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View from the Chancellor's Terrace

Table setting

Chef preparing the buffet



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Oceanids Pavilion, International Center

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

(You are welcome to attend!)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A great time was had by all at our annual Fall Brunch, held once again at University House. I hope you had a chance to meet our gracious hostess, Thes-pine Kavoulakis, who seemed to thoroughly enjoy our Oceanids' invasion. Many thanks to her and her staff, our co-chairs Barbara Bank and Diana Vines, and everyone else who helped make this event such a great success.



Although the focus of the Fall Brunch is our social side and our Interest Groups, we do work on our philanthropic and service endeavors throughout the year. Newcomers and the Kitchen Exchange are always busy (thanks to Liz Fong Wills, Georgina Sham and the crew) and you'll continue to hear from the Board about our Scholarships and Awards. Oceanids members have been very generous and it means a great deal to those who benefit from our support.

Beate Menzel coordinates our Interest Groups, and questions should be directed to her. Do please keep in mind that any member can start a new Interest Group with at least five interested people. Our groups do come and go, which is fine. Others, like bridge, go on forever because we tell ourselves that we're exercising our brain, when it's really all about having a good time together. Fun and fellowship are what these groups are all about, so please don't hesitate to get involved. You'll be glad you did.

Thanksgiving will be over by the time you read this, but I do want to thank you all for your support and what you offer Oceanids. Here's wishing you the best for the Holidays and for 2015!

Mary Hanson, President

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AT: <http://ccom.ucsd.edu/~oceanids/>



Barbara Bank, organizer and co-chair of the luncheon and Mary Woo are busy checking the lists of the many guests who had signed up for the Fall Luncheon at the Chancellor's house.

Wished we had always had that many participants at our functions. But maybe this is a sign that many members might get more involved with Oceanids on the board, joining interest groups or creating new ones, helping out at the functions...

If you can, look at this issue of Oceanids News in color on your computer

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Enjoying the pre-luncheon refreshments

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.

Also, the Oceanids news will be sent electronically as a PDF-file which you can read online or print out.

If you have questions, have an announcement for Oceanids, or are a new subscriber, please email the listserv administrator, Judy Vacquier, at jvacq@sbcglobal.net *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 e-mail Mary Cutchin at marycutchin@yahoo.com.*



**Our
wonderfully
welcoming
hostess
Thespine
Kavoulakis**



**and many
happy
Oceanids**





**Chancellor
Pradeep Khosla**



The famous antique Tea Service

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.

AVI SET BIRDERS

Contacts: Liz Winant (858) 481-7447, lizwinant@gmail.com

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 8 and January 12.

BOOK GROUP

Contacts: Janet Goff (760)753-3472

Our meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month at 9:30 AM for chatting and 10 AM for review. Everyone is welcome; we are happy to greet new members who like to read a variety of fiction and non-fiction and who value good writing and a lively discussion. Please join us.

Date "Title" by Author / Host / Reviewer

December 9 "Serve the People" by Yan Lianke / Ruth Stern / TBA
January 13 "The Reluctant Fundamentalist" by Mohsin Hamid / Barbara Penn / Ruth Stern

Next meetings: December 9 and January 13.

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, cuatro de Diciembre, 2-4 a la casa de Christa McReynolds. Por favor mande una carta electronica a Beate Menzel para informarla si quiere venir. In January we meet at Judy Vacquier's home.

Next meetings: December 4 and January 8.

CAFÉ FRANÇAIS

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

Pas de réunion pendant le mois de décembre. Le 14 janvier on va se réunir chez Anne Caprioglio, à 1h. Veuillez lui donner un coup de fil ou envoyer un e-mail si vous avez l'intention de venir.

Next meeting: January 14.

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 14 and January 11.

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 2+16 and January 6+20.

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 24.

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: December 16 and January 20.

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 1 and January 5.

Growing old is mandatory;



growing up is optional.

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 hikes: December 13 and January 10.

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.

We will meet at the home of Vicky Yablonsky on Sunday, December 21st at 4 pm. Please RSVP to Vicky at victoria.yablonsky@gmail.com or 858-794 8147 and to Judy at 858-361-0418 or jvacq@

sbcglobal.net. The January meeting will be at the home of Carol Manifold on Sunday, January 25th at 7 pm. Please RSVP to Carol at manifold@pobox.com or 858-456 7259 and to Judy at jvacq@sbcglobal.net or 858-361-0418.

Next meetings: December 21 and January 25.

PIANO MATINEE

Contact: Diana Vines at dianavines@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 dianavines@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: December 14 and January 11.

SOUNDING BOARD

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

Check the Oceanids website and December newsletter, page 8 for speaker and title.

Next meetings: December 4. NO SB IN JANUARY.

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.

Next meetings: Wednesdays.

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 meetings: December 19 and January 16.

WINE TASTING II

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

We meet monthly. Members rotate as hosts. The cost for wine and food is shared among the people attending (approximately \$8.00 per person).

Please call contact 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: December 24 and January 28.

SOUNDING BOARD

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. Beginning March 1, 2014, lunch will be \$14.00 for guests and \$10.00 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, jvacq@sbcglobal.net for more information.

December 4, 2014

Michael Provence, Ph.D.

Associate Professor and Director, Middle East Programs
Department of History, UC San Diego

“The Middle East Today and in the Recent Past”

Michael Provence teaches Middle East history. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago in 2001. Provence was recently an Alexander von Humboldt fellow at the Zentrum Moderner Orient in Berlin, Germany. He is the current director of UCSD Middle East Programs.

His research focuses on the colonial and post-colonial Arab world, particularly popular insurgency and nationalism between the World Wars.

Provence’s current project is a history of Arab East in the period of direct colonial rule between 1920 and 1950. The project views the period by understanding the rebellions in each of the new colonial states as part of a unified regional movement. The work explores both the shared Ottoman past of the region and the shared experience of colonial military occupation and martial law.

He lived and studied over the course of many years in several Middle Eastern countries, particularly Syria and Lebanon between 1998 and 2006. He returns as often as possible.



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Neil Wolf, husband of Oceanid Susan Wolf, passed away on September 4.

He and Susan were members of the “Wine Tasting II” and the “Cinema Soiree” interest groups, and he had been a member also of “Drawing and Painting Around San Diego”. He was born in Brooklyn, NY, and will always be remembered by family and friends as a brilliant, intellectually curious, vibrant Renaissance man who was both an accomplished scientist and artist. Neil was devoted to his wife of 55 years, Susan, their two children, Debra and Michael, and his four grandchildren.

Dick Rosenblatt, husband of Oceanid member Glenda, who preceded him in death passed away peacefully at home on Oct. 30 of natural causes. He was a world-renowned ichthyologist, professor emeritus of marine biology, and a noted research zoologist. He had been at Scripps Institution of Oceanography since 1958. Since 2005, Dick and Glenda have generously sponsored the Richard H. and Glenda G. Rosenblatt Lectureship in Evolutionary Biology at Scripps. This award is part of an endowed series of annual lectures by distinguished evolutionary biologists.

We are sorry to announce that we lost long-time Oceanid member **Sallye Krause**.

Sallye passed away peacefully surrounded by family on Friday, November 14, 2014 in San Diego. She was born in Washington, D.C. in 1934, and had a strong personality and a wonderful impact on everyone whose lives she touched. She was active in the International Center at the University and contributed regularly to Oceanids endeavors.

Sallye leaves behind her husband of 61 years, Professor Emeritus Lawrence Krause and sons Leonard and Jason.

A memorial service was held at Congregation Beth Israel on Sunday, November 16.

The Friends of the International Center annual

Chinese New Year Dinner

will be held on Saturday, January 31, 2015. Our wonderful Chinese chefs will provide us with still another fabulous Chinese banquet. After dinner, Chris Wills will show a Power Point presentation on our recent trip to some of Japan’s off-the-beaten-path places. The cost will be \$60 per non-member of the Friends of the International Center, \$50 per member of the Friends of the International Center and \$25 for students, foreign scholars as defined by the IFSO office and post-docs. Any amount paid above \$15 is tax deductible as this is a fund-raiser for the Scholarship Fund.

For additional information or a reservation form, please see the online January 2015 issue of the Friends of the International Center Newsletter. It will be available as of January 1, 2015.

Liz Fong Wills

Donations to our Oceanids Funds are very much appreciated. Here’s why:

University of California campuses enroll more low-income students than any other top university in the country, and currently, approximately 60% of UC San Diego undergraduates need financial assistance to attend college. To bridge the gap between the cost of attending UC San Diego and what our students and their families can afford to pay, scholarships reduce loan debt and/or outside workloads, enabling students to focus on their education.

Keep up the good work, Oceanids

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