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## The Jungle

"It's a jungle out there" and you need an experienced guide to lead you amidst the hippopotamuses, elephants and gorillas? No, it's not a safari but the Granada tour adventure at the San Francisco Zoo.



Leonard Alpert, Ed Komp and Virginia Gabbert



Little could be said about the sights that greeted our adventurers next and that's why everyone loves the Granada tours. Things are looking up for an enjoyable afternoon in the cool sunny San Francisco afternoon.



Jerrell (of the jungle) is that experienced guide of the Granada field trip and with him, the able bodied explorers prepared for anything in search of adventure .



Robert Shinnick



Albert O'Brien and friend



*From left to right Caroline Selogie, Gertrude Morrow, Robert Shinnick, Leilani Cairns, Johnny Joe, friend, Albert O'Brien, Tim Hung, Katherine O'Sullivan, Virginia Gabbert, friend, Leonard Alpert and Paula Troshin.*

The look of general satisfaction lets the visitors know they are safe. Our Jerrell of the jungle caters to all needs and is always on the outlook for wild game and greater attractions.



Gertrude Morrow

The four-hour tour goes quickly but our seniors know to relax because there is no monkey business who would put up with it? Not us.

As the hunters packed up to return, they look forward to the next Granada tour which is usually every third Wednesday of the month. Bon Voyage!



Caroline & Johnny Joe



Gertrude Morrow & Leilani Cairns

Suddenly, without warning, two of our brave ladies are charged by a friendly elephant and all were courteous enough to pose for a picture as the other hunters proceeded cautiously.

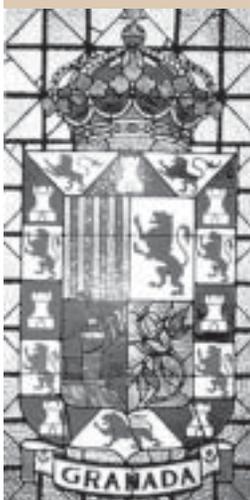


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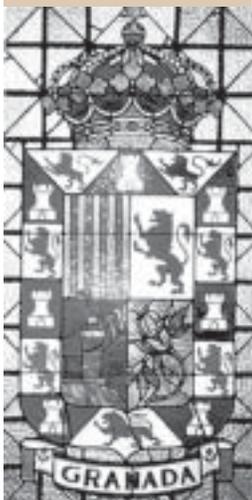
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# RESIDENT of the MONTH

Aurora Reinoso-Almendral, our Resident of the Month came to the Granada after living in New York City for several years, but decided to move after a theft in her apartment. She says "I came to the Granada for security, and the companionship of diverse residents here, in the heart of San Francisco."

Aurora has had 6 children, five of whom are living aged from 43 to 54 and 16 grandchildren.

After graduating from the University of the Philippines, with a Bachelor of Philosophy (Ph.B.) degree and a major in English and a minor in Social Studies, she married to Artemio A. Almendral, an immigration attorney and World War II veteran, who is also a University of the Philippines graduate. Aurora went on to obtain her MA in education, specializing in English as a Second Language (ESL) from Philippine Normal University (PNU), and become a doctoral candidate in the University of the Pacific (UOP) in Stockton, California specializing in curriculum & instructions.

An educator since 1947, she has not only taught tens of thousands of students, but established educational programs both in the US and in the Philippines, including Lincoln University on Masonic Avenue, San Francisco and Modern Academy in the Philippines and Aurora is presently preparing to teach at S.F. City College. In her leisure time, she likes to study, write, and paint and regularly attends Saint Patrick's Roman Catholic Church at Mission and 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

The Granada feels lucky to have Aurora , whose name in Greek means "dawn" or "light" as our charming Resident of the Month.



Aurora & Tony

# BIRTHDAYS

## RESIDENTS

8/8	ROBERT	DOUGLAS
8/9	LEILANI	CAIRNS
8/11	ISSAC	JONES
8/12	CARITA	SMALLEY
8/16	LEON	YEE
8/18	LAURA	ARAM
8/20	HELEN	KENNEDY
8/23	LLOYD	MORGAN
8/24	MARJORIE	GOODMAN
8/26	ROBERT	ENDRISS
8/27	THOMAS	LESKO
8/29	JOHN	CASPER
8/31	DAVID	GRAY
9/1	DARLYNN	ANDERSON
9/2	RUTH	HESS
9/3	LESLIE	FERROGGIARO
9/3	JAI	WRIGHT
9/5	JEANNE	UNDERWOOD
9/8	GERTRUDE	MORROW
9/9	VAN	ENGLISH
9/17	JEANNE	OLALAINTY
9/18	STEVEN	HASSHAW
9/20	DON	NITTO
9/21	ALICE	STONE
9/22	JANET	WALKER
9/23	RUTH	YEP
9/23	RON	MCGLASHAN
9/24	NICKO	ORESKOVICH
9/25	WILLIAM	BURKE
9/27	CAROL	MAURO

## EMPLOYEES

8/5	LEONARD	CRUZ
8/11	CHRIS	MCGUIRE
8/13	DELIA	SADUN
8/14	JUAN	LASSO
8/17	RICK	GARCIA
8/27	CARL	DITMARS
8/31	STEVE	MARTINEZ
9/10	BRYAN	TURNER
9/17	DOUGLAS	PARK

*Congratulations!*



## Believe it or Not!

On March 20, 2002 Granada resident Leilani Cairns and Granada employee, Larry Richards happened to meet in front of Sutter Fine Foods across the street. They sat down at an outside tables to enjoy the sun and began to talk about their travels. Soon the topic of cruise ships came up and Leilani said she had had a very rough Atlantic crossing from New York City to Liverpool, England early in her life.

Larry said he'd had a similar trip from N.Y.C. that first went to Bermuda then across the North Atlantic to Scotland and on down to Liverpool in March 1962. Leilani had a shocked look on her face and said her trip, too, was in March 1962 on the Cunard lines Sylvania, and that the normal nine-day crossing had taken 11 days due to the terrible weather and rough seas that made almost everyone on the ship seasick. And two passengers, a German and an Englishman, got into such a heated argument about World War II that it resulted in the death of one of them from falling down a stairs. When he heard of that voyage Larry's jaw dropped and realized that he and Leilani had been on the very same cruise ship, that had sailed from New York city almost forty years ago to the day of their meeting.

Larry is from Atlanta, Georgia, and Leilani is from Canada; now they live in the same place, the Granada Hotel in San Francisco, some 3,000 miles from their beginnings. What are the odds of such a meeting? Leilani had been on her way to join a convent in France, and Larry, who had just finished college, postponed going into active duty in the navy, to visit his brother in a U.S. Air Force base hospital in Swindon, England .

Though Larry and Leilani had not remembered meeting on the Sylvania, they did decided to see if their luck would hold by buy a Super Lotto ticket together for the next drawing.

*As for the Sylvania, she is still in service after being sold to several shipping lines, including Sitmar, P. & O. and the V group of Monaco, aand being renamed Fairwind, Dawn Princess, and Albatross.*

## Employee of the Month

His day starts with a 3 a.m. wake-up call and ends with a 10 p.m. menu check. Every week means 20 different entrées, 10 kinds of deserts - a total of 3,000 meals for about 200 people a day. It takes four ovens, a large grill, 12 burners and a lot of faith in each other by the kitchen crew of eight, lead by our head chef and Employee of the Month Dan Mc Hugh.

Dan has been preparing meals in the Granada for over two years and assumed the post of head chef at the turn of the century. Planning assorted and nutritious foods around beef, poultry and seafood takes a care that Dan exhibits 3,000 times a week. If this seems like alot of food preparation, it certainly is, along with planning.



Dan Mc Hugh

Dan told me he that he appreciates the part his computer plays in menu planning, helping tailor supplies to demand as great variety of produce, meats and fish from our supply houses: Sysco, Del Monte and Tarantino's.

Golf clubs go well with this Irishman who can be seen leaving the Granada lobby for his driving range, nightly.

Tonight, as I was having my salad, after ordering the Beef Burgundy over rice with mixed vegetables followed by ice cream, I thought, "now can you beat this, you sit at a linen draped table and dine on four courses and you only touch the food with your lips. And to think, it begins with a 3 a.m. wake-up call, thanks Dan.

Ed.



### Tony's Newsletter Column

As you can see, the hall carpets continue to rewrap the Granada, floor by floor, project 50% complete.

Interior designers have consulted with me and will perform some magic with furniture and window treatments. The Dining room and Lobby renovations continueas well.

Labor Day "Picnic in the Park" is becoming a tradition at the Granada, so role out the Bar-B-Que again, Sam.

I'm pleased to welcome Chris Wood as the Granada assistant manager and I can see a new light that he brings, a service-oriented person with many ideas and talents.

On a personal note, I am pleased to announce that my youngest daughter Gabrielle will attend Whitter College in southern California, (Nixon country) while April, her sister, star her Junior year at UC Berkeley..

Enjoy our finest months. If you have something good to say about the Granada, tell a friend and yes, soon you may see your face in the Granada Gazette.

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