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General Meeting, 30th Anniversary Kickoff, Sun., September 21st,
10 a.m. Stevenson College Event Center, UCSC

President's Message

This year is an auspicious one for OLLI at UC Santa Cruz — our 30th anniversary! We're planning several special events this fall and spring starting with a departure from our typical September meeting. This year's event, again held at the Stevenson Event Center on the campus, will feature a talk by Jim Faris, a founding member of Lifelong Learners. Community leaders and University notables will also be invited. The mayor of Santa Cruz, Lynn Robinson, will be present for a special city recognition of OLLI. We will again focus on sign-ups for interest groups with groups organized into various categories in a fair-like setting in the plaza adjacent to the Event Center. This kick-off meeting for the new year will be on September 21 at our usual start time of 10:00 a.m.

We have again experienced impressive growth in our interest groups — now

approaching 70. The number, breadth and enthusiasm generated by these groups is, I believe, unique among the 114 OLLI organizations supported by the Bernard Osher Foundation. For newcomers and long-term members alike, "Interest Groups" enable you to engage in a range of activities with like-minded individuals and develop lasting friendships. All the interest groups are described on our website at <http://ucsc-osher.wikispaces.com>.

As an organization, we have made great strides this last year, increasing our membership to over 850, a 100 member increase over last year. We continue to improve our online processing of member sign-ups, 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.

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Fall Courses

Lois Widom has arranged for six courses this fall, starting Sept. 24.

Poetry with David Swanger
Wednesday: Sept. 24
Museum of Art and History
2 to 4 p.m.

Cosmology. Prof. Roger Knacke
Tuesdays Oct. 14, 21 & 28,
Nov 4, 11 & 18
Museum of Art and History
10 to noon

Europe's Right Wing, East & West
Profs. Peter Kenez & Ronnie Gruhn
Thursdays, Oct. 16, 23 & 30
Museum of Art and History
10 to noon

Women in the Bible & Medieval Europe
Gail Greenwood
Wednesdays, Oct. 29,
Nov. 5, 12 & 19
Museum of Art and History
10 to noon

Tillie Olsen
Julie Olsen Edwards
Thursdays, Nov. 13 & 20
Museum of Art and History
1:30 to 3:45 p.m.

Modern Molecular Biology
Saturdays, Oct. 25, Nov. 1, 8, 15,
10:00 a.m. [Physical Sciences Building](#), room 240

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Fall Courses

Poetry with David Swanger

The course will include a reading of David Swanger's own work, a discussion of specific poems and of poetics, and an opportunity for the students to write and share their own poetry.

UCSC Emeritus Professor Swanger was the Poet Laureate of Santa Cruz County in 2012. He taught educational philosophy for the Education Department and poetry for the Literature Department, and has published several books of poetry, including *Wayne's College of Beauty: New and Selected Poems*, for which he received the John Ciardi Prize for Poetry. He has won several other poetry awards. Since he became Poet Laureate, he has taught poetry classes at the homeless shelter. As he has noted:

"Poetry is important as it has always been, for expressions of the human condition and our connections with each other. You discover your own feelings that you didn't know you had, and have a form in which you can share them. Poetry can teach us empathy, in that we can feel what others feel when the poem is right."

The course will meet on September 24, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Museum of Art and History.

Cosmology Prof. Roger Knacke

Cosmology is the study of the universe as a whole, and on its largest scales – its creation, its contents, its limits, its history, and its destiny. The subject is at the forefront of science today with questions that impact our

most fundamental understanding of nature. We'll develop overviews of many of the most critical issues, how they arose through observations and theory, and of the radical ground-based and space-based telescopes and instruments being developed to explore them.

Preliminary outline for meetings:

1. Galaxies; The Expanding Universe
2. Gravity and the Universe; The Great Telescopes
3. The Cosmic Background Radiation; The First Three Minutes
4. Dark Matter; The Inflationary Universe
5. Formation of the First Stars and Galaxies; Black Holes
6. Dark Energy; The Multiverse; Future Directions

Dr. Roger Knacke is Emeritus Professor of Physics and Astronomy, Penn State Erie, and retired as Director of the School of Science in 2010. He received his Ph.D. from UC Berkeley and has held positions at SUNY Stony Brook, Max Planck Institute for Kernphysik Heidelberg, NASA Ames, NASA Huntsville, and a post-doctoral position at UC Santa Cruz. He has authored or co-authored more than 100 papers on interstellar and circumstellar matter and planetary atmospheres; held NASA and NSF grants, and initiated or participated in the development of courses, outreach, and teaching methodologies at Penn State and Stony Brook.

Tuesday, October 14, 21 & 28,
November 4, 11 & 18, 10 a.m. to
noon, Museum of Art and History.

Europe's Right Wing: East and West

Prof. Peter Kenez Prof. Ronnie Gruhn

Even a casual reader of the newspapers might conclude that "united Europe" is unraveling.

It may be worthwhile to examine the emergence of a seeming new phenomenon: powerful right-wing currents in every European country. We hope to discuss what these movements have in common and how they are also different from one another.

Peter Kenez is a UCSC emeritus professor of History with scholarly expertise in Eastern European history.

Ronnie Gruhn is a UCSC emeritus professor of Politics whose scholarly expertise has included Western European Politics.

Thursdays, October 16, 23 & 30,
10 a.m. to noon at the Museum of Art
and History.

Women in the Bible and Medieval Europe Gail Greenwood

This course is the next in a series of surveys of Women in Western Civilization. It also will stand alone so if you didn't take Women in the Ancient Western World, it is not a problem. We will start with a brief review of Symbols and Images of the Goddess, followed by the Hebrew Goddesses, and Women in the Old Testament.

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Christianity and the women of the New Testament, as well as the development of the Christian church and its effect on women, will follow. Women both as portrayed in the Bible and women who helped develop the religion will be touched upon. Finally, we will look at the lives of Medieval women and their participation on the development of Chivalry, Nobility, and Courtly Love.

Wednesdays, October 29, November 5, 12 & 19, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the Museum of Art and History.

Tillie Olsen: The Writing and the Human Being: a Personal Contemplation.

Tillie Olsen, 1912–2007, was internationally known and honored for powerful, poetic writing that showed respect, profound understanding, and deep love for the lives she described, the lives of women, of working class people, and of people of color. Her

books, *Tell Me a Riddle*, *Yonnonidio: From the Thirties*, *Silences*, and her essays and lectures, have been translated into twelve languages. Her work has significantly added to the understanding of creative processes and the conditions which permit imagination to flourish. For many readers she became a major force in their lives in which they saw their own stories made visible and their own struggles dignified in compressed, resonant prose.

Join us for two afternoons of conversation about Tillie and her work led by one of her daughters, Julie Olsen Edwards. You are encouraged to read the newly published collection of her short work, *Tell Me a Riddle*, *Requa I*, and *Other Works* (available at Bookshop Santa Cruz), which includes five “lost” pieces (four from the 1930s and one from the early 1970s).

Tillie’s website is: www.tillieolsen.net. You can contact Julie at julieoe@gmail.com.

Julie Olsen Edwards, the second of Tillie’s four daughters, has been on the Cabrillo College faculty since 1971. She is a writer, editor, and frequent public speaker on issues of families, children and education, and the impacts of bias and injustice on us all.

This course will take place on Thursday, November 13 and 20, 1:30 to 3:45 p.m., at the Museum of Art and History.

A Look at Modern Molecular Biology Year 5

As in past years, these sessions will be taught by faculty of Molecular, Cell and Developmental Biology. Saturdays, Oct. 25, Nov. 1, 8, 15, 10 a.m. Physical Sciences Building, room 240

Please register for courses online. Go to our home page and click on registration link at left. Or, mail coupon on last page of newsletter.

President’s Message

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As with any organization we are experiencing some growing pains. A few members have found our online processing confusing. Our Tech Committee, composed of board members and University staff, continues to work on fixing problems and clarifying the process. Parking remains problematic with university construction interrupting access to the Stevenson College lots for this upcoming September meeting and perhaps the October meeting also.

For the September meeting we will increase our shuttle service to the East Remote parking lot and expand the service to the Merrill College lot. The Merrill lot is, however, also impacted by university construction. Your feedback to me and the Board during the coming year will help us refine the system.

Please also be aware that scheduling of our November meeting is in flux due to scheduling commitments made to another group. It is clear that

a replacement venue will be needed and we are working to see that we remain on campus with minimum inconvenience to our members — stay tuned!

I look forward to seeing you on Sunday, September 21st.

Fred

Fred DeJarlais, President

Update: OLLI Online Renewals and Course Signups

Many members have succeeded in renewing their OLLI membership online. Thanks to our members we have made a good start toward our goal of having all our signups easily done on the web on members' own computers.

The OLLI Tech Team as well as our colleagues at UCSC University Relations have been busy on this project for many months. Members can now sign up on line for fall 2014 OLLI courses. These changes include updates to our website which we hope you will find self-explanatory, and

our home page now has a prominent link for course signups!

Whenever a project of this magnitude is undertaken, we learn much from the glitches members experience which, fortunately, in this case, were few. I thank each of you who have written with a problem that you experienced. We will get all of them straightened out in time and, just to assure you, no member's standing in OLLI is jeopardized while we work out a glitch.

Of course, during this transition, and for a good long while, members will be able to carry on their renewals and signups the old fashioned way, with a paper form available to be printed from our website and mailed to STARS at UCSC. The link is on our home page.

I want to thank you for your patience and determination for making this transition relatively smooth with only a few bumps along the way.

Mark Gordon for the OLLI Tech Team

September 21st General Meeting

We begin the celebration of our 30th Anniversary with a special meeting. During the regular "business" portion of our general meeting we will have special guests to commemorate the 30 years of our history and to launch us into the next 30 years. There will be an official presentation of "Lifelong Learners Day" along with a greeting from the Chancellor and our first president, Jim Faris.

Following our tradition, we will use our September meeting as a time to re-connect with our members and



sign up with interest groups. This year, since our interest groups have grown in number, we will have our sign-up tables outside (hope we have rain but not on that day). To help you find your way, groups will be arranged roughly in clusters of similar focus. The clusters are:

- Doers Groups
- Goers Groups
- Musical Groups
- Dining Groups
- Reading Groups
- Philosophical Discussion Groups
- Experiential–Theoretical Discussion Groups
- Travel Groups
- Writing Groups.



Don't worry, we will have a list available at the meeting so you can find your interest groups. When we adjourn from the business meeting we will go to the patio. There we can chat with leaders of these groups and sign-up for those which we wish to join. Remember, to sign-up you must be a member and have joined the Interest Group program. You will have the opportunity to do this at the meeting if you have not already, or log on and do it online using the prominent links on our home page.

Group Activities

For more information about Interest Groups, please consult our website, <http://ucsc-osher.wikispaces.com>. Each interest group has its own webpage. Click on the Interest Groups link at the left on that page, <http://ucsc-osher.wikispaces.com/interest-groups>. Then click on the group you're interested in.

Volunteers Needed

Ears in Action pairs a student with a member of our group who will listen to the student read an assigned class paper. We need more people to work one-on-one with Freshman Core students for the fall quarter. We listen and ask clarifying questions for two papers over the quarter. We are not teachers, editors, or therapists; just a pair of understanding ears. If interested, please contact Florence Orenstein, 427-2380, santacruzflor@aol.com.

New Interest Groups

History of Santa Cruz — Outings will be arranged to places and museums of historical interest with knowledgeable speakers or docents. Especially designed for newcomers to our community and those who choose to walk just a little or have limited mobility. Places will be arranged for about once a month with carpools if parking is limited. Sometimes a lunch place will be suggested for those who would like to participate. No specific day has been chosen but perhaps the first Monday morning of the month when possible. Email your name to be included on our announcements. Leader: Vickie Birdsall, 440-0128, vickiebirdsall@yahoo.com

How it Works: Santa Cruz — Delves into all the facets that make Santa Cruz work: the infrastructure of Santa Cruz County/City. We will have a different guest lecture each month and learn about public safety, human/health services, education, local government, criminal justice, agribusiness, the environment, arts and culture, transportation and more. Meets in Aptos the third Wednesday of the month, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., beginning Wednesday, September 17th, 2014. Leader: Jennifer Balboni, 831-227-5915, JenniferBalboni@yahoo.com

Making of An Elder Culture — This group is inspired by the title of a book of that name by Theodore Roszak, whom many remember for his book in 1969 called *The Making of a Counter Culture*.

The counter culture is now the elder culture! Roszak felt that as we grow older we automatically confront certain issues: redefining success, living with fewer material possessions, taking back our time, creating community. And significantly, he felt, these are issues that all of humanity must confront.

He felt we would move from "seniors" to "elders" if we explored these issues and gleaned the wisdom from our experience so that we could share it with others. We'll discuss these issues and find ways to communicate our wisdom (Meeting with some younger people, such as high school students, is one idea that emerged.)

We'll meet weekly on Tuesday, 10:30 to noon, starting September 30th, in the new Walnut Commons Cohousing. Contact Cecile Andrews at cecile@cecileandrews.com or 206-919-2614

Art — The Joy of Painting — Get together to paint our beautiful outdoors. Contact leader for more information. Leader: Gayla Pius, gaylapius@gmail.com, 239-1834

Social Sciences Group II — A new section of the Social Sciences Discussion group is forming. Meets the second Tuesday of the month from 1–3 p.m. in Soquel. Leader: Ginny Schwingel, vkschwingel@sbcglobal.net, 345-2749.

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. See <http://ucsc-osher.wikispaces.com/Film>

Interest Groups with Events Scheduled

Adventuring — SF Opera in the Park, Sunday, September 7.

We have attended this wonderful outdoor review of opera selections by the San Francisco Opera many times. We usually suggest bringing picnic items (bread, cheese, etc. and wine

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and other drinks) for sharing. Leader Craig will bring plastic cups, paper plates, napkins, and utensils. A real bonus is the separate senior seating section with park benches, which means we don't have to schlep chairs. This is a real San Francisco treat, extravaganza, and a tradition you will enjoy. There are also food/drink/wine vendors on site and even a merry-go-round.

Leave by carpool promptly at 10:30 a.m. from Java Junction at the Gateway Shopping Center, SC If you can drive a carpool, come prepared to do so. The concert ends about 3:30 and one can be back by 6 p.m. — and carpools may elect to get dinner on the way home — a favorite is to return south on Hwy. 1 and eat on the way back. If you decide to come, remember SF can be foggy and cool until the sun comes out, so dress accordingly. We usually park at UCSF med. center a few blocks away. You can get more info on the show at sfopera.com/park.

Please RSVP leader if attending and let him know if you can drive.

Leader: Craig Miller, 426-0835, miller.craig@gmail.com

Lunching Out — Enjoy group luncheons at different restaurants in the area, usually on the first Friday of the month. The first lunch of will be on Friday, November 7. Suggestions of good eating places are always welcome. Lunchers are asked to keep track of what they order and pay for

their meals with cash. Emails are sent out with the name of the restaurant etc., and members RSVP to Irene Lennox if they plan to attend. New participants are welcome. scotirene@yahoo.com, 457-2690

Newcomers Group — The Newcomers group meets once a month. Anyone and everyone is invited, whether you are new or not. We will talk about OLLI and its benefits, and if you are new to Santa Cruz, we'll talk about that too! The meeting dates and times alternate from afternoons to evenings

Our first meeting of the year will be Monday, September 22 at 7 p.m. at Mary Carvalho's home: 129 Los Altos Ct., Santa Cruz. Please contact Mary if you plan to attend: 332-2361, marycarvalho@gmail.com.

Visiting Not-for-Profit Organizations — Meets once a month to visit and learn about individual community-based organizations. The first fall excursion of the group will be 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. on October 9, at the East Cliff Family Health Center, to learn about this new site and its parent clinic, the Women's Health Center in downtown Santa Cruz. Reservations are required. Events require RSVP. Gabrielle Stocker, gstocker2@cruzio.com, 426-0865

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.

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. Marilyn Neher, 600-8576, mneher3@gmail.com

Art & Architecture — For over 18 years, our group has been visiting places of architectural and artistic interest all over the bay area and locally. We have been to museums, galleries, homes, public buildings, and tours. Leader: Lois Widom, lowidom@yahoo.com, 423-0184

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

Bridge Group — The group meets at the Live Oak Senior Center, 1777 Capitola Rd, each Monday, 1 to 4 p.m. The cost is \$2.00 per person (facility fee) and \$1.00 for the winner's jackpot. Each member serves as "host" for the weekly game at the Center, bringing light refreshments, tallies, and score pads, and coming a little early to set up. Everyone helps with cleanup.

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Leader: Mary Male, 427-2749,
mmale@baymoon.com

Building Community — Discuss what community is and how it is built. Meets weekly. Leader: Cecile Andrews, cecile@cecileandrews.com

Classical Chinese Literature and Culture — The group is led by Prof. Dale Johnson and meets on a Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 p.m. at the home of Irene Lennox (457-2690, scotirene@yahoo.com). Dates vary based on Prof. Johnson's availability. For each meeting Dale selects a piece of Chinese Literature for study and discussion. There are a few spaces for new members.

Concept Exchange Society — A group to exchange world views. A speaker makes a presentation on a topic that moves him or her. And then that topic is thrown open for discussion. The speaker may be a volunteer from within the group or from without. The important thing is that the speaker, having prepared something in advance, brings to the rest of us the benefit of considered thought. Any topic — concept — about which the volunteer has informed him or herself is acceptable; concerning, say, science, society, philosophy, art, Meets on the first Sunday of each month at 10:30 a.m. at volunteer host's house. Contact: Marvin Chester, marvin@chesters.org

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

Dining Out Group meets each month on the third Tuesday and Wednesday, usually at 6:30, at a selected restaurant to enjoy good food and the opportunity to socialize with fellow OLLI members. Please contact Annette Morris if you would like to be on the mailing list. We'd love to have you join us! RSVP required. Leaders: Annette Morris, 310-375-2091, AnnettenSkeeter@aol.com, 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.

Eating Your Way to Good Health. Our plant-based food group, Eating Your Way to Good Health, meets at the New Leaf Community Market meeting room at 1101 Fair Street, Santa Cruz.

What does it mean to eat plant-based foods? Where does plant-based protein come from? What about calcium and consuming enough vitamins and minerals? Why should we include fiber? What is the microbiome and why should it matter to human health? How is it possible that plant-based eating can be so delicious, healthful, and fun to prepare and share?

When you join the group (limited to 20 members per five month session) you will be encouraged to bring your own questions and join in the fun.

Wednesdays, 3–4:30 p.m. Jan. 21, Feb. 18, March 18, April 15, May 20, 2015.

Group facilitator: Susan Mast, plantstronginfo@gmail.com. Email Susan for sign-up, including name and phone. Moderator: Sandi Rechenmacher, simplynutritious@gmail.com.

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

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looking for new members. Please contact leader if interested. Karin Grobe, kgrobe@wormdoctor.org, 427-0984. Emails answered promptly, return phone calls may take longer when Leader is out of town.

Exploring Santa Cruz County — Meets alternate months (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 Caffè 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. Please join us. Leader: Steve Edmonds, 338-3106, steve@2rs.com

Folk Songs — We meet at 1:00 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month to sing traditional songs, accompanied by several musical instruments. Great voice quality is not a requirement, but knowledge of folk songs is. The group currently has room for one additional member. Leader: Lou Rose, ramblingroses@yahoo.com, 477-0360

French for French Speakers — An opportunity to use your French. Meets 1st Tuesday and 3rd Wednesday of the month, 10:30 – noon.

Leader: Richard Zakarian, 713-5798, richard.zakarian.88@csun.edu

French Peer Practice — French Peer Practice Group, an intermediate level, meets twice monthly on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday. Our members have a foundation in the language, yet want refreshing and more confidence in speaking. Meetings are at 337 Majors Street, from 10:30 to noon, the home of Le'a and Larry Gale. Our format is watching/speaking with French video/audio lessons, followed by informal conversation. We have one, at times, two French speakers joining us, which is helpful and fun! Leader: L'ea Lieux, Larry Gale, llieux@gmail.com, 425-4741

Great Books Discussion I — Meets monthly (first Thurs., 1:15) in Capitola to discuss the classics. There is now room for a couple of new participants. Please contact leader if interested. Leader: Faye Alexander, 476-8575, qtpie95010@sbcglobal.net

Great Books Discussion II — Meets monthly to discuss the classics. We have openings for 3 or 4 new members. Leader: Susan Gorsky, 688-5371, sgorsky@sbcglobal.net

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. **Signups and check for the materials will be ac-**

cepted at the September 21st general meeting. Meetings are held in the Live Oak Senior Center, starting in 2015. Schedule to be announced. Leader: Margy Cottle, cottlemargy@gmail.com, 475-4446, 345-7144

Eastern Spirituality — Readings in Eastern spiritual texts describing the pursuit of self-realization through yogic meditative practices. Meetings will be held on Fridays from 1:30 – 3:30. Two different groups are offered, one on Hindu yoga and the other on Taoist yoga: Group one meets on the first and third Fridays of the month and is discussing the philosophy of Sri Aurobindo in his epic spiritual poem Savitri, after listening to a reading of one Canto each session. Group two meets on the second Friday of the month and is studying the Taoist classic Tao Te Ching by Lao Tzu. We discuss one chapter per session by analyzing the meanings of the Chinese characters and comparing different translations. Participants in either group are encouraged to meditate on a regular basis. Meetings are held in the upper Westside in Santa Cruz. New members are welcome. Email steve_strasnick@comcast.net if interested.

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

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of the staff of the Cabrillo College Horticulture Dept. You do not need to attend every week. Leader: Pat Mc Veigh, 566-4553, pmcveigh@bymoon.com

Mahjong — Meets on the first and third Thursday of the month at 2:00 p.m. at the home of Tom Hewett and Janet Bostrom, 440-9294. Tom Hewett, bozobostrom@gmail.com

National Theatre Live — Meets at the Del Mar Theatre approximately monthly on Sunday at 10:15 a.m. for talks preceding 11 a.m. screenings of performances of the National Theatre in London. Lisa Warshaw, 421-0998, lisawarshaw555@yahoo.com.

New Yorker Capitola Group — The group discusses fiction, non-fiction, and poetry from recent New Yorker magazines. Meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 1:30 p.m. in Capitola. Leader: Faye Alexander, 476-8575, qtpie95010@sbcglobal.net

New Yorker Covers & Cartoons — The group discusses covers by individual artists, and cartoons by subjects, both artists and subjects selected by the group. Meets on the third Thursday of the month, 2 to 4 p.m. in the Community Classroom at New Leaf Westside, 1101 Fair Ave., Santa Cruz. Leader: Peter Nurkse, nurkse@gmail.com.

New Yorker Live Oak Group — Discusses fiction, non-fiction, Talk of the Town, and poetry from recent New Yorker magazines. The discussions are led by volunteers who take a selection and summarize, critique, and lead the group discussion. We

will share bringing snacks and have tea and coffee. Warmth, honesty, and opinions are encouraged. Meets on the 1st Thursday of the month, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. on Chanticleer St. Leader: Cathy Cress, cressgcm@got.net, 831-454-6407

Philosophy Discussion — Meets monthly (2nd Tuesday, 4 p.m.). Membership limited to 15. If there are still openings at the time of the upcoming Sept. 21 OLLI meeting, there will be a sign-up table with one or more of the members available to take names and talk about the group. Leaders: Paul Seever, 440-9018, pseever@prodigy.net and Jay Stoffer, jaystoffer8@gmail.com, 310-923-3099

Reading Philip Slater's The Chrysalis Effect — Chaos and conflict worldwide are the results of global cultural metamorphosis. Conflict it engenders within every institution in the world is destroying its habitat. To survive we need unlimited communication and global communication. The interest group meets weekly on Tuesdays from 10:30 to noon at Eric's Deli (Cedar and Walnut). Cecile Andrews, cecile@cecileandrews.com

Recorder Playing — The group meets 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. The group meets on Tuesday afternoons, 2:30 to 4 p.m., at Mary Ann Franson's home, on National Street, Santa Cruz. Because of space considerations, the group is limited to 10 participants. For further information, please email Mary Ann, mfranson@cruzio.com.

Science Practioners — For those with science background. Presentations, book reviews, & discussions. We meet on the third Monday of each month at 1 p.m. Including presentation, discussion, and socializing, our sessions are usually about two hours long. Leader: Bob Wrathall, 439-0857, wrathall@sbcglobal.net

Symphony — Attend five Santa Cruz Symphony concerts at the Civic Center, three concert previews, and become a member of the Symphony League. The Lifelong Learners' package is \$285 and includes group seating in the Premium Dress Circle, and discounted previews and League membership (\$375 value). The package is sold from May through September (831-462-0553 ext. 11). Leader: Roger Knacke, rknacke@gmail.com

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. More on webpage. Leaders: Phillip and Helen Lynch, 426-1837, what.if.alternative.history@gmail.com

Wine Tasting — Supports local vintners by visiting, tasting, and picnicking at their beautiful wineries. Usually meets on the first Thursday or Friday of the month. Leaders: Brooke Ewoldsen, 475-6188; Marilyn Wingfield, marilynwingfield@gmail.com; Lew Feinman, lewfeinman@sbcglobal.net, Judith Feinman, judithfeinman@sbcglobal.net

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Group Activities

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Wooden Toys — Share in the excitement of crafting wooden toys for children. Become a child again, playing on your evident or hidden skills. Cars, trucks, planes, helicopters, puzzles, trains, animals will become a gift of love to children via donations to shelters, day care centers, hospitals, or organizations of your choice.

Contribute regardless of your skill level: experienced woodworker, hobbyist, or helping with painting, finishing, or assembly. There is an extensive library of patterns to share and occasionally donated wood. There are no rules or requirements, make one toy per month or one toy per year. Work in your own shop or ask others to work with you.

The group will meet once per month to show off our latest creation, ask for advice or assistance and share ideas. Our sole purpose is to benefit children and have some fun in the process. Please feel free to email or call me with any questions. Valerie Markham, vmarkham44@gmail.com, 650-879-9286

Other Interest Groups

Groups listed below are fully subscribed. However, openings sometimes arise, so contact group leader if you are 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 coordinator, Peter Nurkse, nurkse@gmail.com, 429-8493.

Current Affairs Discussion — Meets monthly for an in-depth, respectful conversation about issues of concern. Leader: Mark Gordon, mgordon@cruzio.com, 408-314-4802

Digital Photography — Meets monthly Monday for critiques, photo shoots, and field trips. We want to start a second group. You don't need to be an expert. All you need is a large screen TV that can be connected to a computer. Contact leader if interested. Leader: Cindy Margolin, crmargol@gotsky.com, 688-8129

Evening Book Discussion — Meets monthly to discuss fiction and non-fiction selected by members. Waiting list. Leader: Dusty Miller, hndmiller@hotmail.com, 426-0835

Memoir Writing — Provides the opportunity to write memoirs, read them to a group, receive impressions, and listen to others. Waiting list. Leader: Joyce Burt, 464-3470, sandplay@ix.netcom.com

New Yorker Groups. Discuss readings from *The New Yorker*.

Santa Cruz I Group — Leader: Peggy Williams, pegwil.atty@gmail.com, 476-2695

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

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

New Yorker Poetry — Reads aloud and discusses poems from *The New Yorker*. Leaders: Pegatha Hughes, pegathahughes@gmail.com, 440-9018; Sherry Eisendorf, sherrye139@gmail.com

Non-Fiction Reading — There are three sections. Leaders: Mary Carvalho, marycarvalho@gmail.com; Judy McNeely, judybookdoc@collegepathfinders.com; Fay Levinson, fayjoe1@comcast.net. Mary Carvalho will gladly assist anyone interested in starting another reading group. Email her or call: 332-2361.

Play Reading Group — Wait list. Leader: Shirley Forsyth, 477-1796, shirlclu@gmail.com

Read It Again, Sam. We select a great novel, play, poem, short story, novella and read it twice. Group is fully subscribed. Leader: Joan Rose, ramblingroses@yahoo.com

Reading Circle — Meets monthly to discuss a mixture of modern fiction and non-fiction selected by the members. Wait-listed. Leader: Irene Lennox, scotirene@yahoo.com, 457-2690

Social Sciences Discussion I — The group is closed but has a waiting list. Dusty Miller, 426-0835, hndmiller@hotmail.com

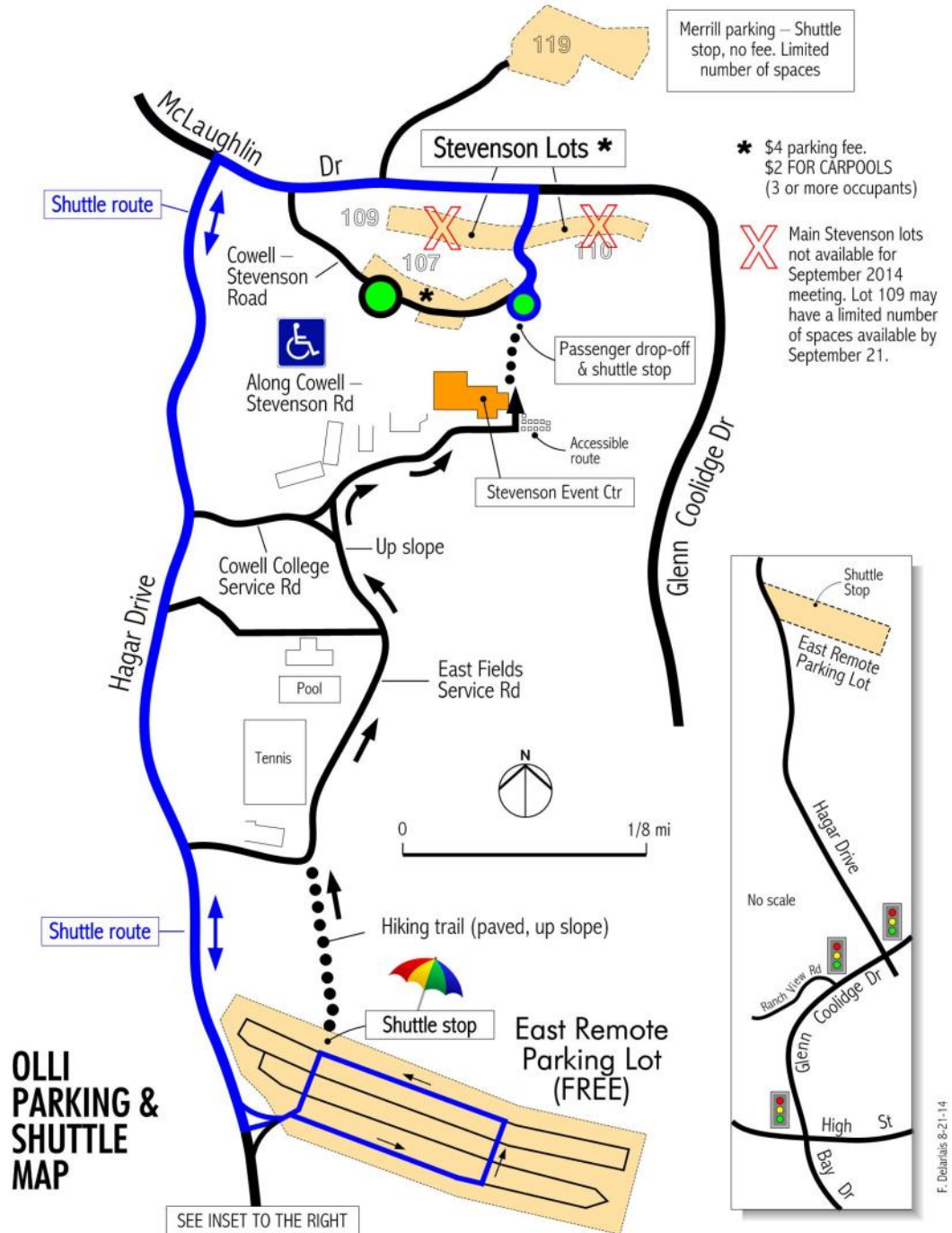
Parking for General Meeting

Parking for the September 21, 2014 meeting will require some flexibility on everyone's part. The University is doing some major construction in the Stevenson and Merrill parking lots, and many of us will need to use the East Remote lot.

OLLI will provide more shuttles to assist those who have difficulty walking up the hill to the Stevenson Event Center. However, for all those who want some good exercise, it is a lovely walk to and from the OLLI meeting.

There will be some limited parking in the Stevenson and Merrill parking areas, and the passenger drop off is still available for your use. If you need any clarification on the parking issue please contact Dennis Morris (morris@valsys.com or 408-497-4674). We hope that the situation will improve by the October meeting. We will keep you informed.

Thank you for your participation in our meetings.



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