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OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UC Santa Cruz Stevenson College Event Center

General Meeting, Sunday, September 15th, 10 a.m. Stevenson College Event Center, UCSC

The summer break is ending and we are about to recommence our Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) activities. Our first meeting of the season will be on Sunday, September 15th, and will focus on Interest Group signups. All the interest groups are described on our website at http://ucsc-osher.wikispaces.com/.

We currently have about 50 special interest groups, a large increase compared to a year ago. A few of our groups are at capacity and currently not accepting new members. However, there remain many enriching opportunities to participate in a group. For newcomers and long-term members alike, "Interest Groups" enable you to engage in a range of activities with like-minded folks and develop lasting friendships.

Our September 15th meeting will commence as usual at 10:00 a.m. for half an hour of socializing and refreshments. This will be followed by Interest Group Leaders making short presentations about their groups prior to a sign-up period: Tables for each group will be arranged around the meeting hall so the leaders can provide additional information. Matt Miller is a new Board member who will coordinate the Interest Group program and he can provide assistance to individuals with questions and those who might be interested in starting new interest groups. Phyllis Wood, our outgoing

coordinator, will also lend a hand at this meeting. Contact information for the Board members is on the back of this newsletter and on our website. You can read more about the Interest Groups elsewhere in this newsletter.

As an organization, we have made great strides this last year, increasing our membership to over 750, moving our member sign-up, renewals and payments to our website, bringing notable speakers to our General Membership meetings, conducting a number of successful, well-attended courses, and providing a vibrant venue for learning, fun and friendship.

There are challenges resulting from the growth of OLLI that will need to be met in the coming year. A top priority is to address parking and access issues for our Sunday meetings. The plan for the use of the East Remote Parking lot and the installation of a more robust shuttle system, as explained elsewhere in this Newsletter, is our initial response to alleviating our parking shortage. Your feedback to the Board during the coming year will help us refine the system.

I look forward to meeting you on Sunday, September 15th.

Fred

Fred DeJarlais, President

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Courses

We start early this year, with two courses, both beginning on **Wednesday, September 18**. Members can register for at most one of them, subject to space limitations.

Both classes are limited in enrollment to about 10 students each, selected first-come, first-registered. You will be contacted if you are registered in the class, and checks will be returned, or credit cards not charged, for others. These classes are held in private homes, which limits attendance.

Use the coupon on page 4 to register.

Social Influence, Elliot Aronson & Jill Steinberg

We human beings are social animals. As such we are influenced by others — the people around us as well as those no longer living. We are also influenced by people we have never met — by Presidential candidates, editorial writers, and film stars endorsing a product. How does this influence take place? Why do we accept influence or, put another way, what's in it for us? What are the variables that increase or decrease the effectiveness of social influence? Can good people be influenced to perform evil acts? How does one person come to like another person? Is it through these same processes that we come to like our new sports car or a box of Wheaties? How does a person develop prejudices against an ethnic or racial group? Is it akin to liking but in reverse — or does it involve an entirely different set of psychological processes? How can prejudice be

reduced? Does watching aggression on TV increase a person's aggressiveness? When criticizing a close friend, how can you avoid offending him or her?

These are some of the topics we will cover in the course. This is a seminar — meaning that students will be expected to participate in class discussions. In order to do this, we will be doing some reading in preparation for each meeting — usually less than 50 pages per week. Please do not sign up for the course unless you are prepared to do the reading.

We are assigning only one little book: The Social Animal (11th edition) by Elliot Aronson, www.amazon.com/The-Social-Animal-Elliot-Aronson/dp/1429233419/ref=pd_sim_b_2. If you can beg, borrow, or steal a copy of this book, by all means do so—but, because it is drastically overpriced, we are not requiring you to buy one. We will e-mail all class members a digital version of the book, without charge.

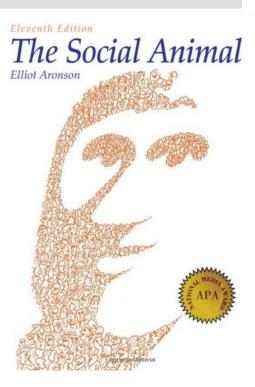
The Instructors

Elliot Aronson is a social psychologist. You can find more about him at: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elliot_Aronson.

Jill Steinberg is a clinical psychologist. You can find more about her at:http://MyRetirementWorks.com.

Course Logistics

The course meets for six weeks, Wednesdays, 1:30 – 3:00 p.m., begin-



ning September 18 and ending October 23, at Elliot's home, We will take a wait list.

The Quantum Enigma, Bruce Rosenblum

A seminar on the mystery presented by quantum mechanics. Though quantum mechanics is the most successful theory in science, and the basis of one third of our economy. it describes an unbelievable world. After some introductory background, we will discuss the undisputed experiments displaying "the quantum measurement problem," also called "the observer problem." Discussion will follow readings in the Second Edition of *Quantum Enigma: Physics* Encounters Consciousness by Bruce Rosenblum and Fred Kuttner. For our first meeting, please read Chapters 1 and 2. Absolutely no physics back-

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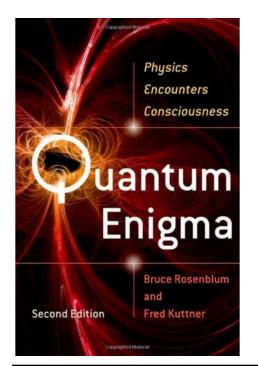
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ground is assumed (although participants with a physics background are also welcome).

Bruce Rosenblum retired as professor of physics from UCSC, having also held several administrative positions on campus. He also consulted extensively on policy and technical issues for the federal government and for corporations. Before joining UCSC, Bruce spent a decade in research and research management in the electronics industry.

The course will be held on ten Wednesday afternoons from 2 to 4, starting September 18, at Bruce's home in Santa Cruz. There is ample parking on the street.





World Affairs, 2013 & Beyond, Prof. Ronnie Gruhn

Ronnie Gruhn, Professor Emerita of Politics at UCSC, will conduct a course consisting of two classes about world affairs.

She has a passionate and undiminished interest in reading, writing, and talking about world affairs. She has given several courses for OLLI and members found her to be engaging, knowledgeable, fair, and certainly relevant. Her classes on U.S. Foreign Policy, Pre and Post Election, and on Africa, were very well attended and widely enjoyed.

Session 1: Old Powers, New Powers: From China to Qatar, from Gates to Jihadists

Session 2: Twenty First Century Issues, the Old and the New: security, human migration, technology, climate change, and others.

The course will meet on two Tuesdays, October 8 and October 15 from 10 to 12 at the Museum of Art and History, 705 Front Street in Santa Cruz.

Women in the Ancient Western World, Gail Greenwood

Have you ever wondered what we're doing with bunnies bringing eggs at Easter, and pine trees covered with baubles to celebrate the birth of a Jewish baby? Gail Greenwood did. and it never made sense to her until she learned about women's history. She is now offering us an 8-hour survey course she's calling "Women in the Ancient Western World." The primary idea examined will be that the story changes when the point of view of the story teller changes; though the actual facts may be the same, the significance of the facts and even which dates matter alter when viewed from women's rather than from men's perspective. The course will begin with Prehistory — The Great Mother and her cave children, with an examination of why we don't begin with the Greeks — followed with the Ancient Near East, Egypt, and Crete. Then we will (in a great sweep of thousands of years in an hour or two) look at an-

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cient and classical Greece, Rome, and the Judeo-Christian heritage.

Gail Greenwood is a retired community college history teacher. For thirty -four years, she taught survey courses in American History, Western Civilization, and Women in both American and Western Civilization. In the 1970s she created the first Women in American History classes at American River College. Her students kept asking her to explain all the odd assumptions of the founding parents and wouldn't accept her answer that "They brought the beliefs with them along with their Bibles, pots, and pillows." She had to return to reading and studying and then she created a class about Women in Western Civilization. Her first startling discovery for one trained in modern Western Civilization with a focus on the Third Reich was that she ended up clear back in archaeology. Fortunately this multidisciplinary approach didn't bother folks at the community college and she hopes it will also be accepted by lifelong learners willing to gallop through history.

Wednesdays, Oct. 23 and 30, Nov. 6 and 13, 10 to noon, Museum of Art and History.



Registrant(s) With this coupon, one or two people can register for courses.	Course Selections To register for a course check box. If two are registering & only one is taking a particular course, please indicate which person.	Donation (\$20 per person per course)
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Make check to the UC Santa Cruz Foundation. Mail to: Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UCSC, STARS, 1156 High Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95064. You must be a member of Osher LLI at UCSC to register for classes. Contributions are tax deductible as allowed by law. You will receive an acknowledgement of your contributions from the University. Thank you! Check Visa MasterCard AMEX Discover Card Number Card Expiration Date Name on Card Signature (for credit card transactions)		

October 20th Speaker: Gitta Spindel Ryle

At the October 20th General Meeting, Gitta Spindel Ryle, a long-time OLLI member, will tell us how she and her sister Renee escaped the Nazis and found refuge during WWII in several locations in occupied and Vichy France.

Brigitta Spindel was born in Vienna, Austria, April 10, 1932, the second daughter in a middle-class Jewish family. After Hitler took over Austria in March 1938, Gitta's father went to Belgium, hoping to bring the family once he was settled. Then, in November 1938, came *Kristallnacht*, the horrific attacks on Jewish homes, schools, businesses, and synagogues throughout Germany and Austria.

Desperate to save her daughters, Mrs. Spindel registered them with *Oeuvre de Secours aux Enfants*, a French humanitarian group that rescued Jewish children throughout Europe.

"My sister Renee and I were sent to France, where we never thought Hitler would come. We thought we were safe." They were tragically wrong. Grainy black-and-white photos document Ryle's seven years in hiding, first at a chateau outside of Paris, then an orphanage near Lyon, a Catholic convent, and finally a family farm.

Gitta speaks about her wartime experiences almost every week with a fo-



cus on students in the Santa Cruz area. She says "Their job is not to forget. They can tell future generations that they met someone who lived through it, so they know it really happened."

Important to Renew Membership Early

We send this newsletter, the first issue of the academic year, to all of last year's members regardless of whether they've renewed membership or not. It also goes to all members new for 2013–2014. Future issues will not be sent to last year's members who haven't renewed, so if you're in that category, we ask that if you plan to renew, please do so now: Go to http://ucsc-osher.wikispaces.com and click on "Join the Institute for 2013 – 2014

or Renew Your Membership," on the top half of the page.

Because we are planning to take a snapshot of our membership database in September to use to print our member directory, it is important for last year's members who have not renewed their memberships to do so soon. When you renew your membership, if you allow us to publish your

phone and/or email address, other members will be able to contact you.

We hope that new and renewal memberships will be entered online, although a paper form is also available. Be sure to specify your email address so you can get our email newsletter every other month and the special email announcements we make occasionally.

My Work is My Hobby: An Interview with Elliot Aronson



Professor Aronson is well know to our members and his recent talk to our general meeting was met with great appreciation.

As described on page 2, he will soon co-teach a course for us. An inter-

view with Prof. Aronson is now posted on "My Retirement Works" website. There is a link to it on our home page, or go to http://myretirementworks.com.

For more information about Interest Groups, please consult our website, http://ucsc-osher.wikispaces.com.

Film Seminar

Jim Faris, a retired film editor from Hollywood, and his wife Paula, lead several Film Seminars each year. Each seminar meets on Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. for five consecutive weeks to view and discuss films. Jim and Paula pick films that they feel illustrate good film-making techniques and will lead to good discussions. The Film Seminars are not interest groups, and the interest group fee is not required for participation. However, a donation of \$10 to the Silvia Miller Scholarship Fund is expected for each seminar series. Please consult the webpage for instructions on how to register. http://ucscosher.wikispaces.com/Film

New Interest Groups

Classical Chinese Literature and Culture — This new group is led by Dale Johnson, who has given us fascinating courses on Chinese poetry and the Chinese novel "The Story of the Stone." The group will meet at the home of Irene Lennox, with the first meeting on Wednesday October 30 at 2:30 p.m. For this first meeting Dale will select a Chinese short story for discussion, and subsequent meetings will focus on a variety of aspects of Chinese culture. To join the group please contact Irene Lennox, 457-2690, scotirene@yahoo.com. Membership will be limited by the size of Irene's livingroom.

Recorder Playing will meet weekly to enjoy playing medieval, Renaissance, folk, and other types of music on recorders. All those who are familiar with the first 1½ octaves of any size (soprano, alto, tenor, bass) of recorder and can read music are welcome to join the graduates of our Spring 2013 introductory course. The group will meet on Tuesday afternoons, 2:30 to 4 p.m., at Mary Ann Franson's home, 216 National Street, Santa Cruz (starting date to be determined). Because of space considerations, the group will be limited to 10 participants. For further information, please email Mary Ann, mfranson@ cruzio com

Interest Groups with Events

Art & Architecture — Tuesday, September 10. To San Francisco to view *Diebenkorn* — The Berkeley Years, at the de Young Museum and Impressionists on the Water at the Legion of Honor. Lois Widom, lowidom@yahoo.com, 423-0184.

Lunching Out — The group will restart after the summer break with lunch, at 12.30 p.m., as usual, on Friday September 27 at Sawasadee by the Sea, a new Thai restaurant based in the Casablanca Inn on Beach St. New members to this group are welcome. Please contact Irene to join the group and/or book for Sawasadee. Please let her know by Saturday Sept. 21 if you are coming to this lunch. Irene Lennox, scotirene@yahoo.com, 457-2690

Visiting Not-for-Profit Organizations — Meets once a month to visit and learn about individual community-based organizations in Santa Cruz County. Our first visit this year, to the **Lifelab on the UCSC campus**, is on Thurs., **Oct. 24**, 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. More information will be emailed in September to enrolled members of the group. Events require RSVP. Gabrielle Stocker, gstocker2@cruzio.com, 426-0865

Wine Tasting — Supports local vintners by visiting, tasting, and picnicking at their beautiful wineries. Wed., Sept. 11: Visit MJA Winery, 328 Ingles St., Santa Cruz. Leaders: Brooke Ewoldsen, 475-6188; Marilyn Wingfield, marilynlwingfield@gmail.com; Lew Feinman, lewfeinman@sbcglobal.net, Judith Feinman, judithfeinman@ sbcglobal.net

Interest Groups with Room for More People

Interest groups with unlimited participation frequently have events with space restrictions and places may be reserved via RSVP to group leader, first-come-first-served.

Some of the groups listed below may have room for only one or two new participants, others may have more room or may no longer have openings. Believed accurate at publication time, but please contact leaders for current information and certainly before attending first time.

Adventuring — Organizes "adventurous" outings — sometimes local, sometimes in SF Bay or Monterey Bay locations. Leader: Craig

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Miller, craigsem@cruzio.com, 426-0835.

Baroque Festival — Meets near the concert venue at 6:30 p.m. for a preconcert talk. See the SCBF website for program information. Members are responsible for obtaining their own concert tickets. Leader: David H. Copp, dhcopp@yahoo.com, 708-2206



Concept Exchange Society — Meets monthly (first Sunday, 10:30 a.m.) to share world views. Leader: Marvin Chester, marvin@chesters.org, 713-5432

Creative Writing — Meets weekly (Friday from 10 to noon) throughout the year to share members' writings. Our members' writing topics range from poetry, memoirs, autobiography, short stories, to a science fiction novel. Each member reads a 2½ page piece which can be part of a larger opus. The other members offer suggestions. We have enjoyed our meetings and we hope to share our fun with new members. Leader: Elaine Heyman, 423-0513, elaineheyman@comcast.net

The **Dining Out** Group meets each month at a selected restaurant to enjoy good food and the opportunity to socialize with fellow OLLI members. A notice advising members of the upcoming event is sent via email to those who have signed up to participate. Interested diners RSVP to the hostess in charge for the evening selected. We go to area restaurants, meeting at 6:00 p.m., and order from the menu, with each individual responsible for bringing cash to pay their bill. We dine out on one consecutive Tuesday and Wednesday each month during the OLLI calendar year, excluding December. The group leaders for 2013 – 2014 are Annette Morris, AnnettenSkeeter@aol.com, 310-375-2091, and Brenda Hillier, hillierbrenda@yahoo.com, 439-2083.

Discovering UCSC — Discovering UCSC visits a different UCSC department each month, to learn the latest about the dynamic academic activity taking place at this world-class institution. Leader: Sandy Brauner, sanjan@cruzio.com

Doubles Tennis — Intermediate (3.0-3.5 level of play) doubles tennis, meets weekly, Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m., at University Terrace Park (frequently called Meder St. Park), for a friendly, spirited warmup and match of 1½ to 2 hours. The group is open to new participants. Leaders: Mary Male male@baymoon.com, and David Brick, dbrick@cruzio.com, 427-2749. Acting leader, September 2013: Ed Weingold, 423-5497

English in Action — Volunteers meet one-on-one with foreign students to give them an opportunity to



practice conversational English and ask questions about the community. Usually the meetings are once a week for an hour or so, but the time, location, and number of meetings depend on what works for the student and the volunteer. It is not a class, but a casual conversation. This is a great opportunity for cultural exchange! We are looking for new members. Our first volunteer meeting is Tuesday, Oct. 1st at 1 p.m. Pleased contact leader if interested. Karin Grobe, kgrobe@wormdoctor.org, 427-0984

Exploring Santa Cruz County — Meets monthly (3rd Fri., 10 to noon) for a walk around town or country led by a forever-curious amateur. Leader: Lesley Franz, lesfranz@aol.com, 425-4685.

Financial Education and Discussion — Meets the 2nd Monday, 10 a.m., at Caffe Pergolesi, 418 Cedar St., Santa Cruz, to discuss pros and cons of specific financial strategies, options, investments, risk management & financial & protection products. Open to any member who would like to present to the group, but leader is prepared to present on the specified topics. Leader: Steve Edmonds, 338-3106, steve@2rs.com

French for French Speakers — An opportunity to use your French.

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Meets twice a month in Santa Cruz. Exact days to be determined by the majority of those involved. Leader: Richard Zakarian, 713-5798, richard.zakarian.88@csun.edu

French Peer Practice — at advanced beginner level. Our members have studied, have a foundation in the language, yet want refreshing as well as more confidence in speaking. Leader: L'ea Lieux 425-4741, llieux@gmail.com

Great Decisions Series — Great Decisions is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. Published annually, the Great Decisions briefing book highlights eight of the most thought-provoking foreign policy challenges facing Americans today. Provided is a DVD, background information, current data, and policy options for each issue. See also http://ucsc-osher.wikispaces.com/ decisions and www.fpa.org. Signups and check for the materials will be accepted at the September 15th general meeting. There will be nine meetings at the Live Oak Senior Center, starting March 10 and ending May 5. Leader: Margy Cottle, cottlemargy@gmail.com, 475-4446, 345-7144

Hiking/Walking — Meets weekly (Wednesday, 9:30) for 1 to 2 hours of brisk walking mostly in local forests and seashores. Leader: Alice Tarail, 334-3328, alicet@cruzio.com

Horticulture — Meets weekly, (Thurs., 9:30 to noon) rain or shine in the hothouse at Cabrillo College to work on plantings under the direction of the staff of the Cabrillo College Horticulture Dept. You do not need to attend every week. Leader: Pat Mc Veigh, 566-4553, pmcveigh@baymoon.com

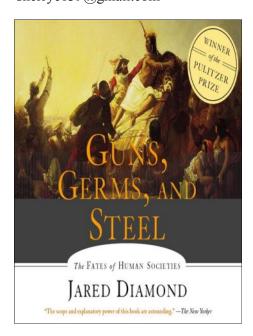
London Theatre — Thanks to the wonder of satellite transmission you can now enjoy going out to the theatre in London without the expense and effort of actually traveling there! Meets approximately monthly for daytime performances of the National Theatre in London at the Del Mar Theatre in Santa Cruz on Pacific Ave.! Leader: Lisa Warshaw, 421-0998, lisawarshaw555@yahoo.com

Newcomers Group — Get acquainted with other OLLI members in an informal setting. Learn more about our organization in an atmosphere of fellowship. Newcomers to Santa Cruz are especially encouraged to attend. If interested, sign up at the September 2013 general meeting or contact the leader, Mary Caravalho, 332-2361, marycaravalho@gmail.com

New Yorker Discussion, Santa Cruz I. Members discuss readings from *The New Yorker* magazine. Leader: Peggy Williams, pegwil.atty@gmail.com, 476-2695

New Yorker Poetry — Each month we take delight in reading aloud and discussing poems from *The New Yorker*. Meets on the 4th Friday of the month, 10 to 11:30 a.m., in the De Anza community center, 2395 Dela-

ware Ave. Leaders: Pegatha Hughes, pegathahughes@gmail.com, 600-7925; Sherry Eisendorf, sherrye139@gmail.com



Non-Fiction Books — The new non-fiction reading Interest Group will meet at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 24 to discuss *Guns, Germs, and Steel: The Fates of Human Societies* by Jared Diamond. The schedule of books to be read is on the webpage. If you are interested please call or email: Mary Caravalho, 332-2361, marycaravalho@gmail.com.

Play Reading Group — We've had a highly successful run with the Hellman book, and are now starting with a new Author — Alan Ayckbourn's Three Plays. We meet on the first Monday of the month, 1:30 to 4:30, (but in September, on the 9th) to read plays selected by the members. Leader: Shirley Forsyth, 477-1796, shirlclu@gmail.com

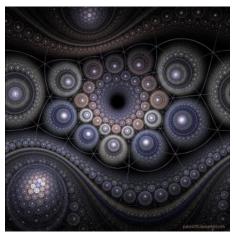
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Read It Again, Sam. In the "Read It Again, Sam" group, we select a great novel, play, poem, short story, novella by consensus—and then read it twice (or once if you've read it before). For the time being, we are selecting our titles from a list of 100 best books chosen by 100 writers in 35 countries. You can see the list at: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/
The_100_Best_Books_of_All_Time We meet on the fourth Wednesday of every month from 1 to 3 in Aptos. Please join us. Send an email to Jon Butah at jon@twoseas.com.

Reading Circle — Meets monthly (3rd Monday, 1:30) to discuss a mixture of modern fiction and non-fiction selected by the members. Leader: Irene Lennox, scotirene@yahoo.com, 457-2690



Science Paracitioners — For those with science background. Presentations, book reviews, & discussions. We meet on the third Monday of each month at 1 p.m. at the home of a member who has

volunteered to host. Including presentation, discussion, and socializing, our sessions are usually about two hours long. Our next meeting will be October 21st. Leader: Bob Wrathall, 439-0857, wrathall@sbcglobal.net.

Symphony — Attend the five annual Santa Cruz County Symphony concerts, and three concert previews. We will sit together (depending on seat availability) in the Premium Dress Circle Section. At the previews, meet with the Symphony director, Daniel Stewart, and guest soloists or orchestra members. They will feature discussions about the music and composers, and play concert selections. The previews take place at 4:00 on the Friday afternoon before the concert at the Civic Auditorium in Santa Cruz. A reception with food and wine follows and usually finishes by 6:00 p.m. Details at http://ucsc-osher.wikispaces.com/ symphony. Leader: Roger Knacke, rknacke@gmail.com

Volunteers in Action — Meets on-call to be of service to fellow Osher Institute members, the UCSC campus, and other worthy organizations. Leader: Bill Patterson, 479-3729, wilderwill@comcast.net

What If — A discussion group focused on the paths that were or could have been taken so we may better understand the paths ahead of us.

A decent body of writing exists on alternative histories and what effect different outcomes might have had on the future. The group meets on the first Friday of the month from 10 to noon on the east side of Santa Cruz. See *ucsc-osher.wikispaces.com/what-if*

for more. Leaders: Phillip and Helen Lynch, what_if_ig@yahoo.com, 426-1837

Other Interest Groups

Groups listed below are fully subscribed. However, openings sometimes arise, so contact group leader if you're interested.

We encourage members to form new interest groups and new sections of existing interest groups. Leaders of existing groups are often willing to give advice on how their groups run, and you can usually arrange a visit to any group to see how it operates.

Leaders are free to structure and schedule their groups as they and the participants wish. Please feel free to ask questions or express your interests to our interest-group coordinators, Phyllis Wood, phylives@comcast.net, 685-8622 or Matt Miller, 661-0398, alimat@comcast.net.

Amateur Chamber Musicians —

The group maintains a directory of amateur chamber musicians who belong to OLLI at UCSC and who wish to be listed so that individuals can arrange rehearsals with other instrumentalists. Merilyn Neher, 600-8576, mneher3@gmail.com

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Bridge Group — The group meets at the Live Oak Senior Center, 1777 Capitola Rd, each Monday, 1–4 p.m. The cost is \$2.00 per person (facility fee) and \$1.00 for the winner's jackpot. Details at http://ucsc-osher.wikispaces.com/Bridge. Leader: Mary Male, mmale@baymoon.com, 427-2749

Current Affairs Discussion —

Meets monthly on the 4th Wednesday for an in-depth, respectful conversation about hot issues of concern. Leader: Mark Gordon, mgordon@cruzio.com, 408-314-4802

Digital Photography — Meets monthly on the 4th Monday for critiques, photo shoots, and field trips. Leader: Cindy Margolin, crmargol@gotsky.com, 688-8129

Evening Book Discussion — Meets monthly (first Wednesday, 7:00) to discuss fiction and non-fiction selected by members. Group is closed and maintains a wait list. Leader: Dusty Miller, hndmiller@hotmail.com, 426-0835

Folk Songs — We meet at 1:00 on the first and third Tuesdays of each month to sing traditional songs, usually accompanied by several musical instruments. A waiting list is maintained. Leader: Matt Miller, 661-0398, alimat@comcast.net

Great Books Discussion I — Meets monthly (first Thurs., 1:15) to discuss

the classics. Leader: Faye Alexander, 476-8575, qtpie95010@sbcglobal.net

Great Books Discussion II — Meets monthly on the first Wednesday from noon to 2:00 in Soquel to discuss the classics. Leader: Susan Gorsky, 688-5371, sgorsky@sbcglobal.net

Great Mysteries of Life — Discussion and analysis of recent and classic works in philosophy, religion and science focused on the great mysteries of life and the universe. Examples of these deep kinds of questions include why does the universe exist, what is the underlying structure of reality, views on the nature of God. how should we understand concepts like consciousness, mind, life, infinity, time, free will, etc.? To investigate these we will read books with accessible expositions, usually at the rate of about 60 pages or so per month. The core group will typically meet the 3rd Friday of the month, 2-4p.m. In addition to the core group, other subgroups may form which investigate specific topics in more depth. Currently, we have a contemporary readings in physics group which meets on the first Friday of every month. Depending upon the core group's interests, we may also form a new subgroup on Eastern philosophy. Leader: Steve Strasnick, 429 -5201, steve strasnick@comcast.net

Memoir Writing — Provides the opportunity to write memories, read them to a group, receive impressions, and listen to others. To be added to a waiting list, contact Joyce Burt, 464-3470, sandplay@ix.netcom.com

New Yorker Groups. Somewhat varied in format, they all discuss readings from *The New Yorker*. The New Yorker Santa Cruz Group *I* is open to new members. See page 8. The groups below are fully subscribed.

Santa Cruz II Group — Leader: Helen Jones, helenjones815@gmail.com, 420-1220

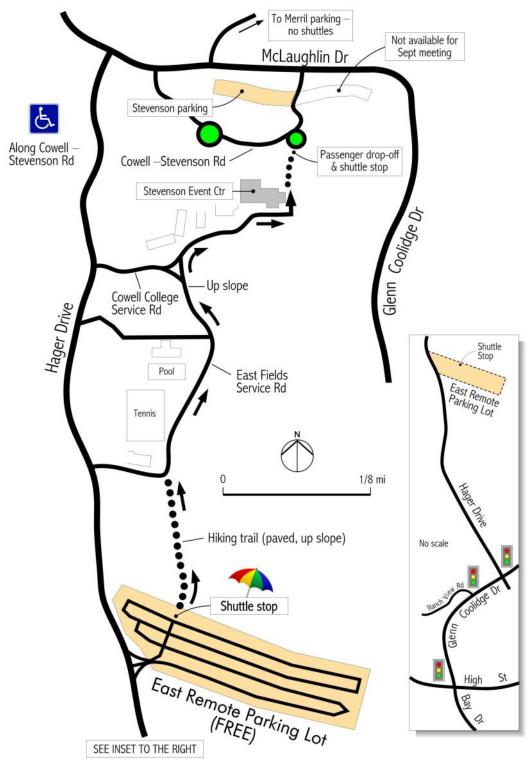
Aptos Group — Leader: Joan Rose, ramblingroses@yahoo.com, 477-0360

Capitola Group — Leader: Faye Alexander, qtpie95010@sbcglobal.net, 476-8575

Philosophy Discussion — Meets monthly (2nd Tuesday, 4 p.m.). Leader: Paul Seever, 440-9018, pseever@prodigy.net

Social Science Discussion — Meets monthly (3rd Tuesday, 2 to 4 p.m.) at the Dominican Oaks meeting room in Santa Cruz. Specific topics to be chosen by the group from member recommendations. Leader: Jan Jaffe, janjaffe@charter.net, 684-0470

Parking for the Monthly General Meeting



Because the Stevenson parking lots have been congested, we are instituting a new parking plan, beginning with our September 15th General Meeting.

Step 1. Come to Stevenson as usual. If you find a spot in the Stevenson Parking Lot then you are set. If not, drop your passengers off at the entrance and receive a map with instructions to the East Remote Parking Lot, a 5 minute drive. See Step 2.

Step 2. Following the directions, proceed to the East Remote Parking Lot and park there.

Step 3. Look for the person with the large umbrella standing in the lot. This is the OLLI Shuttle Stop. We have arranged for frequent shuttles to bring you to and from the meeting.

Step 3a. Instead of taking the shuttle, you may choose the lovely 10 – 15 minute walk to the Stevenson Event Center. The way is paved, mostly flat, with two uphill segments. Maps showing the route will be available with the umbrella person.

This is obviously a work in progress. We will value your feedback. How did it work? What suggestions have you? Send an email to our Parking Committee Chair, Dennis Morris at morris@valsys.com.

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