

Sixty Plus – OLLI at San Francisco State University

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SIXTY PLUS – OLLI: A Program for Lifelong Learning, May, 2017

MONDAY, MAY 8: "REFLECTIONS OF A RECOVERING POLITICIAN"

Former Supervisor Eric Mar: How People-Powered Public Policy Making Empowers New Leadership and Advances Equity and Social Justice

Eric Mar shares his thoughts and recollections of his time serving as a San Francisco Supervisor from 2008 – 2016. During that time he championed numerous policies on health equity, hunger and food justice, and senior nutrition. He was a leader in San Francisco's soda tax campaigns. And he led the national fight in 2010 challenging fast food companies to meet basic nutritional standards for children's meals. A strong supporter of "aging in place" programs, he helped build the Golden Gate Village in the Richmond Senior Center. Eric currently teaches Public Policy and Asian American Studies at SF State University. He lives at Ocean Beach across from Stairwell 10 with his 16-year-old daughter, Jade.



The meeting will be held in the **Rosa Parks Room, Cesar Chavez Student Center** at 1:00 p.m. Sixty Plus members whose last names begin with the letters **Ne – Oz** are requested to bring treats. If you are not attending, make sure you contribute or arrange to have someone bring something for you.

MONDAY, MAY 22: "POLITICS AND MEDIA IN THE TRUMP AGE"

Tim Redmond

Noted political writer and editor Tim Redmond will share his views regarding the current status of the media. According to Tim, in an era when the President routinely makes statements with no basis in fact — and when on-line media are full of fake news — what are we supposed to believe? And how can San Francisco respond to the impacts of the Trump Administration?



Tim Redmond has been a political reporter in San Francisco for more than 30 years, most of that time at the left-leaning Bay Guardian. He is the founder and editor of 48 Hills, San Francisco's independent, progressive, on-line daily newspaper. He also teaches for OLLI at SFSU.

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Shuttle Bus Times: Pick-up time for each program is at 12:15 p.m. at the Lake Merced parking lot at the foot of Sunset Blvd. A second bus will be available if necessary. The return trip leaves at 3:00 p.m. from in front of the Creative Arts Building on Holloway Avenue.

President's Message – May, 2017

This year is rolling by so fast for me, I can hardly believe that summer is right around the corner. We certainly had plenty of April Showers this year. I'm counting on an abundance of May flowers! I hope everyone had a nice Spring celebration.

Sixty Plus is still working on our integration with OLLI. We finally received some information about the money collected from our dues. Thankfully, we have a positive balance in our account with the University. This has taken some of the pressure off our treasury for now. Sixty Plus will be in business for a few more years at least, in our present format. We will continue to have our speakers twice a month with coffee and tea provided at our meetings.



We had some discussion at our last Board meeting on ways to trim our expenses. However, with the information we have from the University account, we will not need to cut back on our primary functions. Speakers and Hospitality remain our priorities, and it would be wonderful if we can increase our membership.

With this in mind, keeping the members that we have (160) is important. Please respond promptly to the renewal notice when it comes to you. The membership committee has also prepared a short survey to find out how we can improve the experiences of our members. It will be anonymous and very simple to fill out. I thank you in advance for your participation in this endeavor. The renewal form and the survey should be coming out in May.

I would also like to remind everyone that we would love to have as many members as possible attend our Spring luncheon. This gathering is always a great way to catch up with other members and have a great meal served to us. Please send your check to Peggy Pol. Guests are welcome for the same price as members.

Thanks to all of our loyal members for supporting this great organization.

Chris Malfatti, President, Sixty Plus at OLLI-SFSU; 415-585-4811; cmalfatti@sbcglobal.net

Hospitality Committee

Members are asked to provide refreshments such as cookies, fruit, or other finger food for general membership meetings according to alphabetical order. Please make a note of your turn and bring refreshments on your assigned day. In case you cannot attend your assigned meeting, please exchange with someone in another alphabetical group.

May 8: Ne – Oz	June 12: Ra – Sa	July 10: So -- Tr
May 27: Pa – Py	June 26: Sc – Sn	July 24: Ts -- Zu

Theater

"Roman Holiday"

Wednesday, May 24 - 2:00 p.m.

Golden Gate Theater, 1 Taylor Street at Market Street,
San Francisco

Available tickets are in the loge, \$80 per ticket. *Note:* no elevator at this theater.



This pre-Broadway premiere is based on the classic Academy Award-winning film featuring such unforgettable Cole Porter songs as "Night and Day," and "Easy to Love."

Please call or email the Sixty Plus office if you are interested. We need a minimum of 15 people.

"The Roommate"

Sunday, June 4th - 2:00 p.m.

San Francisco Playhouse, 450 Post St, San Francisco, CA

This Bay Area premiere is the story of Sharon, from Iowa, and Robyn, a Bronx-born vegan. Both women are in their 50s — dealing with the challenges of aging. They remind us that second chances are possible and transformation can grow beneath peals of uproarious laughter.



\$45 per ticket, orchestra. Please send a check to Sixty Plus no later than May 10th. We need a minimum of 10 people.

Oregon Shakespeare Festival

October 17 – 21, 2017

Tour includes round-trip motor coach from San Francisco, three nights at the Plaza Inn & Suites, four performances plus one optional, breakfast daily, one dinner, and pre-performance discussions. To receive a flyer with the itinerary, plays and cost, please contact the Sixty Plus office: 415-412-4684.



Join us for our Served Spring Luncheon

Monday, May 15, 2017

Noon to 3:00 p.m.

Seven Hills Conference Center, SFSU

Happy Hour

Sit-down Luncheon

Entertainment

Prizes

Menu

(Due to price increases, in order to keep the luncheon affordable, we are unfortunately limited in our menu.)

Vichyssoise

Grilled Chicken Breast

Quinoa

Spinach

Strawberry-almond Salad with Balsamic Vinaigrette

Berries and cream

Bread, butter, wine, tea

\$35.00 prepaid – guests welcome

Reservation and refund deadline: May 8

Sign up at a meeting or send a check for \$35 per person, made out to Sixty Plus, to Peggy Pol, 2479 – 42nd Avenue, SF, CA 94116-2120. Indicate name(s) of guest(s).

Shuttle bus from Lake Merced parking lot at 11:45 a.m.; return at 3:00 p.m.
Cart shuttle service from bus or garage available upon reservation; call 415-338-2472.

Membership

NEW MEMBERS, 2016 – 2017

A warm welcome to all of our new members from all of us continuing members! Please feel free to approach any of us at any meeting, and we'll be delighted to make your acquaintance. We hope your membership is productive of new friendships, fun, and adventures.

Welcome!

Mary Clare Bennett: marycbennett@gmail.com



Brown Bag Lecture: Travel Writing, Robin Larsen

May 3, 2017, 1:00 p.m. to 2:30pm

Learn how the practice of this ancient literary genre gives you chances to see remote and appealing places through others' eyes. Writing about travel is guaranteed to make you more curious, more easily attached to others, and more adventurous. Covered are steps to writing your own travel stories, standards for today's prize-winning travel writing, and the digital technologies that contribute to today's best travel writing.

Robin Larsen has taught travel writing to students in CSU Fullerton's Italy Study-Abroad Program since 2007. She writes a travel blog and journal articles about film and other media.

Bring your own lunch. No RSVP required. Free. We invite members of the public to join us. SF State's Downtown Campus, 835 Market St., Room 677

“Chicago”

Thursday, May 4, 2017, 5:15 p.m.

Previews for SF State's production of “Chicago” will be held in Mckenna Theatre/San Francisco State Campus, 1600 Holloway Ave., SF.

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Tour Committee

Half Moon Bay Lunch and Sweet Farm

Wednesday, May 17

Lake Merced pickup: 10:00 a.m.; San Francisco State pickup: 10:15 a.m.

Spaces are still available for the tour to Half Moon Bay and Sweet Farm. We first have lunch at Sam's Chowder House, then visit Sweet Farm, an animal sanctuary and vegetable farm located in Half Moon Bay. The tour consists of a chance to see the various rescue animals (sheep, goats, chickens, stallions, cows) and to interact with some of them. We can learn about each of their stories as well as about ongoing activities and goals of Sweet Farm in the coming years. Given this time of year, some sweet peas and zinnias should be onsite, coming into bloom and available for guests to purchase to support the animal and agricultural programs Sweet Farm is developing for at-risk youth and young adults.

Cost: \$40 (bus and tour) Lunch costs are on your own. Make checks out to Sixty Plus. Dress is casual. No high heel sneakers.

Contact Sheila Birmingham at Sheilab507@hotmail.com.

Patty Shanahan

by: Richard Lewis

Patty Shanahan is a second generation San Franciscan, who grew up and continues to live in the West Portal area. The Muni M-line has been the link to her education. She rode the M train to Mercy High School on 19th Avenue and then continued on the same train line to SF State University.

At State, she received her AB, Elementary Teaching and Reading Specialist credentials and an MA in Elementary Education.



She does have an adventurous side! While a student at SF State, she was accepted to the California State Universities Study Abroad Program in Florence, Italy. She spent a year living at the Badia Fiesolana studying Italian and other classes as well as exploring Italy and Europe.

After teaching in San Francisco for four years, she was open to another adventure. She accepted a position as a reading specialist with the Department of Defense Overseas Dependents Schools in Japan. She lived on a U.S. military base and taught American children. She had opportunities to explore many places in Japan and other Asian countries.

The following year she was hired by the Novato Unified School District as a reading specialist. She worked with primary grade students to improve their skills and pleasure in reading. She met her husband, another native San Franciscan, and together they raised their two children.

For ten years she has been a docent at the Conservatory of Flowers in Golden Gate Park. She enjoys taking classes in California history, exercising at the Koret Center at USF, and hiking, visiting museums and traveling. She has been a member of her book club for ten years.

Three years ago, after she saw an ad in the West Portal monthly for Sixty Plus, she attended a meeting and joined. Now she is on the Membership Committee. "Again, I travel to the meetings on the M train line, often with other Sixty Plus members," she said. She likes the lectures and activities, and is delighted to return to the SF State campus.



CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

May 3	Wednesday	1:00 p.m.	Brown Bag Lecture: "Travel Writing", Robin Larsen SFSU Downtown Campus, 835 Market St., Rm. 677
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May 8	Monday	10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	Executive Board & Committee Chairs, Rosa Parks Room D General Program Meeting, Rosa Parks Room Cesar Chavez Student Center, SFSU
May 15	Monday	12:00 p.m.	Spring Luncheon Seven Hills Conference Center, SFSU
May 17	Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Half Moon Bay and Sweet Farm Pick up at Merced lot: 10:00; at SF State: 10:15
May 22	Monday	11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	Tour Committee meeting, Rosa Parks Room D Program Committee meeting, Rosa Parks Room D General Program Meeting, Rosa Parks Room Cesar Chavez Student Center, SFSU
May 24	Wednesday	2:00 p.m.	"Roman Holiday," Golden Gate Theater 1 Taylor Street at Market Street, San Francisco
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