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January Grand Opening Slated

Library's Construction Reaches "Home Stretch"

OCC's spectacular \$33-million Library, under construction since March 2006, is nearly complete!

The building is expected to be finished in December. A grand opening ceremony will be staged in January of 2008, and the Library will be open to students and the public for spring semester 2008 classes, which begin on Monday, Jan. 28.

The two-story, 88,777-square-foot facility, which will be the largest building on campus, will replace the college's Norman E. Watson Library. Watson Library closed more than five years ago, and was completely renovated and

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends:

I hope that all of you had a wonderful summer full of reading. As the new school year begins, we are excited about our future. We expect to be in the new OCC Library in the spring. After years in the trailers, it's about time. Thanks to the entire Library staff for making a rolling building in the wrong part of campus into a wonderful resource for students.

Thanks to our Program Committee, Claudia, Pat, and Trish, we have a wonderful series of lectures scheduled for the new year. Mark your calendar today so that you know that you will be available on Friends program nights. Please consider inviting a friend and potential member to join you at one of our programs. Together, we can make the Friends of the Library even stronger and we can provide even more support to the Library and the students of Orange Coast College.

All of this news is described more fully elsewhere in this newsletter.

Finally, thanks to all the members of the Board of Directors. As we do every May, we consider funding requests from the OCC Librarians. This is really what Friends is all about — providing support to the Library. I am pleased to report that we were able to provide \$10,000 for the following projects.

- Updating the video collection to DVD
- Converting audio tape to C D
- Maintaining the Best Seller Shelf
- Enhancing the paperback collection

Each of you had a part in making this possible. Thank you.

Happy reading to all. I hope to see you at a Friends of the Library event in the near future.

Jeff Dimsdale
President

Library Opening Set for January 2008

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re-opened last October as the Watson Hall Enrollment Center.

OCC “temporarily” relocated its library to a 25,000-square-foot facility — consisting of 32 interlocking portable structures — situated on the northern perimeter of the campus.

OCC’s first Library, in 1948, was a converted Santa Ana Army Air Base barracks building. The second Library, which opened in 1951, was the graceful clock-tower building that still sits in the quad today. Later it was the Admissions, Records and Counseling Building, and currently serves as a “surge” structure for campus construction projects. In 1969, OCC opened its third Library facility. The four-storied Norman E. Watson Library, located north of the college’s Student Center, closed in 2000. It underwent an extended renovation process and reopened last fall as the Norman E. Watson Enrollment Center.

In 2000, the Library was temporarily relocated to a 25,000-square-foot facility, located to the north and west of LeBard Stadium. OCC’s fifth Library is located on the opposite side of the campus, next to the Arts Center and Doyle Arts Pavilion.

Architect for the project is tBP Architects of Newport Beach. C.W. Driver has managed the construction process.

Approximately \$21 million of the funding has come from state capital outlay funds. Slightly more than \$12 million has been provided by Measure C, which was approved by local voters on the November 2002 ballot.

OCC’s new Library will have the capacity to store 128,000 volumes of books, periodicals and other media. The 1951 Library contained 5,000 volumes, and the 1969 Library held 40,000.

In addition to the circulation and reference area, the new building will house 10 private group study rooms, a large open study area for over 100 students, two computer areas with more than 60 workstations, a “new book” reading room, and four media viewing rooms.



October 24 Fall Book Sale Planned

The Friends of the Library will host its annual Fall Book Sale on Wednesday, October 24.

Friends of the Library members can shop from 9 to 10 a.m. before the event is open to the public. Books will be on sale until 3 p.m.

A variety of books will be available from bestsellers, romance and mysteries to science, art, history and computers. Most books sell for \$1. The sale will culminate with a “dollar-a-bag” sale from 2 to 3 p.m.

Anyone may join the Friends of the Library prior to the book sale to take advantage of the one hour “pre-sale” exclusive for Friends members. The sale will be held at the Student Center Lounge and patio. Please call (714) 432-0202 x21058 for further details.

Children’s Book Festival Sept. 29-30

Orange Coast College will host the fourth annual Orange County Children’s Book Festival on Saturday and Sunday, September 29 and 30.

A weekend of family fun will feature authors, illustrators, booksellers, animals, storytellers, costumed characters, train rides, crafts, food and entertainment. Festivities begin at 9:30 a.m. each day and conclude at 4 p.m. on campus on front of the Art Center on Merrimac Way in Costa Mesa.

Last year’s book festival attracted more than 18,000 visitors. The event is an interactive family affair that is designed for children, parents, educators, writers, illustrators and anyone who loves children’s books. Admission and parking are free.

The program will include more than 80 exhibits by book vendors and educational supply stores, presentations by authors and illustrators, and fun activities for children such as face painting, storytelling, clowns, musicians and drawings. Refreshments will also be available.





PROGRAMS PROGRAMS!!



2007-2008



Wednesday, September 19, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

Aristotle and the Beginnings of Marine Biology

Presented by Dennis Kelly

OCC Professor of Marine Science, 2004-05 Faculty Member of the Year

Did you know that Aristotle the great Greek philosopher and teacher carried out some of the very first detailed studies of both terrestrial and marine life? It's true! Join us for a unique look at the early history of marine biology presented by OCC's ever-popular marine science instructor, Dennis Kelly.

Presented in the outdoor garden of the Willis Longyear Residence
215 Via San Remo, Lido Isle, Newport Beach

Donation: \$5 at the door; FOTL Members & OCC Students (with ID card) Free

Extra credit vouchers available for students

RSVP to (714) 432-5087 (limited seating)

Refreshments will be served - Books available for purchase by Lido Village Books

Watch for information on these future programs!



February 2008

Americans in Paris: Walking in the Footsteps of Hemingway, Stein & Fitzgerald

Presented by Kevin Parker

OCC Associate Professor of English



April 16, 2008

Cape Horn: An Unforgettable Place for Those Who Survive Their Historical Passages and Live to Tell of It

Presented by David Grant

OCC President Emeritus

This year Lido Village Books will again collaborate with the Friends of the Library to bring a wide variety of books for purchase at our programs. A generous portion of the proceeds from these sales is donated to the Friends and over the years, this has proved to be a significant avenue for us to support the OCC Library. We urge you to take advantage of this opportunity to support our organization.

Book Donation Box

For those who wish to donate books to the Friends of the Library annual book sale throughout the year, a Book Donation Box will be available at every Friends' lecture. From children's books to textbooks, all categories, subjects and genres of hardcover and paperbacks are welcome. So bring your books for future books sales to the lectures or to the Library. A librarian will provide you a receipt for your records. If you have any questions about book donations, please call (714) 432-5885 x21058.



Friends Present Radical Reels Action Film Series

Do you want to see the hottest collection of high-adrenaline outdoor films?

Radical Reels, an evening of exciting action films from the Banff Mountain Film Festival, is coming to Orange Coast College's Robert Moore Theatre at 7 p.m. on September 26.

The *Radical Reels Film Tour* complements the established *Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour*, which has been thrilling audiences at OCC for the past decade.

The *Radical Reels* screenings incorporate many of the same elements as the BMFF World Tour, but the focus is on dynamic, high-adrenaline films featuring sports such as climbing, whitewater kayaking, BASE jumping, free skiing, snowboarding and mind-blowing mountain biking.

Radical Reels is for people who like to take their outdoor adventures to the extreme – or at least watch other people pursue the madness!

Tickets are \$9 in advance and \$5 for current OCC students. Tickets are available at the OCC Bursar's Office, 714-432-5880, or at REI, Santa Ana, and REI, Huntington Beach. Cost will be \$10 at the door.

For general information about *Radical Reels*, call (714) 432-0202 x21058..

Application for Membership

Return to: Friends of the OCC Library
 P.O. Box 5005, 2701 Fairview Road, Costa Mesa, CA 92628-5005

name _____ date _____

address _____

city _____ state _____ zip _____

phone _____ email address _____

- New Student.....\$5.00
- Renewal Individual\$20.00
- Faculty Couple\$30.00
- Staff Lifetime (*per person*)\$150.00
- CCCD Retired Additional Donation \$ _____
- Community Member Library Endowment \$ _____
- Student

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