



Lorraine Gerni Volunteer of the Year 2007-2008



When asked about her contributions to OLLI Lorraine explains that she has worked all of her life and is accustomed to it. That certainly shows by all the volunteer time she provides our organization.

She received a Bachelor’s degree in English from Indiana University. After a brief period spent teaching, she became a staff member of the local newspaper. Deemed the “People Page” editor, she reviewed plays, edited the food page, reported on local social events, etc.

After moving to South Bend, she worked for three years in the office of the Associate Dean of Faculty in the Business School at Notre Dame, then taught business and office skills at the University of Kentucky for a few years. From there, she worked for various insurance companies prior to retirement.

We do not have to describe who this lady is, because everyone knows her smiling face in the OLLI office volunteering her time as relief staff during lunch and whenever staff is on vacation or ill. This past year Lorraine volunteered nearly 40 hours a week when there was a staff shortage with vacations.

She assists with OLLI socials, and she helps coordinators. Lorraine assists with hospitality events, preparing for them—serving food during the event and more.

She serves as an editor for the ChroniCLE, our monthly newsletter and writes key articles relating to special events, interviews members and provides informative articles as needed. She is also available for our mailing crew.

Lorraine Gerni is the person we go to whenever we

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Patricia Patten Elder Graduate Award

Patricia Patten, charge nurse for the Transitional Care Unit of Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center, is this year’s recipient of OLLI’s award presented to an outstanding older graduate at CSUF. She assisted in the opening of this unit which she managed for eight years before becoming charge nurse.



After receiving her Associate Degree in Nursing in 1978, she worked at Pomona Valley as a nurse in intensive care, in surgical and medical care and as a case manager. Patricia began studying for her B.S. in 2006 through the Distance Learning Program at CSUF to “fulfill an educational dream.” Patricia is proud of the fact that she is a member of Cal State Fullerton’s first graduating class from Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center. Throughout this time she continued her duties at the medical center.

Born in West Covina, Patricia has always lived in Southern California except for four months when she was a volunteer for the American Red Cross and worked on the Gulf Coast following Hurricane Katrina.

Because her future goal is to work in Hospice care to support patients and their families, Patricia did her clinical hours this past semester at the Kaiser Fontana Hospice facility. She would like to obtain a part-time position with Hospice because she needs the clinical experience required to become a Hospice Nurse.

Although she is very busy, Patricia likes to spend her free time with her three adult children and three grandchildren. Her strong family values were evident when she was asked why she had chosen Hospice nursing. “It’s because I cared for both my parents during their illnesses and experienced the importance of Hospice.”

Although Patricia is considering pursuing an M.S. in Nursing following graduation, she may fulfill the clinical requirements to become a Hospice nurse before deciding. OLLI members are very proud of Patricia and wish her success and happiness in her chosen field.

Lorraine Gerni

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Let's Stroll . . .



Have you ever really strolled the campus? I don't mean rushing from your car in Lot G to catch the OLLI Trolley or hustling down the road past the gymnasium when you miss the trolley. I mean really taking your time and discovering not only the beauty, but also the treasures just waiting for you here on the CSUF campus.

So, here's my plan—I'm going to take you for a stroll to explore the obvious, and not so obvious, highlights awaiting us as part of this academic community. I'll meet you here in the ChroniCLE pages and we'll take off on a short quest to uncover something new that we hadn't known or had forgotten about the campus.

Wonderful architecture, beautiful grounds, great art, and more than a few oddities surround us—a treasure trove just around the corner.

Jerry Pollack

Editor

CSUF Area Code is Changing

Effective May 30, 2009, the area code for CSUF, Fullerton and Irvine campus phone and fax numbers is 657.

Many Thanks to All



As you can see from the enclosed pictures of the installation luncheon on May 1, our attendees had a great time. The room was decorated, the food was great and the entertainment was fun. It takes a great deal of behind the scenes planning to pull off such an extensive event and we had just the team to do it.

Bonnie Harrington, assisted by Donna Spradlin, was the chair of this event. Members of the Hospitality Committee worked behind the scenes planning, decorating, and coordinating the luncheon. Many thanks to each of you.



Let's Write a Cookbook!

We haven't heard from you yet and must receive your recipes as soon as possible to make this project a success! Everyone with whom we spoke about an OLLI Cookbook was delighted about sharing their favorite family recipes with others. However, very few of you have sent or given these recipes to Celia and we need them as soon as possible—hopefully, at the beginning of June when the summer semester begins.

LET'S ALL GET BUSY and send any recipes that you would like to have published in the OLLI cookbook to Celia at crojas@fullerton.edu. We would like the recipes that are not too complicated and made with easy to find ingredients. If you want to submit them in person or by mail, we would appreciate having them typed or handwritten legibly. You may include a brief anecdote or comment about the recipe.

Special Note: The recipes included will be at the discretion of the editors.

Parking for Disabled

According to Joe Ferrer, Director of Parking Transportation, the following parking provisions are available for disabled persons parking on campus.

Disabled individuals with a valid CSUF parking permit or a valid OLLI parking permit and a DMV placard may park in the following spaces:

- Any campus parking space designated for the disabled, which includes both student surface lots **and** student structures.
- Any-30 minute limit visitor (green curb) space.
- Any space in student surface lots **and** student structures.
- Any lot marked as faculty or staff parking space.

Please be aware that valid CSUF permits or OLLI parking passes + DMV placards are **not valid** in the following parking spaces:

- Not valid in parking spaces designated for special permit spaces.
- Not valid in white/yellow loading zones
- Not valid in service areas/loading docks, or spaces designated for state vehicles, “E” plates, etc.

Please become familiar with this information to avoid receiving a parking citation.

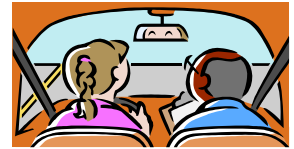
ACCESS Bus Stop at OLLI



ACCESS is OCTA's shared-ride service for people who are unable to use the regular, fixed-route bus service because of a physical or environmental limitation. The ACCESS bus stop at OLLI is located on the south-west curb-side of the Ruby Gerontology building. To request an application to use this special service, please call OCTA's Access Eligibility Office at 714.560.5956 or download the application from the ACCESS web site www.octa.net/ community.

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You Have Options

OLLI management is working closely with the University transportation personnel to provide a variety of choices for you to consider during the fall semester. With the high cost of gasoline and overcrowded freeways and streets, a new means of getting to OLLI is a good thing.

Carpooling: For members interested in carpooling, a special website has been set up by the University website: parking.fullerton.edu. The “pool” will be limited to OLLI members only. You must first sign up, so go to the website, click on the OLLI link on the bottom of the side bar on the left of the screen and get the ball rolling.

We would appreciate all members interested in driving or needing a ride to sign up as soon as possible to assist fellow members. You will enjoy the added socializing and friendships you make while driving to and from OLLI.

OCTA student bus pass: Arrangements have been made to secure public transportation bus passes for our members so you can ride the buses **free of charge**. You will need to obtain an encoded “Titan card” at the Titan Card office. It is a simple procedure that involves taking your OLLI membership card to the Titan Card office on the first floor of the University library and requesting an encoded Titan Card. If you already have a Titan card, make your way to the library and have it encoded.

OCTA has many routes that lead to and from the University: As an example, you could park your car at the Brea Mall and secure OCTA bus #57 that leaves the Brea Mall and brings passengers to CSUF. If this works for you, park at the Brea Mall and hop on the bus. Trip planners (bus routes/schedules) are available from OCTA. You can access their website at OCTA.net.

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need coverage in the OLLI office. She quietly assists on many committees and is always willing to take on one more task. Certainly, Lorraine knows the importance and the rewards of volunteering.

According to Patsy Burns, OLLI Manager, “Lorraine volunteers numerous hours a week, as needed, and is considered one of our ‘staff’ members in the office.”

Known as one who accepts any task and is the epitome of the OLLI creed: *volunteerism*, it is apparent that retirement is not in her vocabulary. Management, office staff, various committee chairs and the OLLI members are glad it's not. When you see her congratulate her on her award as Volunteer of the Year and please thank her for all that she does for OLLI.

Congratulations Lorraine – you truly deserve this award.

OLLI CALENDAR — JUNE 2009

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Meet the New OLLI Board Members 2009-2010



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SPECIAL EVENTS: JUNE

First Day of Summer Classes

OLLI Summer Casual Dinner - Aloha Magic	5:30 p.m.	June 1 June 26	RGC Courtyard
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OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - Bring a Friend

Best of the Eclectics I	10:00 a.m.	June 9, 23	AUD
Counsel on Aging	1:15 p.m.	June 9, 23	AUD
New Vistas in Science	10:00 a.m.	June 11, 25	AUD
Best of Eclectics II	1:15 p.m.	June 11, 25	AUD

CLASS / EVENT / NEWS

Featuring the OLLI Tennis Group



Back Row, Left to Right: Dick Blake, Tom Greenwood, Pat Oswald, Toni Letendre, Barbara Hanes, Maureen Lee, and Arlen Cannon. Kneeling, Left to Right: Ivan Claman, Bob Rineer, and Eugenia Hathaway. Photo taken by Will Cornell (also a tennis player)

It's summertime and a great time to soak up the sun while making friends and enjoying tennis. Our very own OLLI tennis group meets each Friday through June 26 at 8:00 a.m. and then will meet at 7:30 a.m. each Friday from July 3 to August 28.

If you have tennis experience then join them at the CSUF tennis courts. The courts are located across from the new student recreation center. You can park in the ground parking lot across from the tennis courts. They play through the breaks. There is no charge, so just show up on any Friday, ready to play. Bring a water bottle and a can of tennis balls and of course, your tennis racquet. See you there.



Mail Crew

Many thanks to our great mail crew who prepared the May Chronicle for mailing: Maureen McCormack, Jo and Ed Orth, Jerry Pollack, Judy Randlett, and Phyllis and Roy Roberts.



Aloha Magic

OLLI'S Annual Summer Dinner

OLLI members are in for a treat again this year. We will welcome the summer with an ALOHA Magic Party to be held on Friday, June 26 in the courtyard of the Ruby Gerontology Center, it was announced by Elaine Mitchell, vice president of Special Events. Appetizers and beverages will be served in the patio beginning at 5:30 p.m. A Hawaiian dinner will begin at 6 p.m.

This party will be a "night out" for members because the food, beverages and dessert will be provided by OLLI for only \$10 per person. This cost also includes entertainment in the Mackey auditorium with a Hawaiian theme.

Since most of our members probably have visited the Hawaiian Islands at least once, we encourage everyone dress in the comfortable, brightly colored garb worn in the South Pacific Islands. Does anyone play a ukulele? The choice of your attire, as usual, is up to you.

Enclosed please find a coupon to be completed and sent or given to Celia in the office no later than Monday, June 22. Send or bring your coupon in early, if possible, since seating in the patio is limited.

Linda Ganda and Shirley Haefele are co-chair persons of the event.

Lorraine Gerni

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