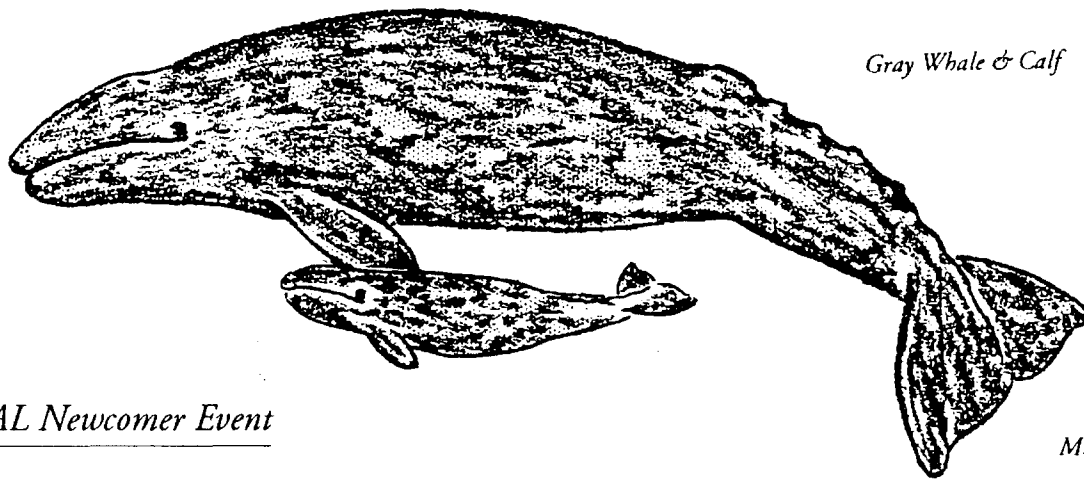


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Gray Whale & Calf

M. Pentis

26th ANNUAL Newcomer Event

WHALE WATCHING - Saturday, January 18th

The date has been set for our Newcomers' annual Whale Watching Trip off the La Jolla coast — 9:00 AM, Saturday morning, January 18, 1997.

Join Newcomers & friends as we set sail from Seaforth Landing in Mission Bay, for our two-hour excursion along the San Diego coastline to hunt for the migrating California Gray Whale. This is the 26th year Al Pentis, Gray Whale behaviorist, has led our trips.

Mark your calendar now and call Georgina Sham for details and reservations at 459-1336.§



OCEANIDS HOST FRIDAY CAFÉ

Oceanids is hosting the Friday Café on January 10th. Please come help with lunch for about 220 foreign students, post-docs, scholars, etc. We will be serving Black Bean Chili (using the recipe from Greens Vegetarian Restaurant in San Francisco), green salad, bolillos from Tijuana and some yummy dessert.

We start cooking at 9 AM. Please come for any period of time that you can spare between 9 and 2 PM. Call Liz Fong Wills if you have any questions at 454-6858.§

SLIDE LECTURE ON THE GRAY WHALE

Learn about the behavior of gray whales. Al Pentis will be at the Internation Center on Monday, January 13th, 6:30 PM. All are welcome to attend.

If you are planning on going on the “whale hunt” with Newcomers, this is a great opportunity to sharpen your skills, especially if you plan to take photographs. Anticipating their behavior is the secret to a great shot.

If you just want to learn more and how to spot them from shore, join us.. Al will also tell you where the best places are to view the grays.§

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NEW OCEANIDS' E-MAIL ADDRESSES



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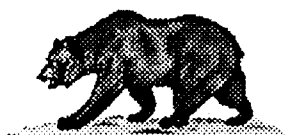
...Pauline Nachbar, Chair

(Of course, those who overlooked renewing no longer receive the *Bear Facts* by mail. ... Ed.)

People-to-People

MEXICO TRIP

Due to repeated requests that we do another Tijuana Tour, we are planning a trip on Monday, March 3, 1997. It will be an all inclusive tour for \$40.00. Bus transportation, lunch with a Marguerita, any donations and tips needed will be included in the price. Tentative itinerary includes a visit to the Church of the Espiritu Santo, and its surrounding neighborhood, cultural museum, crafts center, and, of course, shopping on Revolution. Because we anticipate that this trip will fill based on previous experience, a tax-deductible deposit of \$10.00 will hold your spot on the bus. Please send checks, made out to People-to-People, to Jean Kramer at 9430 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla, Calif. 92037-1137. For information or other questions please call Edie Nierenberg at 452-1358. §



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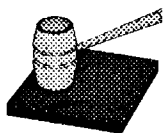
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Bear Facts welcomes submissions for consideration!

CO-President's Message



Maxine and I wish you a very happy and healthy New Year. We hope you had a very joyful holiday. December is always a very busy time, but it is also a time to celebrate traditions and friendships. The Oceanid's Holiday Party at University House did both. The approximately eighty people who attended were bubbling spirits. They gathered around the large serving table, sampled the delicious goodies, and talked, and then sampled more goodies, and talked some more. Everyone seemed happy meeting old friends and also getting to know newcomers. Chancellor Dynes was there and his friendship and informal manner just fit in perfectly. Those meeting him for the first time, were delighted to do so.

There was wonderful carol singing led by Sandy and Evelyn Lakoff, supported with gusto by an enthusiastic group that was truly beautiful to listen to. It is at moments like that, when I wish I could carry a tune. Thanks go to Sandy and Evelyn for sharing their talents and organizing this Oceanid Party holiday tradition. Following caroling there was dancing and those who joined in did so eagerly and clearly enjoyed themselves. Thanks go to Lu and Georgina Sham for starting this new tradition. Time flew by, and no one seemed ready to leave, which is a sure sign of a successful party.

Maxine and I want to thank Liz Wills, Alma Coles, Barbara Starkey, Jean Lindsley, Georgina Sham, and Lou Bowles, for decorating the tree and serving and clearing and greeting people and making sure the event went so smoothly. We also thank Bernita Whiting for her generous help in so many ways.

We are starting the New Year with a busy schedule. Our first Board meeting of the year will be on January 2nd. As most of the University will still be closed, Sounding Board will meet at the

HAPPENINGS

Oceanid Pavilion immediately following the Board Meeting. Oceanids will sponsor the *Friday Café* at the International Center on January 10th, and it is fun to help with the cooking and serving, so if you can, please volunteer. The following week People-to-People is sponsoring the *Friday Café*, so there will be a second opportunity if you can't make the first. For those of you who don't know, *Friday Café* is a lunch at which foreign students and scholars can meet other members of the University community. Although there is a nominal charge for lunch, the event is subsidized by various organizations, and traditionally, both Oceanids and People-to-People have been sponsors.

The big Oceanid event for January is the Newcomer's Whale Watching Trip, open to all Oceanids and Newcomers. Al Pentis will give an orienting lecture at the International Center on January 13th, and then he will be our narrator for the Whale Watching Trip on Saturday, January 18th. (see the articles in Bear Facts.)

The Oceanid Interest Groups are all doing well, and I am only sorry that I can't participate in all of them. We hope that the Oceanid Directory will go to press at the end of January or early February. We have other activities planned for the rest of this academic year, but at this time we have a small group of very devoted people who work very hard on a number of projects. We need more volunteers, and so if you can, please become involved. You will find it very rewarding! Our Board meetings at the Oceanid Pavilion are always open to all of our members, and we'd love to have your input. If you can't make the meetings, just call Dorothy Edwards, or Maxine and me, or any Board member, and we'll find a way to use your services.

... Carol Schultz

IN MEMORIAM - MIRIAM FOX

Miriam Fox, a founding member of Oceanids, died November 17, 1996, in a convalescent center in Escondido, to which she had moved six months earlier.

Her association with Scripps Institution of Oceanography began in 1932, when she married Denis L. Fox, who had joined SIO as a young faculty member the previous year. Miriam was a participant in early women's groups at SIO: one that consisted mostly of faculty wives, and another that began right after World War II of wives of new young staff members and graduate students. Miriam especially enjoyed this latter group, in spite of her "faculty" status. From it Oceanids was established in the spring of 1952, urged into being by Helen Raitt, and set up to include all women associated with SIO. Denis Fox proposed the name Oceanids, which was in use by the fall of 1952.

Soft-voiced, always greeting friends with a gentle smile, Miriam participated for many years in Oceanid events, faithfully bringing cookies to meetings and helping whenever asked. She was there at such significant events as a visit by the Regents to this remote campus of the University of California, and at the celebration of the inauguration of UC President Clark Kerr. Miriam especially enjoyed the "Needlers" Sewing Group, an early interest group, which was both sew and sociable.

Born in Newton, Iowa, Miriam moved with her parents to northern California in 1928. She was trained in nursing and met Denis before he left Berkeley for SIO. Miriam and Denis had three sons and a daughter; of the boys, Stephen was tragically killed in 1954 when he stopped to help a stalled driver and was hit by a passing vehicle.

At their house in Hidden Valley in La Jolla, Denis and Miriam had a fine garden, from which they donated a large cycad to SIO just before moving in to Casa de Mafiana some time after Denis became an emeritus professor. The cycad is planted along the north side of Sumner Auditorium (no plaque; it's just there). Over the years, Miriam enjoyed classical music, walking, and spending time with her children and grandchildren. IN her memory, the family has suggested donations in Miriam's name to the Alzheimer's Association or to the San Diego Zoological Society.

Please take note...

JAN. 13th FIMO CLASS

We will be having a slide talk on Gray Whales Monday, January 13th, at the International Center. If you were planning on attending the standing Monday night Fimo Class with Mary Dashen on the 13th, please contact her for time and location 456-7848.§

...oops, MISSING

If you attended our University House Christmas Party you may have left your shawl. One was discovered after everyone had left. Also, someone may have mistakenly taken a glass serving plate home as we haven't been able to locate it for the owner.

Please call Carol Schultz if you know about either—453-0458.

HAPPENINGS & AWARDS



LIVING ON A RIVER, PART III

by Beth Spooner,
November 25, 1996

(In our November '96 Bear Facts, Beth, a long time Oceanid member, related some of the experiences she and her husband have been having living in Oregon on the Umpqua River. The last line in Part II stated, "I wonder what the winter of '97 has in store for us." If this fall's storms are any indication, it's becoming a test of survival. Ed.)

Well, just as summer came to an abrupt end, so did the most beautiful fall on record as the 'Pineapple Express' made a direct hit on the Umpqua River. It started raining in the early AM on Monday, Nov. 18 and less than 24 hours later we had recorded 6.2 inches of rain. During the day the river was rising a foot an hour at the house, and by 4 PM we were clocking it at two feet an hour. That was the point at which we started rapidly moving things out of the garage, which is the lowest point of the house. Friends and neighbors arrived in mass and we loaded a livestock trailer with lawn and garage equipment, drove the cars to higher ground, then we moved a lot of things up to the first floor. By 7 AM we evacuated to spend the night at our neighbors on the hill overlooking our house. As we left, we waded out in knee-deep water (on the ground level). We walked back down the hill at 10 PM, just as the river crested, and we could see the water was halfway up the garage doors, and there was a very swift current flowing between us and the house. We retreated again. At 2 AM, when we next checked, the water was down several feet and we could see the driveway. Then we crashed to wait until morning to assess the damage.

The damage was all on the ground level—both garage doors buckled, all our newly completed landscaping was swept away, four cords of nice dry firewood drifted off to someone else's yard—and Mother Nature left us with dozens of old and new-growth logs, as well as tons of slash and debris. We do have flood insurance, but it will take sometime before we know if any of it will be covered. The good news is the house did exactly what it was designed to do and there is no physical or structural damage to the house. More good news is that each day I find another rhododendron or other treasure to replant. The final reports are not in, but according to our local 1964 flood marker, this flood was only five feet less than that 100 year flood. The river has receded, we've cleaned the mud and sludge out of the garage and things worth saving, now back to the work of cleaning up outside.

(I'm sure we are all wondering how the Spooners have survived the December floods that have devastated the northwest. We hope Beth writes again soon. ... Ed.)

UCSD PHYSICIAN TO CHAIR MEDICAL COMMITTEE FOR U.S. SURFING FEDERATION

Mark Bracker, M.D., was named head physician and chair of the medical committee for the U.S. National Team. The sport of surfing is growing into a recognized sport and the U.S. Surfing Federation is spearheading the American effort to make surfing an Olympic event for the summer games in Sydney, Australia, in the year 2000.

UCSD AUTHOR WINS THREE AWARDS FOR HER RECENT BOOK

Stephanie McCurry, associate professor of history at UCSD has received three major awards for her book *Masters of Small Worlds: Yeoman Households, Gender Relations, and the Political Culture of the Antebellum South Carolina Low Country* (Oxford University Press, 1995). The Charles S. Sydnor Award from the Southern Historical Association, the Best Book Award from the South Carolina Historical Society, and a nomination for a Pulitzer Prize in history have gone to McCurry.

...See **MORE AWARDS** page 9.

FACULTY CLUB CONCERT

→ On Sunday, January 12, at 3 PM you can enjoy a special afternoon of American music with Cecil Lytle in Concert with "George Gershwin at 99". Cost is \$25. Call 534-0876 for information and reservations. You had better hurry as last year's sold-out concert was a great social event and an artistic triumph.

WHALE FEST AT THE BIRCH AQUARIUM

Through January and February 1997 a good place to watch gray whales from shore is the Stephen Birch Aquarium Museum. Not only is Tide-Pool Plaza a great spot to enjoy a panoramic view of the La Jolla shoreline and the Pacific Ocean, you can watch for gray whales in the distance as they migrate south. Inside the aquarium there is a special educational whale exhibit—*WhaleFest*. Admission to the aquarium and the exhibit is \$6.50 for adults, \$3.50 for children, \$4.50 for Retirement Association members with their UCSD photo ID. Need more information, call 534-FISH.

THAR SHE BLOWS...

THE CALIFORNIA GRAY WHALE

by Mary Anne Pentis

This is the time of year that you can enjoy the annual migration of the California Gray Whale, coming down from the Bering Sea where they have spent the summer months gorging on amphipods which live in the shallow, sandy bottom. The whales leave before the September storms arrive. The arduous one-way journey of 6,000 miles brings them within viewing distance along the California coastline. The whales reach San Diego waters in early November and continue to pass by through February. From March through May they may be seen returning north.

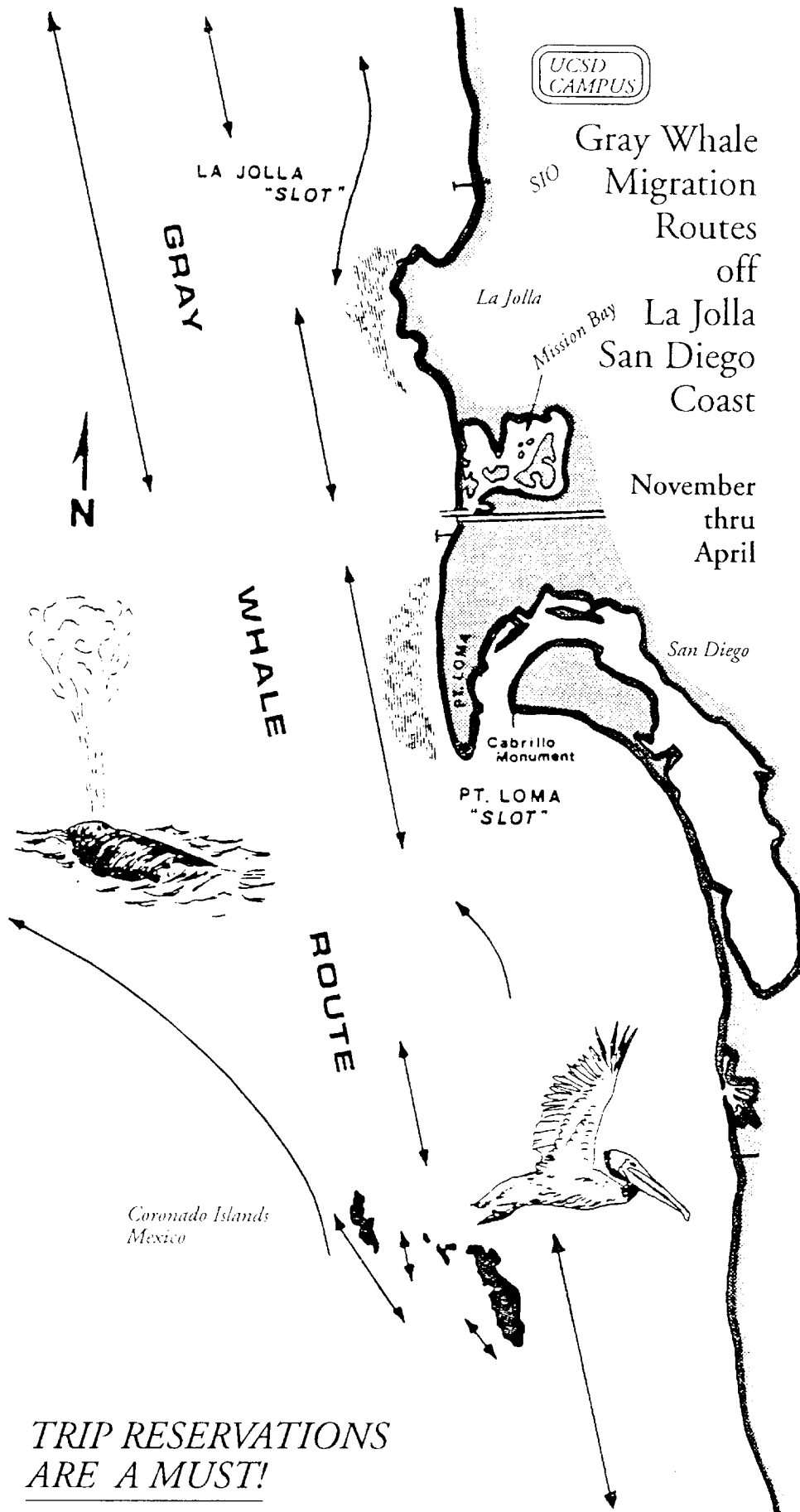
The grays, which reach about 45 feet in length, are heading to the calving and mating grounds of the lagoons situated on the Pacific side of the Baja peninsula. The greatest concentrations head for Scammon Lagoon, and San Ignacio Lagoon. Some go all the way around the tip at La Paz and into the Sea of Cortez.

For the past 25 years, gray whale behaviorist Al Pentis (and protégé of Ray Gilmore), has led the Newcomer's trips to view the whales from chartered boats. The two-hour trip leaves Mission Bay and heads north into the "migration highway" (see accompanying map). These huge mammals can be viewed quite close—hearing their sharp exhale and then inhale is always a thrill. The breath is expelled under such great pressure that it causes condensation which can be seen as the "blow" visible for quite a distance. Their gray-black mottled bodies are encrusted with patches of barnacles and brown-orange whale lice.

Occasionally a mother whale will have her calf in the kelp beds off La Jolla. About half of the females are ready to give birth this season; the other half mate and will give birth next year. Most of those we see mating are already pregnant by the time they pass San Francisco, thus they exercise a human behavior. By March, the whales begin to leave the lagoons on their long return journey north.

Since the whales pass so close to shore they are exposed to many boaters trying to get a close look. Many become skittish and are difficult to view. Others travel farther out to sea to avoid the boats.

Since the feeding grounds in the Arctic Ocean and the breeding grounds along Baja have not yet been destroyed by man, the herd has grown steadily since the 1930s, when they numbered about 300; today there are around 21-24 thousand, probably their pre-man population. Consequently they have recently been removed from the Endangered Species List which has protected them. §



TRIP RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST!

This trip is always a sell-out. You must make your reservations in advance. Please contact Georgina Sham, 459-1336, for details.

© M. Pentis

OCEANIDS INTEREST GROUPS



AVI-SET BIRDWATCHERS

Oceanids *Birding Group* meets on the **fourth Monday of each month** during the academic year.

For information, phone **Sidney Bagley, 455-1477; Lou Bowles, 755-7102; or Joany Mosher, 454-0017.**



GARDEN GROUP

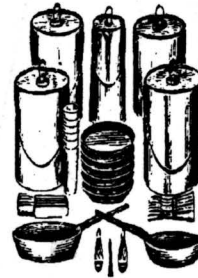
On Thursday, January 9, we will visit G & B Orchids in Vista. They have many beautiful plants in greenhouses and will tell us how to keep our orchids healthy. We will lunch at one of Vista's many restaurants on Restaurant Way. We will meet in the parking lot on Nobel Dr. at 9 AM.

Please call **Bert Friedkin** at **459-8710** in case we need to cancel.

BOOK GROUP



Book Group will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Jan. 14 at the home of Ruth Fejer, 7225 Encelia Dr., La Jolla, 456-1832. The book to be discussed is *Ragtime*, by E.L. Doctorow. Nancy Panofsky will lead the discussion. For further information call **Isabel Voss, 488-2067, or Nora Atlas, 453-6444.**



KITCHEN EXCHANGE

Our *Kitchen Exchange* is open every Wednesday from 10:00 AM to 12:00 noon, and is now entering its 21st year. We continue to serve many of the large number of short-term foreign visitors who come to UCSD by renting kitchen equipment and baby things. When these visitors tell us how

grateful they are for the help we provide them, Mary Ruth and I always suggest that they start such a service when they return home. Soon there should be *Kitchen Exchange* clones all over the world!

We are always happy to accept donations. And, if you enjoy meeting and helping people, we can use your help—call **Maryruth Cox, 755-4007; Louise Keeling, 755-7121; Liz Fong Wills, 454-6858; or Tzu-mei Yip, 755-6387.**



CAFÉ FRANÇAIS

Prochaine réunion: mercredi **22 Janvier 1997** à 10 heures. Chez Arlette Helary, 1001 Genter St. #2C, La Jolla, 551-9229 (conversations amicales en Français). For additional information you may call either **Denyse Haney 929-9120 or Arlette Helary, 551-9229.**

DAY BRIDGE



Being a congenial bunch, we get along well together. Our group plays a standard, unsophisticated game of bridge. This makes it easy for new members. We welcome your participation. We meet the first and

third Tuesdays of the month at the various member's houses. **Isabel Wheeler, co-chair, 459-7461.**



LA JOLLA RENAISSANCE SINGERS

The La Jolla Renaissance Singers are off to another enjoyable season of song. Potential new members are always welcome. Call **Connie Mullin, 454-6871** if you are interested.

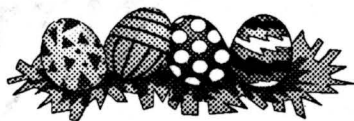


EVENING COUPLES BRIDGE

New members are always welcome to our convivial group. We meet at **8:00 PM on the fourth Friday of the month** for an evening of party bridge. At 11:00 PM we enjoy the hostess' favorite dessert and award prizes from the one dollar per couple kitty. Members take turns hosting the group, and play is limited to three tables.

If you wish to play on a monthly basis, or just occasionally, please call **Barbara Bank** at **484-4597.**

FIMO EGGS



This new group is off to a great start. So many signed up at the Fall Luncheon that the craft class will take place every Monday evening at 7:30. It has been moved downstairs into the International Center Kitchen. Not only will you learn the "egg" techniques taught by Mary Dashen, she will also show you bead making.

You will need the following supplies: 4 blown eggs (brown shelled are the strongest), Elmer's glue, paper towels, 4 or 5 blocks of Fimo clay in contrasting colors (available at Aaron Brothers and Michael's), tissue blades (may be purchased in class for a small fee). If you have a burned out light bulb, bring it along for a surprise. Parking is free—obtain permits in class. Any questions? If so, call **Mary** at **456-7848.**



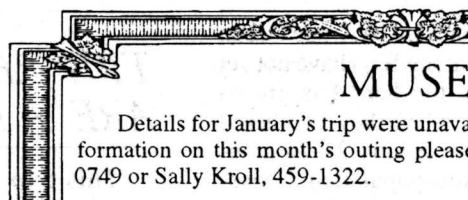
MOVEABLE FEAST

Our couples only group will sample Creole cooking at Bessie's Garret in La Jolla on Saturday, January 11. Please call **Liz Fong Wills** one week before at **454-6858** if you are interested in joining us.

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New OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH

Our new lunch group will probably go to Mary Pappa's newish restaurant in North County on Tuesday, January 21 (third Tuesday of the month). Please call **Liz Fong Wills** at **454-6858** five days before.



MUSEUM GROUP

Details for January's trip were unavailable at press time. For information on this month's outing please call **Odette Filloux, 453-0749 or Sally Kroll, 459-1322.**

OCEANIDS INTEREST GROUPS

New groups may form at any time. Call Barbara Starkey, coordinator... 453-0779, with your ideas.

PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE



The January meeting will be on Monday, January 13, at 1:30 PM in the Oceanids Pavilion. The speaker will be Dr. Adelia Aquino from Brazil. Dr. Aquino is collaborating with Dr. Dynes (theory of electron transfer reactions in photosynthetic research centers), Biophysics, UCSD. She will, however, be speaking about her country and its culture. Questions? Carole Ziegler, 297-0798 (H), 260-4099 (W).

SOUNDING BOARD

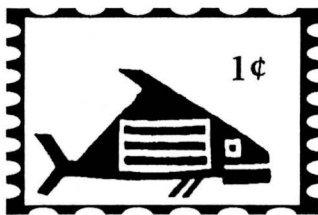


January's speaker should be an interesting change of pace. He will be from the San Diego Community Foundation. Since 1975 Their organization has made grants to nonprofit organizations in the areas of health, human services, arts and culture.

Have you ever been part of an organization that had a great project but not enough funds? Here is a possibility. See how it works. They

awarded more than \$6.5 million in grants last year. Ask me privately who is considering taking a job with them.

The first Thursday falls on January 2 and the Faculty Club will be closed all that week. SO WE ARE GOING TO MEET at 12 noon at the Pavilion. There will be sandwiches and soup for all. Parking on campus should be easy since there are no classes that week.



STAMP GROUP

The members of the Oceanids Stamp Group collect stamps more for pleasure than profit. There are only a few of us, and we exchange (mostly used) stamps with

each other. Anyone interested in stamps is welcome to join us. We do not hold regular meetings. We very much appreciate the U.S. and foreign stamps that members of Oceanids give to us. We pay a nominal amount for those stamps of interest to ourselves, and the proceeds are returned to Oceanids. Duplicate stamps are given to non-profit organizations that can put them to good use.

One of those organizations is the Postal History Foundation in Tucson, Arizona, which uses stamps to reinforce regular classroom instruction in social studies, history, science, etc. It sells surplus stamps from all countries as part of its income. Donations to it are tax-deductible.

If you have stamps to give us, you may leave them at the office of Friends of the International Center (I'm there once a week), or mail them to me. We usually do not collect stamps on envelopes, so you may cut them off or tear around the stamps, and we'll take care of them, soaking them off the paper. The only exceptions are first-day covers and very old letters (prior to 1900). If you have questions about collecting stamps, feel free to call me, Betty Shor at 453-0334.

WALKING & HIKING GROUP



As every year, we had an active Hiking Group. We covered trails from Cuyamaca park, Laguna Mountains and Anza Borrego Desert, always discovering new and challenging areas. In spring we also explored the rolling hills of Riverside County full of different wild flow-

ers and green pastures. Particularly impressive were the Santa Rosa Plateau Ecological Preserve where nature is still untouched.

Everyone is welcome to join our group on the **second Saturday** of the month. All you need is water, lunch bags and sturdy shoes.

For more information call **Anna Maria Buonassisi at 453-2296** or **Rosemary Lugmair at 454-4573**.



WEDNESDAY COFFEES

"It's noisy and a lot of fun," says Dorothy Edwards.

Jointly sponsored by *Friends of the International Center and People to People*, the Wednesday Coffees serve the spouses of our foreign scholars. Coffee hours provide opportunities for forming friendships, and learning of other Center activities or community functions. Our many volunteers provide assistance with problems of adjusting to life in a different country.

Women with babies and toddlers are welcome and we provide materials and instructions for craft projects.

Our *International Kitchen* program features ethnic luncheons the **second Wednesday** of the month following the coffee hour.

Conversation Table for women needing practice in English **9AM to noon**. Those without little ones join conversation sessions **Wednesday afternoons, from 1:00 PM**. A companion program meets separately to enjoy outings without children.

Call **Emily Stowell**, coordinator, at **481-7938**.

WINE-TASTING GROUP



Our "search for the truth" continues for the perfect wine as we meet at the home of various members. We haven't found it yet. Tradition insists that the December meeting be a wide selection of champagnes and a ridiculous assortment of gifts.

For the coming year we shall be meeting on the **second Friday** evening of each month, from October to May.

The Wine-tasting Group has room for a few new members. If you didn't sign up at the Fall meeting, call the chairman, **Betty Shor at 453-0334**, for information on time and place and the group's rules.

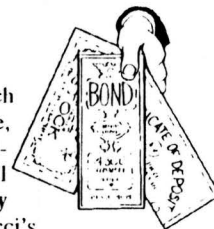


WITS

We are a stock investment group of 25 Oceanids who's main interest is to learn more about finances and investments. We meet monthly year round at various members homes to discuss buying and selling stocks. Because we have been meeting and contributing \$25 monthly each for 12 years now, (as well as being rather swift stock selectors!) our portfolio has grown so that to buy a membership in WITS now is \$5,000 or so. Therefore, we have started a new interest group.

WITS II

We are also a stock investment group wherein each member invests \$25 per month plus an entrance fee, and we study which stocks to buy in our joint investments. This is meant to be a learning situation for all members. We meet monthly, the **fourth Wednesday** of the month, **3:30 until 5:00 PM** at Suzanne Angelucci's house, 8466 Prestwick Drive. We have a limit of 25 members. If you are interested in being placed on our waiting list, write **Laurie Kreutz, 4239 Pilon Point, San Diego, CA 92130**.



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ART

Through January 13 University Art Gallery. Ross Bleckner showing. Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.. Free admission. 534-2864. (The front door of the gallery is now on the west side of the Mandeville Center)

BOOKSTORE

534-3149

Wednesday Night Live. In January, after the opening of the University, there will be a speaker from 6-7 every Wednesday and the bookstore will be open until 8 p.m. for purchases.

FACULTY

CLUB 534-0876

January 3 Faculty Club opens after a refurbishing of the dining room and lounge with new carpets and fresh paint.

January 17 Author Dinner. Richard Friedman will discuss his book "*The Disappearance of God*".

January 21 Cecil Lytle in Concert. Call for reservations.

FILMS

ASUCSD Winter film series information will be available at the information desk at the Price Center early in January.

The San Diego Film Festival. January - May 1996 presents the best new films available from around the world. All the films presented are the best new films available from around the world. All the films presented are San Diego area premiers and for some films this will be their very first United States screening. Series passes are available. 8 p.m., Mandeville Auditorium. UCSD Box Office, 534-6467, Tu-F 10-5

MUSIC

January 15 Martin Luther King Memorial Concert: UCSD Gospel Choir, conducted by Ken Anderson. 8 p.m., Mandeville Auditorium. Free 534-5404

January 19 Undergraduate guitarist Chris Carelli plays classical guitar repertoire. 8 p.m. Erickson Hall, Mandeville Center. Free 534-5404

January 20 Vermeer Quartet, 8 p.m., Mandeville Auditorium. Works by Bach, Mozart and Carter. 534-6467

January 21 Beethoven Fund Raiser: Pianist Cecil Lytle plays the last 4 sonatas. 3 p.m., Faculty Club, \$25 - 534-0876

January 26 Faculty Duo Violin Recital: Violinists Janos Nagy and Paivikki Nykter - Recital Hall, Mandeville Center, 8 p.m., \$7/\$5, 534-5404

January 27 Undergraduate Performers Forum: Students present a varied program. 7 p.m., Erickson Hall, Mandeville Center. Free, 534-5404

January 30 Guest Cellist Recital: Frances-Marie Utti, known for developing the technique of playing with two bows at one time, presents a concert of innovative cello works. 8 p.m., Warren Lecture Hall, \$7/\$5, 534-5404

LECTURES SEMINARS

The following seminars will be held from 3-5 p.m., in the Conference Room of the International Conference Center, Institute of the Americas, 10111 North Torrey Pines Road.

January 10 "The Political Economy of Democratic Transitions". Stephen Haggard, political economist, UCSD.

January 17 "The Institutional Construction of Privilege and Property in Mexico". 1890-1911. Edward N. Beatty, historian, Stanford University and Visiting Researcher, Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies

January 24 "Brown Collar Jobs: Earnings Penalties in Immigrant Latino Occupations".

Lisa Catanzarite, sociologist, University of California, San Diego and Visiting Researcher, Center for U.S.- Mexican Studies.

January 31 "A Comparative Study of Political Cultures in Mexico and Chile: An Anthropological Approach". Larissa Lomnitz, anthropologist, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, Mexico

SPORTS

January 1 Women's Basketball - University of Wisconsin 7 p.m.

January 5-6 Men's Basketball - La Jolla Classic. Redlands, Ripon, University of the South. 6 and 8 p.m.

January 10 Women's Basketball - Mills College 6 p.m.

January 12 Women's Basketball - Chapman University 7 p.m.

January 13 Women's Basketball - Whittier College 7 p.m.

January 19 Men's Basketball - The Master's College 8 p.m.

January 19 Women's Basketball - Occidental College 6 p.m.

January 27 Men's Basketball - Menlo College 7 p.m.

January 30 Men's Basketball - Chapman University 7 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS

UCSD - TV Channel 15 cable and 35 UHF

Emmy award winning UCSD-TV

is a non-commercial broadcast station originating from the La Jolla campus. It was created to extend the activities of the university into the greater San Diego community. Monday-Public Affairs, Tuesday-Humanities, Wednesday-Science, Thursday -Health and Medicine, Friday-Art and Music, Saturday-Movie Night, Sunday-highlights of the week. 4 p.m.to midnight.

STEPHEN BIRCH
AQUARIUM-MUSEUM
534-7336 Advance reservations are required for all activities.

January 13 Fish Detectives. 10 a.m. to noon.

Would you be able to tell one fish from another in a line-up? Can you tell where a fish lives or what it eats simply by looking at it? Learn about the parts of a fish's body and other leads to follow, and then stalk the aquarium in search of likely "suspects." Craft a fish of your own from what you uncover. For 2nd and 3rd graders. \$18.

January 17 Tidepooling for Tots. Ages 4,5,6 with chaperone. \$8 adult, \$5 child, 12:30-3:30 p.m. South Cardiff. Some of the lowest tides of the year occur during our excursions. Discover animals and plants that thrive amid harsh conditions of tide pools. Wear old tennis shoes and bring a change of clothes and a towel for each person. Groups limited to 15 per naturalist.

January 20 Tidepooling for everyone. 6-adult. 6-13 with an adult. \$8 adult, \$5 for child. See January 17 for more instructions.

January 21 Public Lecture Polar Oceanography. 2-3 p.m.

Join Scripps researcher Dr. James Swift for a fascinating lecture on the oceans at the top and the bottom of the world. Dr. Swift studies ocean circulation, deep-ocean mixing, and water chemistry, specializing
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in the Arctic and Antarctic Oceans. During this presentation, he will discuss his work and expeditions to the most remote regions on Earth. Free with aquarium admission.

January 27 Whales Wet and Wild, 9:30-noon

Find out all about whales, from grays to orcas. Discover how they eat, live, and even why they spout! Learn a whale song and make a whale craft too. Ages 4 through Kindergarten. Fee \$15.

THEATRE

January 24 Children's Theatre Company of Minneapolis. "Ramona Quimby". 7 p.m., Mandeville Auditorium. Internationally renowned Children's Theatre Company presents this lighthearted, humorous romp about a pesky, rambunctious loveable third-grader and her family. Adapted for the stage by Obie Award-winning playwright Len Jenkins from the popular book series by Beverly Cleary. 534-2230

TOURS

Advance reservations are required for both tours, call 534-4414. Tours leave from the Information pavilion on Gilman Drive at 3 P.M.

January 7 and 21...free Mini-Van Tour is designed to provide an overview of the entire UCSD campus in La Jolla. The tour lasts 1 hour.

January 14 and 22..Walking Tour ..This free 90 minute walking tour of the UCSD campus includes some of the Stuart Collections.

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OCEAN ACOUSTICS RESEARCHER AT SIO HONORED

Frederick H. Fisher received the Distinguished Technical Achievement Award from the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) for his outstanding contributions to the field of ocean acoustics. Fisher is a research oceanographer (Ret.) at Scripps Institution of Oceanography (SIO).

Fisher is a former director of Scripps's Marine Physical Laboratory (MPL). He was scientific officer and co-designer of the 355-foot manned ocean buoy FLIP, the Floating Instrument Platform which was designed and built during 1960-1962. Since 1965 he has been a principal investigator for National Science Foundation grants devoted to high-pressure measurements related to the physical chemistry of sound absorption in sea water due to magnesium sulfate and other salts.

LA JOLLA CONSORTIUM AWARDED \$2.5 MILLION GRANT

The consortium of leading research and academic institutions consisting of UCSD, The Scripps Research Institute, The Salk Institute for Biological Studies and The San Diego Supercomputer Center, has received a five-year grant from the Burroughs Wellcome Fund to foster training of a new generation of scientist whose interests lie at the "interface" of traditional disciplines. Said BWF president Enriqueta C. Bond, "These awards are intended to improve the interdisciplinary training of promising graduate and postdoctoral students from the physical, chemical, and computational sciences so they can better apply their unique knowledge and talents to the problems in the biological sciences."

\$1.2 MILLION NSF GRANT AWARDED

A new grant from the National Science Foundation to study tiny protein "motors" that transport vital biological cargo needed to sustain cell life has been awarded to a multi-disciplinary team of UCSD scientists.

"What we are doing with these techniques is to put fluorescent molecules on selected proteins and use them as light sources to tell us something about how the protein functions," said W. E. Moerner, professor of chemistry and biochemistry at UCSD. The method is a vast improvement over conventional spectroscopic techniques which washed out subtle, but sometimes significant actions of individual molecules.

"I suspect these studies will turn out to be very useful for human health," said Lawrence S. Goldstein, professor of cellular and molecular medicine, UCSD School of Medicine.

HOUSING



The charge for housing ads is \$10. The ad will run twice unless advised. Make check payable to **Oceanids** and send with ad by the 10th of the month for the next month's issue to: UCSD Editor, *Bear Facts*, Oceanids, International Ctr. 9500 Gilman Drive, La Jolla, CA 92093-0049

FOR RENT House 97/98 Academic Year

Sabbatical rental—fully furn. 4 bdrm, 2 1/2 ba, close to UCSD/SIO, Good schools/shops. \$1,300/mo. Maid, gardener, water incl. Call Kitty Wan, (619) 452-8669.

FOR RENT LONDON Academic Yr 1997/1998

Fully furnished house, 4 bdrm. 2/12 ba, central heat, maid, gardener, close to good transport, shops, \$1500/mo. Contact Dr. R. Marriott, 18972 Muirland, Detroit, Michigan 48221, (313) 861-4261.

FOR RENT La Jolla House

Fantastic house in La Jolla with panoramic ocean, city and bay view day and night. The architect built this home for himself. It was featured in San Diego Magazine. 3 bdrm., 3 1/2 ba, pool, 4 fireplaces, solarium room and spa room. \$5,000/mo. Call Myrna Naegle at (619) 459-2560.



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5	Fimo	Day Bridge	Wed. Coffee, Kit. ex., LJRS,	Garden Group	Oceanids' Friday Café	Walking/Hiking, Moveable Feast
	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	Whale Talk, People-to-People, Fimo ? (call)	Book Group	Wed. Coffee, Kit. ex., LJRS,		People-to-People's Friday Café	Newcomers' Whale Trip
	13	14	15	16	17	18
Faculty Club Concert w/Cecil Lytle	Fimo	Day Bridge, Lunch Bunch	Wed. Coffee, Kit. ex., LJRS, Café Français, WITS II		Evening Bridge	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	Avi-Set Birders, Fimo		Wed. Coffee, Kit. ex., LJRS,			
	27	28	29	30	31	

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