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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!

### President's Message

Dear Oceanids,

Recently, UC President Dynes announced the appointment of a new chancellor for UCSD. In a letter addressed to the UCSD community, President Dynes introduced her as "Marye Anne Fox, a distinguished chemist and highly regarded academic administrator who currently is chancellor of North Carolina State University. Dr. Fox has served as chancellor of North Carolina State since 1998 and previously was vice president for research at the University of Texas at Austin. As one of the nation's most distinguished physical organic chemists, she has been elected to membership in the National Academy of Sciences. She also is a member of President Bush's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology and is a recipient of numerous distinguished awards for her teaching and research." We are proud to invite her to be our new Oceanid's honorary chairperson, and welcome her to UCSD.

Lots of activities this month. Don't miss the Spring luncheon on May 27, when we cruise around Mission Bay on a paddle wheeler plus have our own international fashion show! We will also vote on our slate of officers for next year. Please see the details for how to sign up for the Luncheon on the cover of this issue. Also, Madeleine Rast has been working hard on a new Oceanids Directory which she hopes to have ready for the Luncheon. Thank you, Madeleine!

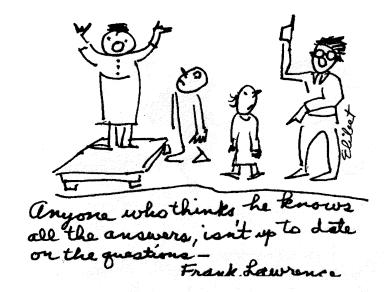
May and June will be my last months as your President. There is still time to give me your feedback and suggestions on how to improve Oceanids, Bear Facts, our activities and interest groups. Call me or e-mail me at jvacq@san.rr.com.

Yours sincerely,

Judy Vacquier



Pianist Cecil Lytle and Emeritus Acting faculty member and founding Chair of the UCSD Department of Theatre and Dance Arthur Wagner will perform The Naked Gershwin at 5:00pm on Sunday, **May 2nd**, in the Robinson Amphitheater on the campus of the Preuss School at UCSD. The concert is open to the public and will benefit the Lisa Hirschman Memorial Fund for Psychological Counseling Services for students at the Preuss School. Tickets are \$35 and may be reserved by writing to the Preuss School, UCSD, Mail Code 0536, 9500 Gilman Drive, La Jolla, CA 92036-0536. Checks should be made out to the UCSD Foundation. Contact Porta Bibb at (858) 534-1957 (pbibb@ucsd.edu) for more information.



# SLATE OF NEXT YEAR'S OFFICERS TO BE VOTED ON AT THE SPRING LUNCHEON

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#### SOUNDING BOARD IN MAY

James O. Goldsborough is foreign affairs columnist for the SD Union-Tribune and has been with the newspaper since 1991. He is a member of the editorial board for his expertise in international issues.

He spent 15 years in Europe as a correspondent for the International Herald Tribune and Newsweek magazine and is a former Edward R. Murrow fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations and a senior associate at the Carnegie Endowment. He is author of a book on Europe and of numerous articles for national publications. He has also worked for the San Francisco Examiner, Honolulu Advertiser, Arizona Republic, and 7 years as associate editor at the San Jose Mercury.

Jim's U-T column is syndicated nationally.





#### Of Frogs, Children and Myths





I must have been about 7 or 8 years old when the events I am about to relate took place. That summer my sister and I, along with our cousin and a group of our best school friends, were sent by our respective parents to a nature camp for children our age. It was located in a pine forest on the Mediterranean coast, not too far from the city where we lived. The place was idyllic and we were for the most part quite free to play to our hearts' content. Our favorite spot was the forest itself and in it, a special pine tree. It was not too high but quite widely spread and we all could easily climb into it and comfortably settle there for hours on end. We had named it: "Mount Olympus", and naturally we were its inhabitants, that is the gods and goddesses that lived freely in its heights. We had been told and we had certainly read in a series of books we adored, called "Tales and Legends of the Greek and Barbarian World", how the Gods pretty much lived as regular Humans did; so we had had no difficulty inventing for them and then enacting varied human scenarios. Yet, there was one special quality they possessed of which we were also aware or at least had heard about; and that was their immortality. Even if we did not quite understand what it really implied, we still knew enough to consider it to be out of the ordinary, definitely different and...somewhat distinguished. So we were not particularly surprised to realize that this condition must have somehow rubbed off on us, as through the entire summer we felt quite special in our tree above ground, and also a notch above those other kids, mere mortals, still treading that land down below us. And how gloriously we had played perched in that tree itself anchored in that very land which Camus, writing more or less that same year, was defining as "...inhabited by gods and (where) the gods (spoke) in the sun and the scent of absinth leaves, in the silver armor of the sea, in the raw blue sky..., and the great bubbles of light among the heaps of stone."

Unfortunately the few weeks quickly passed and our stay in the pine forest came too soon to an end. With barely any time for regrets, we were again back in town, hitched to our various schools, like all ordinary children, our godliness vanished.

Then, one day, out of these doldrums, my father, who always knew how to give spice to life, brought for us a handful of tadpoles swimming in a big bowl which he placed in the center of the living room table, with the instruction that it should be observed. And indeed it was. We were fascinated by their daily transformation and when, finally, they materialized into charming little green frogs, our enthusiasm knew no bound. We doted on them and they were the first ones to be greeted each morning and in the afternoon upon our return from school.

One morning though, as I entered the living room I noticed right away that they all had leaped out of the bowl and were disseminated on the table, on the floor and all the way out onto the balcony. As I approached them, they looked perfectly well and as pretty as ever, but when I tried to pick one up, and I did, it felt strangely still, and dry. I was shocked by the touch and did not think twice, as I rushed to the kitchen where I quickly opened the ice-box to deposit in it the small creature. I waited for a while, blindly hoping for something for which I had no name, and then I reopened the door, ready to witness... a change: but also nothing had moved and the little frog remained as still and as dry as when I had first put it in this cold place, for what I had imagined to be a kind of "resurrection", maybe rendered possible in my mind by the working of what I viewed as opposites. Soon grown-ups must have come to the scene, give their explanations, their verdicts followed by their advices. And our lives resumed without the little green frogs' presence.

It is from that moment, I know, that I came to realize that certain things could never be undone, even if you tried all you could: there was indeed a final state against which you had no power. From that day on the feeling of invulnerability I had experienced in the tree of the past summer where we had played at being Immortals left me, and then no longer different from anybody else, I felt bereft.

Today, thinking further, I realize how fortunate I had been to have come to the above awareness in such mild circumstances, and I cannot but think of all the children of the world who already then, and certainly now, and also in between now and then, have had and still have to confront death in so many repeated horrific and unspeakable situations.

I know that the memory of the charming little green frogs and of the glorious summer up in the "Mount Olympus" tree will remain with me as the image of an innocence and beauty that should always be prized and protected in every child, everywhere and at any costs.

#### May 24-September 26, 2004

#### Exhibition:

#### Dr. Seuss Between the Covers

Main floor, Geisel Library, University of California, San Diego

Hours vary. Call 858 534-2533 for information

This "Seussentennial" exhibition focuses on the children's books for which Theodor Seuss Geisel is so beloved and features original sketches, finished drawings, mock-up books and published works created by Geisel from "And to Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street (1937) to "Oh, the Places You'll Go!" (1990). The show features favorite Seuss characters and some of their transformations, such as "Horton" who started out as "Matilda." One section includes children's responses to Geisel's books, and his responses to children. Geisel's style of flamboyant, colorful illustrations, surreal surroundings and clever yet simple rhymes is readily recognizable in these original works, which taught reading, self-confidence and the wonderful possibilities of the imagination.

# Parlezvous Francais? Peut-etre un peu?

A day in the life of a French student - with the CAFE FRANCAIS Interest group:

The Café Francais is a group of French speaking persons who meet once a month and enjoy the opportunity practicing *el francais* in a friendly and casual atmosphere, *que bien*! The meetings take place once a month in one of the members homes. Café is served with goodies *tres délicieuses préparée* by the hostess.

Many of our 28 members have different geographical roots: Les Etats-Unis, France, French Canada, England, Austria, Allemagne, Switzerland, Italy, Belgium, Mexico, Turkey, therefore for most of us, French is not our mother tongue, but everyone communicates in their best French for a couple of hours with good fun, humor and companionship! C'est vrai, n'est pas?

Our longtime member, Pat Stone, *une* raconteuse magnifique, entertains us, speaking perfect French naturellement with amusing stories of her travels as the wife of a US Navy Captain. Conversations include many topics such as San Diego issues, culture, health, travel, gardening etc.

The two hours pass too quickly,

quel dommage! Martha Morera



DEAR READERS, IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT WE HAVE A SECTION "LETTERS TO THE EDITOR". IT MIGHT BRING US MORE SUBMISSIONS, IF YOU FELT THAT YOU DID NOT HAVE TO WRITE AN ESSAY OR A TRAVEL REPORT TO FOREIGN AND EXOTIC LANDS. JUST E-MAIL OR SNAIL-MAIL YOUR COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS (ADDRESS AND E-MAIL ADDRESSES ON PAGE 2 OF THE NEWSLETTER). YOUR EDITOR WILL BE HAPPY TO PUT THEM IN THIS COLUMN.

Dear Jean (Kramer) and Liz (Fong Wills),
I have enjoyed reading all of the Bear Facts that
you sent me as the president of the UC Davis
University Farm Circle. .... I think that your
newsletters include an excellent combination of
program information and personal stories.
Compliments to the Oceanids for all the delightful
Bear Facts. Sincerely yours, Lydia Baskin

It is understood that the views expressed in the letters do not necessarily represent the opinions of the newsletter. Also, the editor reserves the right to decide what to print and/or shorten submissions because of space limitations.

#### A GREAT TALK BY PROFESSOR STEVE ERIE

Steve. 4/1/04

Just want to thank you again for your exciting talk today. I overheard nice comments as people left---"outstanding talk"-"great talk".

You are a wonderful speaker. I bet your students never fall asleep in class!

Thanks again, Barbara

Barbara.

I really enjoyed myself too. Oceanids is a great group.

Best, Steve

#### Review of Sounding Board 2002-2004

In the summer of 2002 the Oceanids and the UCSD Faculty Club, became co-sponsors of the Thursday noon lecture series "Sounding Board" since it always meets at the Faculty Club. It seemed this might bring new members into both organizations as well as create larger audiences for each talk. "Sounding Board" originated as Oceanids' informal monthly discussion group.

The illustrious list of speakers in 2002-2003 included NBC radio financial adviser, **Brent Wilsey**, followed by internationally-known physicist **Herbert York** who was 1st and 3rd Chancellor of UCSD; just before Christmas, **Luann Linquist**, who relieves stress by telephone; then **Gabriele Wienhausen**, founding provost of the new computerized, 6thCollege; Professor of Biology **Chris Wills**; **Father Joe Carroll**, how he built St Vincent de Paul Village from soup kitchen to the myriad of services it now provides. We finished the academic year with **Jim Goldsborough**, one of the controversial columnists on the San Diego Union-Tribune newspaper. Jim aroused so much interest that we had the largest attendance ever for "Sounding Board" 82 people.

For 2003-2004, In October, **Bob Kittle**, editorial page editor/writer talked about the recall election; November--**Gerry Wilson**, CEO of the Better Business Bureau, warned about scams; December--**Erika Torri**, Director of The Athenaeum, the LaJolla Music & Arts Library told about their excellent concert series & art shows & art school. February--Richard **C**. **Atkinson**, Past-Chancellor of UCSD & recent President of the UC system on "Prospects for UC"; March--**Donna Frye**, 6th District City Council member as "City Council Maverick"; April--**Steve Erie**, Professor of Political Science & Director of Urban Studies speaking about Southern California's water, past, present & future; the May speaker will be **Jim Goldsborough** again by popular request, speaking on the hot topic of the moment.

# THE INFLATION OF DEMOCRACY --OR HOW TO MAKE A QUICK BUCK

The other day I was listening to public radio and it hit me like a ton of bricks! There was an interview with a guy who was a professional signature collector. I was amazed. I had noticed that rickety little tables with lists of signatures for initiatives and petitions had multiplied at my local stores, but naive as I am, I thought, well these are difficult times, economically and politically. No wonder that people want to make their views known.

Then I saw what could be called a bag lady holding 3 different clipboards on her broad lap in front of a store. And I thought, I wonder how much she knows about the issues. You see, I used to sign these lists when I was very familiar with the issue or when the signature solicitor could explain the issue sufficiently. And I also used to assume that the gatherers sacrificed their free time for the cause they so fervently believed in. But that was then. Now I heard the brodcast.

The man being interviewed was quite proud of his profession. Groups (or individuals?), in order to get their particular idea or point of view across to the public and on the ballot, pay him a certain amount per signature to stand there with his clipboard and solicit signatures. He does not have to agree with their philosophy nor does he need to be able to explain anything about it to the signer. Avon-style, he then recruits other people for a part of the pay to stand in his place. Given that many of these solicitors have more than one petition in front of them they can make quite a good living.

Do you have a cause you want to gather signatures for? No matter how ridiculous the cause all you need is some money to pay the signature gatherers.

Is that what democracy means? Or is that capitalism US-style, pure and simple? Needless to say, that I do not sign anymore. Even if the cause sounds worthwhile I demand more information, which the clipboard brigade usually can't give.

And what keeps them from having their friends and families sign just for a part of the action?

Roswitha Enright

Barbara Baehr

Barbara Baehr, a Faculty Club Board member and member of Oceanids, had agreed to procure speakers and run the program. She submitted the co-sponsorship proposal to the Oceanids, Board in July 2002. It was adopted.

All Oceanids owe Barbara a great deal of gratitude. Her choices were interesting, varied and always worthwhile. She obviously knows and keeps contact with the right people. Unfortunately she will not be able to continue as chairperson for the Sounding Board Adventure, She has. nevertheless, managed to find speakers for next year's meetings. All we need is some brave person who will meet and introduce the speakers. I am sure that Barbara would be available to help with a smooth transition. If you are at all interested, please give her a call: 858-272 4370

Roswitha Enright



# 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 May 10.

#### **BOOK GROUP**

Contact Odette Filloux, (858) 453-0749

May 11, at 9:30 a.m.: Meeting place: Elibet Marshall, 2767 Hidden Vally Road, La Jolla. We shall discuss "Out of Egypt" by Andre Aciman. Ruth Stern will be the reviewer.

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

#### CAFÉ ESPAÑOL

Contact: Judy Vacquier, (858) 459-7834

La próxima reunión de Cafe Espanol será el miercoles, 5 de mayo, en la casa de Marianne Burkenroad, 2354 Torrey Pines Road #14, La Jolla. Favor de contestar a Judy 858-459-7834 si puede venir o si tiene preguntas. Please note: We now meet the first Wednesday of each month all year.

#### CAFÉ FRANÇAIS

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

Le prochain cafe français sera chez Pat Stone, 7025 Via Via Valverde, La Jolla CA 92037, a 13:00 heures, le mercredi 12 mai 2004. Veuillez lui telephoner SEULEMENT si vous ne pouvez pas venir. Merci et a bientot!

#### 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 May 16, 2004

(the 3rd Sunday, but the 2nd is Mother's Day)

#### 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: May 4 and 18.

#### **DEVILISH DINERS**

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

Our May excursion will be the Oceanids Spring Luncheon. (see cover of newsletter for details). If you are interested in assuming leadership of the Devilish Diners Interest Group for the next year, please contact Mary Dashen for more information.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION BOOK GROUP**

Contact: Judy Vacquier (858) 459-7834.

This group meets the fourth Thursday every other month in the conference room at the Birch Aquarium at Scripps to discuss a book on environmental conservation and related topics. We will take a break pending finding a new chairperson. If you are interested, Contact Judy Ycquier, 858-459-7834 or jvacq@san.rr.com. Parking is free for 3 hours. Bring your lunch. For more information contact Judy Vacquier.

#### **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 May 22, '04

#### **GARDENING GROUP**

Contact Mary Lynn Hyde 858-488-9283 mlhyde@san.rr.com or Irene Allison 858-453-0206 iallison@ucsd.edu Our May excursion will be the Oceanids Spring Luncheon. (see cover of newsletter for details). No separate excursion is planned for this month. We concluded our busy year with the April 29 outing to Perennial Adventure and La Torta in La Mesa. If you are interested in assuming leadership of the Gardening Interest Group for the next

year, please contact Mary Lynn 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 May 3, '04

Report from the Gracious Aging group:



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 May 8, '04.

#### 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.

Meeting will be on Monday, **May 10** at 1:00pm in Oceanids Pavilion. Our dear Oceanids friend Ady Rosenblatt will take us back to a week in India in the 1970s. While on this trip Ady met both Mother Theresa and Indhira Ghandi. This should prove to be an interesting and informative discussion. Everyone is welcome to join us. Contact: Carole Ziegler: (619)297-0798 or

cziegler@sandiego.edu

#### **SOUNDING BOARD**

Contact: Barbara Baehr (858) 272-4370

Next Sounding Board after the Board Meeting on the first Thursday of the month, the **6th of May**,, we will have as our guest James O. Goldsborough, foreign affairs columnist for the SD Union-Tribune. He has been with the newspaper since 1991. He is a member of the editorial board for his expertise in international issues.

See more information about her on page 3 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. 

Whave 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). Next meeting: May 22. 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, May 25...

#### 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 **May 26**. 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.

#### RENTING THE INTERNATIONAL CENTER



Even if you are not planning your own event we hope that you will urge your friends and associates to rent our lovely International Center facility for luncheons, receptions, presentations, meetings, small conferences or special events. Please help us promote International Center rentals to individuals and organizations in the community as well as to University campus departments.

When you rent the center you have access to an outdoor garden with patio and fountain, outdoor stage with balcony, lawn barbeque area, institutional kitchen and food service area. large dining room with four dining alcoves, chairs, tables, screen, podium, easel, chalkboard.

For more information on capacity, fees and availability call 534-6442

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#### **NEW MEMBERS NEWS**

**Su Yun Chung** and John C. Wooley met at the University of Chicago. Su wrote the following about herself and John:

I grew up in Taiwan and obtained a B.S. degree in Physics, Taiwan University. I came to the US for graduate study and obtained a PH. D in Biophysics from the University of Chicago.

I came to UCSD about two years ago. Before UCSD, I was a tenured professor in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Science, Bethesda, Maryland. I taught first year medical students for more than ten years there. I am currently an Associate Scientist with the Center for Research in Biological Structure (CRBS) at UCSD.

I have broad interest in Eastern Philosophy, Buddhism, Chinese literature, and Cognitive neuroscience. I like hiking, reading, food, and photography.

I am a member of the Chancellor Associate at UCSD the Scripps Oceanographic Society, and a new member at the International Center and of Oceanids.

### **HOUSE FOR RENT**

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\$3000/month Please, call 858 459 6760 There has been a name change for
Friends of UCSD Healthcare. It is now known
as "Associates of UCSD Medical Center." I feel it
should still be listed as such in the Oceanids roster.

What has happened is there were many different organizations all working separately for the same cause. All of these groups were combined into one group called Associates of UCSD Medical Center. This group encompassed a wide range of services, activities and social events. I am in close contact with this group and plan on reporting what is going on at the medical center such as the opening of the new building for the Cancer center, changes in parking at Pearlman, parking at the cancer center, etc.

Sallye Krause

Be sure to attend the Sounding Board on MAY 6, 2004 at the Faculty Club after the board meeting.

Speaker: James O. Goldsborough

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In order to get the room for the lectures without cost we had to promise that the people who attend the talks will purchase their lunch (all you can eat and drink, including dessert for 10 bucks!!) at the Faculty Club. If you are a member of the F.C., you can pay at the door to the dining room. All non-members please pay Jean in the meeting room. The lunch should only been eaten in the meeting room, not in the dining room, please.



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