

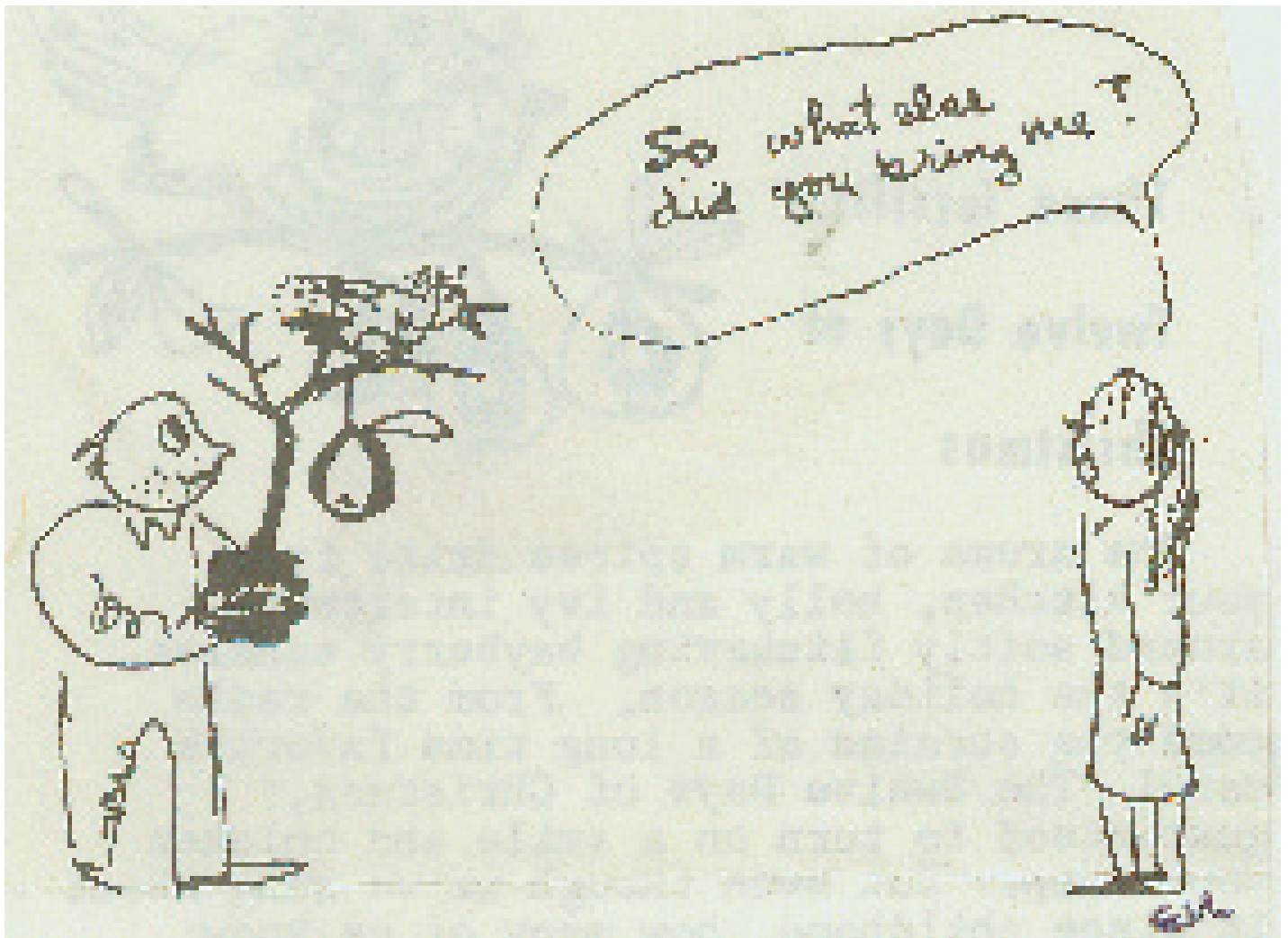
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HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL

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**BOARD MEETINGS: first Thursday every month**

Oceanids Pavilion, International Center

Coffee and refreshments: 9:30 am, meeting starts at 10:00 am

(You are welcome to attend!)

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As we approach this holiday season, one of the things I'm very thankful for is Oceanids! The Fall Brunch was a good reminder of what a wonderful organization this is, mostly because of the bright and talented people we have the opportunity to meet.



Personally I had a great time at the event, partly because it was my lucky job to greet as many of you as possible. I enjoyed seeing people I mostly exchange e-mails with such as Claudia Lowenstein, who so capably assists Mary Cutchin with membership. And I was delighted to see two friends I've known for years from the League of Women Voters (another organization I'm devoted to), Mariette Kobrak and Louise Arnold. Several people commented that they enjoyed catching up with friends they don't see as often as they'd like.

We're not supposed to be partial, but I admit I was proud to see the two Interest Groups I'm most active in, bridge and Cafe Francais, well represented. The focus of the Fall Brunch is our Interest Groups. If you're looking for something new, even if you already participate in one or two groups, look at the list in this newsletter. There's a wide variety of activities, something for everyone really.

Finally, I want to extend special thanks to our co-chairs Barbara Bank and Diana Vines, as well as to Mary Woo for making the name tags and serving with me as greeter, to Judy Vacquier for organizing and staffing the Grab N' Go table and to Beate Menzel for coordinating the Interest Group displays.

Our next all-member event will most likely be another "E-Bay Intake Party" sometime in February. As I never tire of reminding everyone, please be thinking about any treasures you'd be willing to part with for a good cause.

Happy holidays to you and yours,  
Mary Hanson

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"and Thanking"

Breathing deeply, in and out, consciously,  
Or shallowly unconsciously.  
I'm living here and now,  
As a tiny part of the mighty Nature  
Which causes death and life among us,  
All creatures. We live together in or out of pain,  
Crying, laughing, pushing self a step,  
Appreciating all and thanking.

Mihoko Vacquier

## PARTY, PARTY!!!

On November 2, UCSD Oceanids had their annual Fall brunch at the International Center on the UCSD campus. The event was well attended. Among the 60 attendees, there were some new members and guests of members. The many interest groups sponsored by Oceanids were presented and everyone had the chance to sign up for new interest groups. The brunch was catered by Bekker's Catering and consisted of delectable stuffed croissants, a mixed green salad and a fruit salad. Members baked various kinds of delicious desserts.



The event was a great success. It gave everyone an opportunity to renew old friendships and a chance to meet new people.

*We hope to see all*

*of you at our Spring luncheon which is scheduled for Thursday May 15, 2014. Do save the date!*

Diana Vines (above) and Barbara Bank (right) chaired the party. Many thanks !!



## Mary McIlwain, a 50+ Year Story

Oceanids members who are fortunate enough to have known and worked with Mary McIlwain (and there are many) know her as someone who gets things done. Many of us don't know her history with Oceanids which goes back 51 years, or her pre-La Jolla background

Mary and her husband, Carl arrived in La Jolla in 1962 when Carl had been recruited to start the Space Science Group. They had met at North Texas University where they had both been flute majors. A move to Iowa City resulted in Carl receiving his PhD in physics, while Mary earned a B.A. in home economics. They began raising their two children in Iowa where Mary worked in a lab, then moved to California permanently.

The Upper Campus was not yet completed, so all departments were temporarily housed at Scripps Institute of Oceanography. It was there that Mary joined Oceanids at a time when Frieda Urey was "everything" (and continued to be until her death in 1992). Mary was immediately active in the organization and has remained so until the present. According to Mary, she filled every position in Oceanids except President, for which she felt unsuited.

There was a 20-year hiatus during which she worked as Administrative Assistant to Dr. Russ Doolittle, filling a variety of highly responsible roles. Her proudest achievement there was organizing all the details of the International Congress for Thrombosis and Hemostasis in 1975.

Mary has served on the Oceanids Board ever since, having been Financial Secretary for many years until Liz Winant took over that role several years ago. She remembers the difficulty in finding leadership in some of the intervening years, to the extent that it was uncertain that Oceanids would be able to continue its existence.....but look at us now! Mary loves us for our feeling of warmth and family.

An anecdote illustrates the stuff Mary is made of. Several years ago a Budget Committee meeting was being held at my house. About 15 minutes before it was to begin there was a phone call; it was Mary tell-

ing me that she had just slipped and fallen in the street in front of her house and fractured her pelvis, and she was sorry, but she wouldn't be at the meeting. That's Mary McIlwain!

Ruth Stern

## THE LIVES OF THE BOOK GROUP

We've met on the second Tuesday morning of every month for many decades and we're always delighted to greet new readers. We are a friendly, informal bunch who relish a lively discussion of interesting literature. Our primary criteria are good writing and availability in paperback. Our choices are determined by the group at an annual planning meeting and usually include a classic or two, 4 or 5 more recent novels (sometimes in translation), a biography/memoir, something science-oriented and other non-fiction.



Listed below are our titles/authors through next summer; November and December are on page 6. Please feel free to join us for any or all of our meetings (even though you haven't finished [or even started] the book).

- Feb 11 "River of Shadows" by Rebecca Solnit
- Mar 11 "The Garden of Evening Mists" by Tan Twan Eng
- Apr 8 "Family Romance" by John Lanchester
- May 13 "In the Memory of the Forest" by Charles T Powers
- Jun 10 To be chosen by John Halperin, our guest reviewer
- Jul 8 Plays by Catherine Filloux. She will lead the discussion; yes, she is Odette's daughter.
- Aug 12 Planning Session

Please call with any questions.

Janet Goff 760 753 3472



## Kitchen and Furniture Exchange



The Oceanids Newcomers Kitchen and Baby Furniture Exchange has been in business for almost 39 years. It is located in a garage at the International Center and is open on Wednesday mornings from 10:30 to noon all year round and by appointment. (If someone is leaving the country to return home on a Tuesday, we do not ask them to return the rental items the previous Wednesday.) People usually arrive in this country with just clothes in their two suitcases, leaving no room for housekeeping items. We have basic kitchen equipment (pots and pans, dishes, flatware, glasses) and more (wine glasses, kitchen scales, casseroles, tea pots, etc., etc.) for rent to foreign visitors for nominal rates. The kitchen equipment that a single person takes will cost approximately \$1 per month. A couple can expect to pay \$2 per month, and a family can expect to pay \$3 per month. People are allowed to pick out what they want. Electrical appliances are additional; most are 50 cents a month, but vacuum cleaners and microwaves are \$2 or \$3 per month extra. Most of what we have was purchased new (Corelle dishes, Farberware pots and pans, blenders, mixers, lamps, vacuum cleaners, microwaves.) Some of what we have has been donated, either by visitors themselves who found that they could not live without something that they are used to, some by Oceanids members. We can offer a tax deductible slip for the donations.

Our customers come from all over the world to study at UCSD and each of them has an interesting story. On the morning that Oceanids president Mary Hanson came to visit, she took pictures of a Chilean postdoc in Neurosciences who expects to be here for two years and needed a vacuum cleaner (see photo on right). There was the Indian couple who had come earlier who had left with another of our vacuum cleaners and had come with a sad story: they had purchased a very cheap vacuum cleaner for \$40 at Walmart and it died after only 11 months. They learned that the repair would be more than the original purchase price. They were happy to be able to rent from us and were sorry that they had not originally rented from us at \$2 per month. And there was the mainland Chinese scholar who had to go to the ATM machine in order to pay the deposit which we require to ensure the return of the rented items. Finally, there was a young mother who returned things, saying that their 7-year-old daughter was very upset that they were going back to Brittany just before Halloween, thereby missing all the festivities.

This particular Wednesday, our regular volunteers Mary Ruth Cox, Louise Keeling and Estelle Shabetai were away for various reasons. Thus only Jim Chase (below) and I were there to help these international scholars that day. Except for Jim, who has only volunteered for a few years, of us have been involved Kitchen Exchange for many years. Lucky for us, Jim is very handy and able to fix things that have come apart. If you are interested in helping foreign students and scholars in a very concrete way, please consider volunteering in need you and are happy to have the opportunity to meet some very nice and appreciative people!!!!



Liz Fong Wills

# 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 Beate Laura Menzel, 619 401-1557 (jrblmenzel@cox.net), Interest Group Coordinator. If five or more Oceanids wish to start a new group, please let her 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 contacting Mary Cutchin, 858-459-8074, marycutchin@yahoo.com or by submitting the application form in this issue.

**Since the newsletter is posted on the Oceanids website we will, for security reasons, not publish addresses (with occasional exceptions). Please call the contact for the necessary information.**

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## ALL ABOARD

Contact: Barbara Bank at (858) 484-4597 or barbara@sDNA1.ucsd.edu

Contact chair person about next outing.

**Next meeting: ?**

## AVI SET BIRDERS

Contacts: Dec.: Judy Vacquier (858) 361-0418 or jvacq@sbcglobal.net;

Jan. : Liz Winant (858) 481-7447, lwinant@ucsd.edu

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 Pl. in La Jolla. The North County birders will meet at a TBD location. We will carpool from these locations to sites around the county. Members will be called or e-mailed.

**Next outings: December 9 and January 13.**

## BOOK GROUP

Contacts: Liz Winant (858) 481-7447 and Janet Goff (760)753-3472

We meet on the second Tuesday of every month at 9:30 AM for chatting and 10 AM for our discussion. Everyone is welcome - we are always happy to greet new readers.

Date "Title" by Author / Host / Reviewer

December 10 "The Lost Estate" by Henri Alain-Fournier (trans. by Robin Buss) / Marianne Burkenroad / Odette Filloux

January 14 "Train Dreams" by Denis Johnson / Ruth Stern / TBA

**Next meetings: December 10 and January 14.**

## CAFÉ ESPAÑOL

Contacts: Beate Menzel jrblmenzel@sbcglobal.net or 619 401 1557

Vicky Lindblade vlindblade@mac.com or 858 452 1739

This conversation group is designed for fluent Spanish speakers who wish to keep up their Spanish and learn new vocabulary. We meet the first Thursday of the month at 2 p.m. One hour of conversation and one hour of reading aloud and group discussion. We will also try Scrabble in Spanish! La proxima reunión de Café Español será el jueves el cinco de Diciembre 2-4 a la casa de Liz Johnson y el dos de Enero en la casa de Marjorie Jackson. Por favor mande una carta electronica a Beate Menzel para informarla si quiere venir.

**Next meetings: December 5 and January 2.**

## CAFÉ FRANÇAIS

Contact: Mary Hanson (858) 456-1304; mhanson@san.rr.com

Notre prochaine réunion aura lieu le 15 janvier chez Anne Caprioglio, avec Olivia Dorman comme co-hotesse. (Pas de réunion pendant le mois de décembre.) Cette fois on va se réunir à midi au lieu qu'à 13h. Veuillez donner un coup de fil ou envoyer un e-mail à Anne si vous viendrez.

**Next meeting: January 15 at noon**

## CINEMA SOIRÉE

Contact: Roswitha Enright (858) 459-7375

The group meets at a designated home on the **second Sunday** of each month (all year long) at 7:00pm for socializing; movie discussion starts at 7:30pm sharp. Light refreshments will be served. You will be contacted by e-mail about which movie to see and where to meet. For more information call Roswitha.

**Next meetings: December 8 and January 12.**

## DAY BRIDGE

Contact: Beate Menzel (619) 401-1557 or jrblmenzel@sbcglobal.net

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

**Next meetings: December 3+17 and January 7+21.**

## EVENING BRIDGE

Contact: Barbara Bank at (858) 484-4597 or barbara@sDNA1.ucsd.edu

The couples Evening Bridge Interest Group meets at 7:00pm 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 meetings: December ? and January 25.**

## GERMAN KAFFEEKLATSCH

Contact: Roswitha Enright 858 459-7375 (renright@ucsd.edu)

This group is for beginners and experienced German speakers alike. Guaranteed no pressure. Just come on the **3rd Tuesday at 3 pm** and have a good time. Only German spoken. If you want to join, please ccontact Roswitha.

**Next meetings: December 17 and January 21.**

## GRACIOUS AGING

Contact: Stephanie Freeman, 619-417-2969

This group meets the first Monday of each month at the Quaker Meeting House on 7380 Eads Avenue, La Jolla, CA 92037 1-3 pm to discuss various topics from the perspective of life-long experience. This group has participants from Sweden, Finland, Switzerland, Germany and the US, and travel and history are frequent topics. Friends bring snacks to share and tea is served. All friends over 80 are welcome.

**Next meetings: December 2 and January 6.**

## GOURMET GROUP

Contact: Susan Starr 858 455 1630 or susanstarr1@gmail.com

This is a group for those who like to try cooking new things. We meet several times a year, at members' homes, and each person brings an assigned dish or course. The group is currently full but if you'd like to be notified when there is an opening, or a new group is forming, please email Susan Starr at the address above.

**Next meetings: Please call contact.**

Growing old is mandatory;



growing up is optional.

## HIKING IN AND AROUND SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Contact: Roswitha Enright (858) 459-7375, [renright@ucsd.edu](mailto:renright@ucsd.edu)

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: December 14 and January 11.**

## MICROBREWERY BEER TASTING

Contact: Barbara Bank at 858-484-4597 or [bbank@ucsd.edu](mailto:bbank@ucsd.edu),

Judy Vacquier at 858-361-0418 or [jvacq@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jvacq@sbcglobal.net)

The Microbrewery Group's first meeting of the academic year will be the Oktoberfest at The Faculty Club on Saturday, October 19, 2013, 6:00pm-9:00 pm. The Faculty Club and UCSD Alumni are working together to bring you an exciting night of fun, food, local beer (brewed by UC San Diego Alumni), and live entertainment. Call the Faculty Club to make reservations, 858-534-0876. They have not yet posted the fee.

**Please let Barbara Bank know that you will be coming. I will try to reserve a table or tables for our group. ([bbank@ucsd.edu](mailto:bbank@ucsd.edu))**

**Next meetings: October 19.**

## MOVEABLE FEAST I

Contact: Liz Fong Wills (858) 454-6858; [lizfongwills@yahoo.com](mailto:lizfongwills@yahoo.com)

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: Mary Cutchin (858) 459-8074 or [marycutchin@yahoo.com](mailto:marycutchin@yahoo.com)

This group meets every other month for drinks at a member's house. From there we carpool to the restaurant. Contact Mary Cutchin for information and reservations.

**Next meeting: Call contact.**

## MUSEUM FRIENDS

Contact: Barbara Starkey 858-453 0779 or [bstarkey@san.rr.com](mailto:bstarkey@san.rr.com)

This group meets on a somewhat irregular basis. Upcoming trips will be posted on the Oceanids listserv. Check your newsletter as well.

**Next meeting: Call contact.**

## PHOTO DIGERATI

Contact: Jane Takahashi [jtakahashi@san.rr.com](mailto:jtakahashi@san.rr.com)

We meet on the second and fourth Tuesday from 1 to 4 pm each month. 1st meeting is at Jane's home. On the 2nd meeting we go on a field trip. This is for all who are interested in learning more about digital photography. For more information call Jane.

**Next meetings: December 10+24 and January 14 + 28.**

## PIANO AND CHAMBER SOIRÉE

Contact: Judy Vacquier (858) 361-0418 or [jvacq@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jvacq@sbcglobal.net)

This group is for amateurs who need a motivation to practice and want to perform in a relaxed, fun setting among friends. We welcome piano, chamber instruments and voice, classical, jazz and popular music, solos and ensembles. We usually meet the third or fourth Sunday at 4 pm. This group is currently at capacity and has a waiting list. On **Sunday, December 15, at 4 pm**, we will meet at the home of Katie Fulhorst. Please RSVP to Katie at [kfulhorst@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kfulhorst@sbcglobal.net) or 858-274-1482, and to Judy Vacquier at 858-

361-0418 or [jvacq@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jvacq@sbcglobal.net). In January, we will meet Sunday, January 26, at 4 pm at the home of Vicky Yablonsky. Please RSVP to Vicky at 858-794-8147 or [victoria.yablonsky@gmail.com](mailto:victoria.yablonsky@gmail.com), and to Judy Vacquier as described above.

**Next meetings: December 15 and January 26.**

## PIANO MATINEE

Contact: Diana Vines at [dianasvines@gmail.com](mailto:dianasvines@gmail.com) or 858 459-8248

This group is for players who are at an advanced beginner/intermediate level and want the opportunity to practice and perform in a relaxed setting among friends. If you are interested in being part of this group, please contact Diana Vines at [dianasvines@gmail.com](mailto:dianasvines@gmail.com) or 858 459-8248. We welcome classical, jazz and popular piano music. We meet the second Sunday of each month at 4pm.

**No meeting: October; November 10.**

## SOUNDING BOARD

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

Steve Erie on Urban Politics

See page 8 for more information.

**Next meetings: December 5 NO SB IN JANUARY**

## WEDNESDAY COFFEE

Contact: Georgina Sham 858-459-1336

Mary Woo 481-6998 & 336-3642 (cell)

Jennie Chin [enjian1@hotmail.com](mailto:enjian1@hotmail.com)

Come join our social group of Oceanids, newcomers, postdocs, students, and their children for refreshments at the International Center every Wednesday, 10am-12 noon during the academic year. 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.**

**Next meetings: Wednesdays.**

See article about the Kitchen Exchange on page 5.

## WINE TASTING I

Contact: Elisabeth Smith 858-222-2548 e-mail: [egsmith99@hotmail.com](mailto:egsmith99@hotmail.com)

Exploring the taste sensations of a new wine or an old vintage, this group meets the third Friday monthly. Members rotate as hosts. **This group is again open to new members.**

For questions, contact Elisabeth Smith.

**Next meetings: December 20 and January 17.**

## WINE TASTING II

Contact: Barbara Scholz (858) 350-6014 or [bscholz@hotmail.com](mailto: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 chair person about next meeting**

## WITS II

Contact: Bev Douglas (858) 453-4938

WITS II uses the principles of NAIC to study and evaluate companies for stock purchases. We meet on the 4th Wednesday from 3:30 to 5pm. If fewer than 5 will be available we do not meet.

**Next meeting: Call chair for next meeting.**

Sounding Board is a series of seven lectures during the academic year, the first Thursday at 12 noon, sponsored by UC San Diego Oceanids and the UC San Diego Faculty Club. Oceanids, faculty and friends meet at the UCSD Faculty Club in a specially designated room to eat lunch and listen to fascinating speakers. Lunch is \$13.00 for guests and \$9.00 for Faculty Club members (purchase required). Coffee and iced tea are provided in the meeting room. A parking permit can be obtained at the front desk. You can be sure of a lively discussion! You do not need to RSVP. Contact Judy Vacquier at [jvacq@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jvacq@sbcglobal.net) or 858-361-0418 for more information.

*Another year of interesting speakers at Sounding Board is continuing Tuesday, December 5!*

**December 5, 2013**

**Steven P. Erie**, Professor of Political Science,  
Adjunct Professor of History,  
Director, Urban Studies Program

*“Has San Diego Solved its Pension and Fiscal Problems? Reflections on the post-Filner Era”*

Erie’s research interests include urban politics, public policy, ethnic/racial politics, and American political development. He is the author of four books: *Rainbow’s End: Irish-Americans and the Dilemmas of Urban Machine Politics, 1840-1985*; *Globalizing L.A.: Trade, Infrastructure, and Regional Development*; *Beyond ‘Chinatown’: The Metropolitan Water District, Growth, and the Environment in Southern California*; and *Paradise Plundered: Fiscal Crisis and Governance Failures in San Diego*.

*Rainbow’s End* won best urban book awards from the American Political Science Association and the American Sociological Association. *Globalizing L.A.* won book awards from Lambda Alpha International Land Economics Society and the Historical Society of Southern California. And, most recently, *Paradise Plundered* won the best urban book award from the American Political Science Association. He also has written numerous journal articles and book chapters. His current book project is *Mulholland’s Gift: The Politics and Policymaking of L.A.’s Department of Water and Power*. Professor Erie is actively involved in public policy debates on issues of infrastructure, economic development, governance, and public finance. He helped write San Diego’s new “strong mayor” form of government; served on the governor’s infrastructure commission; and advises public officials, business and community leaders in Southern California on the policy challenges facing the region.



**THERE IS NO SOUNDING BOARD IN JANUARY 2014.**

On February 6 we will hear Gordon Hanson, Professor of Economics at UCSD. The title of his talk is “Globalization and the American Worker”.



## BETTY NOBLE SHOR, 1930-2013

Betty Noble Shor died peacefully in her sleep on October 13, at the home of her son, Professor Alexander ("Sandy") Shor, in Honolulu. Known as the "walking memory" of Scripps Institution of Oceanography (having written a history of SIO), Betty also wrote a history of Oceanids. She was a long-time member, and served as co-editor or editor of BEAR FACTS from February 1970 to June 1972, as well as coordinator of the informal Stamp Collecting interest group.

Recognition of her contributions to Oceanids came in her designation in 1992 as Oceanid of the Year (along with Jean Lindsley, another early member). George and Betty also enjoyed Wine Tasting (Group I) for many years.

Betty was an expert on bamboo, co-editing the Bamboo Society of America's magazine for several years. In recent years, Betty also did scientific editing for a number of scientists

Science in many ways framed the stages of her life. Born in Boston, where her father was a professor of geology, most of her childhood was spent in Lead, South Dakota, where he served as Chief Geologist of the famed Homestake Mine. Betty graduated from Lead High School, as valedictorian. The next phase involved Cal Tech where her father was a professor. Wellesley College was her home for two years, but she returned to California to marry George Shor, then a graduate student in Charles Richter's lab. Betty worked in that lab for a period, and she also worked at SIO for Professor Carl Hubbs. George went on to become a professor of geophysics at SIO, until he died in 2009. They had three children--Alexander (another professor of geophysics), Don and Carolyn. The family is planning a memorial service in the spring.

Eleanor tum Suden

We knew Betty as a neighbor, amazing stamp collector and fabulous bamboo plant expert. She had lived on our block on Ellentown until just weeks before her death. We had enjoyed our interchanges with Betty and yearly i would give her all our Canadian, Foreign and USA stamps for her collections.

Betty was a unique and strong character !! Up to the last few years, there was usually a cigarette in her mouth and til the end there were the braids on top of her head. She was fun to talk with, and let us pick her loquats from her truly most productive fruit tree imaginable!!

Remarkably, she wrote 3 academic books while bringing up three children. It was only on her death that i learned of of her academic prowess.

We will all miss you Betty Shor.

Fondly, Nona Rowat

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**Come celebrate Chinese New Year with us!**

The Friends of the International Center will have a Chinese New Year banquet on Saturday January 25th followed by a Power Point presentation by Chris Wills on a recent trip to Kimbe Bay, New Britain, Papua New Guinea. The November 2013 issue of National Geographic has a brief article attesting to the fact that Kimbe Bay is still an underwater PARADISE! Also, Chris will show pixs of the Bainings Fire Dances, which some of you may have learned about at the Chicago Field Museum exhibit on Spirits. The Field Museum sent an anthropologist in 1910 to study the Bainings Fire Dances and, judging by the black and white photos, not much has changed in the 103 years since.

Some of you may have been to one of the previous ten Chinese dinners prepared by our talented chefs and will remember some of Chef Jimmy's creations. For the year of the Rabbit, Jimmy made "rabbits" out of prawns. The Year of the Snake was represented by a large bean curd roll stuffed with minced pork and water chestnuts with little carrot "eyes." The Year of the Dragon was represented by a creation with the head of a lobster and lots of shrimp and avocado for its body. We don't know what Chef Jimmy will do for the coming Year of the Horse, but we can hardly wait to see!

The cost for this dinner will be \$50 for Friends of the International Center and \$60 for non-members. All but \$10 will be tax deductible as this is a fundraiser for the Scholarship Fund. Maybe this is the year for you to join! Sign up soon because this one will sell out!

Liz Fong Wills

**(Please contact Liz at 454-6858 or lizfong2@gmail.com to get more information and make reservations.)**

**OCEANIDS & UCSD NEWCOMERS WHALE WATCHING TRIP**

**WHO:** The first 145/boat of UCSD Newcomers, Oceanids members and their families to make reservations.

**WHAT:** Watch California Gray whales on their migration to Mexico from aboard a chartered boat.

**WHEN:** Saturday, February 1, 2014 on your choice of: **Boat #1:** Check-in at 8:45, as the boat leaves the dock at 9:15 a.m. and returns 11:45 a.m. - 12 p.m.

**Boat #2:** Check-in at 12 noon, as the boat leaves the dock at 12:30 p.m., and returns 3 - 3:15 p.m.

A talk by Dr. Thomas Jefferson will prepare us for the trip: You will learn all there is to know about whales! Come for an informative evening!

Wednesday, January 29, 6:30 p.m.

UCSD International Center Lounge

**NOTE: EACH guest must sign the Liability Waiver**

If you have questions, call Liz at 858-454-6858 (home), 858-232-7545 (cell), or e-mail Georgina at: <gbsham@gmail.com>

Please print names of everyone in your party. A name badge will be made for each of you and will be your ticket to board.

We will call you by phone on Feb. 1st, before 8 a.m. if the trip is postponed due to weather.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

The number where we can reach you at 8 a.m. If you wish email confirmation

Number of Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Children \_\_\_\_\_ Amount of Check \_\_\_\_\_

We wish to go on Boat #1 (leaves at 9:15 a.m.)

We wish to go on Boat #2 (leaves at 12:30 p.m.)

Make checks payable to Oceanids. Send completed form and check to: Liz Wills, 8310 El Paseo Grande, La Jolla CA 92037-3011

# DECEMBER 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	Gracious Aging 2	Day Bridge 3	KitX Wed. Coffee 4	BOARD MEETING Sounding Board 5 Café Español	6	7
Cinema Soireé 8	Avi Set Birders 9	Photo-Digerati 10 Book Group	KitX Wed. Coffee 11	12	13	Hiking 14
Piano and Chamber Soireé 15	16	Day Bridge 17 Kaffeeklatsch	KitX Wed. Coffee 18	19	Wine Tasting I 20	Beer Tasting 21
22	23	Photo Digerati 24	KitX Wed. Coffee 25 WITS II	26	27	Evening Bridge 28
29	30	31	HAPPY NEW YEAR !!!!			

# JANUARY 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				Café Español 1	2	3 4
5	Gracious Aging 6	Day Bridge 7	KitX Wed. Coffee 8	BOARD MEETING 9	10	Hiking 11
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