

THE OUTLOOK

The Monthly Newsletter of OLLI at UCI

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year and we hope you started off 2020 by finding the classes you really want for the Spring Semester and are ready to **enroll on January 3rd**.

I also want to thank all of you who attended the JOLLY OLLI Holiday Party and to let those of you who were

unable to attend know that you were missed. We had a full house, great food, celebrated two centennial (100 years) birthdays, and thoroughly enjoyed the friendship and camaraderie of OLLI members. If you were unable to attend, let me encourage you to attend our next get together, which is tentatively planned for the end of May to coincide with our annual meeting. Again, thanks to all members of OLLI for all you do for our organization.

Robert Smith President, OLLI at UCI



Betty Solloway celebrating her 100th birthday.



Jan Elbaum celebrating her 100th birthday.





SPOTLIGHT

Spring Term Enrollment Begins Friday, January 3

Spring catalogs were mailed in mid- December to all current OLLI members.



All the catalog information is available online. If your catalog is missing, go to <u>ce.uci.edu/olli</u>. You can even order a replacement catalog from this website.

Enrollment methods:

1. Online: ce.uci.edu/olli

2. Phone: 949-824-5414, Extension 0

3. Mail:

OLLI Enrollnent

UCI Division of Continuing Education

PO Box 6050

Irvine, CA 92616-6050

Give the Gift of Lifelong Learning!



The holidays are over BUT is there someone you know who would enjoy an OLLI membership for a birthday, an anniversary or even Valentine's Day?

Gift certificates can still be purchased for the Spring term. Click <u>HERE</u> for more information. To order a gift certificate, contact UCI Student Services at 949-824-5414.

BOARD'S CORNER

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 posted **July 1, 2019 through November 19, 2019.**



 The Minutes of the November 20, 2019 Board Meeting, to be approved at the next scheduled Board Meeting in January, are posted on the OLLI bulletin board by the Conference Room.

The OLLI Board of Directors announces our new One-Enroll-One referral program!

- Effective with the Spring 2020 term, if you get a friend to enroll as a member in OLLI, you will earn a **\$25 gift card!**
- Referrals must be for new members who have not been OLLI members for two years.
- For more information, look for the One-Enroll-One cards in the OLLI office and classroom.

OLLI INFO

WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS, SO LOOK BELOW FOR A JOB THAT APPEALS!

Choose a way to get involved beyond the classes you take.

- 1. become a facilitator who welcomes members to classes.
- 2. join or just attend a committee to help plan curriculum or events,
- 3. help in the office from stuffing envelopes to answering the phone,
- 4. give input to the Finance or Social Interaction committees.

Want to meet more people? OLLI is more than just going to classes, so anyone who wants to get involved, give me a "holler" at foursue2@aol.com and jump in!

Sue Lieberman, Director Volunteer Services

Also, we SPECIFICALLY Need Help with Social Interaction

Before the third meeting of *Homelessness: Issues and Solutions* (SS 315) on January 22, there will be another *Morning Mingle* coffee.

While most who attended these events in the fall said they would like them to continue, we are still looking for 4-5 volunteers to form a new **Social Interaction Committee**, so please, anyone interested in being a part of *Morning Mingle* plans, contact Sue Lieberman, Director of Volunteer Services, at **foursue2@aol.com**.



OLLI COURSES AND EVENTS

Faces of Homelessness Art Exhibition Open to all OLLI members and guests!

Homelessness: Issues and Solutions,
A Preview to SS 315
Tuesday, January 7, 4:30 to 6:30
Irvine United Congregation Church
Plummer Hall
4915 Alton Parkway, Irvine, CA
(between Creek and Lake roads)

- View Dr. Stuart Pearlman's portraits of faces who live on the street.
- Hear a presentation and purchase his book, Struggle in Paradise (proceeds go to Family Promise).
- Enjoy food prepared by TIYYA, a non-profit for homeless refugees. No Host wine bar also available.

Guests and Community Members Welcome! Please RSVP to Sara Schoenfelder

sara.schoenfelder@cox.net Use the subject line: RECEPTION

OLLI EXTRAS

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



NEW - Bridge with OLLI

1 - Starting NEXT WEEK!

Special Introductory Session at South Orange County Bridge Center 31461 Rancho Viejo, Road, Suite 208, San Juan Capistrano (949) 248-1268 Wednesday, Jan. 8 from 9-11:30 AM for \$10.

Contact OLLI member

imatlaf@gmail.com to reserve your spot and join other OLLI members.

2 - On-going Bridge at Costa Mesa Bridge Club 2845 Mesa Verde Dr. East See: www.bridgewebs.com/costamesa for more information.

Contact Margie 310-422 9330 or Linda at 714-968-5870 or michellinonbridge@aol.com for more information and reservations.

Movie Talk

Movie Talk will meet on **Saturday**, **January 11 at 10 AM** to talk about our latest screen encounters; we welcome guests and new members to our lively group, so bring a friend. We meet at the OLLI Irvine Station classroom. Contact Jessie Tromberg for more information at jessietromberg@icloud.com.

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, and more. If you are curious and would be interested in joining us, **please see our**

webpage for more information: www.olligastronomers.com.

Spanish Conversation

Spanish Club meets most **Friday mornings at 10 AM** at the Irvine Station Conference Room for conversation, friendship, and laughs. New members are always welcome. For more 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 have done this year, and we will put you on the calendar. Contact Lonnie Horn at mail4lonnie@aol.com or Jessie Tromberg at jessietromberg@icloud.com

Mah Jongg

Do you want to learn to play Siamese Mah Jongg (2-person) or regular Mah Jongg? If you are already a Maj player, would you like to play with some friends at OLLI? Our meetings occur at 4 PM every Thursday in the Irvine Station Conference Room. Please RSVP to May Fong at mayfong4@gmail.com or Carolyn Brothers at cbdancer@aol.com if you plan to attend a meeting.



Have a suggestion for an OLLI Extra? Contact: Lonnie Horn at mail4lonnie@aol.com

INQUIRING MINDS

Critical Eye: Movie Reviews



KNIVES OUT

What could be better - an Agatha Christie styled whodunnit with an all-star cast! Well, in spite of Daniel Craig's deliberately outrageous southern drawl (is it via Louisiana or Virginia?) and plot/counterplot, the film drags a bit. It's cinematically spooky with a backdrop of a recurring circle of knives and a fine acting ensemble, but a bit more suspense

would have been appreciated. It does leave one with the notion that a sequel may be on someone's drawing board!!

MARRIAGE STORY

Adam Driver and Scarlett Johansson portray the couple in the title. It plays as if lifted straight out of an American short story anthology. How much do we care

about the people involved or the supporting cast of cleverly dialogued characters? Not much, just as not much is made over his winning a MacArthur Genius grant! Really? Netflix has made it available on streaming, easy access, like picking up a book.

Jessie Tromberg

P.S. Must See: **Queen and Slim -** it's really not a black *Bonnie & Clyde*; it has heart and love and great storytelling/direction.

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 iessietromberg@icloud.com

Library News

The OLLI Library has two new donations focusing on what it means to be human:



After attending an interesting lecture, an OLLI student donated *The Singularity is Near.* At the onset of the twenty-first century, humanity stands on the verge of the most transforming and most thrilling period in its history. It will be an era in which the very nature of what it means to be human will be enriched and challenged as our species breaks the shackles of its genetic legacy. The author, Ray Kurzweill, examines the next step in this evolutionary process—the union of human and machine.

The second donation is *The Gene: an Intimate History* which presents a history of the gene and a response to the question of the future—what becomes of being human when we learn to "read" and "write" our own genetic information? The author, Siddhartha Mukherjee, animates the quest to understand human heredity and its surprising influence on our lives, personalities, identities, fates and chores.

Lynne Pendleton
OLLI Librarian
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UCI CAMPUS EVENTS

OLLI Members, Visit UCI TODAY All Events on Campus Are Listed

Click <u>here</u> 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.



For more information on future events:

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.

Adolescent Development and Juvenile Justice: "How dumb decisions can ruin lives"



Jan. 30, 7:30 to 9:00 AM

The Cove 5270, California Ave., Irvine Professor Elizabeth Cauffman, Social Ecology ChangeMaker at UCI.

Free to the public. RSVP by Jan. 23 to: https://socialogy.uci.edu/evenet/adolescent-development-juvenile-justice

The Shakespeare Trial 2019: Shylock Appeals His Case

If you missed the original production of **The Shakespeare Trial 2019: Shylock Appeals His Case**and would like to see it or even share it with friends, click **here** to view it **online.**



Also, See The Illuminations Series

OLLI members are welcome! Click <u>here</u> for more information about fascinating activities and events at UCI!

What you did NOT know about Marilyn Monroe

Please join us for a staged reading. *Marilyn, Mom, and Me* on Saturday, Jan. 11 at 2 PM; Winifred Hall, UC Irvine Campus, 4004 Mesa Rd.

"Everytime she talked about Marilyn, she burst into tears. As her son I had to find out why."

A new play by Luke Hill featuring Brian Rohan, Aisha Soper, Joel Bryant, and Kyla Stone

Admission is free - Reservations required: https://marilynmomandme.brownpapertickets.c om



UCI's Memory Study

UCI Memory Study Looking for OLLI Participants

The UCI Working Memory and Plasticity Lab appreciates those who have already volunteered for their original study, and they are still looking for more

participants. The study consists of seven sessions and a three-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 by e-mail at uciwmplab+tdcs@gmail.com or 949-824-2439 to enroll.

For more Information on the project: Go to http://wmp.education.uci.edu.

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>>.



Click **here** for more details on giving.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board of Directors, Curriculum Chairs and **Program Committees**

Click **here** to view a list.

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15207 Barranca Parkway, Irvine, CA 92618 (Corner of Ada and next to the Station Cafe.)

PARKING

OLLI members who display a <u>valid handicapped placard</u> may park in the 90-minute parking spaces on the first floor of the garage as well as in the handicapped spots. For members without a valid handicapped placard, anyone parking in those spots over the 90 minutes will be ticketed. There is always plenty of free parking on the upper levels,

with elevator access to the first floor.

Donate Online

OLLI depends on the generous donations from our members to help support our programs.



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