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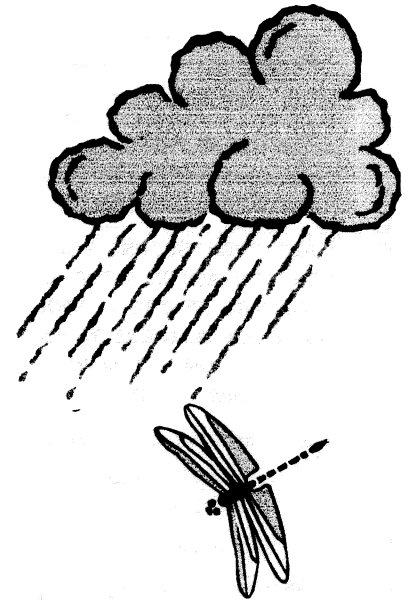
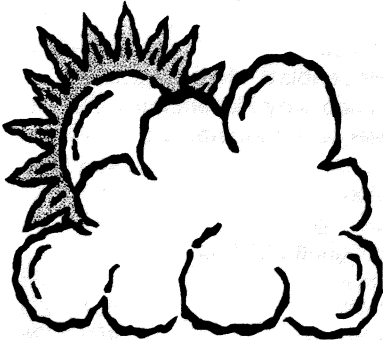


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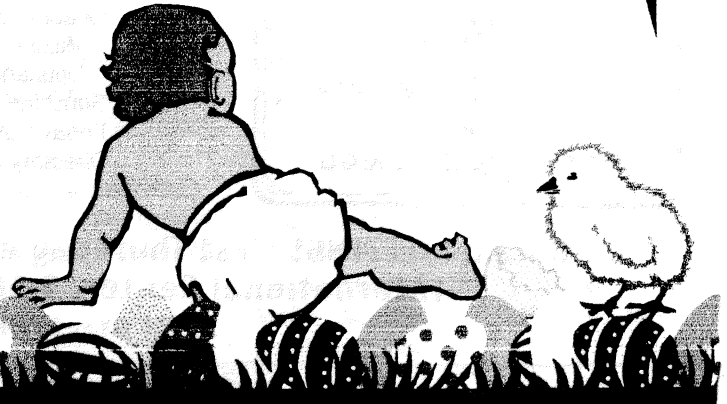
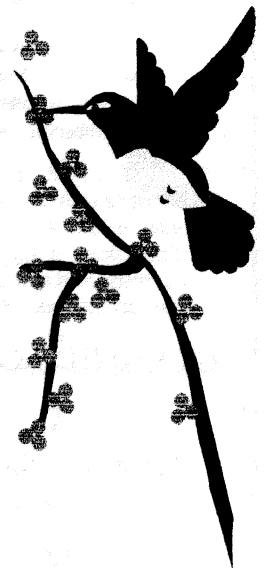
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**BOARD MEETINGS first Thursday every month at the Oceanids Pavilion,
International Center, 9:30 AM social, 10:00 AM meeting
You are welcome to attend!**

ZEN AND MEDITATION

An UCSD alumnus, Venerable Jian Hu, Abbott of Buddha Gate Monastery will come to the UCSD campus to give a talk on Chan (Zen) and meditation. Ven. Jian Hu obtained his Ph.D. degree from the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, UCSD.

Date: April 19, 4 PM
Place: Conference Room,
UCSD International Center

Contactperson: Dr. Su Chung, 858-663-4423
suchung@sdsc.edu

Oceanid Dr. Lanna Cheng met Su Chung when she came to the SIO tour in February. Su is a relative newcomer to UCSD but her husband (John Wooley, Assoc. VC of Research) has been around for a few years. She is interested in cognitive science and Buddhism.

Friday Café Update:

We would like to thank the following Oceanids and friends of Oceanids who helped with Friday Café. Alma Coles, Maxine Bloor, Eleanor tum Suden, Mary Dashen, Bernie Sisco, Nell Beardsley, Estelle Shabetai, Carol Schultz, Bee Hermosisima, Tazuko Usami, Jim Henderson, Madeleine Rast, Ginny Young, Helen Mullaly, Danny Adams, Toshiko Kobayashi, Hilda Wynan, Lois Le Brazidec, Liz fong Wills, Jeanne Guan, Nina Rodriquez, Roswitha Enright, Glenda and Dick Rosenblatt, Judy Vaquier, and Barbara Starkey all helped to make this event a success. Thank you!

We served PapaLulu's (a tortilla filled with mashed potatoes and topped with barbequed chicken), honeymoon salad (lettuce alone with a little lemon, sugar, and salt), and Hershey brownies on Friday, February 13th.

**Be sure to attend the Sounding Board on
April 1, 2004 at the Faculty Club
after the board meeting.**

Speaker: Steve Erie
More info page 10

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.



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.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

Dear BearFacts, "Letters to the editor", what a great idea. I have to confess that is always my favorite section in any newspaper because one can learn what people really think about different topics. I, for example, found it very interesting to be provided with two somewhat different views of the exciting travels to Cuba although the writers probably shared a similar program. --- Speaking of sharing, to get to know more about the vast variety of our interest groups is a big bonus too. What about learning more about the Book Group, for example (what books), the wine tasting (still able to drive home safely afterwards?), the gracious aging (concerns us all)?

Sincerely, Beate Laura Menzel

Dear Editor,
I have read the many various articles in the Bear Facts. (I always enjoy it and read it from A-Z !!)

Sincerely, Martha Morena

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.

SPRING LUNCHEON ANNOUNCEMENT

Welcome Aboard!

Destination: Unknown

Departure Date: May 27, 2004

Please join us for a wonderful cruise and luncheon aboard the paddle wheeler, Wm. D. Evans, Departing from The Bahia Resort Hotel, we will cruise around beautiful Mission Bay. After a yummy luncheon, we will enjoy an international fashion show. If you have an outfit from another country you are willing to model, please send a description of this outfit to:

Margaret Acompora
6473 Avendia Cresta
LaJolla, CA 92037

Call with any questions: 858-456-8123

Watch for further details in next month's
newsletter

Birding after the Great Fires

On the second week in November last year, so many of the hills were charred and there were sad tales of displaced birds as well as of people. The Avi Set Birders pondered a destination. Kit Carson Park in Escondido had always been an interesting site for our group. Since this area had been spared the flames of the Paradise Fire, there was the assumption (mine) that it would provide the green haven, the water, the sanctuary for all of north county's fleeing birds. With great enthusiasm our group met under trees usually full of woodpeckers along with frequent sightings of orioles and goldfinches and several species of sparrows. It soon became apparent that the real survivors of the bird world were crows, lots of crows. If a scattering of other species had found the park, this welcoming committee was keeping them well out of sight. To be fair, a woodpecker appeared and a kingbird dared to perch on high. On the pond there were some ducks and a moorhen, but the interest of our group was waning. Rather abruptly, I found myself and my telescope all alone.----Our enterprising birders had found a Great Bird, a Five-legged Eagle no less! Apparently a living, breathing creature could not compete with the inhabitants of the sculpture garden created by Niki de Saint Phalle?

Lou Bowles

Armchair Travelers Presents: Perspectives on U.S. Foreign Aid in Africa

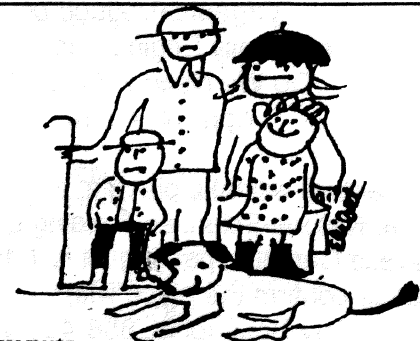
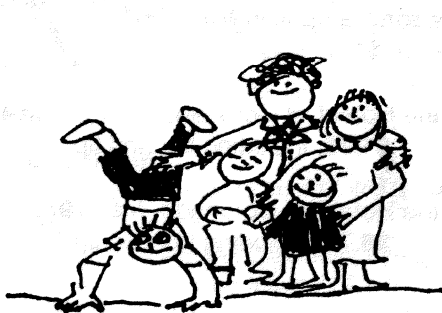
Tuesday, April 20, 2004 UCSD International Center 7:00 PM dessert 7:30 PM program

Armchair Travelers will venture into Africa, this time with our speaker Edward J. Spriggs. A 1970 Revelle College graduate, Ed is currently Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs at UCSD. After receiving his J.D. from NYU School of Law, he joined the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) in 1979, and for the next 22 years he served as Regional Legal Advisor in Kenya and Swaziland, and more recently as USAID Country Director in Namibia. Until 2001, he served as Regional Director in Botswana, a position in which he was responsible for strategic design and management of USAID economic assistance for 14 countries in Southern Africa.

Ed will take us on a descriptive and pictorial tour of this fascinating sub-region, known for its wildlife and tourism, its common history of anti-colonial/anti-apartheid struggle and victory, its economic potential, and its dynamic emerging (and in some cases, submerging) democracies. From a unique, regional perspective, he will focus on what our country, through its aid programs, is doing in Southern Africa in such wide ranging areas as environment, education, health, democracy development, and agriculture. He will also give us his frank views as to whether these efforts are having negative or positive effects on the lives of Southern Africans and the economic development of their countries. Ed believes that lessons learned from our experience in Africa can provide insight as to how successful we might expect our economic development and nation building efforts to be in other areas such as Iraq.

Sponsored by Friends of the International Center, UCSD

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ckohl@ucsd.edu Candace Kohl 858-259-1903



Families are like fudge . . . mostly sweet, with a few nuts.

Seussentennial



A two-pronged ceremony featuring the unveiling of a commemorative postage stamp and presentation of a life-size statue of Theodor Seuss Geisel marked the 100th anniversary of the famed author's birth March 2 at the University of California, San Diego's Geisel Library.

Opening highlight was the official "first day of issue" ceremony by representatives of the U.S. Postal Service, during which a 10 x 8 foot replica of the Theodor Seuss Geisel commemorative postage stamp was unveiled. A dual event feature was the dedication of a bronze life-size sculpture of Geisel, with a towering 7-foot "Cat in the Hat" looking over his shoulder. The statue is the second and only casting of a sculpture by Lark Grey Dimond-Cates of Rancho Santa Fe, Audrey Geisel's daughter. The first casting is in Geisel's birthplace, Springfield, Mass. Dimond-Cates, who spent nearly four years working on the sculpture, says it depicts him as he was so often "sitting in his study chair, leaning backward, deep in thought." She employed the Cat in her sculpture because "it depicts his alter ego."

About 400 people attended the ceremony. The UCSD Pep Band played. The Preuss School choir sang. 2000 pieces of birthday cake were served. What a wonderful day!



Dyanne McIver

EMERITI ANNOUNCEMENT:

Martin Chrispeels will speak on:
"Organic Produce or
Genetically Engineered Crops;
Do We Need to Chose?"
April 14, 4 p.m.

The lecture will take place at the auditorium of the Natural Sciences Building on the Revelle Campus, parking lot is T 103. Please confirm the place with
Ady Rosenblatt, 858-453 4626

NEWS FROM YESTERYEAR

A new Cafeteria openson Campus in May 1964
Dinners will be served at \$1.00 each

Spring Luncheon at the Hotel Del Coronado, April 8, 1964:
Salad Bufett: **\$1.75**, including tax and tip

Spring Luncheon at the Hotel Del Coronado, May 1978:
\$6.75, including tax and tip

OCEANIDS' INTEREST GROUPS

Interest Groups are the backbone of our Oceanids organization. They are here to meet the many varied needs of UCSD families, especially those new to the UCSD campus, and the community. If you do not find an activity you would like to participate in, please contact Carole Ziegler, Interest Group Coordinator@ 619-297-0798. If five or more Oceanids wish to start a new group, please let Carole know so we can inform other members. All we ask is that your members be Oceanids. If 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 **April 12**

BOOK GROUP

Contact Odette Filloux, (858) 453-0749

April 13, at 9:30 a.m.: Meeting place: Estelle Shabetai, 8493 Prestwick Drive, La Jolla. We shall discuss "The book of Illusions" by Paul Auster. Coyla Wilson 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 sera el miercoles, **7 de abril**, en la casa de Marilyn Howe, 5725 Waverly Ave, 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.

CAFÉ FRANÇAIS

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

Le prochain cafe francais sera chez Martha Morera le mercredi **13 avril**, a 13.00 heures. Son adresse: 3995 Cypress Del Mar, San Diego, CA 92130. RSVP. 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 **April 11, 2004**

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: **April 6 and 13**

DEVILISH DINERS

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

April 29 We will join the Gardening Group for a tour of Perennial Adventure, followed by lunch at La Torta Mexican Deli <http://latorta.com> in Old La Mesa, located at 8350 La Mesa Blvd, La Mesa, CA 91941 619-466-3953 Afterwards we will browse through a few

of the nearby antique shops, like J.J.'s Antiques. La Torta is an award winning Mexican deli offering salads, sandwiches and their famous tortilla soup. They offer many varieties of torta - - from a B.L.T. to carne asada - as well as a variety of quesedillas. Their home fries are unique ("to die for!") and all portions are large." They serve breakfast all day. La Torta offers only al fresco dining; outdoor seating is out front (sidewalk cafe style). See entry under Gardening Group for more on Perennial Adventure. We will meet 9:15am at TGIFriday's in La Jolla Village Square to get directions and carpool. We will depart promptly at 9:30am and expect to return around 2:30pm. RSVP to Mary Dashen 858-457-4631 if you're coming for lunch and/or shopping.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION BOOK GROUP

Contact: Judy Vacquier (858) 459- 7834.

This group meets the fourth Thursday every other month to discuss a book on environmental conservation and related topics. The next meeting will be Thursday, **June 24**, 11:30-1:00 (no meeting in May due to Oceanids Spring Luncheon), in the conference room at the Birch Aquarium at Scripps. The book for June is Eye of the Albatross by Carl Safina. Book discussion will begin at 11:45. Parking is free for 3 hours. Bring your lunch. For more information contact Judy Vacquier, 858-459-7834 or <mailto:jvacq@san.rr.com>

EVENING BRIDGE

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

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

Next meeting **April 24, '04**

GARDENING GROUP

Contact Mary Lynn Hyde 858-488-9283 mlhyde@san.rr.com or Irene Allison 858-453-0206 iallison@ucsd.edu

April 29 It's Spring! and we're headed to Perennial Adventure, 10548 Anaheim Dr. La Mesa 91941. 619-660-9631. Owner Chris Wotruba is expecting us at 10am and will show us around her beautiful yard full of blooming perennials. Chris is well known locally as a gardening expert and occasionally publishes articles on growing perennials in the Union Tribune. Afterwards, we will go to Old La Mesa for al fresco dining at La Torta Mexican Deli for Noon (see entry under Devilish Diners) For desert, we will visit some of the nearby antique shops. We will meet 9:15am at TGIFriday's in La Jolla Village Square to get directions and carpool. We will depart at 9:30am and expect to return around 2:30pm. RSVP to Irene Allison 858-453-0206.

GRACIOUS AGING

Contact: Elibet Marshall (858)459-5246

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

Next meeting **April 5, '04**

Report from the Gracious Aging Group:

Growing old is mandatory;



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 **April 10, '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.

No meeting in April.

SOUNDING BOARD

Contact: Barbara Baehr (858) 272-4370

Next Sounding Board after the Board Meeting on the first Thursday of the month, the **April 1,** we will have as our guest UCSD political scientist Steve Erie, a well-known specialist in public infrastructure investment.

See more information about him on page 10 in the newsletter.

**NEXT MONTH'S SOUNDING BOARD IS ON
MAY 6 (Jim Goldsborough)**

STAMP GROUP

Contact: Betty Shor (858) 453-0334

We do not meet on a regular basis, but welcome other collectors to join our informal exchange. For information call Betty.

WALKING GROUP

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

WEDNESDAY COFFEE

Contact: Emily Stowell, 858 481-7938 or Mary Bailey, 858 755-6813.

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

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

WINE TASTING GROUP

Contact: Pat Kampmann (858) 454-1856

Exploring the taste sensations of a new wine or an old vintage, this group meets the third Friday monthly. Members rotate as hosts, however, this group is currently at capacity. For questions, contact Pat.

WINE TASTING II

Contact: Barbara Scholz 858- 350-6014 or bscholz@hotmail.com.

We meet monthly. Members rotate as hosts. The cost for wine and food is shared between the people attending (approx. \$8.00/person). Contact Barbara for information on the next meeting. (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, **April 27**

WITS II

Contact: Ruth Reid (619) 226-2538

WITS II meets the **4th Wednesday** of the month, **all year long**, at various members' homes. We study companies, using the stock investment guides of NAIC, educating ourselves to have a better financial understanding and competence. Come visit us for a couple of meetings. Next meeting **April 28**. 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.

Contact Liz for the date, please.

Frieda Daum Urey Fellowship

by CAROL SCHULTZ

Those readers who have been members of Oceanids for more than fifteen years will remember Frieda Urey, but our newer members may not know much about her. Oceanids, our organization was started at Scripps Institution, and the women who were members met informally for various activities and interest groups. Then in the late 1950s, Roger Revelle was very instrumental in starting a U.C. campus in La Jolla. Nobel Prize Winner Harold Urey was probably the first of the illustrious faculty to be recruited for the new campus and his wife Frieda came with him. She took it upon herself to personally welcome the other new faculty that arrived. In the fall of 1962, Oceanids became both a social and a service organization, and the Newcomers committee under the leadership of Frieda Urey made an enormous difference in making new faculty and their families feel welcome and part of a community. Frieda had the gift of remembering people's background and interests and caring about them. Both she and Harold were loved and respected. Harold died earlier than Frieda, but she continued her active involvement with Oceanids, and the tradition of welcoming Faculty, post docs and graduate students continues through Oceanids' Newcomers committee.

The original money for the Oceanids' Frieda Daum Urey Fellowship came primarily from donations from Oceanids members, but also friends and colleagues from the Chemistry Department, other UCSD departments and members of Frieda's family contributed. The original principal was matched by the Dean Of Graduate Studies. Over the years there have been additional donations to the Fellowship from friends and from Frieda's family. As a result, the Department of Graduate Studies can award a meaningful fellowship on a yearly basis. The decision regarding last year's awardee didn't happen until the summer, so now we are very pleased to announce that we have two very deserving women from the Scripps Institute of Oceanography who are recipients of the Frieda Daum Urey Fellowship.

Dear Oceanids,

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for your generosity and foresight in creating a fellowship to support graduate student women returning to school. I find it very encouraging that such a fellowship exists, as it provides both financial support as well as a form of validation that it is important for women to pursue higher education. Thank you for considering this an important type of scholarship to sponsor.

I am currently beginning my 6th year as a graduate student in Biological Oceanography at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, and am hoping to complete my dissertation by the fall of 2004. The Frieda Daum Urey Endowed Fellowship has provided critical financial support during data analysis and writing phases of one of the major chapters of my thesis work.

I decided to become a biologist in my sophomore year of college, after having volunteered as a field research assistant for a conservation biologist in Kaikoura, New Zealand. The combination of field work, observations of living organisms, and the intellectual challenge of teasing apart what environmental factors control the population biology of birds was perfect for me, and I knew I wanted to become an ecologist. The New Zealand field season taught me that being a good biologist requires learning to be an adept and accurate observer of natural systems. This is a skill not taught in academic science, which tends to emphasize book learning, and must be learned through experience. So I set off on a path to gain field experience in bird ecology and life history evolution in a variety of ecosystems, working first on the Farallon Islands off the coast of California, then the Aleutian Islands in Alaska, and finally on passerine ecology in upstate New York. On each research project, I gained a new suite of field skills, and gradually began to play a more active role in data analysis

phases of the projects in which I was involved.

Upon completion of my bachelor's degree I set out to work as a field ecologist in Antarctica for a 6-month austral field season. I loved the work, and was quickly immersed in the dynamics of the 100,000+ member Adele penguin colony that lived just outside my door. Through discussions with the principal scientist, Dr. Wayne Trivelpeice, I rapidly discovered that although he had been studying the penguin colonies for over 25 years, relatively little was known about the dynamics of the marine ecosystem in which the penguins live. He had documented declines in penguin population size, juvenile recruitment to the colony, and reproductive success, but relatively little was known about what processes were driving these changes. Indeed, when I began reading the literature on krill biology (the primary food source of adeles), I discovered that almost nothing was known about such basic facts as where krill populations were distributed, how long individuals lived, and how many times they reproduced in their lifetimes. Coming from a background in bird ecology, I was amazed at the limited extent of our knowledge. In the bird studies I had participated in it was often possible to trace the reproductive history of a particular bird back 3-4 generations (a bird genealogy), or to know the movement patterns of particular individuals to within meters. In the marine realm, it appeared that movement patterns were entirely unknown, even within a spatial scale of 1000's of kilometers. The marine environment seemed a blank page, ripe for exploration.

Following a second field season in the Antarctic, I began to crave greater intellectual challenge, and started to think about going back to school. I also knew that I would be able to make a much larger contribution to science by completing an advanced degree and initiating my own

research. I applied to graduate schools the next winter, and began the Biological Oceanography program at SIO in 1998. My thesis research focuses on many of the questions that initially got me interested in pursuing marine science. I am using genetic tools to understand what constitutes a population in an oceanic zooplankton species, and have been examining the oceanographic environment for clues as to what may control population distributions. I have also been detecting and describing a number of species new to science. The Frieda Daum Urey Endowed Fellowship enabled me to complete data analysis and prepare a manuscript documenting 12 previously unknown species. Thank you for the support!

Sincerely, Erica Goetze

I defended my PhD in March, 2004, my seventh year at Scripps Institution of Oceanography. I came here in a round about way. I was not one of those kids who said "I want to be a marine biologist". For me it took longer for my passion to gel. I came from an Air Force family and graduated high school in the Central Valley of California. I went to UC Santa Barbara for my undergraduate work and completed my BS in Biopsychology in 1988. I knew then that I wanted to do a graduate degree in science but I felt I needed time to decide upon which field of biology held the most interest to me. I earned my single subject teaching credential in 1990 and taught Biology in Lodi Unified School District while I looked into graduate programs and examined options for my future.

I am proud of the accomplishments and contributions that I made while I was teaching in the LUSD. I found that a hobby of mine, diving and marine science, translated into encouragement for students to take an extra year of science. I proposed a course in marine science that started as a one semester pilot course. Within a year it was expanded to a full year and by the next year I had two full sections. The course has been approved as a UC laboratory course and is still being taught in the district with my original curriculum at two high schools. I maintain my ties to the district and am proud of my history there. I took a leave of absence (I resigned after two years) to start a master's degree program in Evolutionary Biology at San Diego State University in 1994. In 1995, I finished my coursework at SDSU and started work on my master's thesis project at the Southwest Fisheries Science Center, La Jolla Laboratory. I looked at evolutionary relationships among the nearshore group of rockfish species and tried to understand the enormous speciation within the group. This collaboration led me to my current work on rockfish genetics.

My master's thesis research has inspired many of my PhD dissertation questions. In one component of my PhD work, I use reference data collected on adult rockfishes to identify larval rockfishes from the California Cooperative Oceanic and Fisheries Investigations (CalCOFI) samples to answer long standing ecological questions about rockfish early life history. The ultimate goal is to use these larvae and their distribution data to identify critical habitat for adult spawn-

ers, gain information on relative abundance for different species and gain an understanding of relative timing and frequency of spawning events. Another component of my PhD work concerns assessing many populations of adults of a single species of the nearshore kelp rockfish species, *Sebastes atrovirens*, by sampling these on SCUBA. In this case, population samples have been collected from many of the Channel Islands and from locations along the coast throughout the range of the kelp-habitat associated species. These populations are then assessed genetically and the frequencies of genes are compared across populations to test for significant differences. When populations share migrants (where dispersal is occurring), populations are not expected to be significantly different. Where populations show significant differences, we can use this information to identify potential barriers to dispersal in the marine environment. My data show a pattern of limited gene flow along the coast (stepping stone gene flow) with higher dispersal at the offshore islands of San Nicolas and San Clemente.

I have enjoyed the opportunities that I have had in academia but they have been difficult financially. I have been fortunate to receive support through the Frieda Daum Urey Endowment Fellowship of the Oceanids and the Graduate Department at Scripps. I strongly feel that the money has been well-invested and I am extremely grateful for the support. I have (prior to defending my dissertation) submitted 3 papers for publication and currently have plans for the submission of 4 additional manuscripts that are in preparation. My work on identification of rockfish has enabled me to address questions and test hypotheses about early life history in rockfishes that are very exciting!

Thank you, Cynthia Taylor

Sounding Board Speaker in April: Steve Erie

"Water for Southern California's Past, Present & Future"

UCSD political scientist Steve Erie is a well-known specialist in public infrastructure investment. He is quoted frequently in the news when any infrastructure situations arise, such as the devastating fires, or southern California's Water Wars.

Most of us are curious to know if arid San Diego will have enough water--how is growth affecting supply? He will explain where our water comes from and current plans for the future.

Steve is Associate Professor of Political Science and Adjunct Associate Professor of History, but as Director, Urban Studies Program, his interests include urban politics, ethnic/minority group politics, public enterprise and the politics of growth. He is the author of several prize-winning books and numerous journal articles.

NEW MEMBERS NEWS

Yoko and Akihide Takeuchi came to the USA last June to study further and communicate with other scientists. Yoko tells us the following about herself and her husband:

Akihide is a Samurai; everyone who comes to our house is surprised to see a lot of Japanese swords displayed on the wall. Actually, these are not made from steel, but from bamboo and we use them for traditional Japanese fencing, called Kendo. So you don't need to be afraid of visiting us. One of his joys after work is to take care of those bamboo swords and other equipment while he is watching a Japanese historical play (samurai play) on video or television.

He started Kendo when he was 11 years old and has been practicing throughout his life. Kendo, like other martial arts, has a system of ranks. He is a 4th grade holder and is qualified as an instructor. In a UCSD Kendo Club, he sometimes teaches "The Way of The Sword". He thinks that it is best to teach not only techniques but also its spirit. However, he is too busy working as a researcher to participate in the practice.

He is studying neurological development at a Molecular Neurobiology Laboratory of the Salk Institute. He has been interested in brain research since he was a college student. After he became a neurosurgeon, an intrinsic desire to investigate the complex and wonderful human brain made him decide to be a researcher.

I met him at a medical school in Japan when we were college students and we studied in the same class for six years. While he was practicing Kendo, I was getting training for Kyudo, a Japanese style of archery that is heavily influenced by Zen. Unfortunately, I gave it up after I started to work as a physician at a hospital in Japan. My specialty is endocrinology and metabolism, and most of my patients have been diabetes mellitus. Since I believe that teamwork with medical co-workers (nurses, dieticians and etc) is indispensable to treat diabetes, I joined as many educational teams as possible. I undertook the job of training a new team of diabetes workers in a new hospital. I feel happy to hear that the team works well even now.

Now, I am thinking I should join a group of diabetes workers in this country and exchange information about diabetes education and therapy. One of my dreams is to be a bridge between hospitals in Japan and the USA. To brush up on my English and make my dream come true, I am going to English-speaking language school and also taking some medical classes now. There are various kinds of people in our school and I really thank the USA for giving me an opportunity to be able to meet a lot of people from various countries. We also appreciate that Oceanids has offered us such activities as a welcome party and whale watching, and given us a chance to introduce ourselves. We are very proud to become members of the organization.

Finally, if you are interested in us or have any useful information we would be happy to hear from you, please

email us or call. Our e-mail address is <ytakeuchi@sbcglobal.net>. Our telephone number is 858-552-0813.

Thank you. Yoko and Akihide Takeuchi

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The Friends of the International Center will be serving a Brazilian Dinner and have a showing of power point pictures taken in the Pantanel by Chris Wills on **Saturday, April 17.**

Also, please save **Saturday, April 24** for a house tour of the home of Caroline and Nico Nierenberg. Both events are fundraisers for the Scholarship Fund.

More information will be available in the April issue of the Friends of the International Center newsletter. Liz Fong Wills



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