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THE OUTLOOK

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SPOTLIGHT

New Members, please pick up your welcome letter and OLLI gift in the office. We are delighted that you are with us, so let us show you our appreciation.

BOARD'S CORNER



President's Message

It's that time of the year again when we wish to give a hearty thank you to all OLLI members, volunteers, committee members, and board members for a job well done in 2018. Not only is a "thank you" in order, but it is also time to remind each other that our **"Jolly OLLI New Year"** festivities will be coming up **Thursday, January 11 at 5 PM**. Be sure to put it on your 2019 calendar.

Remember, this event is free to all OLLI members, but we will appreciate your giving the office a call when you receive the invitation if you plan to attend. Again this year we will have wine tasting and light refreshments. We had a great time last year, so please plan to join us in a most joyous celebration. We look forward to seeing you!

Robert Smith
President, OLLI at UCI

Official Information

The current **Donors' List** can be found on the OLLI bulletin board in the lobby and on the OLLI Blog. Click [here](#) to view the donations given **July 1, 2018 through August 31, 2018**

The **Minutes** of the October 25, 2018 Board Meeting, to be approved at the November 28, 2018 meeting, are posted on the OLLI bulletin board by the Conference Room.

In Memoriam: Steve Layton, longtime OLLI member who designed our OLLI anteatery used in many of our publications, passed away this summer after a long illness. Our condolences to his wife, Alexandra, and family.

OLLI INFO

Petunia our piano is ready to be played. We would love to have members play before/after class or at break. Some sheet music is waiting for anyone who wishes to use it, but all music will be appreciated. One of our "singing" members wants to find others who also enjoy singing. If you have questions, e-mail: jordanLR@cox.net.



COURSES AND EVENTS

L.A. Art Show - space available: SE 27 :

Jan. 24, 9:30 AM - 4 PM This show at the LA Convention Center will host more than 200 galleries from 18 countries. \$90 Register online

Join us at Spontaneous Events Not in the Fall catalog:

LA ARBORETUM PRESENTS MOONLIGHT FOREST
Saturday, November 28 - 4 PM - 9:30/10:00 PM

An unforgettable experience of art, culture and discovery with magnificent lanterns reflect three themes: Nature, Children's Garden, and Chinese Culture created by skilled artisans from China's Sichuan province. The arboretum partnered with TIANYU Arts & Culture Inc. to celebrate the time-honored tradition of lantern art. Join us for a once in a lifetime experience.

\$75 (includes bus, driver tip, entry to event) Food trucks and bars available on site for those who wish to sample wide varieties of choices.

Bus departs from the Irvine Station at 4:00 PM. Please arrive by 3:45 PM

A minimum of 30 tickets purchased in advance; we will attempt to purchase additional tickets if there is interest. **Guests are welcome** and all enrollments are as follows:

Enroll by phone at 949--824-5415 and press O to talk to an enrollment specialist Monday through Friday 8AM-5PM.

Questions? Contact Pat Dobbins 714-524-0994 - epies@roadrunner.com

Brush Up Your Shakespeare - Thursdays, November 1 & 15, December 6 & 20 - 2 to 4 PM. Free. Limited to 20 - We will read *Merchant of Venice* and *Two Gentlemen of Verona* and then discuss and analyze the themes, plot, and language with the help of Julia Lupton, Co-Director of UCI's Shakespeare Center, or her Ph.D. candidates. These plays are scheduled for the New Swan Festival this summer. Contact Meredith Cheston at meredith359@gmail.com if you wish to join.

LEGACY GIVING - OLLI at UCI



Spread the joy

Individuals 70 1/2 or older can now fulfill their required distributions through charitable rollovers.

For more information on how to reduce your taxable income while supporting OLLI at UCI, [click here>>](#).

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OLLI EXTRAS

OLLI Extras develops a social aspect by joining together those with special interests. Guests are welcome - just contact the host!

Backgammon

Please join us in OLLI's Backgammon Club to stimulate your mind, meet new people and enjoy the camaraderie of playing this 5,000 year old board game. We meet at Irvine Station conference room **the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 4 PM**. New members welcome. For more information, please contact Yves Newmen at 949-280-2624 or newmen@earthlink.net.

Movie Talk

One Saturday a month, movie lovers talk about their latest screen encounters, and we welcome our new members to participate in our lively group. We will meet at the Irvine Station classroom **Saturday, Nov. 17 at 10 AM**. Contact Jessie Tromberg for more information at jzt1@cox.net.

Spanish Conversation

Spanish Club meets most **Friday mornings at 10 AM** at the Irvine Station conference room. New members are always welcome. For information, contact Kristien Evans at kristien5@hotmail.com.

Travel Talk

Are you interested in sharing your trip and photos? We have had many fascinating presentations from our members so let us know what you did this summer and we will put you on the calendar; just contact Lonnie Horn at mail4lonnie@aol.com or Jessie Tromberg at jzt1@cox.net.

OLLI's Gastronomer's Group

We have been very busy exploring local ethnic cuisines in restaurants and in our homes. Some include chef's commentary, thumbnail sketches of national cuisines, etc. If you are curious, please see our webpage for more information: www.olligastronomers.com.



Mah Jongg



Do you want to learn to play Siamese Mah Jongg (2- person) or learn to play regular Mah Jongg? If you are already a Maj player, would you like to play Maj with some of your friends at OLLI?

Join us on Thursdays at 4:00 PM at the Irvine Station conference room starting the 2nd week in October (October 11). Contact: Rita Wakeman at ritawake@aol.com or Carolyn Brothers at cbdancer@aol.com

Have a suggestion for an OLLI Extra? Contact: jzt1@cox.net

INQUIRING MINDS



Critical Eye: Movie Review

A STAR IS BORN

And re-born. This newest version of the classic film - starring, directed, and partly written by Bradley Cooper - is this year's landmark film. It showcases the handsome Mr. Cooper's immense talent and allows Lady Gaga to match her acting ability with her extraordinary voice. The music may not be pleasing to all ears, but the screen fairly sizzles with the performances of both stars.

THE OLD MAN AND THE GUN

Think of this as a Valentine to Robert Redford. *The New Yorker* published an incredible story in their January 27, 2003 issue by David Graan about Forest Tucker, the bank robber, not the actor. Essentially, that is this movie. The pace is extremely leisurely with lovely close-up work of Redford and Sissy Spacek, but no thrilling or dramatic moments.

FIRST MAN

Meticulously crafted to scale and style, this film about America's endeavor to be first on the moon is a fascinating tale of "Man and Machine. The famously reticent Neil Armstrong, represented by Ryan Gosling's stubbornly stoic face, balances the picture. Director Damien Chazell is to be applauded for this extraordinarily proportioned tale of genius and heroism. While a trifle too long, sit back and enjoy

some popcorn, but see it.

Jessie Tromberg

The **Critical Eye** is open to films of note - films you may overlook, films that deserve watching. Your input is welcome. What have you seen lately? Share it. Contact Jessie Tromberg at jzt1@cox.net.

Library News

The OLLI library has two donations that reflect the times: one is about a Supreme Court Justice and the other about women.



Reviewers call this book--"fantastic", "superably written", "brilliant analysis" and "accessible". This is *The Justice of Contradictions: Antonin Scalia and the Politics of Distribution* in which the legal scholar Richard L. Hasin, Chancellor's Professor of Law and Political Science at UCI, explores Scalia's complex legacy as a conservative legal thinker and disruptive public intellectual. The Left saw him as an unscrupulous foe and the Right saw him as a principled Justice, and Hasin feels Scalia's jurisprudence and confrontal style moved the Court to the right, alienated potential allies and helped to delegitimize the institution he was trying to save.

The other book is *Lean In: Women, Work and the Will to Lead* by Sheryl Sandberg. Sandberg examines why women's progress has stalled, explains the root causes and offers commonsense solutions that can empower women to achieve their full potential. In 2010 Sandberg gave a TED talk in which she described how unintentionally women hold themselves back in their careers. This book continues that conversation, combining anecdotes, hard data, and compelling research to change the conversation from what women can't do to what they can.

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UCI CAMPUS EVENTS

UCI TODAY

Click [here](#) to view current information on important events and activities at the UCI schools. On opening this site, you will find events for the current date, but just scroll down to the calendar on the right, where you can choose to see events by month or by category. Arrows at the top of the calendar change the month.



The Illuminations Series

Amazing events. OLLI members welcome!

Click [here](#) for more information about fascinating activities at UCI!

Special Offer Still Open for OLLI Members!

Tickets for the **National Geographic Live!** series at the Barclay Theatre are only \$10 for a balcony seat with your OLLI membership ID card. (Regular tickets are \$32-\$90 without the

OLLI discount). Click [here](#) for more information on the series.

You must buy the tickets in person at the Barclay Theatre Box Office and show your OLLI ID card. **The National Geographic series begins in January and tickets are on sale now.** For more information, contact the Barclay at 949-854-4646.



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OLLI Members Are Appreciated by UCI's Memory Study As the Program Continues Through 2018/19.

The UCI Working Memory and Plasticity Lab appreciates those who have already volunteered and is still looking for more participants. The study consists of 7 sessions and a 3-month follow-up. Participants will receive \$100 for the training sessions and \$25 for the follow-up. Parking costs will be covered. Please contact the lab manager, Austin Moon, by e-mail at uciwmplab+tdcs@gmail.com or by phone at 949-824-2439 to enroll. For more Information on the project: <http://wmp.education.uci.edu>.

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