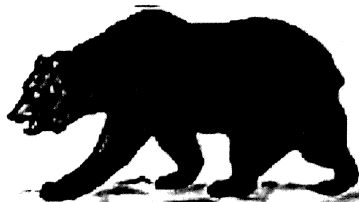


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*You are cordially invited
to the Oceanids'
Fall Membership Catered Brunch*

*Saturday, October 28, 2006
at the
International Center on the
UCSD La Jolla Campus.*

*10:00 AM to 11:00 AM Social Hour
11:00 AM to 1:00 PM Brunch*

Oceanids will welcome Newcomers to UCSD in their traditional manner at their annual Fall Membership Brunch, held at the International Center on the UCSD Campus.

The brunch affords the opportunity to find out what Oceanids is all about. We offer many activities throughout the year and are providing opportunities for you to meet new friends and get acquainted with our city.

Representatives from each of our special Interest Groups will be available to describe their varied activities. One or more of our groups are sure to meet your needs.

Reservations are mandatory and must be received by October 23, 2006. Please mail your reservation together with a check for \$22, made out to OCEANIDS, to Judy Skelton: 445 Sea Lane, La Jolla, CA 92037.--Oceanid members, if you have not received an invitation, please call Margaret or Judy.

Newcomers, please call Liz Fong Wills (858) 454-6858 to reserve your spot as our guest.

Questions? Call Margaret (858) 459-8123 or Judy (858) 456-0830

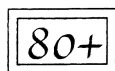
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BOARD MEETINGS: first Thursday every month

Oceanids Pavilion, International Center

Coffee and refreshments: 9:30am

Meeting: 10:00am (You are welcome to attend!)

PRESIDENT'S PRATTLE

Cooler evenings are giving a hint of autumn that brings hopeful promises of a new collegiate year. The excitement of new beginnings could be felt at September's Oceanids Board Meeting as members reported on plans and activities for the coming year.

Our first function is the Fall Brunch later this month. It is a special time to mingle with old friends and introduce yourself to a Newcomer. All of our popular interest groups, and a new one or two will be represented. If you visit their tables you may be surprised to discover a group you did not know about that is doing just what you always wanted to try. Margaret Acampora, Mary Dashen, and Judy Skelton continue to amaze me with the lovely affairs they organize with such delicious foods while keeping costs so reasonable. It's a delightful start to a year packed with activities. Once again La Jolla Money Books will be available for purchase. They are filled with great coupons.

Mark the first Thursday of each month on your calendar so that you can join us for Sounding Board at the Faculty Club. Buy lunch first at the buffet then come listen to a talk by one of the great guest speakers Molli Wagner has lined up. Better yet, bring a friend and make it a monthly outing.

Watch for news in upcoming Bear Facts on our Holiday Party, Theatre Party, Bus Trip, and Campus Focus Events, and join a new interest group this month. I look forward to seeing you during the coming year.

Barbara Bank

NEW INTEREST GROUP !!!

FOR ALL YOU DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHERS: JANE TAKAHASHI HAS STARTED A GROUP MADE UP OF OF DIGITAL NOVICES AND MORE ACCOMPLISHED MEMBERS WHO WANT TO LEARN AND HELP EACH OTHER OUT. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE SEE NOTICE IN THE INTEREST GROUP CALENDAR.

LA JOLLA MONEYBOOKS

Oceanids has La Jolla Moneybooks for sale again this year. Each Moneybook purchased for \$20 earns \$10 for our scholarship funds and service awards. The coupons are worth much much more. There are 29 coupons with 2 for one or discount offers at restaurants and cafes. There are several new "food" offers including Brueggers Bagels and Marble Slab ice cream. Merchandise and services include Above and Beyond Carpet Care, Adelaides, Copy Cove, Geppetto's, Hamilton's Salon, Inn by the Sea (50% off for your out of town guests, maybe?) and Meanley and Son Hardware (20% off).

Please buy 2 and give one as a gift this year or just have your guests use one when they visit you. Oceanids needs the extra boost in our services and scholarships while you get such great bargains!

Maxine Bloor 858-459-7665

Moneybooks are on sale at our Fall Luncheon, Board meetings, Interest Group meetings or just call Maxine and arrange free delivery.

CHANCELLOR'S CHALLENGE 5K RUN/WALK - Saturday, October 21, 2006

Join Oceanids when we gather in our blue Oceanids tee shirts as we have fun at the 11th Annual 5K Run/Walk for scholars. All of our walking groups should participate. We meet with the UCSD Retirement group. There is a tee shirt and lunch included. The Oceanid tee shirt is an extra that we are proud to wear. Let Maxine Bloor (858-459-7665) know your size ahead of time.

Information is on the URL <<http://www-er.ucsd.edu/5k/>><http://www-er.ucsd.edu/5k/> or call Maxine Bloor (858-459-7665) or Judy Vacquier (858-459-7834).



SUMMER VOICES

by
Odette Filloux

When at times and for no apparent reasons the F16s finally stop their piercing sounds that split both the sky overhead as well as my ears and, when by chance the Apache helicopters also cease their persistent rumble, for a while I wonder why I am suddenly breathing calmly and with ease. My mind little by little accepts being cleared up and there is like a long sigh of relief coming out from way deep inside me.

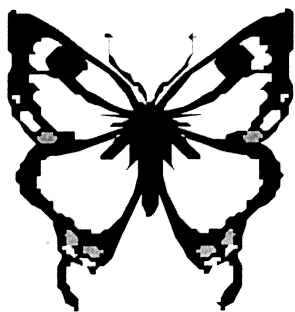
And I begin to resume life as normal; the chirping of birds innocently inhabiting the garden, is again perceived with its highs and lows mingled at first in an indistinct symphony. Then, suddenly I hear from quite high the flight of the red-shouldered hawk in pursuit of its goal or protecting its nest, whistling its successive insistent peer-peer-peer-peer, as if intoxicated with air and purpose. The small humming birds zigzag through the plants at top speed whirring and screeching acute notes of delight as they play with the water from the sprinklers. While the mourning doves unceasingly coo in the background until we hear a short clapping of wings, up, accompanied by a quick satisfied call, ending in a fluttered glide and a pause.

If it were not for the crows that have invaded the big Torrey Pine on the hill and remain the sinister omens of old with their obnoxious croaking in their hoarse tone of voice, all would be well again, even when the mocking birds exuberantly and as if in jest imitate all audible noises around ad nauseam.

It is summer in La Jolla and very hot this year as we hear it has been everywhere on planet Earth and it does not help to know that as unbearable is the political climate of our country and of many places in the world. □

In the gardens of Washington D.C. there are more hawks strutting around than doves cooing for peace. Crows in black uniforms can always be found patrolling the streets; while the mocking-ones in high places and who succeed so well at any imitations remain surprisingly popular in spite of their repeated obstinate and senseless truisms.

But, more importantly, we cannot forget that in Lebanon, in Iraq, in Israel, in Afghanistan, the F16s and the Apache helicopters along with other such arsenal, are at work, noisy for good, and that people there are rarely given, I am sure, the leisure to freely and safely hear the birds, when they still exist, in the destroyed gardens of their lives.



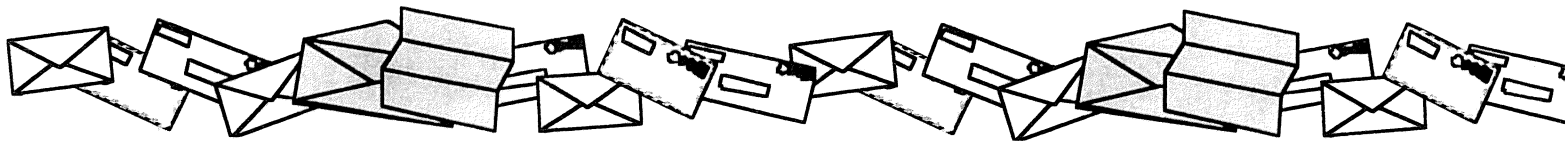
Preuss School Mentors needed

The Preuss School is an intensive college preparatory middle and high school for motivated low-income students.

As a Mentor you will share your perspectives on careers and offer guidance regarding the "real" world. But most of all you will listen, offer support to the young person and give extra praise.

All you need is 30 to 60 minutes a week to meet during school hours on the Preuss campus at UCSD.

For more information about this meaningful program, please contact
Eva Mejia, Volunteer Coordinator
858 658-7473 or emejia@ucsd.edu



LETTERS AND SUCH

Oceanids,

as you know I am always in need of contributions to our newsletter. Maybe I can encourage you to write by making some suggestions of a topic?

For example:

- o A short portrait of a person I very much admire (living or dead)
- o My most disastrous travel experience
- o A kindness I will never forget
- o A funny (haha or strange) experience
- o The most memorable day in my career
- o What made me come to the USA?

How did I/we adjust?

- o San Diego - pet peeves and delights
- o My favorite pet story

Thanks for considering writing. If every one of us would send only one contribution.....

your editor

Dear Oceanids,

Thank you so much for your Oceanids Award. I am so very honored to have received it. When I get back from Hawaii, I plan to pursue graduate studies in music.

Thank you,
Stefanie Schmitz

Dear Anonymous,

I want to thank someone: that is, whoever gave my name to a doctor who, with his wife, had retired to San Diego from New York and, after many years of gathering, wanted to give away his stamp collection. After a phone call he brought the whole assemblage to me, for the Stamp Group. (While that group is small, I can still exchange with other stamp enthusiasts.) His stamps were all sorted by country in envelopes, not yet mounted into albums. As I go through them, I am finding a great many that are new to my own collection, so I am thoroughly enjoying the opportunity.

If you are interested in collecting stamps, and/or want to know how to arrange stamps in a collection, please give me a call. Topical collections are fun: Plants, Animals, Transportation, Space, Historical Figures, Architecture, Art, and so on. One can arrange stamps on sheets in loose-leaf binders, without spending a large amount on prepared albums.

Thanks again for thinking of me.

Betty Shor, Stamp Collector (453-0334)

OCEANIDS IS OPEN TO ALL WHO ARE INTERESTED IN UCSD

Print your name as you would like it to appear in the OCEANIDS DIRECTORY. Check here if you don't want to be listed: _____

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Send check(s) & completed form to:

OCEANIDS, INTERNATIONAL CENTER, 9500 GILMAN DR., LA JOLLA, CA 92093-0049

Update on International Center Space Planning and the ICNS

I am Candace Kohl, chairperson of "Buildings and Grounds" for The Friends of the International Center and for the Oceanids, and I have been involved with all the space allocation and building changes that you may have seen or heard about. This update is a start on keeping you all informed.

There have been problems of limited space at the International Center (IC) for a long time. For example, there has been only one staff person advising over 1000 international students and some advising has had to be conducted in open offices with no privacy. Over the years a variety of short-term measures have been applied to Band-Aid the problem but never to come close to solving it.

After much discussion within the Friends of the IC and consultation with IC staff and the Vice Chancellor and Assistant Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs, the Friends voted to require the ICNS (International Cooperative Nursery School) to vacate its space at the start of the summer 2007. This action was not taken lightly. It was taken after many difficult and emotional meetings during which the Friends had come to believe that there was no other way to deal with the space problem. Our understanding and intention is not just to give that space to IC staff programs but that the ICNS move is a prelude to a real build-out of the Center and construction of spaces that will meet the long-term needs. As background, the ICNS operates as a part of the Friends of the International Center under their Campus Support Group umbrella.

The University has set up a committee to help the ICNS relocate either on campus or off. Things are going well and there are several very real possibilities. Many Oceanid members feel very strongly about the ICNS and I want them to know that it is not being abandoned. There will be ways for Oceanids and Friends to help the school move and thrive in its new location. Some of these involve money, some time and effort. More later.

There have been some changes over the summer to the IC buildings to accommodate the two new employees who are now on staff. A committee of IC staff members, university space planning people and Friends of the IC have orchestrated this, myself included. "We will continue to meet and plan, in phase 2, how to best use the ICNS space to accommodate the expected additional staff. I, and the other Friends members, Barbara Fitzsimmons and Carol Smith, have been keeping the Oceanids space needs and history in front of this committee at all times and will continue to do so.

We will continue to stay on top of the process and help guide it into a real build-out which will benefit us all. When this phase 3 starts, probably not for 6 months at least, there will be a committee of university people, IC staff and volunteer groups. I plan to continue being a part of this effort as long as I am useful and will do my best to represent Oceanid interests. □

Please contact me with any questions, suggestions or comments. Your input helps. Look for future updates in Bear Facts as the process continues.



There will, of course be moving expenses when ICNS will get a new home. More on that and on non-financial help opportunities will be in future issues of this newsletter.

Candace Kohl

Buildings and Grounds

ckohl@ucsd.edu

858-259-1903

OCEANIDS' INTEREST GROUPS

Interest Groups are the backbone of our Oceanids organization. They are here to meet the many varied needs of UCSD families, especially those new to the UCSD campus and the community. If you don't find an activity you would like to participate in, please contact Carole Ziegler (619) 297-0798 or Judy Vacquier (858) 459-7834, Interest Group Coordinators. If five or more Oceanids wish to start a new group, please let them 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 by calling Gail Fliesbach (858) 270-5536 or by 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 8am the second Monday of each month **during the academic year**. The La Jolla group will meet at the corner of Dunaway Dr. and Glenwick Dr. in La Jolla. The North County birders will meet at the home of Lou Bowles, 13040 Caminito Mar Villa, Del Mar. We will carpool from these locations to sites around the county. Members will be called.

Next outing: October 9.

BOOK GROUP

Contact: Tobe Rothaus (858) 551-8083 or Janet Goff (760) 753-3472

We will meet on Tuesday, October 10th at 9:30 am at Marie Pearce's: 7858 Esterel Drive, La Jolla, 858/453-4897. The book for discussion, led by Melanie Chapman, is "A Confederacy of Dunces" by John Kennedy Toole. I am writing this on August 21; you may want to check with either Marie or one of the co-chairpeople to make sure there have been no changes.

a. 858/453-0458

Next meeting: October 10.

CAFÉ ESPAÑOL

Contact: Judy Vacquier (858) 459-7834 or jvacq@sbcglobal.net

La próxima reunión de Cafe Español será el miercoles, 4 de octubre, 1:30-3:30, en la casa de Marjorie Jackson, 2444 Azure Coast Dr, La Jolla. Favor de contestar a Marjorie (mljinlj@aol.com) o Judy (858) 459 7834 o jvacq@sbcglobal.net

Next meeting: October 4.

CAFÉ FRANÇAIS

Contact: Hulya Saygin (858) 350-8081 ou Diana Vnes (858) 459-8248
Le prochain Cafe francais sera chez Pat Stone, 7025 Via Valverde a La Jolla le 10 octobre de 13 heures a 15 heures. Pat souhaite que vous veniez nombreuses mais il n'est pas necessaire de lui telephoner.

Nous nous rejoyissons de vous revoir toutes en octobre pour notre premiere reunion de l'annee 2006-2007. A bientot.

Next meeting: October 10.

CINEMA SOIRÉE

Contact: Laurette Verbinski (858) 453-4699

or Roswitha Enright (858) 459-7375

We meet on the second Sunday of each month at 7:00pm for socializing; movie discussion starts at 7:30pm sharp. For more information call Laurette or Roswitha.

Next meeting: October 8.

DAY BRIDGE

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

We meet the first and third Tuesdays of the month at various members' homes. We start at 10am and usually end at 3pm. Everyone brings her/his own lunch. The hostess will provide drinks. Call for information.

Next meetings: October 3 + 17.

DEVILISH DINERS

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

Get well, Mary!!!

Next meeting: to be decided

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION BOOK GROUP

Contact: Judy Vacquier (858) 459-7834 or jvacq@sbcglobal.net

We will meet Thursday, October 26, at 11:30 am in the Birch Aquarium at Scripps Conference Room. The book will be *The World is Flat* by Thomas R. Friedman. Contact: Judy Vacquier: jvacq@sbcglobal.net.

Next meeting: October 26.

EVENING BRIDGE

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

The couples Evening Bridge Interest Group meets at 7:30pm 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 28.

GRACIOUS AGING

Contact: Elibet Marshall

(858) 459-5246

This group has an age requirement. You must have lived 80 years to participate!

We meet on the first Monday of the month from 11am- 2pm at the home of Ellen Revelle to discuss a variety of subjects. Bring your own apple (lunch). growing up is optional.

Pure spring water is provided.

Call Elibet for details.

Next meeting: October 2.

HIKING IN AND AROUND SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Contact: Roswitha Enright (858) 459-7375

We meet at 8:30am 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 14

LA JOLLA RENAISSANCE SINGERS

Contact: Bill Propp at (858) 459-2019 or wpropp@ucsd.edu

The group meets **every Wednesday** at a home in La Jolla. Call Dr. Propp for the address. The LJRS (formerly the UCSD Madrigal Singers) has existed for more than 40 years as an Oceanids activity group. Directed by History and Judaic Studies Prof. 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 to arrange a visit and/or audition.

*Report from the
Gracious Aging Group:*

Growing old is mandatory;



growing up is optional.

MOVEABLE FEAST I

Contact: Liz Fong Wills (858) 454-6858

This dining-out group is currently at capacity but we are taking a wait list.

Next meeting: contact Liz Fong Wills

MOVEABLE FEAST II

Contact: Shirley Babior (619) 542-0536 or Babior@earthlink.net or

Mary Cutchin (858) 459-8074 or marycutchin@hotmail.com

This group meets on the third Sunday of each month for drinks at a member's house. From there we carpool to the restaurant.

Contact Shirley Babior or Mary Cutchin for information.

Next meeting: October 15.

MUSEUM GROUP

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

Museum outings are on an occasional basis. All Oceanids are invited to join.

Next meeting: check Bear Facts Newsletter each month

PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE

Contact: Carole Ziegler, (619) 297-0798 or cziegler@sandiego.edu

We will have our traditional start-of-the-year get-together on Thursday, October 12, at 11 a.m. at Doris Bailey's home (453-3900).

Next meeting: October 12.

NEW:

PHOTO DIGERATI

Contact: Jane Takahashi (858) 622-1993

We will meet on the first and third Monday of each month. This is for all who are interested in learning more about digital photography. For more information call Jane.

Next meeting: October 2 + 16.

PIANO SOIRÉE INTEREST GROUP

Contact: Judy Vacquier (858) 459-7834 or jvacq@sbcglobal.net

This new interest group has started up beautifully. This is for amateurs who need a motivation to practice and want to perform in a relaxed, fun setting among friends. We also welcome chamber instruments and voice. We meet the fourth Sunday at 7:30 pm.

Next meeting is October 22 at the Paars, 903 Muirlands Way,

La Jolla. Please e-mail to RSVP Kim at kspaars@ucsd.edu or

Judy Vacquier: 858-459-7834 or jvacq@sbcglobal.net

Next meeting: October 22.

SOUNDING BOARD

Contact: Molli Wagner (858) 720-1185

Hear a talk by Liz Sisco, Chair of Arts and Communication at Southwestern College in Chula Vista on "International Difference Makers".

Next meeting: October 5

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.

Next meeting: contact Betty Shor

WALKING GROUP

Contact: Judy Vacquier (858) 459-7834 or jvacq@sbcglobal.net

This interest group encourages fitness and friendship by walking with other Oceanids in your neighborhood. You decide the time and route. Participate in the Chancellor's Challenge October 21. See announcement elsewhere in Bear Facts. Contact Judy Vacquier at jvacq@sbcglobal.net or 858 459 7834 for a list of walkers in your neighborhood. Areas: North La Jolla/UCSD, Mt Soledad/South La Jolla, Del Mar, University City, Pacific Beach, North County, Poway, Mission Hills, and El Cajon.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE

Contact: Emily Stowell (858) 481-7938 or Mary Bailey (858) 755-6813

Come join our social group of Oceanids, newcomers, postdocs, students, and their children for refreshments at the International Center every Wednesday, 10am-12 noon. You'll make friends and learn strange and wonderful American customs. Visit the Kitchen Exchange where newcomers can rent kitchen, household, and baby equipment for a small fee. For more information, contact Emily Stowell or Mary Bailey.

Next meetings: every Wednesday in October.

WINE TASTING I

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 Kampmann.

Next meeting: October 20.

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 among the people attending (approximately \$8.00 per person). Please call contact person for information.

Next meeting: contact Barbara Scholz

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 to analyze 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 1:30pm-3:30pm.

Next meeting: October 24.

WITS II

Contact: Joanne Meredith (858) 270-5795

WITS II meets the 4th Wednesday of the month at various members' homes all year long. We study companies using the NAIC stock investment guides in order to increase our financial understanding and competence. Come visit us!

Next meeting: October 25.

Half WITS

Contact: Liz Fong Wills (858) 454-6858

Unlike Wits I and II, the Half Wits don't buy stocks. We discuss financial and investment topics informally covering subjects ranging from longterm care insurance to pension options, as well as stocks and bonds. Our philosophy is, "There are no dumb questions." We usually meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month in the Oceanids Pavilion. Pat Kampmann and Eleanor tum Suden are our guides through the financial jungles.

Next meeting: October 19. Call for confirmation.

Memorials and Gifts to Oceanids: April 1, 2006 through August 31, 2006

Charles Fuchsman and Marianne Burkenroad
In memory of Jean Lindsley



Colin and Maxine Bloor
In memory of Joyce Rubendunst



Robert and Barbara Starkey
In memory of Joyce Dunn and Judy Munk



Bertha Lebus Charitable Trust (Sally Ann Hagen)
Gift to Bertha Lebus Fellowship Fund

David Liberman
Gift to Oceanids General Projects



Judith Skelton
Life Membership Gift to Oceanids General Projects



Theater Event February 2006
\$730 for the Oceanid Memorial Fellowship Fund
in memory of Jean Lindsley



All gifts and memorials are tax deductible when written to "UCSD Foundation--Oceanids".

Mary McIlwain, Financial Secretary

We remember Fred N. Spiess

Fred Noel Spiess, an honorary life member of Oceanids, died September 8, 2006 of multiple myeloma cancer. He was born December 25, 1919. His wife of 60 years, Sally, who died in 2002, was a founding member of Oceanids and a past president.

Fred was director of the Marine Physical Laboratory at Scripps Institution of Oceanography from 1958 to 1980; and was acting and then director of SIO from 1961 to 1965. In recent years he led the setting up of the academic program of the new Univ. of Calif. campus at Merced. He received many honors in oceanography. Fred and Sally were outstanding hosts for university activities.

Many of you have heard of his scientific accomplishments (i.e., the Floating Instrument Platform FLIP), so here I'll mention other contributions. Sally and Fred led the restoration of Old Scripps Building at SIO in the 1980s. Fred was drawn into the musical extravaganza La Jollywood Revue in 1986, and he appeared as "a regent" in the hilarious 2003 Centennial Show at SIO.

What those who knew him will remember about Fred N. Spiess is his quiet demeanor, his confidence, his ethics, his leadership, his devotion to family and University.

Betty Shor

WHY THERE WAS NEVER ANY DOUBT THAT THE STORK BROUGHT ME

Many things have happened in Junes gone by, but early one distinct June morning 89 years ago, my then 7-year old sister, actually saw the stork which brought me. Looking idly out of the window, my sister saw the stork the very moment it left Mama's window, pushing off at the sill. That very same moment, our Papa opened the children's room door and announced that they now had a new baby sister.

"I saw it! I saw it! I saw the stork bring her! I SAW THE STORK!" Papa remonstrated with "but we've explained to you how babies come to be." "Oh I know all that, but THIS ONE the stork brought. I SAW IT!"



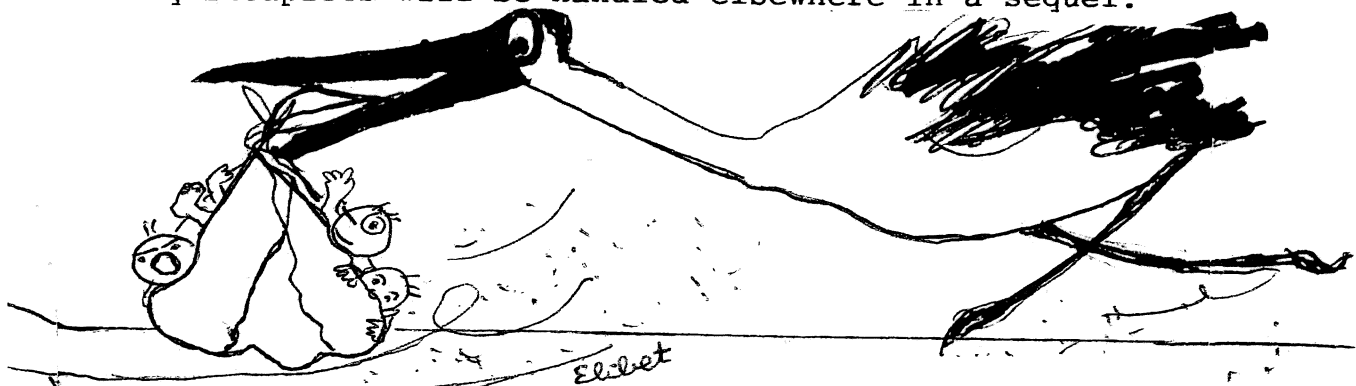
I have to explain here that Urfa, where this scene took place, is a town in eastern Turkey. It overlooks an extensive swamp where storks stop over for a few days on their way from their wintering grounds in Egypt to their

summer nestings on European roof tops. So what's so difficult to understand that a stork flew into mama's room, dropped off a baby bundle, and then flew back to the swamp?



For years my family laughed off the whole idea, but my sister and I secretly never gave up on our stork. She later became a doctor herself, like my father before her, delivering innumeral babies herself. And would you believe that a French teacher once tried to pawn off the idea that babies came from cabbages?! How prosaic. Further, we were introduced into yet a most cumbersome idea that involved a father and mother in producing babies. How inelegant. No, my arrival was the most romantic: A STORK BROUGHT ME.

ADDENDUM: One has to concede here that the alternatives of cabbages and/or hospitals do surely offer an easier way to come by babies, for how could my stork ever handle two or even three bundles in "one fell swoop"? Addendum #2: The "monkey wrench" of quintuplets will be handled elsewhere in a sequel.



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Oceanids are very fortunate to have Molli Wagner again as coordinator for this great function during the coming academic year.

TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES FOR UC RETIREES

Our liaison person, Pat Kampmann, alerted us to the fact that the UC Retirement Association is again planning some fabulous trips for 2006/2007.

1. December 2006:
Salzburg, Linz, Vienna and Prague
2. February 2007:
Discover South America
3. June 2007:
The Best of Eastern Canada
4. September 2007:
Exploring Greece and its Islands

If you are interested, please call the Retirement Association for a detailed brochure: 534-4724



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 • Our speaker for Sounding Board after the first
 • Board Meeting on **October 5**, will be **Elizabeth**
 • **Sisco**, currently the Chair of Arts and Communi-
 • cation at Southwestern College in Chula Vista. Liz
 • is also the daughter of Bernie and the late Bud
 • Sisco of UCSD. She is particularly interested in
 • the Blue Ribbons Program of the "International
 • Difference Makers" whose goal it is to "unite
 • people and create a world of possibilities". In the
 • Fall of 2006 Liz will also take on the duties of the
 • director of the college art gallery.
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• Please mark your calendar for her talk "The Dif-
 • ference Makers" which promises to be very in-
 • teresting.
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SOUNDING BOARD CALENDAR

Nov. 2 Jorje Huerta's talk will be "Why I Love My Job: The Challenge and Opportunities of Diversity at UCSD". Dr. Huerta is Associate Chancellor for diversity and works very closely with Chancellor Fox. He also holds an University Endowed Chair in the Theatre and Dance Department at UCSD. He is the leading authority on contemporary chicano and Latino theatre and is a delightful speaker.

Dec. 7 Dr. Ellen Beck, Director of Community Education at the Division of Family Medicine at UCSD, will discuss being a CHANGE AGENT. Dr. Beck combines her career goal of "creating environments where individuals, families or communities can take responsibility for their health and achieve well being" with her goal of "teaching young and future physicians to integrate the art and science of medicine" by focusing on programs that address the health needs of the underserved.



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