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eBay Fundraiser Win-Win for Everyone

The fourth annual eBay auction fundraiser was the biggest success yet, passing our goal of \$2500 and 3 almost \$4,000. This is Oceanids' only organized fundraiser each year, and it helps support our philanthropic projects like the Undergraduate Service Awards among other things. This fundraiser was the brainchild of our Treasurer, Jan Ouren, and has been a success every year. Oceanids members get a chance to clean out their drawers and closets of unwanted gifts and purchases and make more space, and get a tax deduction for their donations which sell on eBay (or to each other!). The buyers on eBay are delighted with their purchases and our excellent service, especially our lightning speed shipping. This is a win-win situation.

We started with our eBay Intake Party on February 8th, with 18 busy volunteers and 49 donors. Items were checked in, photographed, recorded, evaluated, weighed, measured, and displayed for purchase at our "Buy it Now" table. Items which were deemed not valuable enough for eBay were sold at our \$5 and \$10 table, and unsold items were donated to the resale shop of the Friends of the International Center. Donors and volunteers enjoyed wonderful refreshments and while it was a long and tiring day, it was an exciting and fun time. Thanks to our committee of Mary Hanson, Liz Winant, Barbara Bank, Roswitha Enright, Liz Bonkowsky, Cheryl Burian-Baldwin, Irene Larrimore, Bev Douglas, Jan Ouren, Liz Lancaster, Ruth Stern, Mary McIlwain, Mary Cutchin, Maxine Bloor, Mary Woo, Nancy Groves, Mary Lynn Hyde and Diana Vines for all the help as well as help from spouses Vic Vacquier and Clint Winant for photography and Randy Bank for his help with everything.

A special thanks to our eBay listing team, Mary Hanson, Liz Lancaster and Liz Winant, and to our shipping experts Bev Douglas, Cheryl Burian-Baldwin and Mary Hanson, and to Ruth Stern and Mary Hanson for storing and retrieving the items and answering queries.

Many thanks to our 49 donors, who made the auction possible. We had 157 items for sale, and sold 65, in addition to the \$5 and \$10 table. Unsold items will be returned to the donors or donated to the Friends' resale shop. It was fun to watch bidding wars among buyers for some of the items.

Some of our interesting and unusual popular items:

Michael Goode 18k gold earrings

Saufkif sterling silver bracelet

Portmeirion Botanic Garden tableware and linens

Franklin Collection cats and eggs

Faberge crystal glasses

Fabrics, wall hangings, and garments from India, Indonesia, Guatemala, Mexico and China

German crystal and silver martini set

Rotary slide rule from 1962

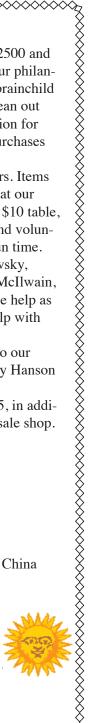
North American map from 1862

Kaleidoscope

Other popular items were purses, jewelry, collectibles, mugs, plates and bowls

Think of Oceanids while you are tidying up, and save your unwanted items for next year's auction they will become someone else's treasures!

Judy Vacquier, 2014 eBay Auction Chairperson



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Oceanids Pavilion, International Center Coffee and refreshments: 9:30 am, meeting starts at 10:00 am Meeting: 10:00am (You are welcome to attend!)



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By the time you read this our Oceanids activities will be taking a summer break. There are no board meetings or Sounding Board speakers, the E-bay fundraiser has wound down, and many of the Interest Groups are off for the summer. There doesn't seem to be much logic to which as ones continue, however. Or is there? The French language group does appreciate "les vacances," but the bridge players find the game the perfect vacation activity.

For those of us who are retired, summer isn't so different from the rest of the year. However, we follow the academic year. We are an official UCSD support group and our ties to the university in general and the International Center in particular are strong. We give of our time and our money.

Carole Ziegler coordinated another successful desert camping outing for the newcomers, and Roswitha Enright includes many newcomers in her hikes. Georgina Sham and Liz Fong Wills organize several much appreciated newcomers' activities every year, including a whale watching trip and a baseball game. Liz also runs the Kitchen Exchange, which helps new and temporary graduate students and faculty set up short-term house keeping. She could use more volunteers, so please let her know if you're occasionally free on Wednesday mornings.

During the 2014-2015 academic year Oceanids will award over \$15000 to undergraduate and graduate students, and this does not include what we contribute to the Triton 5K fun run and the student run free clinic. So we can take a vacation knowing that our philanthropic endeavors are making a difference.

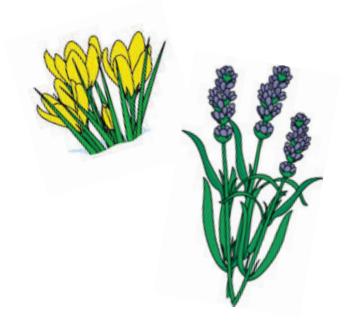
Have a wonderful summer, and I'll see you in the fall (unless you play bridge, in which case I'll see you very soon.)

Mary Hanson, President

"NEWBORN AMERICA"

by Mihoko Vacquier

"Joy to the World", people heard and sang.
Welcome Obama and his rescue crew.
So long our past indulgence, neglect and ignorance.
Now, we Oceanids are celebrating a few
Waited arrivals of newcomers to our friends' families.
Blessed you are, dear Newborns in their arms.
Your grandma- or great-grandma- Oceanids teach you,
In Deeds and by Words which remain all your life,
Wisdom, Hard Work, Care, Compassion, etc.
Practicing care, Love will grow.
Oh, I like to see you, Newborn America,
When You are Grown-Up!



Oceanids has an e-mail mailing list!

The purpose of the listserv or email distribution list is to allow our President, Board members, Interest Group chairs or anyone else with an important announcement to contact our membership.

You will also be notified when the Oceanids News is available on our website.

If you have questions, have an announcement for Oceanids, or are a new subscriber, please email the list-serv administrator, Judy Vacquier, at jvacq@sbcglobal.

Also, anyone who would like to make corrections to the directory and/or to our database (from which we obtain the addresses for 'Oceanids news' mailings,) please email Mary Cutchin at marycutchin@yahoo.com.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AT:

http://ccom.ucsd.edu/~oceanids/

Grateful thanks to our many donors

Oceanids have a wonderful tradition of giving, in so many different ways. Your support enables Oceanids to give fellowships to graduate students, service awards to undergraduate students, sponsorship for the UC San Diego Triton 5K Run which raises money for undergraduate scholarships, provide financial support for the annual UC San Diego Ph.D. Conference, financial support to the Student Run Free Clinic, and support for other events during the academic year. Thank you!

In addition to financial donations the Oceanids Board came up with an ingenious way to raise money by asking our members to donate unwanted items to us, to auction in eBay. This has been a great success with almost \$4,000 raised so far this year. Thanks go to everyone who brought their treasures for us to sell, and to the hardworking eBay Committee.

We would like to thank the following people:

Oceanids Memorial Fellowship Donations

0 - \$49 Sea Hares: Penny Alexander, Suzanne Applebaum, Shirley Babior, Olivia Dorman, Theresa Norris, Shirley Weaver.

\$50 - \$99 Sea Urchins: Margaretha Hostetler, Christa McReynolds, Barbara Nemiroff.

\$100 - \$199 Sea Anemones: Mariette Kobrak, Irene Larrimore, Estelle Shabetai, Barbara Starkey.

\$200 - \$499 Sandollars: Janet Chrispeels

\$500 - \$999 Sea Stars: Kim Signoret-Paar

Oceanids Undergraduate Service Awards

0 - \$49 Sea Hares: Barbara Brink, Olivia Dorman, Lynn Green, Elizabeth Johnson, Claudia Lowenstein, Teresa Norris

\$50 - \$99 Sea Urchins: Mary Hanson, Barbara Nemiroff.

\$100 - \$199 Sea Anemones: D. Ann Fanestil, Gail Fliesbach, Marion Masouredis.

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\$500 - \$999 Sea Stars: Kim Signoret-Paar

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0 - \$49 Sea Hares: Marissa Caggiano, Martha Dennis, Marion Dixon, Faye Girsh, Mary Lynn Hyde, Miriam Kastner, Margaret Maple, Elizabeth Marti, Audrey Swartz, Laurette Verbinski, Anne-Marie Zappella,

\$50 - \$99 Sea Urchins: Mary Hanson, Barbara Nemiroff, Kim Signoret Paar, Renee Rosenblatt, Barbara Saltman, Emily Stowell,

\$100 - \$199 Sea Anemones: Roswitha Enright, Jean Fort, Mariette Kobrak, Ann Lemke, Anne McCammon, Ruth Stern

\$200 - \$499 Sand Dollars: Rita Atkinson, Maxine Bloor, David Liberman, Carol Manifold

Over \$5,000 Sea Dragons: Rita Atkinson

Liz Winant, Co-Financial Secretary

Thank You from the UCSD Student-Run Free Clinic Project

Oceanids contributions are vital to our program, and we very much appreciate your support. Through your gifts some of the most vulnerable members of our community receive high quality, respectful, empowering health care in a trusted environment, where they can take charge of their lives and achieve well-being. At the same time the support helps to inspire the next generation of health professionals. Our clinic project relies on the generosity of our donors like you, volunteers and community partners. Words cannot express how much your support over the many years means to us.

Ellen Beck, M.D.



Dear Oceanids Chancellor's Scholarship Donors,

My name is Becky Nguyen, and I am the recipient of the Chancellor's Scholarship. I am a second-year microbiology major.

I have dreams of practicing medicine all over the world, and your generous contributions allow me to be that much closer. I currently volunteer at the Veterans Affairs Hospital in La Jolla and at dental clinics run by the UCSD Pre-Dental Society.

In the future, I see myself going to dental school and eventually open my own office. Ultimately, I want to make a difference in the lives of people all over the world, which is why I would love to join a medical missions program and go abroad to provide health care to underprivileged peoples.

Again, I want to send a massive "thank you" for being so selfless and making this scholarship happen.

Sincerely, Becky Nguyen

WHY DO WE HAVE FUNDRAISERS?

At the last board meeting we had a visit by Ernie Mort who was Dean of Students at Revelle College until 1994. He is now busy volunteering with the Undergraduate Scholarship Council at UCSD and talked to us about the development of funds for scholarships.

In the past the California state support for the UC budget was greater – but today only 6.6 percent of UC San Diego's total revenues come from the State of California. That makes scholarships so very important. The main objectives from which the recipients are chosen are:

- Excellence of students (academic merit)
- Opportunity for a diverse student population (academic merit and financial need)
- Special experience (study abroad, research, community service)

Approximately 64 percent of UCSD undergraduate students receive need-based financial aid, which can provide assistance from \$2,000 to a maximum of \$20,000, and is distributed to students based on their financial need. The total cost (including room, board, books) of attending UCSD for a California resident living on campus is now \$30,500, up from about \$15,000 in 2001. Also, non-residents costs went up from \$26,000 in 2001 to \$53,400.

Scholarships are very much needed to supplement financial aid support thus enabling students to more fully participate in their education, and to alleviate their taking on increasing debt.

Thank you, Oceanids for your donations to our funds. Through our annual gifts, we support a \$5,000 Opportunity Scholarship – the *Oceanids Chancellor's Scholarship* – through the annual Triton 5K; and we provide recognition and encouragement for those who are engaged in community service through our *Oceanids Undergraduate Service Awards*.

MAY WE PRESENT THE BOOK, published in 2013:

"The History and Artistic Use of Paper" by Marianne A. Burkenroad

Richly illustrated with color photos taken by my grandson Jacob Avanzato.

I am a student of anthropology and have become a collector of cultural arts.

My book is based entirely on my collection of paper or paper-like arts created in China, Korea, Japan, Russia and Mexico. Many of these pieces I bought on travels to the countries of their origin, others I bought in San Francisco, San Diego and La Jolla. Several wonderful pieces were given to me by friends who knew of my interest.

I also deal with the history of paper, the material used and the method of making the objects. I added stories and legends about these pieces to explain their meaning for the culture that produced them.

The book is available on Amazon; the San Diego Public Library will have a copy, so will D.G. Wills Books on Girard Ave.; the Mingei International Museum may also sell it. Or you can contact me, maburk2011@gmail.com.

In Memory of Glenda Rosenblatt

Oceanids longtime member, Glenda Rosenblatt, passed away on Tuesday, April 22. Many Oceanids remember her always helpfull attitude and encouraging smile. Glenda was Oceanids president from 1998 to 1999 together with Barbara Starkey, and again 1999 to 2000 together with Carole Ziegler. She was professionally involved with the Scripps Aguarium for several years. After her retirement, she remained very connected with Scripps Oceanography and UC San Diego. Since 2005 Glenda and her husband Professor Richard Rosenblatt have generously sponsored The Richard H. and Glenda G. Rosenblatt Lectureship in Evolutionary Biology (https://scripps.ucsd.edu/people/awards/rosenblatt).

The Oceanids community will miss Glenda greatly.

Information on memorial services will be sent by list serve as they become available.

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 L. Menzel (619 401-1557 or 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.

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: 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: September 8.

BOOK GROUP

Contacts: Tobe Barban Rothaus (858) 551-8083 and Janet Goff (760)753-3472

We meet on the second Tuesday of every month at 9:30 AM for chatting and 10AM for the book discussion. We'll do three works of fiction over the summer. Drop by for a meeting or two if a title catches your eye - we are always happy to welcome new readers. Date "Title" and Author / Host / Reviewer

June 10 "The Death of Ivan Ilyich" by Leo Tolstoy / Odette Filloux / TBA

July 9 "Independent People" by Haldor Laxness / Estelle Shabetai / Odette Filloux

Aug 13 "The Waves" by Virginia Woolf / TBA / Odette Filloux Sept 10 Planning Meeting for the next year / Host TBA Next meeting: June 10.

CAFÉ ESPAÑOL

Contacts: Beate Menzel jrblmenzel@cox.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,seis de Junio, 2-4 a la casa de Roswitha Enright. Por favor mande una carta electronica a Beate Menzel para informarla si quiere venir.

Next meeting: June 5.

CAFÉ FRANÇAIS

Contact: Mary Hanson (858) 456-1304; mhanson@san.rr.com On ne se réunit pas en été. Bonnes vacances à tout le monde! Next meeting: October 8

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 meeting: June 8.

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 meeting: June 3+17.

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 meeting: June 28.

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 3pm and have a good time. Only German spoken. If you want to join, please contact Roswitha. TIME: 3 PM TO 4:30 PM
Next meetings: June 17.

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

Growing old is mandatory;



growing up is optional.

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 meeting: June 2.

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.

HIKING IN AND AROUND SAN DIEGO COUNTY

Contact: Roswitha Enright (858) 459-7375, 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: October 11

MICROBREWERY BEER TASTING

Contact: Barbara Bank at 858-484-4597 or bbank@ucsd.edu, Judy Vacquier at 858-361-0418 or jvacq@sbcglobal.net

The Microbrewery Group is currently under re-organization. Watch for news in coming newsletters.

MOVEABLE FEAST I

Contact: Liz Fong Wills (858) 454-6858; 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 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 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

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: call contact.**

PIANO AND CHAMBER SOIRÉE

Contact: Judy Vacquier (858) 361-0418 or 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. A second group for intermediate to advanced

piano has been started, chaired by Diana Vines at dianasvines@gmail.com or 858-459-8248.

We will meet at the home of Judy Vacquier on Sunday, June 22nd at 4 pm. Please RSVP to Judy at 858-3610418 or jvacq@sbcglobal. net. No meeting in July. The August meeting will be at the home of Susan Steenbergen on Sunday, August 24th at 4 pm. Please RSVP to Susan at 619-445-8767 or suziesteen2008@cox.net and to Judy at jvacq@sbcglobal.net or 858-361-0418. September soiree will be at the home of Katie Fulhorst on Sunday, September 28th at 4 pm. Please RSVP to Katie at 858-274-1482 or kfulhorst@sbcglobal.net and to Judy at 858-3610418 or jvacq@sbcglobal.net. Next meetings: June 22, August 24, September 28

PIANO MATINEE

Contact: Diana Vines at 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 or 858 459-8248. We welcome classical, jazz and popular piano music.

We meet the second Sunday of each month at 4pm.

Next meetings: NO meeting in June, but July 13 and August 10.

SOUNDING BOARD

Contact: Judy Vacquier (858) 459 -7834 or jvacq@sbcglobal.net The next Sounding Board will be Thursday, October 2, 2014 at noon. Check the Oceanids website and Oct-Nov newsletter for speaker and title TBA.

Next meetings: October 2 and November 6.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE

Contact: Georgina Sham 858-459-1336 Mary Woo 481-6998 & 336-3642 (cell) Jennie Chin enjien1@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.

WINE TASTING I

Contact: Elisabeth Smith 858-222-2548 e-mail: 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 meeting: June 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 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 meetings: May 28, June 25.**

SOUNDING BOARD

SOUNDING BOARD is a lecture series of speakers during the academic year, every 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. In order to get the room for free we do not bring our own lunch but purchase it at the Faculty Club. 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!



NO SOUNDING BOARD UNTIL OCTOBER!!

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: _____ • Name: __ Spouse's Name: Address: ____ City, State, Zip: ______ Type of Membership: Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: Cell #: ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP: \$35; SUSTAINING: \$250 & LIFE MEMBERSHIP: \$500

• All gifts, memorials and dues are tax deductible when made payable to "UC San Diego Foundation". Please write the purpose on the "Memo" line.

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DO NOT BUY THIS!

In case you are tempted to buy a travel purse with a steel cable inside the shoulder strap, I suggest that you consider these two stories.

First: My friend Evelyn was on sabbatical in Paris. As Evelyn walked along the sidewalk, someone went by on a Vespa and grabbed the strap on her shoulder and pulled. Evelyn hung on tightly to her bag and was pulled over, hitting her head on the curb. The value of the contents could NOT have compensated for the decades of suffering from migraine-like headaches that doctors have not been able to cure.

Second: Last July, I was walking alone on a short dirt road leading to a scuba diving resort in New Britain, Papua New Guinea. (While Chris had spent the afternoon downloading photographs onto his computer, I spent the afternoon taking pixs of little kids in the open air market who would be scared off by Chris' white beard and height. We had been assured that it would be safe.) I got off the local mini-bus to walk the short distance to the resort and was suddenly confronted by a local with a machete. If he had asked me for my purse, I would have given it to him readily. However, he didn't speak English, Cantonese or Spanish (my languages) and I don't speak any of the more than 800 languages spoken in Papua New Guinea. He grabbed the strap on my purse and, with one swift movement of the machete, he cut the strap and disappeared into the coconut plantation. If I had purchased the purse with the steel cable in the strap, I would probably have been cut up as he tried to hack his way through the cable. As it was, I was really lucky and suffered only a black and blue mark on my arm where he grabbed the strap, along with six little cuts on the back of my head where I hit rocks as he pushed me backwards into the dirt road.

That injury led to a funny story. The resort's dive master recommended that the local MD who treats the "white people" should put in a few stitches, but the MD was playing in a golf tournament elsewhere. I protested that I am NOT white, and felt that any doctor could do just as good a job as the fancy MD. Goodness knows any New Guinea doctor should get plenty of practice suturing, judging by the amount of violence in that country. But Chris and I were concerned that the local clinic might not have sterile needles. And I was going to the wedding of my grand-nephew in Chicago in 8 days and didn't want the shaved back

of my head to show in the wedding pictures.

The mugging resulted in lots of interesting conversations that gave us insights unavailable in the guide books. Another guest at the resort was the manager of an Australian bank branch based in Port Moresby (the capital of PNG). He told us hair curling stories of incidences that happened in even more dangerous parts of the country. Our local guide told us that she was robbed exactly two weeks earlier in the same spot that I was attacked, yet did not report the event to the resort owner/manager because her husband and brothers would "take care of the guy." When we quizzed her, she explained that they would "rearrange the face" of the attacker who works as a security guard for a local company. When Chris pointed out that the guy would likely retaliate with his friends and relatives, our guide merely shrugged. We got to know two Australian women who have been involved in New Britain NGOs for many years and are still in email touch with them. They insisted that New Britain is indeed safer than the rest of PNG, but unfortunately I happened to be walking alone on payday, when the resort staff gets paid in cash.

In short, I am very glad that I didn't buy a travel purse with a steel cable in the shoulder strap! And I suggest that you don't buy one either!

Liz Fong Wills

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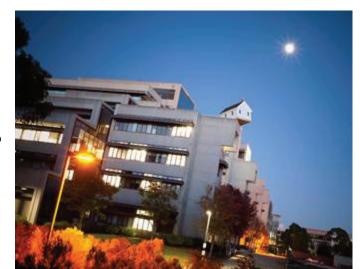
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the Brunch for October, but there were
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mark your calendars now so we may enjoy
the pleasure of your company.

Barbara Bank and
Diana Vines



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15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
Piano and Chamber Soireé		Photo Digerati	KitX Wed. Coffee WITS II			Evening Bridge	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
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