Welcome to the Summer Quarter of Osher, an exciting one with a variety of stimulating and interesting classes, lectures and programs. This summer marks a change at Osher-UCSD. Gloria Smith, who so ably served us for the last few years retired last month. As the editor of the Osher Observer, I had the privilege of working with her on many levels. She was indeed the consummate professional who accommodated everyone with grace and remarkable calmness, even if the line of people went out the door. I knew I could always rely on her to give me contact information for anyone I cared to interview or meet; and of course, it was due to her tenacity that the Osher Observer was printed and put up on line. We all wish her well.

This is the last issue of the Osher Observer that I will be editing for you. I have done the job for the last five years. It has enabled me to get to know many of you and to interface with you on a number of levels. I have particularly enjoyed your gracious feedback and your wonderful suggestions. It is a project that gave me a great deal of pleasure. I made this decision several months ago and I am sure that with the new Council there will be a capable person who will bring his or her own dimension to our publication. This was one of those jobs where I felt I got so much more than I gave to it…Thank you for the privilege of interacting with you in this capacity.

Finally, with the new Council in place, you will be made more aware of what is happening on an administrative level. President Jim Wyrtzen will be writing a regular column for future publications which will keep you abreast of all the inner workings of our organization. We have all elected an enthusiastic team to spearhead what we do.

Enjoy the quarter and the rest of the summer.

Enjoy!
UC San Diego, along with all the UC campuses, will be a Tobacco and Smoke-free campus by January 2014. UC San Diego’s date to go Tobacco and Smoke-free is September 1, 2013. This will contribute to a healthy environment for all staff, students, faculty and visitors.

The draft policy cites the basis of this new policy as the determination by the Surgeon General that cigarette smoking is the leading preventable cause of illness and premature death in the nation. It also cites research that indicates that non-smokers who are regularly exposed to passive (second hand) tobacco smoke are also at increased risk of illness.

All facilities of the UCSD campus are covered, included parking lots. Smokeless tobacco products are covered by the ban.

Enforcement will be primarily educational, where violators will be reminded of the policy and given resources for cessation. (However, UCSD police have authority under California law to cite violators.)

For complete information about this system-wide policy, go to smokefree.ucsd.edu.

OSHER CALENDAR

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I want to share with you many of the things that are going on in the governance of Osher. Before that, we extend our deepest sympathies to Janice Alpert on the passing of Marvin, an editor of the Osher Observer, after his courageous battle with lung cancer. We welcome Janice back as the “Osher Observer” editor.

Your newly-elected Executive Committee has been busy, planning for many things that will happen early in our term of office. We join you in thanking Reed Sullivan and the departing Executive Committee and Council members for their dedicated service to us all. They should be proud to leave in place a thriving organization that is the envy of other Osher Institutes around the country.

1. We have worked with the UCSD Extension website people to get the Osher website working reliably and available for you to register for Master Classes, Summer enrollment, and to pre-quarter purchase of “Ten Day Occasional Parking Permits”. Since the Osher office will no longer be handling money; e.g., registrations, parking, and the like, we needed to make sure that this is working well. In the future, all Osher money matters must be handled with Student Services in Building C. Neil Perl, your VP of Administration, is working with UCSD Extension to ensure all procedures are in place and monitored.

2. We are also planning to upgrade the website to make it an inviting place to visit. We will post selected Osher lectures on the website and provide links to the many UCSD calendars for art and musical events, IR/PS, CARTA, and several other activities available at UCSD. There will be a link to all UCTV Osher programs own UCTV site.

3. We made an assessment of the heating and cooling in room 129. We found that an exhaust fan often has not been activated. We have turned it on and want to see if that will create better circulation. It will still be necessary for us to bring sweaters or jackets since we all have different personal thermostats. However, we want to have air move around the room in the best way for us to be comfortable.

4. We also made an assessment of our audio system. There is a part of that system that is intended to control feedback. We brought in a person from the a UCSD Extension staff to analyze and realign that system. We anticipate that this realignment will handle most all feedback problems in Room 129.

5. A temporary replacement for Gloria (is there such a thing?) is in place. Say hello to Rita MacDonald. Postings for the UCSD permanent Osher Office Manager closed in June, and James Forcier—the Director of UCSD Extension—who oversees Osher, intends to have a permanent replacement on site no later than mid-August.

6. Stanley Faer, Treasurer, has worked very hard to get our financial statements in order and to write a budget which will accommodate our many new initiatives and be presented to the University and to the Council in July.

7. Steve Clarey, VP of Planning, is exploring ways to record more of our lectures for webcasting and posting on YouTube or some similar forum as a way to expand our Osher constituency. Different from the UCTV recordings that are broadcast on UC Television, this would make available to members some of the outstanding presentations that are made here at Osher. Our goal is to extend UCSD Osher via the Internet to others in the

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The “Law and Society” classes have been excellent. They provide valuable input for Osher members in many cases, and present new developments of general interest in others.

Joe Oppenheimer

Kim Davies, Secretary, has gone through recent minutes of the Council to make sure that all changes to Osher policies and procedures have been included in the manual. We will update the manual, bringing to the Council necessary updating to fit the change in the financial policies.

She is also taking on the responsibility of liaison with Osher National Resource Center to strengthen our relationship and support the nation-wide Osher Lifelong Learning objectives.

There are many other things that we are working on. We believe strongly that a Council should have well researched material presented to it so that it can act on that information. We have an excellent Council and strong Executive Committee and we will do our best to serve this incredible Osher that we have.

Jim Wyrtzen, President

Steve Clarey, VP of Planning
Neil Perl, VP of Administration
Stanley Faer, Treasurer
Kim Davies, Secretary
Reed Sullivan, Past President
Mike Thompson, an Osher member since 2005, died Wednesday, April 17, 2013, at his home in Carlsbad after a lengthy illness, with his wife, Mary, by his side. Born in Ticonderoga, New York in 1945, Mike graduated from St. Lawrence University with graduate work at State University of New York (SUNY). He was a Vietnam Veteran and executive in the process chemical industry.

Students of Mike’s Osher classes on revolutions, the U.S. Constitution and the Civil War appreciated his mastery of the material, stimulating questions, and ‘class norms’ which he arbitrated with wit and good will.

Marvin J. Alper passed away peacefully in his home on Tuesday, April 30, 2013. Marv was like a crystal that glistens in the sun—multi-faceted, steadfast and attractive. People were attracted to him by his dry wit, keen sense of humor and sharp intelligence. He was a great listener and like the crystal, those around him were enriched by his presence.

Marv was born in Brooklyn, New York, graduated from MIT and had a successful career as a sales person in the computer business for thirty years. In his retirement Marv became even more multi-faceted and re-invented himself. When he moved to La Jolla he became an avid participant at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UCSD, ushered graciously at the San Diego Symphony, The Old Globe, the La Jolla Playhouse and many other venues. He was delighted to become a docent at the Torrey Pines Nature Reserve, especially because, as he liked to say, he grew up on concrete and knew nothing about nature.

A quartz crystal never fades and gets richer from the sunlight, but an ice crystal emits its beauty for just a short while, then melts away. So it is too, with Marv Alper. His presence graced us for almost 75 years and now he is glistening above. Remember him with a smile and quick one liner and a hug with someone you love. (To read the full obituary log onto http://www.obitsforlife.com).

Stuart Gold, active Osher member, died on Thursday, May 16, 2013. He was born on November 25, 1935 and lived in La Jolla for many years. Stuart was a member of Congregation Beth El. Many of us will remember Stu as the “Voice of Fairness”, especially in regard to his political views. He was a kind and thoughtful man who rightfully and vigorously wanted his side to be represented along with all the others. Thanks for keeping us on the straight and narrow, Stu!
The Ida and Cecil Green Faculty Club of UCSD

Osher members are most familiar with the Faculty Club as a venue for outstanding holiday and end-of-year luncheons with elaborate buffets in a beautiful venue. In actuality, the Club provides a setting where members and guests may meet, dine and enjoy collegial discourse with friends, neighbors and colleagues. It is a gathering place for faculty and administrative staff of the university to come together for casual meetings or serious workshops and seminars. Community members may use it for entertaining relatives and friends, and for special occasions as well.

One of the hallmarks of the Faculty Club is its cuisine. Chef Ed (Koengeter) has been creating memorable dishes for more than 21 years. The weekday lunch buffet is popular with everyone, but he is also known for anticipated Faculty Club traditions which include a Members Holiday Party, Valentine’s Day Soiree, Breakfast with the Bunny, and Mother’s Day Brunch as well as innovative wine dinners several times a year. He has created dinners arranged around historical figures such as Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin; literary figures including Ernest Hemmingway and Pablo Neruda; the musical figures of Mozart and Vivaldi; and popular culture like the Sopranos.

The activity at the Club never stops. It is well-known for breakfast meetings and seminars. A number of “round-table” events take place early in the mornings, as well as at other times of the day. Often various university departments will reserve the facility for a seminar, meeting or conference. Sometimes faculty members from various departments will join together to discuss collaborative projects.

The staff does not rest on evenings and weekends. The Faculty Club has been and continues to be a site for weddings, reunions and receptions. One special event that took place several years ago was a luncheon honoring the Roosevelt family following the dedication of Eleanor Roosevelt College. In the coming year ArtPower will partner with them for their International Dinners.

Tom Mignano has been the Executive Director of the Faculty Club for 22 years. He has been a guiding force in helping to make the club a hub of the university. He works with the entire staff to ensure that the quality is kept to a high standard. He has a marketing team that promotes the Club to all departments of the University as well as local businesses and organizations. Julia Engstrom, Catering Sales Manager, works closely with Tom to ensure that events meet the high standards of the Club, but also to see that the consumers and patrons are satisfied.

But it is not all about food. There is a lovely art gallery located in the main hallway with rotating exhibitions. A showing of Ansel Adams photographs from the UCSD archives is now open and will continue through the summer. In the Fall Quarter, Sylvia Bal Somerville will present a showing of her photography and Mimi Bates will have a showing of abstract paintings from February 2014 through May 2014. It is a pleasant and open space available to everyone.

Membership in the Faculty Club is not restricted to staff of the university. It is a communal facility open to anyone who pays a one-time initiation fee of $200 and continues with monthly dues at $16 for a single and $18 for a family. Luncheon buffets for members are $9.00. In the summer Osher
members are welcome at a guest price of $13 and may partake of the sundaes every day (they are normally just on Wednesday) in August, an added bonus.

The Faculty Club, located in the heart of the campus, right near the iconic Sun God statue, has been in its present location since 1988. The Club originated in 1968 and held its first meeting in a local Holiday Inn in 1968. Recognizing the need to grow with the campus, the Club undertook a major expansion in 2006, doubling its size. The atrium, dining room and the kitchen were all expanded. The Seuss Library, a cozy and warm facility, and the Atkinson Pavilion were also added at that time.

You can learn about everything taking place at the Faculty Club by logging on to [http://facclub.ucsd.edu](http://facclub.ucsd.edu) It will give you the latest information about the menus, art exhibits and special events. Surely you will not want to miss Dinner with Rex Pickett, writer of *Sideways* coming to the La Jolla Playhouse, on Saturday July 20th…Enjoy!

**ABOUT OUR MEMBERS**

**Dana Levine** has been busy creating a new series of artwork based on the principles of symmetry. She will be exhibiting this summer and fall in San Diego; at the La Jolla Art Association Gallery (from June 18 through June 30, 8100 Paseo del Ocaso in the La Jolla Shores area with the reception on June 20th from 5-7 pm), at Gallery 21 in Spanish Village in Balboa Park (from Sept. 11 - Sept. 23, 1771 Village Place, San Diego), and at the Gotthelf Gallery at the Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (from Sept. through December, 4126 Executive Dr., La Jolla). All are invited; admission is free.

For more information, contact Dana at [DanaBet@yahoo.com](mailto:DanaBet@yahoo.com).
Sandy Long spent two fabulous weeks in Cuba as part of a humanitarian mission with 26 avid professional photographers. Our leader commandeered the bus and official guide to stop, let us off and scatter to take pictures according to what looked interesting along the way. The people we met were friendly and warm despite the hard living conditions, especially their substandard housing and shortage of everyday commodities like soap, lotion, shampoo, aspirin and vitamins. She enjoyed doing a lot of spontaneous salsa and cha-cha dancing with whomever was around the bountiful live music. The leader of the trip, Bill Bachmann, professional stock photographer, has led groups like this for the past 7 years so he really knew his way around.

Other highlights were experiencing the genuine appreciation by the medical clinic directors and school personnel for our gifts of supplies punctuated by various examples of the economic reforms activated by the present Cuban government’s leadership under Raoul Castro. Too many experiences to detail, but Sandy did do a well-attended presentation here for Osher May 30th with still images and video clips accompanied by some educational narration.

As the Summer Session begins, Sandy will have returned from a two-week hiking/walking trip to the Swiss Alps… She never stops!