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Our membership is open to everyone in the community (Town) and University faculty and staff (Gown). We support our unique scholarship program for students returning after a break of five years or more in their education. We offer social and educational opportunities enhanced by our association with the campus environment.

UCI TOWN AND GOWN

Complementary

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Monday, September 16, 2019

9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Sherman Library and Gardens

2647 E. Coast Highway, Corona del Mar

COME MEET OUR 2019-2020 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

CHECK OUT OUR INTEREST GROUPS

LEARN ABOUT UPCOMING LUNCHEON SPEAKERS

ENJOY WITH YOUR FRIENDS

ANNUAL DUES are due.

Renewal tear sheet and return envelope enclosed.

President's Message



Welcome to a new year of Town and Gown. It is my profound pleasure to serve as President for this term, 2019-2020. It's a bit daunting, following Cathy Ryder's five years of outstanding leadership. For a woman with little feet, she has some very big shoes to fill.

However, I am blessed with an outstanding and highly capable Board so I expect smooth sailing as we forge ahead on our mission – to grow our organization, learn and engage our minds, have some fun, make new friends and raise funds for our unique scholarships.

On September 16 please plan to spend the morning with us at Sherman Library and Gardens in Corona del Mar. And, invite a friend to join you at this complementary event. We will have beverages and bits to start the day and then get to meet the exceptional students – six of them -- who are *each* receiving a \$5,000 scholarship from UCI Town and Gown this year. Through the generous support of our members and endowments from UCI we raised \$30,000 this past year. Well done!

As we begin this year and the growth challenges our organization faces, I would ask you to think about these questions:

- What other organizations or businesses can Town and Gown partner with to help us grow?
- What local events might we participate in to attract new members?
- How can we refine our story?

I am continually impressed with the knowledge, stimulating background and inspiring lives of our members. Together we can do anything.

Judith Larson
President, 2019-2020

In Memoriam

****Neva Greengard****

****Carole Petrie****

COURTESY PROGRAM:

Whenever a member of Town and Gown passes away, the Treasurer makes a \$25 donation in memory of the deceased. The Corresponding Secretary writes a note of condolence, informs the family of the donation, and requests that a notice be placed in the Town Crier, In Memoriam. When anyone in a member's immediate family passes away, the Corresponding Secretary writes a note of sympathy to the member. Please notify the Corresponding Secretary, Carolyn Woolhouse (714) 401-0821, or by email at: eclectic.sentiment@att.net.

*The Sherman Gardens Scholarship Donation Table
Wednesday, September 16, 2019 from 9-11am*

Please support the 2019 Scholarship Donation Table by donating:

- Homemade Food
- Crafts
- Clean but no longer needed items
- Jewelry

Our sales make a sizeable financial contribution towards student scholarships. We have two tables to fill with your creative efforts, and this year our goal is to raise at least \$1,000.00. We look forward to hearing from you regarding your donations for the table. Please arrive at Sherman Library between 8.30- 9.00 a.m. so we can set up the table. We will use the 'Square' for credit card transactions for members who forget their cash.

Denise Bletsos (714) 887-6275, and Carolyn Woolhouse (714) 401-0821 (Co-Chairs)

SAVE THESE DATES

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2019

Keith L. Nelson, Edward A. Dickson Emeritus Professor of History. Professor Nelson specialized in 20th century international relations. November's presentation will discuss "What historians have learned from DNA about pre-history." This fascinating story will begin about 6 billion years ago. **Costa Mesa Country Club**

FEBRUARY 2020

Eli Simon, Chancellor's Professor of Drama. Professor and founding artistic director and managing producer of the UCI New Swan Shakespeare Festival. Professor Simon has also served as chair and head of acting. **Costa Mesa Country Club (specific date pending.)**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2020

Professor Holly Poe Durbin, School of Drama at the UCI Claire Trevor School of the Arts. Many of you will remember Professor Durbin's wonderful presentation to us several years ago on "Film Noir." She will present "Blast From the Past...Fashion Revivals as Time Travel." **Costa Mesa Country Club**

If you need **directions** or a ride to any event, please call the Chair of the Interest Group or one of the Board members. We will do everything we can to help you with transportation. **Your \$3.00 donation when attending and participating in the various Interest Groups helps us grow our Scholarship funds.** Last year, Town and Gown raised over \$4,000 from these Interest Group donations!

Appreciating the Past

ALL THINGS VINTAGE

OCTOBER



DATE/TIME: Wednesday, October 16, 10:00 a.m.

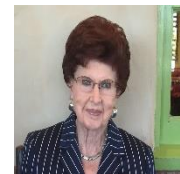
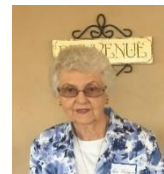
PLACE: Home of Mary Finnecy, 2939 Cassia St, NB (949) 266-7782

SPEAKER: Jan Isenberg

CHAIRS: Denise Bletsos: (714) 969-6413, Carol Cowden: (949) 645-2922

FAMILY HISTORY WRITING

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER



We do not meet in September. Please look for our table at the September coffee and learn what we are all about. Then we hope you will attend our meeting in October.

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, October 23, 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Home of Helen Magruder, 3400 Quiet Cove, CdM (949) 644-2311

TOPIC: "My Favorite Vacation." Perhaps you have had so many "favorites" that it will be hard to choose, or maybe your favorite one is the one you are still planning. Whatever it is, we will look forward to "traveling" with you.

DETAILS: Regular members, please call Helen if you **CANNOT** come. If you are attending for the first time, please feel free to call Helen to let her know and get directions if needed. For more information about the group, please call either of the chairs listed below.

CHAIRS: Joan Thompson: (949) 857-5304, Bonnie Feers: (949) 786-4020

Enjoying Nature

BIRDERS

Our group meets twice a month to get outdoors and experience a bit of nature. We choose from 18 parks or nature areas with easy trails and seek out as many species of birds as we can to identify and enjoy. Along the way we also see a wide variety of plants and other animals. No birding experience is required so we have beginners through advanced members who want to learn, improve their skills, or photograph birds. On the first and third Tuesdays of the month we meet at the designated location by 8:15 AM so we can begin birding promptly at 8:30 a.m. We break for an early lunch of picnicking or eating at a restaurant nearby. Members receive an email in advance of each meeting with the same information as well as any changes that might be necessary. Some locations charge a fee for parking. Binoculars and/or camera recommended.

OCTOBER

DATE/TIME: Tuesday, October 1, Crystal Cove State Park, 8471 N. Coast Hwy, Laguna Beach. Lunch will be at the Beachcomber Cafe.

DATE/TIME: Tuesday, October 15, Irvine Regional Park, 1 Irvine Park Rd, OR. Bring a picnic lunch.

CHAIRS: Mary Anne Skorpanich: (714) 299-1863 Marlene Brajdic: (714) 905-6441

Book Discussion Groups

AM-PM BOOK GROUP

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

DATE/TIME: Tuesday, September 17, 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Home of Connie Nelson, 995 Hartford Way, CM (714) 540-4902

BOOK: *Educated*, by Tara Westover

DATE/TIME: Tuesday, October 15, 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Gladys Gabrielian, 1826 Port Charles Pl, NB (949) 644-6030

BOOK: *Becoming*, by Michelle Obama

CHAIR: Connie Nelson: (714) 540-4902, Lea Lowe: (714) 469-9588

SHARE A BOOK - NEW INTEREST GROUP!!

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

Join us as each person shares what they are currently reading. Learn about new authors and even be exposed to new genres. Sign up at our Interest Group table at the September 16 Coffee and Conversation

DATE/TIME: Monday September 23, 6:30 p.m.

DATE/TIME: Monday, October 28

PLACE: Home of Cathey Ryder, 19882 Felcliff Ln, HB

CHAIR: Cathey Ryder (714) 470-1353

Games

BRIDGE

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

DATE/TIME: Thursday, September 12, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

DATE/TIME: Thursday, October 10, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club, 1601 Bayside Dr, CdM

DETAILS: Lunch at the yacht club. New members are always welcome. *Call for reservations or cancellations.*

OTHER: \$4.00 plus your lunch at the club

CHAIRS: Judith Larson: (714) 969-4415, Mira Craig: (949) 786-4250



MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

You are welcome to join us to play Mexican Train Dominoes. No experience is necessary as it is easily learned in an afternoon. We play on the third Thursday of the month. Join in on the fun and conversation!

DATE/TIME: Thursday, September 19, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

DATE/TIME: Thursday, October 17, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: Home of Cathey Ryder, 19882 Felcliff Ln, HB

DETAILS: Please RSVP pamelakirk@cox.net

CHAIR: Pam Kirkendall: (949) 422-4579



Arts Appreciation

MUSIC

OCTOBER

The Music Group meets at 1:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of most months. We typically do not meet during July, August or September. Professor Nina Scolnik has indicated that we should probably be able to resume our monthly music on the first Wednesday in October, and then the first Wednesday of each month unless otherwise indicated.

WHAT: Music Department students perform miscellaneous classical pieces

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, October 2 at 1:30 p.m.

PLACE: Regents' Point, 19191 Harvard Ave, IRV, CA 92612

CHAIRS: Paul Kanter: (310) 991-8519, Harriet Steinhaus: (949) 725-3372



NEEDLEWORK AND FRIENDS GATHERING

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

DATE/TIME: No meeting in September. Please place your efforts into supporting and attending the September Coffee at Sherman Gardens on Monday, September 16.

DATE/TIME: Friday, October 11, 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: To be determined. Please visit the Needlework and Friends Gathering table at the September Coffee to pick up your flyer containing the October meeting details. Also, details will be sent in an email to Needlework members.

CHAIRS: Carolyn Woolhouse: (714) 401-0821, Carol Freund: (949) 786-7828



PLEIN AIR PAINTING

We meet at various outdoor scenic locations, focusing on seascapes, mountains, shore life and quaint and/or historical buildings. Watercolors, acrylics, oils, charcoal – any medium you prefer is welcome.



OCTOBER

DATE/TIME: Monday, October 14 – Back Bay

CHAIRS: Magda Abramson: (714) 960-0887, Eula Casselman: (714) 639-1226

Food, Fun, and Friends

SATURDAY MORNING BREAKFAST

SEPTEMBER

DATE/TIME: Saturday, September 28, 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Woody's Diner, 10136 Adams Ave, HB

DETAILS: Wide variety of breakfast specials.

NOTE: RSVP Cathey Ryder: the4ryders@gmail.com

CHAIR: Cathey and Bob Ryder: (714) 470-1353



HAPPY HOUR IN HISTORIC OC

OCTOBER

DATE/TIME: Tuesday, October 29 – 4:30 p.m.

PLACE: Malarkey's Irish Pub, 3011 Newport Blvd, NB

DETAILS: Opened in 1977. Happy Hour food and drink specials. Good parking available.

RSVP: Cathey and Bob Ryder: (714) 470-1353, or the4ryders@gmail.com



WEDNESDAY AFTEROON AT THE MOVIES

SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER

Join me at Regency Theater, South Coast Plaza for the Wednesday Senior Matinee. Get on the email list so I can let you know the movie title and time. Cathey Ryder the4ryders@gmail.com.

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, September 11

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, October 9

CHAIR: Cathey Ryder (714) 470-1353

Please make the following changes in your Yearbook

New Address:

Paul Kanter
8565 Larkhall Circle, Unit 801C
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(949) 824-8400

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elisabeth.hoskins2311@gmail.com

Eleanor Hung
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UCI TOWN AND GOWN MEMBERSHIP FORM

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|------------------------|-------|----------|
| Title | First | Last |
| | | |
| Address | City | Zip Code |
| | | |
| Email (very important) | Phone | |
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| Family contact: | Name | Phone |

Current Life Members: Please update above information as needed and add email address.

Please indicate below:

1. _____ New member* _____ Renewing member
 *Members joining for the first time after March 31 will be considered paid members for the following Town and Gown year, which begins on July 1.
2. _____ Town _____ Gown (UCI faculty/staff)
3. DUES (NOT Tax deductible):
 _____ Individual \$45 annually _____ Individual with spouse/partner \$60 annually
 _____ Life member/individual \$500 _____ Life member with spouse/partner \$750

Please detach this membership form and return it with your check in the provided pre-addressed envelope **OR** bring it with you to our *Coffee and Conversation* event at Sherman Gardens on Monday, September 16. We must receive your membership form and payment **by October 1, 2019**, to include you in the 2019-2020 Yearbook. Your participation is deeply appreciated. Thank you.

If you wish to make a direct donation for UCI scholarships, please send a separate check payable to *UCI Town and Gown Scholarships* to: UCI Foundation/Town and Gown Scholarship; P.O. Box 4192, Irvine, CA 92616. **This donation IS tax deductible.**

Categories of Donors: Friend up to \$99; Scholar Friend from \$100 to \$499; Scholar Supporter from \$500 to \$999; Scholar Patron \$1,000 or more.

If your membership is paid on or before September 16, you will get a ticket for an opportunity to receive one of the beautiful flower arrangements provided by Town and Gown.

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SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER INTEREST GROUP CALENDAR

MONDAY:

9:30 a.m., Plein-Air Painting (2nd Monday)

6:30 p.m. Book Share (4th Monday)

TUESDAY:

8:30 a.m., Birders (1st and 3rd Tuesdays)

1:00 p.m., AM/PM Book Group (3rd Tuesday)

WEDNESDAY:

10:00 a.m., All Things Vintage (3rd Wednesday)

11:30 a.m. or after 1:00 p.m., Wednesday Afternoon at the Movies (2nd Wednesday)

1:00 p.m., Family History Writing (4th Wednesday)

1:30 p.m., Music (1st Wednesday)

THURSDAY:

10:00 a.m., Bridge (2nd Thursday)

1:00 p.m., Mexican Train (3rd Thursday)

4:30 p.m., Happy Hour in Historic OC (4 times a year)

FRIDAY:

10:00 a.m., Needlework and Friends Gathering (2nd Friday)

SATURDAY:

9:00 a.m., Saturday Morning Breakfast (4 times a year)

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| Please contact chairs with any questions! |
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