President’s Message

Welcome new and renewal members to the fall semester.

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at California State University at Fullerton owes its legacy to 47 senior learners who established the Continuing Learning Experience (CLE), which became OLLI-CSUF in 2006 through our OLLI/CSUF Charter. The Charter, signed by Dr. Milton Gordon, President of CSUF, on February 28, 2006 reads, in part: “These persons [OLLI members] have a strong desire to continue their intellectual pursuits in the university environment. They also constitute a reservoir of knowledge and experience that should be maintained and enhanced through continuing study, both for the well-being of the individuals involved as well as for the contributions they can make in the university and the community at large.”

2015 marks our 36th year, and we count our blessings:

• We are one of largest OLLIs in California, with one of the broadest curricula and member benefits.
• Our classes are on the CSUF campus in the Ruby Gerontology Center (RGC) built with funds raised by the founders of CLE.
• We have 140+ class offerings for the fall semester, and every teacher and coordinator is a volunteer, a distinction among OLLIs nationwide.
• Our diverse class offerings span the categories of fine arts and crafts; art appreciation; literary arts; performing arts; languages; economics, humanities and social science; healthy living; science and

Ethel Kamber

OLLI’s “Hidden Gem”

Ethel Kamber, lovingly known as “The Coffee Lady,” is the first in a series of OLLI’s “Hidden Gems;” she is one of our valued volunteers who has worked tirelessly for many years behind the scenes in a low-profile capacity.

Several days a week Ethel and her husband, Ken Kamber, arrive early and Ethel goes directly to the kitchen to check on the coffee before attending a morning class or other activity. Shortly before the break, Ethel hurries back to the kitchen to make more coffee if necessary.

Before she joined OLLI approximately 20 years ago, Ethel was a teacher at Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School in Anaheim. The mother of a son and daughter, Ethel said she loved teaching the young children but not performing all the paperwork it involved. She has a Master’s degree in Education from the University of Illinois.

As a shining example of volunteerism at OLLI, Ethel was Vice President of Hospitality, and has served as an active member of the Hospitality Committee for many years, coordinating the socials held on alternate Thursday afternoons in Shapiro ABCD and other special events, such as the annual Holiday Luncheon coming up on December 9 this year. She is usually one of the last persons to sit down at our socials, and the first to get up, in her zeal to make sure everything is done just right. Although the Hospitality Committee’s Bella Sera Italiana dinner was held on one of the warmest evenings at the beginning of the summer, Ethel was

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New Members: September is
Get to Know OLLI Month

Are you new to OLLI this year? Would you like to learn more about the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at California State University, Fullerton? Then take note of these three events during September that will give you that opportunity.

New Member Orientation
On Thursday, September 3 from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. in Shapiro ABCD, Ellie Monroe, Vice President of Membership, and Janice Jeng, Vice President of Programs, will sponsor an orientation session for new members to learn more about OLLI-CSUF. You will meet with members of the OLLI Board of Trustees and other new members, and learn of the many benefits of your membership and how to access them to enhance your OLLI experience. You will also learn of our many volunteer activities that you can participate in. This is the time to have your questions in hand! Following the presentation, please join us for refreshments and door prizes.

New Member Round Table Discussion
On Tuesday, September 15 from Noon to 1:00 p.m. in Shapiro CD, Ellie Monroe, Vice President of Membership, and Janice Jeng, Vice President of Programs, will sponsor a casual round table discussion to help answer your questions after your first week at OLLI. We will have a number of our OLLI officers in attendance to help you get oriented around the OLLI facilities and offer useful information as you explore our classes and activities.

Welcoming Social
On Thursday, September 17 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in Shapiro ABCD, Ellie Monroe and Dave Musante, along with members of the Transitions in Retirement and OLLI Social Committees, will coordinate a special social to welcome new members and hail the new academic year. DJ, Tony D, will be returning with his games, entertainment and dance music. The event is free and check-in and distribution of a ticket to win door prizes will occur at the door. Everyone is cordially invited to attend what promises to be a good time!

Chris Shaw, Associate Editor

OLLI Trip to the Reagan Library

The Ronald Reagan Presidential Library sits in a ring of rugged Simi Valley foothills with a distant view of the California coastline. On June 24, 52 OLLI members, led by Carol Smith and Ken Luke, approached the museum in the usual hired motor coach, a vehicle which seemed to dwarf the sinuous roads leading to the hilltop venue.

The museum is spacious with a welcoming courtyard where the OLLI group split into smaller groups for docent-led tours. The tours were thorough and rich with the type of details that docents tend to accumulate from long association with an institution and its subject matter. We were forewarned that the displays were numerous and one might spend several days at the Reagan Library without seeing it all. The general plan was to follow our docents up until lunch time, and after that we could go back and linger over display rooms that suited our individual interests.

Some of the highlights: a bronze, life-sized statue of the President in western gear, extending a welcoming hand at the entrance; a venerable chunk of the Berlin wall in the garden; President Reagan’s resting place; rooms depicting the Hollywood years

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See further details in the Fall Blue Book.

Retirement Boot Camp 2015—Energizing Your Retirement

The Transitions in Retirement (TiR) Committee coordinates this six-hour seminar on October 10 for OLLI members and their guests who recently retired or are planning to retire. Last offered in January 2014, the seminar features new topics and new guest speakers, and is open to the public. Topics include positive psychology, staying healthy, maintaining and enhancing social connections, sustainable financial planning, and finding meaning and relevancy in the retirement years. To register online, go to:


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Open House—August 8, 2015

On August 8 some 250 OLLI volunteers staged a well-run, entertaining and informative Open House to invite 204 guests to join our new academic year starting September 8. Of those, 98 submitted new member applications, representing a surprising 24 percent increase in new members over last year’s event, despite fewer guests.

Twelve tents, shading various OLLI program tables, highlighted by impressive art displays, filled half of parking lot H to the west of RGC, and many other programs were displayed throughout the RGC complex. The OLLI Band, OLLI Chorale and Snappy Tappers performed in the courtyard following the auditorium presentation. Judy Lech, Vice President of Hospitality, and her committee provided coffee and served light refreshments after the presentation.

Past President Mike Stover, opened the presentation in the Mackey Auditorium and introduced our new president, Barry Escoe. Characteristically, Barry brought down the house, joking “… my wife said I could accept the nomination for OLLI president as long I promised it would keep me out of the house at least three days a week.” Barry introduced Interim Dean Kari Knutson Miller, who encouraged potential new members to get involved with OLLI and experience CSUF. Finally, OLLI’s programs were described by Janice Jeng, Vice President of Programs, followed by Betty Redmon (The Arts), Dr. Joe Lawton (Medical Series), Russ MacKeand (Transitions in Retirement), Ellie Vargas-Page (CSUF Collaboration) and Edward Dunvan (volunteerism).

The highlight to me was Barry’s introduction of past presidents, Mike Stover, Kirt Spradlin, Chuck Ritz, Barbara Talento, Charlotte Fox and Dave Musante, who all stood together, acknowledged appreciatively by the packed auditorium.

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and family memorabilia; space dedicated to the cold war; a replica of the Oval Office; displays dedicated to the First Lady; and a magnificent glassed-in pavilion containing the Boeing 707 used as Air Force 1 during Reagan’s tenure and that of six other presidents.

We were on our own for lunch and could choose from sandwiches in the Irish Pub at the Air Force 1 Pavilion, or an efficient and reasonable food line adjacent to the garden with dining areas both indoors and out. On a clear day, the Pacific would have been visible from the garden and our outdoor tables. On our particular day at the Reagan, the mist never quite lifted to reveal the ocean, but the weather was very comfortable.

Great care has gone into the museum to conserve and display historic items, maintain a narrative of events, and provide sufficient variety and interactive elements to keep the visitor’s attention from flagging. It was an unusual treat, for instance, to walk through the fuselage of Air Force 1 complete with Reagan-era items and staffed by museum attendants who eagerly pointed out features of interest. Marine 1, a helicopter that flew President Johnson, is also on display inside the Pavilion, and an F-14 jet fighter claims its space outside on the grounds.

Many thanks to the Trips Committee for planning and carrying out an excellent excursion.

Margie Mota, Contributor

August Mailing Crew for the ChroniCLE

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A Big Thank You also to all the other members who helped with labeling the Fall Blue Book and registration envelopes for mailing!

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Citizen’s CPR/AED Training
One of OLLI’s goals is to provide a safe environment for our members. As part of that goal, coordinators Ellie Monroe, Kathryn Cozza and Tamara Reddy, are offering two opportunities (September 26 and October 8) for our members to receive training from the Red Cross to learn or update lifesaving skills in case of an emergency. The class covers basic hands-on CPR training and instructions in the use of the automated external defibrillator (AED). Registration is required.

Publish Before You Perish
Are your creative articles, poems, stories or books sitting in your computer yearning to be published? Starting September 17, class coordinators, Keni Cox, Jeanette Reese, Hank Smith and Fritz von Coelln, will provide information regarding publishing processes and resources, revision suggestions, editorial assistance, and encouragement to submit your masterpiece for publication in newspapers, magazines, books, electronic media etc. Additionally, guest speakers will discuss publishing processes and resources, polishing your manuscripts, and submitting your masterpiece for publication in newspapers, magazines, books, electronic media etc.

Spanish
Note, there are now four levels of Spanish classes: “Spanish 2” is new; “Spanish 3: Grammar” was “Spanish 2” (mornings); “Spanish 3: Vocabulary” was “Spanish 2” (afternoons); and “Spanish 4” was “Spanish 3.” The new “Spanish 2” class will present more of the grammar rules and tenses to help prepare the student for more advanced Spanish classes.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Norton Simon Museum Trip  8:15 a.m. Sep 16  Lot A

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Great American Songbook  12:00 p.m. Sep 8, 22  AUD
Medical Series  9:00 a.m. Sep 9, 23  Elks Club
Eclectics II  10:00 a.m. Sep 10, 24  AUD
TIR Essentials  9:30 a.m. Sep 12,19, 26  ABCD
Jazz Series  12:30 p.m. Sep 12  Florentine’s Grill
Eclectics I  10:00 a.m. Sep 15, 29  AUD
Musical Performances  2:15 p.m. Sep 15, 29  AUD
Medical Series  7:00 p.m. Sep 16, 30  Morningside
Medical Series  9:00 a.m. Sep 24  Capriana

Computer, Photo & Mobile Device Classes

Fall Session 2 (October 5-October 30)

Pre-registration, beginning September 21, is required for these classes. Pick up a registration form in the OLLI office and follow the instructions in the Blue Book.

For mobile device classes, you must obtain your campus-wide ID (CWID) and PIN number at the OLLI office, and have access to the CSUF Student Portal in advance of the class. See instructions on the OLLI website: http://olli.fullerton.edu/AboutOlliCsuf/CSUFWiFi.asp.

- **CSUF WiFi/Student Portal—WX1b**
  Tue • 4-5 p.m. • Room 20
  October 14

- **Android Essentials—BMD2b**
  Tue & Thu • Noon-2 p.m. • Room 20
  October 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29

- **iPhone/iPad Essentials—BMD1b**
  Mon & Wed • 10 a.m.-noon • Room 20
  October 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28 • November 2, 4, 9 (holiday 11), 16, 18, 30 • December 2, 7

- **Photos for Mac/iPhone/iPad—IM9**
  Tue & Thu • Noon-2 p.m. • Room 11
  October 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29

Mid-summer Night’s Mocker

The gentle quiet of evening
Is anointed
With the lingering perfumes
Of citrus and jasmine,
Stillness punctuated
By the musical inquiry
Of the resident mocker.

He questions all intruders,
Declares genuine contempt
For any and all who would dare
To entice his young darling
From his thorny reserve.

She settles into the uncertain nest,
Obsidian eyes darting,
Soft gray bosom fluff
All a tremble
To the strains of his
Exaggerated aria.

Cascading notes swear devotion
And vigor,
Set off hormonal alarms.
He is hers completely
Broadcasting his virile
Midnight performance

Into the fitful sleep of neighbors.

*Alice Gresto, Staff Writer*
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