

# Comedian Chinese fans

aid. In the tradition of Chinese performers, Jtong invited Rowswell to become his apprentice, an honor almost never bestowed on a foreigner. Rowswell didn't take it seriously at first.

"A of people, including myself, thought of it as a joke or gimmick," he said sheepishly. To his surprise, Rowswell found himself in a formal ceremony. He had to bow three times to his "master." Twenty performers witnessed the rite. Friends had warned him to prepare a small speech. He didn't. Embarrassed, he stumbled through a few thank-yous. Only now does he realize the depth of the commitment. "He lily has taken me on as an adopted son. I've been accepted into a Chinese family."

Inc. Jtong's tutelage, Rowswell began memorizing Chinese comedy routines, called "xiang sheng," which depend on rapid-fire dialogue, puns and impeccable timing. He even tackled Chinese Chigugue twisters. "Many Chinese can't even say them," said Wang, the teacher. "He the knack in three days." Today Rowswell has shed his accent. His mastery of the four tones of Mandarin falters only when he's tired or tipsy. (That can be dangerous. Depending on the tone, for instance, the word "ma" can mean mother,

# A little bit of Monte Carlo in Oakland

**M**OVE over Monte Carlo, Reno and Las Vegas! Some local folks are planning some tempting competitions — and theirs is much closer to home. Temple Beth Shalom of San Leandro will host its second annual "Evening in Monte Carlo" on Nov. 3 in the Shalom building at Knowland Park in Oakland.

"It was a very successful event last year. And this year, we'll even have slots" said event publicist Dr. Frederick Spira. "From 8 p.m. on to 11 p.m., there will be the regular gaming tables, including dice, roulette, and blackjack. He continued. "Then, in addition, we will have door prizes such as a getaway weekend in San Francisco and another at the Burlingame Hyatt, as well as many raffle gifts donated by local merchants.

We've even included a wonderful floor show by a vocal group led by Sidney Slipecki called "Separate Checks." Chairing the gambling gambol is Irv Bronstein, who has even persuaded San Leandro Mayor David Karp to serve as a guest celebrity dealer. Can't get much better credibility than that! Also planning to attend are Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bernstein and the Rabbi and Mrs. Ira Book as well as a host of others.

For a \$25 donation, guests can enjoy a no-host bar at 6 p.m., followed by a buffet dinner at 6:30, the floor show at 7 p.m., and gaming until the wee hours. Call the Temple Beth Shalom office, 357-8505, for tickets and information. (Tickets will also be available at the door).  
**Viva perestroika!**



**Cheryl Greger**

Hall. They're enormously entertaining." The Koslov kids will perform at 8 p.m. Oct. 26 at the Performing Arts Center at Chabot College, 25555 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward. Tickets are \$8, \$10, and \$15 and can be charged to Visa or MasterCard accounts by calling 786-6801.

### Historic houses

San Leandro resident Lois Over considers history, especially local history, great fun. Not only does she spend a good deal of time at the Hayward Area Historical Society Museum, she has recently put together an updated guide to historic homes in the Bay Area.

"All the homes, from cozy farmhouses to extravagant mansions included in the guide are open for public tours. This updated and expanded sixth edition includes Kohl Mansion, an English Tudor estate; John Muir's 17-room farmhouse; Eugene O'Neill's home; Fremont's Ardenwood with its working farm; and a number of old Spanish adobes. Entitled "Bay Area Historic House Museums," the 30-page booklet is a handy mini-guide with pictures, maps, descriptions, admission fees, hours, and a calendar of events arranged by area

Creativity and achievement The South County Community College District (Chabot and Las Positas Colleges) has recently honored Phillip "Babe" Castillo and Joe Gentiuomo as the first recipients of their new Chancellor's Award.

The award is sponsored by retired Chabot nursing instructor Glenys Wilson and her husband Verne, both residents of San Leandro. "This is something we've been preparing for through the Chabot/Las Positas Colleges Foundation for five years," said Glenys, who has been a member of its board of directors for the past 17 years. "Both of our first honorees are two longtime college employees who have spent much of their careers behind the scenes.

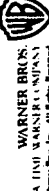
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# "EASTWOOD'S BEST MOVIE!"

—DAVID ELLIOTT, SAN DIEGO UNION

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## ARTICLE 5

### GAMES OF CHANCE.

SEC. 3-5.01 DEFINITIONS. For the purposes of this Article certain words and phrases are defined, and certain provisions shall be construed as herein set out, unless it shall be apparent from their context that a different meaning is intended.

SEC. 3-5.02 GAMBLING DEFINED. "To gamble" and "gambling" is the playing at a game, device or contrivance in which the element of chance is the controlling factor, for stakes, or the betting on the result of any game, device or contrivance, whether it be one of skill or chance.

SEC. 3-5.03 BETTING DEFINED. A "bet" and "betting" is an agreement, expressed or implied, between two or more persons that money or some valuable thing contributed by those so agreeing shall become the property of one or some of them upon the happening or not happening in the future of an event which at the time is an uncertainty, or upon the ascertainment of the fact in dispute.

SEC. 3-5.04 STAKE DEFINED. A "stake" is a fund or valuable thing or things contributed by two or more persons on an understanding, express or implied, that each one so contributing is to have a chance to gain a portion or all of such fund, thing or things, dependent upon the happening or not happening of some uncertain event.

SEC. 3-5.05 PUBLIC PLACE DEFINED. A "public place" is any place or premises except a bona fide private dwelling or an apartment, suite or room which is used in good faith as the residence of one or more persons.

SEC. 3-5.06 GAMBLING AND BETTING. It shall be unlawful for any person in any public place within the City of Oakland to gamble at cards, dice or any other game, device or contrivance, or to bet money upon the result of any game, or upon the occurring of a future contingency; or to knowingly visit any public place where gambling or betting is being carried on or conducted; or to knowingly keep, maintain or conduct, or contribute to the support of, any public place where gambling or betting is being carried on or conducted; or to knowingly let, or sub-let, or transfer the possession of, any premises for use for said purposes; or to entice or persuade any person or persons to visit any public place known by the person so inviting or enticing or persuading to be a place where gambling or betting is being carried on or conducted; or to buy or sell anything of value won in any game, or as the result of any bet, or as the result of the determination of any uncertain event. (As amended by Ordinance No. 4430 C.M.S., passed June 9, 1954)

SEC. 3-5.07 SLOT MACHINES. It shall be unlawful for any person either as owner, lessee, agent, employee, mortgagee, or otherwise, to operate, keep, maintain, rent, use or conduct, within the City of Oakland, any clock, tape, slot or card machine, or any other machine, contrivance, appliance or mechanical device, upon the result of action of which money or other valuable thing is staked or hazarded and which is operated or played by placing or depositing therein any coins, checks, slugs, ball, or any other article or device, or in

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any other manner, and by means whereof, or as the result of the operation of which, any merchandise, money, representative, or articles of value, checks or tokens, redeemable in, or exchangeable for, money or any other thing of value, is won or lost, or taken from, or obtained from, such machine, when the result of action or operation of such machine contrivance, appliance or mechanical device, is dependent upon hazard or chance.

**SEC. 3-5.08 BETTING TIPS.** It shall be unlawful for any person to print, publish, distribute, circulate, sell, or give away, in the City of Oakland, any chart, table, list, sheet, circular, or publication of any kind, giving, or purporting to give, or represented as giving any list, or probably or possible list, of entries for any horse race thereafter anywhere to take place, if there be printed as part thereof, or in connection therewith, or in any other publication, printing or writing accompanying the same, or referring thereto, or connected therewith, any tip, information, prediction, or selection or advice, as to any key, cipher or cryptogram indicating, containing or giving a tip, information, publication or selection of, or advice as to the winner or probable winner, or loser or probable loser, or the result or probable result of any such race, or the standing or probable standing of any horse therein, or any statement as to, or comment upon, or reference to, the form, condition or standing of, or the actual, probable or possible standing, past, present or future of the betting, wagering or odds upon or against any horse named in such list, or probable or possible list of entries, or to print, publish, distribute, circulate, sell or give away in the City of Oakland any printed or written information, or pretended informational comment, tip, prediction, or reference, concerning any horse or horse race which will or may, or is designed to, aid, enable, encourage or assist any person to bet or wager, or to establish odds, or to lay a basis upon which to bet or wager, at any time thereafter, against any horse or upon any horse race.

**SEC. 3-5.09 POOL SELLING, BOOKMAKING, BETS AND WAGERS.** It shall be unlawful for any person within the City of Oakland, whether for gain, hire, reward, or gratuitously, or otherwise, to sell, or offer for sale, buy, or offer to buy, issue, or in any manner dispose of, purchase or acquire any interest in, any pool or purported pool, or in any pool ticket or purported pool ticket, certificate or purported certificate, writing or purported writing, or other evidence or purported evidence, of the payment, acceptance or deposit of money or other thing of value, staked upon the result or purported result of any trial or purported trial, or contest or purported contest, of skill, speed or power of endurance of man or beast, or between men and beasts, or mechanical apparatus, or upon the result or purported result of any lot, chance, casualty, unknown or contingent event whatsoever, or to lay, make, offer, record or register, or accept, any bet or bets, or wager or wagers, upon the result or purported result of any such trial or purported trial, or contest or purported contest, or to act as a stakeholder of any bet or wager laid thereon, or to receive or pay over any money, article or thing of value, the possession, right of possession, ownership or value of which has been, is, or is to be, determined by any such trial or purported trial, or contest or purported contest, or is, or is to be, in any way dependent upon the result thereof, or for any person being the owner, lessee or occupant of any room, shed, tenement, tent, booth, building, float, place or grounds, or any part thereof, whether for gain, hire, reward, or gratuitously or otherwise to permit the same to be used or occupied for any purpose hereinbefore in this Section declared to be unlawful.

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**SEC. 3-5.10 LOTTERIES.** It shall be unlawful for any person in the City of Oakland to aid or assist, either by printing, writing, advertising, publishing or otherwise, in setting up, managing or drawing up any lottery, or selling or disposing of any ticket, chance or share therein, or to have in his possession any lottery ticket, certificate, paper or instrument purporting to represent or representing, or understood to be or to represent, any ticket, chance, share or interest in, or depending upon the event of, any lottery, or any instrument, stamp or device used, or intended to be used, in, or for, contriving, setting-up, preparing, making, writing, printing, stamping, or getting ready for sale or distribution, any lottery ticket or tickets, or to become an inmate of, or visitor to, or in any manner contribute to the support of any office, room, or place where any lottery is, or is about to be, contrived, prepared, set-up, drawn or sold, or any ticket of such lottery is registered, or to knowingly let, or permit to be used, any building or premises, or portion thereof, knowing that it is to be used for any one of the purposes in this Section declared to be unlawful.

**SEC. 3-5.11 CARD GAMES.** It shall be unlawful for any person, or any social club or other club, in the City of Oakland, to conduct or participate in any card game in any public place, or to which an admission fee is charged, unless such person, social club or other club shall have first obtained a permit from the Chief of Police of the City of Oakland to conduct such card game. Such permit shall be granted by the Chief of Police only after an application therefor in writing has been made. Such permit shall be granted within seven (7) days after such application is made unless it shall appear to said Chief of Police that the applicant is not a fit and proper person to hold such a permit, or the moral conditions associated with such applicant are detrimental to public morals. Such permit shall continue in full force and effect for a period of one year from and after the date it is issued unless within such period it shall be revoked for good cause by the Chief of Police; provided, further, that nothing herein shall prevent granting by the Chief of Police of a temporary permit to be effective for a period of seven (7) days after the granting thereof.

**SEC. 3-5.12 BARRICADED ROOMS.** It shall be unlawful for any person, whether as owner, agent, lessor, lessee or tenant, or otherwise, without first obtaining a permit so to do, to erect, construct or maintain any barred or barricaded house, or room, or a room or hall with double doors, or other place so built, constructed or protected as likely to be difficult of access or ingress to police officers or members of the Fire Department in the performance of their official duties, or to erect, hang or maintain, in or upon any building, any door made wholly of metal, or metal and wood, or any door composed of wood, or of wood, nails and glass, over two (2) inches in thickness. No door or room shall without a permit be fastened by any bar or bars, prop or props, behind or across the same, or be secured otherwise than by a lock or locks, bolt or bolts.

**SEC. 3-5.13 PERMIT FOR BARRICADED ROOMS.** Application for a permit provided for in Section 3-5.12 of this Article shall be in writing, specifying the purpose or reason for which it is sought, the location and character of, the premises involved, and the address of the applicant, and shall be filed with the City Clerk. Immediately upon filing, it shall be referred to the Chief of the Fire Department and the Chief of Police for investigation and report. Unless the Chief of the Fire Department or the Chief of Police shall within seven (7)