The Many Faces of OLLI@Pacific, the Beautiful Art they Create & the Instructors that Teach us...

Members & guests enjoying past Welcome Receptions
Members enjoying OLLI's Delta boat trip aboard the “Delta Queen”
OLLI member quote, “... these good folks, instructors, and board members provide these programs to keep my brain active and give me something to get myself up and out for. Thank you, thank you, thank you.”

OLLI instructors (in order of photo): Deanna Hunt, Dr. Gene Bigler, Dr. Howie Runion, Brigid Welch, Dr. Abel Fernandez, Dr. Bruce Pickering, Dr. Jeffrey Michael, Dianne Runion, DA
The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute and The Center for Professional & Continuing Education will be Moving in January 21, 2010!

Floors 2-7 of Burns Tower will be moving January 21, 2010, to make the move to our new building at 1776 March Lane. As sad as we all are to leave the campus and the lovely surroundings, this will be an excellent move for our two groups. There is ample space – we will all be on the same floor – there is classroom space available in the building, no parking passes needed, there is full-time security and the building is equipped with the latest technology.

PLEASE NOTE: Osher registration forms and payments can no longer be accepted in the Tower lobby. Jim and Elena will be present at on-campus lectures and OLLI@Pacific will continue to operate as smoothly as always! We will keep you apprised of the move.
Special Guest President Eibeck at the OLLI@Pacific Fall 2009 Welcome Reception

Pacific’s new President, Dr. Pamela A. Eibeck, was the special guest at the Fall 2009 Welcome Reception. Dr. Eibeck discussed her “listening campaign” and one of the goals at the top of her list is to “…deepen the University’s involvement in community engagement.” She congratulated OLLI on their tremendous success and for playing an integral role in developing and building a bridge between the University and the community.

Dr. Eibeck was the Dean of the College of Engineering and Professor of Mechanical Engineering at Texas Tech University. She is the 24th President of University of the Pacific, the sixth since Pacific moved to Stockton, and the University’s first woman President.

OLLI@Pacific staff and members thank President Eibeck for being a part of OLLI’s Fall Semester and welcome her as an honorary member!

Spring 2010 Welcome Reception
Mark your calendars! The OLLI Spring 2010 (yikes 2010!) Welcome Reception and OLLI Art Show is Wednesday, January 27, 2010, 2:30pm – 5:00pm, DeRosa University Center Grand Ballroom. We encourage each and every member to bring a guest.

Thank You Fall 2009 Volunteers
Rosie Bachand, Fred Cain, George Fairbrook, Barbara George, Rose Mary Hathaway, Damon Knight, Carole Patridge, Pat Powell, Christy Reinold, and Mary Tolan-Davi. Many projects need to be completed to get each semester rolling—stop one of these volunteers and thank them for putting your registration packet together!

Send OLLI@Pacific a Referral and You May Receive a Special Gift
Send in your “Refer a Friend” form, call us with a name and address or e-mail me the information and receive a token of our appreciation. You qualify for a gift if your referral has never attended an Osher event in the past.

Word of mouth is the best form of advertising!
The first film class Diane Borden attended was one she taught as a teaching fellow at UC Santa Cruz on Ingmar Bergman. Today, as Director of Film Studies at UOP, she is one of OLLI’s favorite instructors.

“I think I was born to teach film. As a small child, my aunt took me to the movies three or four times a week. When I was in grade school, Alfred Hitchcock came to shoot Vertigo at Mission Dolores in San Francisco. I went to school at a convent across the street and was standing in a circle with a few other children when he looked down at me and said, ‘Helloooo, little girl.’ I must have been anointed, though I had no idea who he was at the time.”

Often we see and discuss films as part of her “Aesthetics of Film” class. She says her students learn a great deal from OLLI students in terms of energy, enthusiasm, willingness to debate and ask questions and make links with all sorts of knowledge. The cross generational chat proves learning can be so much fun. “I walk away from an OLLI lecture and discussion feeling like I’ve just had a shot of tonic.”

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Elena put out an e-mail blast in search of OLLI members that have been published. Needless to say, she received many responses. We would like to continue our series on published writers in future newsletters.

Wilson A. Heefner is a retired pathologist and nuclear physician who has begun a second career as a military historian. A native of Pennsylvania, he holds degrees from Gettysburg College (BA), the University of Maryland School of Medicine (MD), and the University of Hawaii (MA). He retired from the U.S. Army at the grade of colonel after 41 years of service in the Regular Army, Army National Guard, and Army Reserve as an enlisted man, infantry officer, and medical officer. He is also a graduate of the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College and the U.S. Army War College. He is the author of Twentieth Century Warrior: The Life and Service of Major General Edwin D. Patrick (1995), Patton’s Bulldog: The Life and Service of General Walton H. Walker (2001), and Dogface Soldier: The Life of General Lucian K. Truscott Jr., which will be published by the University of Missouri Press in the spring of 2010.

Thank you, Dr. Heefner, for sharing your books with us! Twentieth Century Warrior can be checked out of the Pacific Library with an active Osher membership Card.
Elena Marciano, OLLI Program Services Assistant, attended the 6th Annual Osher Lifelong Learning Institute National Conference in Park City, UT, October 12-14, 2009. Board Member Fran Gottlieb also attended. The conference hosted 122 Osher Institutes from all across the country. There was much to be learned!

Elena participated as a presenter on a 3-member panel; the session was entitled “Strategies for Broadening and Enlarging the Curriculum.” Also on the panel were Emil Augustine, OLLI Board Chairman, Sierra College and Kathleen Holden, OLLI Director, University of Illinois. The discussion flowed through four main points: 1) curriculum committee structure and responsibilities; 2) development of course offerings; 3) identification and screening of instructors; and 4) course evaluations. It was a lively discussion; approximately 60 participants had much to share! Many ideas were exchanged – what has been successful and where there are challenges.

Elena learned a lot and she and Jim are anxious to put some of the new ideas into action.

Some of the lectures Elena & Fran attended:
- Research on Older Learners: What Do We Know About? What Do We Want to Know?
- How to Encourage New Members and Energize Current Members
- Sharing Cost Saving Ideas
- Where to Go From Here: The Role of Strategic Planning
- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Meets OLLI
Did you know you can see the Metropolitan Opera live in Stockton?

The Regal-owned theaters joined others around the world this year in broadcasting "The Met: Live in HD." The series opened October 10, 2009, with Tosca. The performances take place at the Regal City Centre Stadium 16, 222 N. El Dorado St., Stockton. The Saturday performances begin at 10:00am; the Wednesday encore performances begin at 6:30pm. For more information, go to www.fathomevents.com.

Carmen – Georges Bizet
Saturday, January 16, 2010 at 10:00am
Encore: Wednesday, February 3, 2010, 6:30pm

Simon Boccanegra – Giuseppe Verdi
Saturday, February 6, 2010, 10:00am
Encore: Wednesday, February 24, 2010, 6:30pm

Hamlet – Ambroise Thomas
Saturday, March 27, 2010, 10:00am
Encore: Wednesday, April 14, 2010, 6:30pm

Armida – Gioachino Rossini
Saturday, May 1, 2010, 10:00am
Encore: Wednesday, May 19, 2010, 6:30pm
THE HAGGIN MUSEUM HAS ADDED
AN ADDITIONAL TRIP TO ITS SCHEDULE:

SHANGHAI AT THE ASIAN MUSEUM &
WALT DISNEY FAMILY MUSEUM
SAN FRANCISCO

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2010
8:00am - 6:00pm

In the morning we will be visiting the Asian Museum in San Francisco, exploring the unique flavor and identity of Shanghai—China's most cosmopolitan city. On view will be 190 artworks including trade oil paintings, Shanghai deco furniture and rugs, revolutionary poster art, fashion, movie clips, and contemporary art and video installations. Explore Shanghai on your own or join a special exhibition Tour 12:00pm - 12:45pm. There will be a $5 exhibition surcharge.

After enjoying a no-host lunch at the Asian Museum, we will be visiting the Walt Disney Family Museum, in the San Francisco Presidio. The $110 million museum, which opened last fall, is an exhilarating tribute to a creative genius whose accomplishments have over shadowed his life story. Explore over more than 1,400 artifacts from the earliest known sketch of Mickey to Walt's 1/8 scale backyard train.

The cost of the trip is $80 for members and OLLI members and $95 for non-members. For further information, call Sonja Conway 209.604.2479. No refunds will be given after February 7, 2010.

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