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President's Message

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It's almost time for the December 5 Holiday Luncheon and a new year. Make your reservation and plan to enjoy the inimitable piano stylings of Wendall Kinney, a delicious lunch ordered by Evelyn Glines, some outstanding entertainment arranged by Dorothy Meyer, our new Vice-President for Programs, and a special presentation to Dr. Kim Flachmann in honor of her late husband, Dr. Michael Flachmann; both have been active in 60+ affairs for many years.

A new interest group will begin in January – “World Religions – Interfaith Relations” - an excellent opportunity to meet people from the many different religious groups in Bakersfield and learn more about their beliefs. Led by Aaron Steenbergen.

Outreach activities continue, including programs at the Red Hat group at Glenwood Gardens and the senior lunch at First Methodist Church. These may result in new members, but still the best way to get a new member is to invite a friend or neighbor to a general meeting or an interest group and give them a ride so they can't make an excuse!

60+ continues to reach out to members – Inge Kaplan is working hard at sending Sunshine greetings and calling those whom we miss or who need condolences, congratulations, or a warm hello. Virginia Cheney is organizing a calling committee to remind folks to re-join, attend meetings, and make reservations. If she calls to recruit you, please say yes.

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Reminder: this Bulletin covers December and January activities – read it!

Have a happy, healthy, fun Thanksgiving and get set for the end of 2013! Make a resolution or two for the New Year, but don't worry if you don't keep them – it's too late to worry about that.

Thanks to all of you who help make 60+ a great organization.

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, February 6 at 1:30 pm at the Student Health Conference Room.

Communications Committee

Vice President (Programs)

Dorothy Meyer

(808-1284, dotlawyer@gmail.com)

Thursday, December 5, 11:30 am at Hodels Restaurant

My friend Amy Adams will bring her show "Amy Adams and the Rising Stars" to our luncheon. Amy is a local country/western singer (her first claim to fame was as a finalist on the television show “American Idol”). She conducts singing classes and summer voice lesson camps, most of the profits of which go to her favorite charity, Garden Pathways. She has also appeared in some Spotlight musicals and frequently performs in Las Vegas.

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Vice President (Programs) Dorothy Meyer, *continued*

Thursday, January 9, 2 pm in the Icardo Room in Icardo Center

Empty Space, a local theatre group, will be at our January meeting with a presentation. Be prepared to be entertained as well as informed.

Sunshine Chair Inge Kaplan (835-1924, ingemari123@earthlink.net)

Please do not forget to let me know concerning all who need cards/phone calls. I am ready willing and able. Thank you to all who have already contacted me, Inge

Editor's Note Karen Polyniak (246-8763, kpoly@earthlink.net)

The next issue will be for **February** and that deadline will be **Wednesday, January 15.**

Special Events & Fellowship Evelyn Glines (399-3658, elglines@att.net)

**Christmas/Holiday Luncheon
Thursday, December 5 from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm
Hodel's Restaurant in the Kern Room
5917 Knudsen Avenue, Bakersfield 93308**

Remember that we are having our Holiday Luncheon a week earlier this year. So mark your calendar as you do not want to miss this wonderful Holiday Celebration. We will enjoy turkey, ham, dressing, potatoes, gravy, vegetables, 5 salads and three delicious desserts, plus all the extras that create a delicious holiday feast. Come join in as we celebrate this festive holiday. We will gather at **11:30 am** and dine at **12:00 noon**. Our new Vice President/Program Chairman, Dorothy Meyer, is planning a special program for our enjoyment. You will not want to miss it. We will also have a special remembrance of Doctor Michael Flachmann, well known and loved Professor of English and Director of The University Honors Program here at CSUB. His wife Kim will be attendance. Attend and honor this fine Renaissance man. The **deadline** for reservations is Monday, December 2. Make your reservations using the form below. Your reservations will be confirmed with payment of \$22.00 per person. The Kern Room is the room that faces east, and is part of the main building. Enclose your check made out to CSUB 60+ Club marking the envelope as **LUNCHEON TICKET** and mail to: CSUB 60+ Club, 53 AW, Denise Nielsen, Alumni Office, 9001 Stockdale Highway, Bakersfield, CA 93311-1022. Any questions, please call Evelyn Glines at 399-3658.

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Thursday, December 5, 2013 Christmas Luncheon

Yes!! Sign me (us) up!!

Name (s) (Please Print)_____

Address_____

Phone_____FAX_____E-mail_____

Amount enclosed _____ (Remember the price is \$22.00 per person)

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Athletics - Ticket Takers**Enid Hull***(679-4551, ehoreh@gmail.com)***Athletics - Timers-Swimming****Anne Kelly***(706-6071, anne@10max.com)*

Enid Hull continues to coordinate all non-swimming athletic events and thanks all the volunteers. If you did not get a chance to sign-up and you are interested, please let her know via email or phone call. This includes tutoring for the student-athletes.

All seniors age 65+ can get in any sporting event for \$5. Come out and support our Runners. Below is the home schedule for December and January. Swim Timers, please note the upcoming swim meets at the Hillman Aquatics Complex.

Date	Event	Opponent	Location	Time
Thu, Dec 5	Mens Basketball	Santa Clara	Rabobank Arena	7:00 pm
Thu, Dec 19	Womens Basketball	Houston Baptist	Icardo Center	7:00 pm
Mon, Dec 30	Womens Basketball	Fresno Pacific	Icardo Center	7:00 pm
Fri, Jan 3	Womens Swimming	San Jose State	Hillman Aquatics Complex	10:00 am
Sat, Jan 4	Mens Basketball	Utah Valley	Rabobank Arena	7:00 pm
Mon, Jan 6	Wrestling	North Dakota State	Old Gym	7:00 pm
Thu, Jan 9	Mens Basketball	Grand Canyon	Rabobank Arena	7:00 pm
Fri, Jan 10	Wrestling	Boise State	Icardo Center	6:30 pm
Sat, Jan 11	Mens Swimming	UC San Diego	Hillman Aquatics Complex	12:00 pm
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Sat, Jan 11	Womens Swimming	UC San Diego	Hillman Aquatics Complex	12:00 pm
Sat, Jan 11	Womens Swimming	Alaska-Fairbanks	Hillman Aquatics Complex	12:00 pm
Sun, Jan 12	Wrestling	Oregon State	Icardo Center	2:00 pm
Thu, Jan 16	Womens Basketball	Seattle U	Icardo Center	7:00 pm
Fri, Jan 17	Wrestling	Menlo College	Old Gym	6:30 pm
Sat, Jan 18	Womens Basketball	Idaho	Icardo Center	3:00 pm
Sun, Jan 19	Womens Swimming	UC Davis	Hillman Aquatics Complex	1:00 pm
Thu, Jan 23	Mens Basketball	Chicago State	Icardo Center	7:00 pm
Sat, Jan 25	Mens Basketball	Kansas City	Icardo Center	7:00 pm
Thu, Jan 30	Womens Basketball	New Mexico State	Icardo Center	7:00 pm

Calif. Well Sample Repository (CWSR) William Todd (871-2530, wetodd1@yahoo.com)

The Repository contains an historical collection of geological core samples from more than 4,000 gas and oil wells drilled all over California from as far back as 1930. Our volunteers are responsible for carefully organizing and indexing the samples, well reports, and well logs. You can join the fun (detective/crossword type work) on each **Wednesday** of the month (from **9 am to noon**) at CWSR, which is located by the south entrance on Roadrunner Drive, across from the CSUB athletic track and field. Parking is available in front of the building. We note that volunteer work space is limited so if you are new to volunteering, please contact the Curator Charles James at 654-2324. Most of the time, we go to lunch together after work. Hope to see you there.

December 4, 11 & 18 January 8, 15, 22, & 29

FACT Janet Skibinski (664-6983, jjskibinski@att.net)

The next Open House is **Saturday, December 7**. There will not be a January Open House. I invite you all to come, bring your family and friends, and treat yourself to an enjoyable afternoon in a lovely setting. Tours are led by student volunteers from **2pm – 5pm** and I promise you will learn something new.

Fine Arts Theater Billie Swanson (587-2544)

Happy Holidays to everyone. A special thank you to all volunteers for the last play “Living Out” by Lisa Loomer. A great performance once again.

**Fine Arts Music Peggy Bryson (399-7811)
Judy Beggs (393-3389)**

Thanks for the November volunteers.

In December , we have the CSUB Concert Bank Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 8 at 3 pm at the Doré Theatre

Cost: General - \$10, Seniors/Students - \$5, CSUB Students with ID - FREE

In January, we have the CSUB Guitar Series with LeChic Duo

Saturday, January 25 at 6 pm Doré Theatre

Cost: General - \$15, Seniors/students - \$10, CSUB students - \$5 (FREE for Guitar Day Participants)

Jazz Events Adele Davis (834-0115, adldavis@lightspeed.net)

The quarter ends and winter break begins in December. There are no jazz events in December and most likely none in January as the quarter is just starting up. If there are any January events, I will let you know by email or by phone.

Have a wonderful holiday season with family and friends and a most terrific new year. Thank you for all the help and support you have given the Jazz Program at CSUB. It would be so much harder without you!

Interest Groups	Lewis Jones & Cheryl Martin	(665-2668)
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Around the Cracker Barrel	Milt Clift	(831-5548)
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Cracker Barrel continues on the first Tuesday of each month with the next meetings on **Tuesday, December 3 and January 7 at 1:30 pm** in the Dezember Learning Center (DLC), Room 407. The topic is “What Responsibilities Do We Have When We Say Those Three Little Words”?

Classics Revisited	Jean Nilssen	(599-3341, nilss15@aol.com)
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We don't meet in December but on **Monday, January 27 at 1:30 pm** in the Student Health Center, we will discuss Robert Louis Stevenson's *Kidnapped*. Utilize parking lot to the west when taking Camino Media entrance for easiest access. We encourage and welcome new members, so feel free to join us for the discussion and fellowship. Future book titles are: *Our Town* (February), *Pere Goriot* (March), *Poetry Selections* (April) and *The Scarlet Letter* (May).

Coffee With The Professor	Barbara Fleming	(872-2747, barbara.fleming@gmail.com)
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We won't have a Coffee in December but the January Coffee with the Professor will be with Dr. Gonzalo Santos who not only regularly teaches about immigration and ethnic relations in his Sociology courses, but has been involved in the modern immigrant rights movement since its debut in 2006. He will give an overview of the issue, where it stands today, and share some of his personal experiences. The presentation is scheduled for **Monday, January 27 at 2:00 pm** in Dezember 402, a week later due to the M. L. King, Jr. Holiday.

Creative Writing	Camille Gavin Nancy Edwards	(396-0954, cgavin5720@aol.com) (831-1067, jmitchell3@bak.rr.com)
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We'll have a change in venue for December with a no-host lunch at Mexicali West, 5601 California Ave. (just north of Stockdale Hwy) at **11:30 am on Friday, December 13**. Please RSVP to Camille or Nancy.

In the new year we'll return to our usual time and place, **Friday, January 10 at 1:30 pm** in the conference room of the CSUB Student Health Center on the south side of the campus and west of the gym.

Dinner Club	Judy Harris Karen Carey	(831-7613, ibejudyh@sbcglobal.net) (588-5602, kcarey3742@sbcglobal.net)
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The Dinner Club will be having our Christmas dinner at Steak and Grape Restaurant, 4420 Coffee Rd, #A, at 5:30 pm on **Wednesday, December 4**. Please note the early date. Join us for good food, good friends and Christmas cheer. RSVP by noon Tuesday, December 3 to Judy Harris or Karen Carey.

Then it is Happy New Year! Start 2014 by joining the Dinner Club on **Wednesday, January 22**, at the Roadhouse Grill at 8490 Rosedale Hwy, at **5:30 pm**. Please RSVP by Monday, January 20.

Knit One, Crochet Too	Charlene Edwards Adele Davis	<i>(397-8850, cedwards8@bak.rr.com)</i> <i>(834-0115, adldavis@lightspeed.net)</i>
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Knit One, Crochet Too meets most **Thursdays at 1:30 pm** at the Carriage House Estates Retirement Community, 8200 Westwold Drive in the activity room on the first floor. All skill levels are welcome. Bring a project to work on and come whenever you can. Meeting dates are:

December 12, 19 and 26

January 2, 16, 23 and 30

The Lunch Bunch	Charlene Edwards Beth Curtis	<i>(397-8850, cedwards8@bak.rr.com)</i> <i>(323-5230)</i>
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On **Monday, December 9** we will have lunch at the Bell Tower Club, 1200 Truxtun at **11:30 am**. Please plan on a longer time as we will be ordering off the menu. Also, plan to pay by personal check or cash, NO credit cards. Please let Charlene or Beth know if you plan to attend by December 5.

On **Monday, January 13** we will be at the Hungry Hunter Steakhouse, 3580 Rosedale Highway, at **11:30 am**. Please let Charlene or Beth by January 9 if you plan to attend.

Out & About	Micki Burcher	<i>(871-5436, micki2800@yahoo.com)</i>
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As we dash through the HOLIDAZE we might not have time to travel, except maybe to Grandma's house where the turkey and trimmings live. In case YOU are the Grandma with turkey on your mind, and gifts left to buy, might I suggest the gift of a trip! You need not pay for an entire outing but include a "gift certificate" in a Christmas card.

A Christmas "SAIL" would be the Newport Beach Boat Parade scheduled for **Friday, December 20**. Watching the seasonal decorations on yachts, boats, kayaks and canoes sail the harbor in the Annual Boat Parade will get you into the holiday spirit, Pick out a restaurant along the parade route and have dinner before the parade. The cost is \$95 and you will be hosted by Orange Belt Adventures **11 am to 10:30 pm**. Call about this 'sail' 661-327-1144.

You can make someone's "DREAMS COME TRUE" with a gift certificate to the 125th Rose Parade....this year's theme. Pure fun from **4 am to 2 pm on January 1**. You will be home in time to watch the Rose Bowl Game. \$150 gets you a RESERVED grandstand seat, coffee, donuts, snacks and soft drinks and the Bus ride to and from Pasadena. Call Orange Belt Adventures to make reservations...or get a gift cert...661-327-1144.

Save your pennies for an 8-day tour of some American Music Cities **April 19-26, 2015**. Highlights will be the French Quarter in New Orleans, the New Orleans School of Cooking, Swamp Tour, Graceland, The Grand Ole` Opry Show and backstage tour, and the Country Music Hall of Fame. Other sites are included that will cause a twang in your speech and dad-gummed happiness in your heart. \$2,399 per person is the price for this tour. When you are through Hew-Hawin' call Orange Belt Adventures at 661-327-1144 and get yourselves set on this trail.

Readers Group 1	Sydney Perry	(589-6315, Ssperry@aol.com)
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No meeting in December. Reader's Group 1 will resume by discussing *The Signature of All Things* by Elizabeth Gilbert on **Tuesday, January 21 at 1:30 pm** at 4015 Scenic River Lane in the Villas clubhouse. Future books to be shared are: February 18 - *Tattoos on the Heart* by Gregory Boyle, March 18 - *In the Belly of the Beast* by Walker and April 15 - *Zealot* by Aslan

Readers Group 2	Jody Miller Bertie Warren	(831-0387, altaymar@gmail.com) (832-9242, nanab5@bak.rr.com)
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We will be meeting on **Wednesday, December 18 at 2 pm**. We will meet at Marie Callendar's and Erla Coulston will be the hostess. The book we will be discussing is *Life After Life* by Kate Atkinson.

We will be meeting on **Wednesday, January 15 at 2 pm**. We will meet at Doris Schroeder's home at 2407 Crocus Drive. Her phone # is 665-4645. The book we will discuss is *Blood and Beauty* by Sarah Dunant.

Sing-A-Long	Wendall Kinney	(833-9447)
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Sing-A-Long will be held on **Wednesday, December 4 at 1 pm** at Rosewood. Since the first Wednesday in January is on the first, Sing-A-Long will be held on the **2nd Wednesday, January 8**. Come on out and participate or just enjoy with the lights dimmed.

World Religions	Aaron Steenbergen	(665-0644, skytrain36@bak.rr.com)
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Tuesday, January 28, from 10-11:30 am, will be our first meeting in the Student Health Center Conference Room. We will examine Muslim, Sikh, Jewish, Christian, Buddhist, Hindu, Baha'i and other religions represented in the Bakersfield-Kern County area through speakers, short readings, informal discussions and possibly videos.

Future meetings will be on Tuesdays, February 25 and March 25. Dates from April on will be determined at a later date.

Thank you to my wonderful Elder College committee. 2013 Elder College was wonderful because of them. All of our speakers were well-informed and wonderful as they presented their topics.

The students who participated were spectacular. We also met other non-participating students who were very helpful in cleaning up at the conclusion. They went out of their way to help us.

Thanks again to my committee: Billie Swanson, Bob Edwards, Charlene Edwards, David & Colleen Mathis, Eloise Higgins, Kathleen Wagner, Kay and Otto Cook, Mike & Karen Polyniak, Nancy Clark, Pat Borquez, , Ted Murphy and Denise Nielsen of the Alumni Office. Thanks also to Barry Zoeller and all of his people from Tejon Ranch.



Some of the Elder College Speakers

Photos taken by Irene Randolph

Master Calendar: All Board Meetings are at 1:30 pm in the Health Center Conf. Room
 All regular General Meetings are at 2 pm in the Icardo Room

MASTER CALENDAR for 60+			
February 6	Board Meeting	April 10	General Meeting
February 13	General Meeting	April 15	Bulletin deadline (MAY/JUNE)
February 15	Bulletin deadline	May 1	General Meeting
March 13	General Meeting	June 5	Board Meeting
March 15	Bulletin deadline	June 12	Installation Luncheon TBD
April 3	Board Meeting		

DECEMBER 2013						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2 Out & About Bravo Farms	3 Cracker Barrel 1:30p	4 WellSample 9a SingALong 1p DinnerClub 5:30p	5 Holiday Lunch 11:30a	6	7 FACT Open House 1p
8 CSUB Music 3p	9 The Lunch Bunch 11:30a	10	11 WellSample 9a	12 Knit1Crochet Too 1:30p	13 Creative Writing 11:30a	14
15	16	17	18 WellSample 9a Readers2 2p	19 Knit1Crochet Too 1:30p	20 Out & About Newport Beach	21
22	23	24	25 Christmas	26 Knit1Crochet Too 1:30p	27	28
29	30	31				

JANUARY 2014						
			1 New Year's Day Out & About Rose Parade	2 Knit1Crochet Too 1:30p	3 CSUB Swim Timers 9:30a	4
5	6	7 Cracker Barrel 1:30p	8 WellSample 9a SingALong 1p	9 General Meeting 2p	10 Creative Writing 1:30 p	11 CSUB Swim Timers 11:30a
12	13 The Lunch Bunch 11:30a	14	15 Bulletin Deadline WellSample 9a Readers2 2p	16 Knit1Crochet Too 1:30p	17	18
19 CSUB Swim Timers 12:30a	20 Martin L. King, Jr Day	21 Readers1 1:30p	22 WellSample 9a DinnerClub 5:30p	23 Knit1Crochet Too 1:30p	24	25 CSUB Music 6p
26	27 Classics 1:30p Coffee w/ Professor 2p	28 World Religions 10a	29 WellSample 9a	30 Knit1Crochet Too 1:30p	31	

For further information concerning 60+ Club programs and activities, call the 60+ Club Office between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays. The number is 661/654-3211.

60+ Club MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name(s) _____

Address _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number _____ eMail Address _____

How did you learn about the 60+ Club? _____

Memberships are from July 1 to June 30.

Dues Single Member \$40

Couple \$80

Amount Paid

\$ _____

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Renewing Member

My additional contribution in support of 60+ Club \$ _____

Please send me information about estate planning.

Please make checks payable to CSUB 60+ Club. THANK YOU!

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