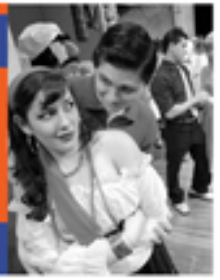




ORANGE COAST COLLEGE

Emeritus Institute

LINKING THE PAST TO THE PRESENT



August 2007

Greetings from Orange Coast College! Hope you are enjoying these “lazy days of summer.” Around the campus, the construction crews are anything but lazy—you will be amazed at the changes taking place! If you have access to a computer, check out the latest construction updates. Go to www.orangecoastcollege.edu; click on *About OCC*, then click on *Facilities*, then *Construction Update*. Visitors to campus should use caution around areas of construction, and be aware that parking availability may be reduced at times.

Getting around the campus will be challenging for new students this fall. Once again, the Emeritus Institute will be staffing information tables during the first two days of classes. Shifts are available on **Monday, Aug. 27 and Tuesday, Aug. 28**. If you have an hour or two to help new students find their way around OCC, please call the Emeritus office at 714-432-5010 or Mary Roda at 714-432-5726 to sign up. An orientation meeting will be held on **August 21 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.** in the Administration 108 conference room. We will have the latest information regarding new buildings, relocated classrooms, parking, etc. to share with you then.

Spring Luncheon

Nearly 100 members gathered in the Horticulture Garden amidst the beautiful flowers and trees for the Spring Luncheon on May 18th. Cloudy skies and a cool breeze made hot coffee a very popular item! College President **Bob Dees** welcomed the Emeritus group, giving a year-end update on the campus construction projects and highlighting the changes to the college as OCC celebrates its 60th anniversary. **Leon Skeie** entertained and informed us with his “Healthy Retirement” presentation on fitness. Guests included new retirees **Melanie Higgins, Phil Riddick, and Donna Westerman**, and our most senior Emeritus member in attendance, **Ruby Davis**. The Archives Committee donated picture frames, and the staff of the Horticulture Garden offered a variety of free squash plants to anyone willing to give them a good home! Many thanks to the Friends and Family Committee members who helped with invitations, decorations, and registration

Save the Date

Our Holiday Luncheon will be held on **December 14, 2007**. Mark your calendar so you can join us for this annual get-together. It’s a great time to visit with friends and colleagues while enjoying delicious fare from OCC’s award-winning culinary department.

Library privileges

Emeritus Institute members have check-out privileges at the OCC library! Bring a photo ID to the library, where they will verify your status with the district, and you will be issued a library card. You may check out up to 10 items at a time, for a 3-week period. The library is currently located at the north end of the Adams parking lot. The new library, known as the Learning Resource Center, is under construction in the area west of the Doyle Arts Pavilion. It is scheduled to open in Spring 2008.

UCI Study Seeking Participants

Cognitive Neuroscience of Aging Research Study

Volunteers are needed for studies that investigate brain activity and memory. The studies involve monitoring activity of the brain while performing simple tasks. In this project, you will have your brain activity monitored either through the recording of electrical activity (EEG) or through an imaging method called functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI). Studies involve either one or two visits to the laboratory, each taking between one and two and a half hours. You will be reimbursed for all travel expenses and receive compensation for your participation. In order to take part, you must:

- be between 63-77, or 85+ years of age.
- be right-handed.
- be a fluent English speaker.
- be in good general health.

If you would like to take part or receive further information about the study, phone or email the research group at 949-824-8861 or fnim@uci.edu. Dates and times for participating are flexible. *Center for the Neurobiology of Learning and Memory, UCI*

Passings

Glenn L. Smith, speech professor at OCC, passed away June 9, 2007 after a long illness. Condolences may be sent to his wife, Margaret Smith, at 1044 Presidio Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626.

Judith Renna, from OCC Community Education, lost her long battle with cancer on June 16, 2007. Condolences may be sent to her husband, Rich Renna, at 10132 Sunn Avenue, Fountain Valley, CA 92708.

Polo shirts

Want to stand out while you are volunteering at Orange Coast College? We have a limited number of official Emeritus Institute orange polo shirts available (sizes S through 4XL). Please see Robbie in the Emeritus office if you would like one of these shirts.

Bylaws changes

Earlier this year the Board of Directors voted to streamline its structure and organization. The bylaws have been amended to reflect these changes; a copy is included with this newsletter. The Board and the selected positions of president, vice-president, and secretary/treasurer are replaced by a Steering Committee of at least 12 members serving unstipulated terms. Any member is welcome to request a seat on the committee, which will guide the Emeritus Institute in its mission at Orange Coast College.

Steering Committee

The next meeting of the Steering Committee will be **September 12, 2007, from 10 to 11:30 a.m.** in Admin.108 conference room. We are looking for a few more committee members. Please join us that day if you are interested in being on the committee. If you think you might like to participate but can't attend the meeting, please contact Robbie Lever before that date (714-432-5010, rlever@occ.cccd.edu).

Parking reminder

Annual parking permits are available to all Emeritus Institute members. You may pick them up in the Campus Safety office (in the parking lot near the Robert B. Moore Theatre). Please do not park in the metered spaces if you have a parking permit.

Revised Bylaws of the Orange Coast College Emeritus Institute (Aug. 2007)

I. Name

The name of this organization shall be the Orange Coast College Emeritus Institute.

II. Mission

The Orange Coast College Emeritus Institute was established in 2003 to insure that the spirit that has made the college unique among community colleges shall not be lost. In consultation with current college staff, we will insure continuance of this spirit through a wide variety of activities such as the following:

- preserve the culture and traditions of the college
- enhance opportunities and resources for students
- acknowledge contributions to the college and the community by members of the Emeritus Institute.
- provide advice and consultation to the college
- promote a continuing personal and professional relationship between Emeritus Institute members and other members of the college community.

III. Membership

All former employees of Orange Coast College, and their spouses, who have left District employment in good standing shall be eligible for membership. In addition, the Steering Committee may invite other people to become members. The Steering Committee may exclude any person from membership for cause.

IV. Standing Committees

The standing committees and their tasks shall be the following:

Family and Friends – Maintain global list of retirees, former employees, friends, and families who wish to lend a helping hand to Orange Coast College.

History and Heritage – Oversee the college's archives, historical records, and collections.

Opportunities and Options – Identify opportunities for members of the Emeritus Institute to become directly involved with students, staff, and events at the college.

The Steering Committee may create new standing committees, dissolve standing committees, or change the function of any committee.

V. Steering Committee

The Steering Committee shall be composed of at least 12 members serving in that capacity as of January 1, 2007, and other members of the Emeritus Institute subsequently appointed by a majority vote of the Committee.

Anyone serving as chair of an Emeritus Institute standing committee or that person's designee shall automatically be appointed to serve as a member of the Steering Committee.

The Steering Committee may appoint the number of members to the Committee as it thinks appropriate for efficient representation and governance of the Institute.

The term of office for a member of the Steering Committee shall be unstipulated, based upon the individual's willingness to serve. (continued on next page)

The Committee shall annually elect a chair whose responsibilities will include scheduling and chairing meetings of the Committee and general membership, as well as representing the Institute in its relationship with the College.

The College President or designee shall serve as a non-voting member of the Steering Committee.

The Steering Committee shall establish policies, make appointments to campus committees at the request of the College President, and approve or modify annual budgets of the Emeritus Institute.

VI. Meetings of the Steering Committee

The Chair of the Steering Committee shall convene a meeting of the Steering Committee at least once during the fall semester and once during the spring semester of each year. The Chair may call additional meetings as necessary. All meetings shall be open to the general membership of the Emeritus Institute.

VII. Quorum

The quorum of the Steering Committee shall be four (4) voting members.

VIII. Amendments

The Steering Committee may amend these Bylaws by simple majority at an open meeting of the committee for which notice has been sent to the general membership at least two weeks in advance of the meeting.

On the calendar at OCC

Aug. 21	Information Table orientation meeting
Aug. 27	First day of Fall semester classes
Sept. 12	Emeritus Institute Steering Committee meeting
Sept. 13-15	OCC Repertory Theatre Company "No Exit"
Sept. 26	Radical Reels Film Tour, Robert B. Moore Theatre
Sept. 28-30	OCC Repertory Theatre Company "Romantic Fools"
Sept. 29-30	Children's Book Festival
Oct. 24	Friends of the Library Book Sale

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