

Message from the President of the Friends of the Library

Once again, it's that time of year when we make a push for new members and hope to engage our existing membership in a more active role. At this time, we are looking for members to help out on the Friends' board to act as Secretary or Treasurer and to help in the Friends' bookstore. Most of you who receive this newsletter are aware that The Friends of the Fullerton College Library is a non-profit organization, established to support the campus library by raising funds that are used to enhance the library's book collection and other necessary media. We raise these funds through our used bookstore located in the library foyer, our continuing silent auction located in the library, and our membership dues. For only \$20.00 a year, your entire family can become members. An individual membership is \$10.00 and students pay only \$5.00. We sponsor various programs throughout the school year. In the past, we've helped sponsor programs featuring speakers such as Nobel Laureate Rigoberta Menchu, holocaust survivor Leon Leyson, Apollo Nine Astronaut Rusty Schwieckart, author and columnist Gustavo Arellano and other programs of interest to our community. Most authors will provide copies of their books for signing. These programs are usually presented free of charge with an opportunity for the audience to ask the speaker questions at the end. All members receive a quarterly newsletter to keep up with what's happening with the Friends and the library. We meet once a month, usually on the last Monday of the month at 2:00 PM to plan our future activities. All members and future members are invited to come to our monthly meeting to assist in our brainstorming sessions as we look for future programs that will be of interest, not only to the students, but to all of the people living in our area. No organization can or will be any better than its membership. We need both your membership and your active participation. We realize that our current meeting time may not be convenient to some people and if necessary to accommodate a more active membership, the meeting time and day is flexible. If you are interested in becoming an active member, you may contact John Simon at jabj@att.net or leave your name and phone number with a librarian or technician at one of the desks in the college library and it will be forwarded to us.

One Book, One College 2009-2010 Activities on FC Campus

One Book, One College is a campus-wide program focusing on a common book to unite the college through the shared experience of reading the same book in classrooms around campus. The program encourages reading, critical thinking and discussion by supplementing the classroom experience with related events during the year.

The selection for the 2009-2010 One Book, One College program is Gustavo Arellano's Orange County: A Personal History. Gustavo Arellano is the OC Weekly staff writer of the

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controversial column "Ask a Mexican!" and also serves as their food critic. Due to the interest in his first book, the book version of Ask a Mexican!, Arellano has been a guest on shows including The Today Show and The Colbert Report. He has also received the President's Award from the Los Angeles Press Club, an Impact Award from the National Hispanic Media Coalition, and a 2008 Latino Spirit Award from the California State legislature.

In his latest book, Orange County: A Personal History, Arellano combines a memoir of his family with an overview of the cultural history of the county. Arellano was born in Anaheim, the son of a tomato canner who dropped out of school in the ninth grade and an illegal immigrant from Zacatecas. He describes the contrasts and ironies of growing up Mexican in a low-income neighborhood nestled in a county known across the country for its images of rich white residents. Arellano's sharp commentaries have garnered praise from supporters and fans who believe that he "tells it like it is" as well as criticism from

those who think that he reinforces the worse stereotypes about Mexicans. Read his books and columns then hear Gustavo Arellano and make up your mind because he will be appearing on the Fullerton College campus.



Speaker: Gustavo Arellano

Date: April 28, 2010

Time: 7:00 to 9:00 pm

Location: Campus Theatre

Call (714) 992-7378 for more information

In addition, One Book, One College is also hosting the following two events:

The screening of the DVD Tales of a Golden State: The Mendez v Westminster Story directed by Fullerton College Librarian Erica Bennett with full participation from a dedicated group of FC students. In 1945, the Mendez, Guzman, Palomino, Estrada, and Ramirez families challenged the segregation their children faced by filing a class action suit, Mendez, et al v. Westminster School District. The case set a precedent for the more famous Brown v. Board of Education. This DVD aims to spread the word about the lesser known Orange County case that furthered

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the advancement of civil rights. Tales of a Golden State: The Mendez v Westminster Story will be shown on March 24th at 12:00-2:00 with discussions and participation of the students involved in the making of the DVD.

Tales of a Golden State: The Mendez v Westminster Story

Date: March 24, 2010

Time: 12:00-2:00

Location: Rm. 224, Building 200

One Book, One College is also organizing a panel discussion with several of the Fullerton College faculty. As a tie in with Orange County: A Personal History, the faculty will discuss the experiences of different ethnic groups as they settled in Orange County. Ernest Bridges, Larry Hashima, Adela Lopez, Gerald Padilla and Jaime Perez will present viewpoints from the Ethnic Studies and Art Departments.

Growing Pains: Diversity in Orange County:

A Panel Discussion with FC Faculty

Date: April 7th, 2010

Time: 12:00-2:00 pm

Location: Rm 224, Building 200

Friends of the Library Book Fair Success

The Friends' "Book Fair" held at the Amerige Center in the Fullerton Barnes and Noble

(Book Fair Success)

Bookstore was well attended by students and faculty from Fullerton College. The event was held on November 14. Gustavo Arellano, the 2009-2010 One College/One Book author for Fullerton College, was the guest speaker. Gustavo spoke about his books titled Ask a Mexican! and Orange County : A Personal History. He took questions from the audience about his publications and his work as a reporter for the "OC Weekly". Besides writing the column "Ask a Mexican!" he is also their Restaurant Critic.

There were approximately 60 plus attendees who were thoroughly entertained and bought Gustavo's works and other material from the bookstore. The "Friends" earned \$56.00 from the event. The audience was very appreciative and stayed around for autographs and discussion when the event ended. Our thanks to Barnes and Noble for their assistance in publicizing and holding the event in the bookstore. Also, our thanks to Jess Badillo for his efforts to obtain Gustavo Arellano as our guest author/speaker for the event.

The Friends of the Library Bestsellers Collection

Through their fund-raising activities, the Friends are able to fund extras for the library such as the Bestsellers program. Through the McNaughton company, the Friends of the Library lease popular bestsellers that the library would otherwise not purchase. Titles include:

The Last Lecture by Randy Pausch

Randy Pausch, a computer science professor at Carnegie Mellon, was diagnosed with terminal cancer. However, his last lecture, "Really Achieving Your Childhood Dreams", was not about dying. It was about the importance of overcoming difficulties, of enabling the dreams of others, of living life to the fullest.

Hollywood Moon : A Novel by Joseph Wambaugh.

Through multiple plot lines, Wambaugh takes readers through the lives of cops stationed in Hollywood.

You : Being Beautiful : The Owner's Manual to Inner and Outer Beauty by Mehmet C. Oz and Michael F. Roizen

The authors provide information on physical appearance that address the following: caring for hair, skin, nails, teeth, etc.; forming healthy diet and exercise habits; reading labels and selecting products; and choosing cosmetic enhancements.

Gourmet Today : More Than 1000 All-new Recipes for the Contemporary Kitchen edited by Ruth Reichl

(Bestsellers)

The magazine may have ceased publication, but we can still turn to this excellent cookbook.

Working in the Shadows : A Year of Doing the Jobs (Most)

Americans Won't Do by Gabriel Thompson

Thompson describes his experience working alongside undocumented workers in lettuce fields, a chicken slaughterhouse and a Manhattan restaurant.

The Closing of the American Border Terrorism, Immigration, and Security since 9/11 by Edward Alden

Former Washington bureau chief of the Financial Times, Alden assesses border security and immigration policies before and after 9/11 making a case that immigration enforcement and counterterrorism are two different things, and for either to be effective they need to be separated.

Grown Up Digital : How the Net Generation is Changing the World by Don Tapscott

Grown Up Digital discusses how the Net Generation processes information. Tapscott also gives guidelines to educators, employers and parents. He describes how this generation is transforming democracy.

Making rounds with Oscar : the extraordinary gift of an ordinary cat by David Dosa

Dosa, a geriatrician with a strong aversion to cats, tells the story of Oscar, the aloof resident cat, who only spends time with people who are about to die.

The Membership Dues

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