a lot in common!].

When Ady was asked what she sees as the biggest challenge in her day-to-day life she responded [somewhat cryptically]:

"I keep on learning how to center myself".

Dear Oceanids, please do the following as soon as you can:

Take out your new light green directory, take a pen or pencil and correct the following member information

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For new and prospective members:

Oceanids has a variety of activities for its members. You are welcome to check out the interest groups a couple of times before you have to commit to becoming an Oceanids member. During the year we also have a number of eventswhich Oceanids participate in and/or help with:

October: December:

Spring:

Fall Brunch Holiday Party Museum Bus Trip

Desert Outing/Camping

Spring Luncheon

And at various times:

Friday Café

Campus Focus Event - Theatreand many more, for example

....every first Thursday of the month at noon is Sounding Board. We have a speaker at the Faculty Club who enlightens us about various important issues, while we eat our lunch.

Every Wednesday there is a coffee, cookie and juice get-together for everyone at the International Center where we welcome new families to the university community.

Please see pages 7+8 for information about these regular events and the interest groups.

OCEANIDS FALL BRUNCH THE INVITATIONS ARE IN THE MAIL!!

Once again it is time for our annual fall get-together. This year we will celebrate friendship and service at our own INTERNATIONAL CENTER at the university. The food will be catered by University Catering. Please come on Thursday, October 28 at 10 a.m. and find out all about our many interest groups. Sign up if you want to, or make suggestions for a new group. All you need are 5 members to join you. Food will be available at 11 a.m. This time the tables will be designated to our various interest groups. The interest group chairs will be sitting at

their table and you can chat about the activities during brunch. HAVE

Please send in your reservation with a check for \$24 per person to arrive before Friday, October 22.

MONEY BOOKS FOR SALE AT THE BRUNCH!! For each Moneybook you purchase for \$20 Oceanids receives \$10.

Oceanids will use these funds for their activities that include service to the UCSD community, Service Awards Scholarships.

Included in the Moneybook are 27 coupons for restaurants and cafes, e.g. The Cottage, Roppongi (lunch), Royal Thai Cuisine, Sammys Woodfired Pizza, Su Casa, Aloha Sushi, Café Lautrec, Jeff's Burger and many more.

There are 28 coupons for merchandise and services. These include Above & Beyond Carpet Care, Adelaides, The Artful Framer, BoDanica, Geppettos, Kinkos, Panache, Warwick's, Meanley's Hardware, International Nails, etc.

Also, there are coupons for food items from Brueggers Bagels, Baskin Robbins, El Pescador Fishmarket, the Rocky Mountain Chocolate Factory and more.

Moneybooks are thoughtful gift items or use them yourself to enjoy a good meal out and save money. The coupons are good through May 31, 2005. Moneybooks are available at Oceanids Board Meetings, at the Fall Brunch and through your interest groups until November 15.

Call Maxine Bloor (858-459-7665) for more information.

2004-2005 SOUNDING BOARD SCHEDULE

2004

Oct 7 Melissa Fitzgerald, PhD in Physical Chemistry, Asst Director
Partnership Development, T-TIPS (Technical Transfer for
Intellectual Property Services)
"What happens to the results of UCSD's researchers?".

Nov 4 Gary Jacobson, Professor, Political Science Dept. "Voting Behavior"

Why we voted as we did.

Dec 2 Stuart Anstis, Professor, Psychology Dept.

"Illusions in Motion Perception"

Why wheels appear to go backward in movies & such.

2005

Feb 3 Jim Pokorny, Aviation Attorney & UCSD Alumnus "When Planes Fall Out of the Sky" What happens next?

Mar 3 Hugh Davies, David C Copley Dir, Museum of Contemporary Art SD "Future for Contemporary Art in San Diego?"
Has provoked much controversy.

Apr 7 Lawrence Krause, Professor Emeritus, IR/PS
"US & the Far East Right Now"
What's going on, & should we worry?

May 5 Jeffrey Kirsch, PhD, Executive Director, Reuben H Fleet Science Center "Reuben H Fleet Science Center & Balboa Park"

Dr Kirsch is current President of the Museum Film Network that produces & distributes science-based large-format films

OCTOBER 7 SOUNDING BOARD SPEAKER: MELISSA FITZGERALD

Dr Fitzgerald is Assistant Director--Partnership Development in TTIPS (Technical Transfer for Intellectual Property Services) and is the senior licensing officer responsible for evaluating, protecting and licensing a portfolio of biotechnology, biomedical and life science inventions made by UCSD researchers.

She has been VP of Research & Corporate Development at a SD biotech company--before that, she was a research scientist at a pharmaceutical company.

Melissa"s post-doctoral academic work was at Scripps Research Inst. in X-ray crystallography & protein engineering. Her academic degrees include a PhD in Physical Chemistry, and the Diplome D'Etudes Approfondies in Organic Chemitry from L'Universite Louis Pasteur in Strasbourg, France.

If you have wondered what they do with the results of all the research that goes on at UCSD, come & hear all about it on Oct 7.

OCEANIDS' INTEREST GROUPS

Interest Groups are the backbone of our Oceanids organization. They are here to meet the many varied needs of UCSDfamilies. 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 you are not yet a member of Oceanids, please consider joining us today by calling Madeleine Rast, 858453-8223 or submitting the application form in this issue.

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 October 11

BOOK GROUP

Contact Odette Filloux, (858) 453-0749

October 12, at 9:30 a.m.: meeting place: Carol Schutlz, 8415 Sugarman Drive, La Jolla, (858) 453-0458. We shall discuss: "Reading Lolita in Tehran. A Memoir in Books", by Azar Nafisi. Our reviewer will be

For any questions call either Odette, Sally Kroll, 453-1322 or Carol Schultz, 453-0458.

CAFÉ ESPAÑOL

Contact: Judy Vacquier, (858) 459-7834

La próxima reunión de Cafe Espanol será el miercoles, 6 de octubre, en la casa de Miki Pappone, 1865 Soledad Avenue, La Jolla. Favor de contestar a Miki a 858 459 5864 mailto:mikip@san.rr.com o Judy a 858-459-7834 (<mailtojvacq@san.rr.com) si puede venir o si tiene preguntas.

CAFÉ FRANCAIS

Contact: Lucie Walther, (858)755-8060 or Martha Morera (858)481-7723

Notre prochaine rencontre sera chez Trudi Synodis, 908 Santa Queta, SolanaBeach - tel. 858.481.2935. Nous esperons que vous pourrez toutes venir et veuillezs.v.pl. telephoner a Trudi pour l'avertir. Merci et a mercredi le 13 octobre a 13.00 h.a, tel. 858.459.0783, mercredi le 10 mars a 13:00 heures.

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 October 10

DAY BRIDGE

Contact: 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: October 5 and 12.

DEVILISH DINERS

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

In October we will meet at the Oceanids Fall Brunch on the 28th. Watch for next month's outing in the November newsletter or call Mary..

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION BOOK GROUP

Contact: Judy Vacquier (858) 459-7834.

This group meets the fourth Thursday every other month to discuss a book on environmental conservation and related topics. This group will take a break pending finding a new chairperson. If you are interested, contact Judy Vacquier, 858-459-7834 or mailto:jvacq@san.rr.com

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 October 23.

GARDENING GROUP

Contact Mary Lynn Hyde 858-488-9283 mlhyde@san.rr.com

NO MEETING IN OCTOBER. If you are interested in assuming leadership of the Gardening Interest Group, please contact Mary Lynne Hyde for more information.

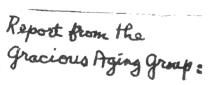


GRACIOUS AGING

Contact: Elibet Marshall (858)459-5246

This group has an age limit; you must have lived 80 years to participate. We meet at Growing old is mandatory; 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 October 4.





growing up is optional.

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 October 9.

LA JOLLA RENAISSANCE SINGERS

Contact: Bill Propp at (858-459-2019) or wpropp@ucsd.edu. The group meets every Wednesday at the La Jolla home of Connie Mullin, a member of the UCSD Oceanids.

The La Jolla Renaissance Singers (formerly the UCSD Madrigal Singers) has existed for 40 years as an Oceanids activity group. Directed by History and Judaic Studies professor William Propp, the choir of about 25 performs throughout the San Diego area in period costume. Experienced choral singers (especially men!) are encouraged to contact Dr. Propp at wpropp@ucsd.edu to arrange a visit and/or audition.

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

Contact: Carol Schultz (858) 453 0458 or Sally Kroll (858) 459 1322.

We will occasionally have museum outings where all Oceanids are invited to join. Check the newsletter for information.

PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE

Contact: Carole Ziegler, (619) 297-0798.

We will have our annual October meeting at the home of Doris Bailey, on Thursday, October 14 at 2:00PM. Doris lives at 2635 Ellentown Road. Phone: 858-453-3900. Contact: Carole L. Ziegler (619)297-0798, Email: cziegler@sandiego.edu

SOUNDING BOARD

Contact: Molli Wagner (858)720-1185

Sounding Board meets at noon on the first Thursday of the month at the Faculty Club for lunch and an informative talk. On **October** 7, we will have as our guest Dr Fitzgerald who is Assistant Director—Partnership Development in TTIPS (Technical Transfer for Intellectual Property Services)

If you have wondered what they do with the results of all the research that goes on at UCSD, come & hear all about it on Oct 7. See more information about her on page 6 in the newsletter.

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

This is a relatively 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.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE

Contact: Emily Stowell, 858 481-7938 or Mary Bailey, 858 755-6813. Please come and join our social group of Oceanids, newcomers, postdocs, students and their children every Wednesday all through the year from 10 a.m. to 12 noon for coffee, juice and cookies at the International Center. This is a time for children and adults to make friends, and find out about strange and wonderful American customs. There is also the opportunity to visit the kitchen exchange, where newcomers can rent kitchen and household equipment, also baby things for a small fee.

For more information, please call Emily Stowell, or Mary Bailey.

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.

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 (approx. \$8.00/person). Contact Barbara for further information. (800-358-0700 x475 (work))

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, October 26

WITS II

Contact: Ruth Reid (619) 226-2538

WITS II meets the 4th Wednesday of the month, <u>all year long</u>, 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 **October 27**. Call for information.

Half WITS

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

HalfWits meets to learn about the stock market and other financial topics. We do not have a very firm scheduled monthly day. Please call at the beginning of the month to find out the day of the meeting.

PERSPECTIVES ON OCEAN SCIENCE SERIES: SECOND MONDAY MONTHLY: 6:30-8:00 pm

Where Fresh- and Satlwater meet: The Dynamics of Coastal Lagoons in Southern California

Scripps Physical Oceanographer Clint Winant describes the fascinating, complex interface between the land and sea and provides insight into how human activities can impair this fragile ecosystem.

Members free Public: \$8 AT THE SCRIPPS AQUARIUM MONDAY, OCT. 11

UCSD: \$5

Admission, parking and refreshments included Doors open at 6:30, Presentation at 7:00 pm

INTEREST GROUPS REPORTS

IWe will have for a couple of months in this space some closer descriptions of the activities of some of the interest groups. [If the group you are particularly interested in is not listed in this space, please, call the chair person for more information]

People-to-People was happy to welcome several new members last year. We had a talk on Turkev by one of our new members, Hulya Sagin. Colin Bloor did a presentation on Bhutan and Adv Rosenblatt regaled us with her adventures a "few" years back in India where she had the good fortune to meet Mother Theresa and Indira Ghandi. We enjoyed a wonderful program by the children at the El Hogar orphanage outside of Ensenada. After helping to distribute gifts and hot dogs with the "fixins" our group, Edie Nierenberg, Sherry Bloom, her son David, Liz Fong Wills, Vilma Malmberg, Helen Kinnett and I went up through the Guadalupe Valley and stopped off at one of the wineries for a little wine tasting and brought home some to enjoy later. We continue to take journals to Mexico thanks to contacts with Dra. Martha Zetina-Ramirez. Last trip Carole Ziegler and Helen Kinnett were introduced to the directors of the newest hospital in Tijuana. Afterwards Martha took us to a great new find - The Restaurant of 100 years. They even have their own Tequila which was very smooth. Another journal shipment is soon to happen and who knows what new adventures that will bring. The newest hospital is also seeking leather reclining chairs for their dialysis unit. If anyone would care to make a contribution towards this, please let me know.

Carole Ziegler, chairperson

Last year the **Book Group** tried to read broadly: some of our chosen books were by American writers of various leanings, from Eudora Welty's deep South with its specific speech and manners, to Paul Auster's New York intellectualism and cleverness, followed by Sandra Cisneros' inherited Mexican buoyancy; some of our other books were witten by exiled writers such as the Chilean Isabel Allende, while Sanjay Nigam, a Professor of Medicine at UCSD and also a well known novelist, came in person to lead our discussion of his intriguing story "The Snake Charmer", taking place in his native India. We also enjoyed Andre Aciman's memoirs of his childhood and adolescence in the fascinating world of Alexandria, Egypt. And since we had touched on Africa, we labored through an anthology of Contemporary African Short Stories, most of them depicting the despair of a world in turmoil.

From England, we read the fascinating and impeccably written "Atonement " from lan McEwan, and Professor John Halperin again this year helped us discuss a classic, Henry James' "Portrait of a Lady", as fascinating as ever. I will not insist on our non fiction book "Cod", by Mark Kurlansky, which was found a little tedious, though very informative; we at least learned why we no longer find cod in our

supermarkets!

Our books are usually chosen by the membership, (one recommended book per member), though it does not always work that way. Most of the time, we end up pretty satisfied with our choices and our discussions, always animated, make up for the rare but less than satisfying choice.

We invite everyone interested in books to join us on the second Tuesday of the month, at 9:30 a.m. Come and see for yourself how interesting the readings of this coming year will prove to be.

Odette Filloux

Professor Norman Kroll, husband of past president and long time Oceanids member Sally Kroll, passed away on August 8, 2004. Norman was an internationally known high energy theoretical physicist, a member of the National Academy of Sciences, and served two early terms as Chairman of the Physics Department. He continued to have an active interest in his field and the Department well past retirement age. He was also very knowledgeable about music, opera and drama, and he and Sally supported these arts both at the University and the general community.

All of us who knew Norman will miss him very much, and we extend our deepest sympathies to Sally and her family. Carol Schultz

OCEANIDS IS OPEN TO ALL WHO ARE INTERESTED IN UCSD

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TWO WEDDINGS - ONE BRIDE AND ONE GROOM

by Barbara Jenkins-Lee

My nephew, once removed, chose to pursue his Doctorate in Chemistry at U.C. Berkeley after viewing a Department video which featured a beautiful Chinese student in one of the research labs. He told himself that this was the woman he wanted to marry and indeed he did - TWICE.

The June American Wedding held in the Chapel of St. Mary's College in Moraga, California was a beautiful affair with the usual formal accounterments of flower girls, attendants, etc. The groom read a love sonnet which he had written for her and the bride, a very accomplished pianist, played a concerto which she had composed to express her love for him. The reception lasted into the wee hours and everyone agreed that it was the best wedding ever.

BUT, then there was the Chinese Wedding, a month later, (the date carefully chosen accordingly to the Chinese Almanach), in Shangsha City, Hunan Province, located in central China. I was invited to escort my cousin, the groom's mother, as this was her first passport, and I had been to China a number of times. We were met at the airport by family members bearing flowers and hugs, followed by several days of being wined and dined by other family members (my 101 Conversational Mandarin only helped a wee bit but we managed).

The Wedding Day festivities started at 9AM in the morning with the Groom-Fetching-Bride Ceremony at Mama and Baba Pi's, the Bride's parents, apartment. Hundreds of people came out from the complex buildings to watch and throw rose petals as the Bride emerged with her parents. The Groom immediately picked her up to carry her to the awaiting beflowered limo - tradition rules that the Bride's feet are not allowed to touch the ground until reaching the ceremony site. Then as our line of limos (all beautifully decorated with roses and 'double happiness' red and gold signs) snaked out of the area, strings of fire crackers exploded to ward off the evil spirits.

We drove, parade style, through the streets of Shangsha to the Banquet Hall where we were met by another crowd and more fire crackers. The Bride in her white wedding dress, and the Groom in his tux, then disappeared after a short reception line to change into authentic Chinese red dress, the first of many costume changes.

Then, everyone was seated and a large procession burst forth with the entrance of the Bride hidden in a covered red sedan chair being carried by a troop of dancers and musicians with horns and drums. The Groom followed in his red garments embroidered with gold dragons and other Chinese characters. Finally, after circling all of the guests' tables the group made their way to the stage where the ceremonies continued. The Bride emerged covered from head to toe in grandeur silks with her maiden attendant at her side. The Groom then was to lift the Bride's red veil to expose her face but he caught it in her elaborate head piece and oops, it was ripped off. No matter, the rites went onward! There was a tea drinking ritual, a rice ritual and then we, as the Groom's family were brought to the stage to be kow-towed to along with the Brides parents as homage to the ancestors.

Then the Bride, now attired in a gorgeous red cheongsam gown put the Groom though many silly tests. He had to sing Chinese nursery rhymes, promise a long list of terms such as letting her control the purse strings and finally acting as a rabbit hopping all over the stage. Linda, my cousin had to give a 10 minute speech on what it meant to have a Chinese daughter-in-law which was translated into Chinese. Baba Pi went to the stage to serenade us with Chinese traditional songs. Mama Pi played several instruments (she is a music professor at the local University) and lastly, in yet different attire, the Bride and Groom performed a variety of dances for the audience as they are members of the Berkeley Dance Club.

Finally, after all the activities, the Grand Banquet began with the traditional first course of roasted pork belly with crispy skin which symbolizes virginity. Many, many, more courses followed - some were quite delicious and others not, but after three hours of eating, no-one was hungry. Soon before the guests began to leave, Linda and I were asked to join the Bride and Groom along with Mama and Baba Pi to visit each table and offer a toast. At this point, guests handed gifts of red envelopes containing money to the Bride's Father (no toasters or other bric-a-brac for the newlyweds here). I asked Baba Pi later, if he collected enough Yuan to pay for the wedding. He said that they did well, but the money would be placed in a savings account to pay back at all the future weddings they would now be expected to attend. What a system!

The next day, a large contingent of our new relatives came down to the train station to see Linda and me off, with presents of food, for our 15 hour overnight train ride to Yichang where we would continue our journey through China. There were tears in our eyes as we said farewell to such wonderful people and an incredible experience.

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The greatest expenses we have are for Bear Facts printing and mailing, parking at the International Center, and funding the Undergraduate Service Awards (one to a student in each College at UCSD.)

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Diana Scheffler is actually an old-timer, she was an enthusiastic Oceanids member when she first arrived at UCSD with her newly appointed faculty-member husband in 1971. Then over the years she got caught up in career and motherhood and Oceanids faded into the background.

She completed 25 years with the County of San Diego in 1999 having worked as a librarian with the County Library and then as an analyst and staff officer in various County departments. She retired in order to realize a long time dream of entering the field of architecture. She studied at Woodbury University Architecture School here in San Diego and got her degree in May of this year. She just started work with a small local architecture firm and thinks it's going to be great!

Oceanids entered her life again with an invitation to the dinner honoring Jean Lindsley. She was reminded then what a great bunch of people Oceanids are, and signed up once more!

October, 2004, through December, 2004

Free tours of the University of California, San Diego campus are being offered this fall by the UCSD Visitors Program. Adult volunteer tour guides offer mini-van tours the first and third Sundays of each month and walking tours on alternate Sundays. All tours start at 2 p.m. from the Gilman Information Pavilion. Wheelchair accessibility is available upon request. Group tours may be requested. Campus parking is free on weekends. Reservations are necessary, and may be made by calling (858) 534-4414.

Sunday tour schedule below: September 12*, 19, 26* October 3, 10*, 17, 24*, 31* November 7, 14*, 21 December 5, 12*, 19 *walking tour

The following is a rather frivolous poem,

reflecting my life this summer:

I must go down
to the garden again:
to the ruffled kale and chard,
to find a fresh tomato again
right in our own back-yard --

Oh -- to be in that garden fair between the sunlit trees, where leeks and squash and chayote grow, stirred by the ocean breeze.

Maryruth Cox





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