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The Grand Piano French Classes

One of my very first memories is of my parent's house in Los Angeles. In the late afternoon, the light would come through windows at one end of the house. There were venetian blinds and the blinds would be open Michael Tilson Thomas so the light would



come into the room in bands of light.

Because there was a lot of dust in the air in the San Fernando Valley in the summertime especially, and in these bands of light there were notes of dust, dancing in the light; and my first musical memory, I think, is watching those particles of dust moving, and reaching way up over my head to the keyboard of this big old rosewood Steinway grand that my parents had, and trying to play notes that would accompany this dance of the dust.

(excerpt from MTT viva voce)

The Granada also has a professionally tuned Ludwig grand piano in the lounge that is played every day. The "morning serenades" are presented inconspicuously by Naomi Risdon to everyone's delight. The light comes dancing into the lounge of the Granada with music also provided by Leonard Alpert, Floretta Myers, Paula Troshin, Barbara Nixon, Gregoire Gallipeau, Mark Silva and we are looking forward to many more. So don't sit alone in your room, come hear the music play, life is a cabaret old chum, come to the cabaret.



Barbara Nixon plays the Ludwig Grand

come to the Granada

Twice weekly (Monday &Thursday) resident Gregoire Gallipeau has been conducting a most popular class in the French language. The quiet of the Granada library is the perfect setting for Gregoire's lessons.

Gregoire boasts "It's a fun class" with student participation encouraged but with no tests, no homework and above all, no complicated conjugations of irregular archaic verbs. "This is hands on, day to day French, understandable in Paris, Montreal or Tahiti and what they never taught you in school. This is how to tell off a snooty Paris waiter, how to get the best seat in a nightclub, the best cut of meat at the butcher's, best haircut etc. and in perfect accent.



Gregoire Gallipeau

"My idea evolved," Greg says "out of meeting other expatriates in Paris who had had years of French in schools but could not even form sentences as plebeian as asking where the bathroom is. (Ou est le W.C.?)"

A Spanish club is also in the works, so come and have fun.

"Oh, la la que c'est bon !"

Granada Welcome to

Charlotte Pazin

Sandee Del Rio

George Engebreitson

Chew Feng-Ching

Cher Freedman

Gregoire Gallipeau

Makitaka Imaeda

Jai Wright

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RESIDENT of the MONTH

Just north of France, south of Holland and west of Germany is the town of Liege, Belgium. A quiet midsize, diverse town with many interesting sights and tourists. In 1929 it was fortunate enough to have a new addition, Jean Schaefer, our resident of the month.



On May 10th 1940 the quiet and tranquility was replaced with the sound of marching boots of the German invasion.

Jean's father a professional

soldier was captured on that first day and wasn't released until after the armistice.

After his training in Belgium, Jean arrived in Chicago in 1965 where he was involved in the hotel business. After reloacting to Sausalito in 1969, he decided to bring his hotel talents across the bay to San Francisco. A single man Jean enjoyed a life of many diversions: flying his own plane, horseback riding and jumping, or fishing from one of his two motorboats.

When Jean had medical complications from a tumor, he lost his sight and his balance. It then became necessary to sell his home and seek the convenience of city living. "The way I get around the Granada is that I remember where everything is so it's familiar to me now, like having new eyes"

Jean has made two or three close friends and you can always see him dining with several people enjoying the food and conversation that the Granada has plenty of.

Jean Schaefer



THE GRANADA BEAUTY SALON OPENS WEDNESDAYS @ 10:00 A.M.



Stylist Helen welcomes all and offers a wide variety of hair and beauty services. Once you enjoy your cut and style here, you'll agree, it's true value. Helen has gained an extensive ongoing hair and beauty education that has ensured that this small, exclusive salon styles hair to a standard as high as any in the city.

Noontime Concerts

Noontime Concerts has presented hundreds of lunchtime classical concerts to enrich the cultural life of downtown San Francisco. We provide low-cost live musical performances by professional musicians at 12:30 p.m. every Wednesday at St. Patrick's Church 756 Mission Street between 3rd &4th and the 1st &3rd Tuesday of the week at the Bank of America.

The Giannini Auditorium, built in the early 1970s, was dedicated to the memory of A.P Giannini (1870-1949), who founded the Bank of Italy in 1904, which later became the Bank of America. St. Patrick's Church, built in 1872 and rebuilt by 1914 after the destruction of the '06 earthquake, is one

of San Francisco's prized historic building. Inside, you'll see dazzling Tiffany stained glass windows, pillars and altars of Bottecino Italian and Connemara Irish marble, twelve tuned bells in the steeple, and an exquisite



30-rank E. M. Skinner organ from 1930 with a Gothic pipecase featuring in the center a statue of St. Cecelia, the patron saint of music.

James Rittell, Executive Director of Noontime Concerts
Kevin McGlynn, Production Coordinator and Granada
front desk clerk.

Tony assures me that if there are enough residents interested in attending the concerts, he would supply the transportation. Another Granada treat!

BIRTHDAYS

Residents	June
George (Jake) Feiler	6/6
Evelyn Thomason	6/7
Tim Hung	6/14
Gladys Cooper	6/15
Evelyn Rose	6/20
Victor Viebig	6/22
George Engebretson	6/23
John Murphy	6/24
Barry Corgill	6/26
Byron Pun	6/30
	July
Bill West	7/4
Linda May Moran	7/6
Caroline Selogie	7/6
Robert Thompson	7/9
Marilyn Gratrix	7/13
Veronica Berger	7/13
Carlos Luna	7/16
Catherine O'Sullivan	7/16
William Oldham	7/19
James Cane	7/19
Joseph Castro	7/20
Reuben Heitner	7/24
Albert O'Brien	7/24
Rufus Moore	7/25
Maureen Pool	7/26
Eugene Harris	7/28
Blaine Waterman	7/30

A Granada Love Story

Kevan came to the Granada in 1989, filling positions which included editing of the Granada Gazette, database management and computer networking as well as calling bingo on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturday. Kevan's background includes military service as an U.S Army Green Berets and a M.S. from

Golden Gate University. Cindy came from Taipei,Tawain to complete her masters of art degree at the

Academy of Art College here in San Francisco

in San Francisco.
Kevan and Cindy met at the Granada and became very good friends. This friendship deepened and truly blossomed at City Hall in San Francisco where Cindy and Kevan married on Septemeber 26,



Kevin &Cindy Gross

2001. The couple has left to start a family. We at the Granada wish them a wonderful life.

EMPLOYEE of theMONTH

Joseph Aubrey, a maitre'd of the Granada dining room, is recognized as our employee of the month.

The Philippine Institute of Hotel Administration certification led him to the Hyatt Regency Manila in 1973, where he quickly went from banquet waiter to bartender; his involvements in mixing drinks, meeting people, and the disco makes Joseph reflect often "yes, I really miss them."

In 1975 Joseph went on to become the sommelier at the Hyatt's restaurant, "Hugo's" where his training in wines with British expert, Peter Holmes, the Hyatt's food and beverage director, led him to stay on for 10 years of service with Hyatt Regency Manila.

Joseph yearned to work outside the Philippines so he transfered to the Hyatt Regency Dubai, United Arab Emirates as a sommelier where he enjoyed "the people, the gold souk (open air market) and the fish markets."

In 1986 Norwegian Cruise Lines based in Miami took him aboard the M/S Sunward II as a wine steward where his ports of call included: Nassau, Bahamas. Puerto



Joseph Aubrey

Rico, Jamaica, Cayman Islands, the Caribbean; "yes, I miss that too but three years is enough" says Joseph.

U.S. citizenship was granted to him at the U.S. Embassy in Manila in June of 1995 and so, leaving the "beautiful sunsets in Manila Bay," Joseph has found himself comfortable and happy with his new home, here by the Golden Gate at the Granada and also at the Marriott Courtyard, downtown San Francisco, where he works in the food and beverage department.



Tony's Newsletter Column

The summer of 2002 is upon us and it makes me think of Mark Twain and his attributed quote "The coldest winter I ever saw was the summer I spent in San Francisco."

As you have most probably noticed, we are replacing the hall carpet floor by floor and will carry onto the lobby and dining room. I apologize for any inconvenience this project may have caused but you must agree every home needs upkeeping and ours is no different.

Stinson Beach was the last Granada 4 hour tour destination and this summer we spreading our wings to cover some more "remote treasures" of California's beautiful geography.

The Memorial Day and 4th of July party plans are being drawn up now, this year something special (something to do with flags, BB-Q ribs and the works), as always your suggestions are welcomed.

My door is always open, enjoy the summer. Go Giants ...

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