

neighbor to neighbor

COMMUNITY NEWS FOR THE RESIDENTS OF ORANGE

STUDENTS OFFER FREE TECH HELP AT ORANGE SENIOR CENTER

Thanks to a community service program created by Chapman University student Jacob Pace '20, the Orange Senior Center now offers free tech help from college students for people over the age of 50 during the academic year.

"It was all on his own that he did this," said Katherine Connaghan, executive director of the senior center on Olive Street in Old Towne Orange. "He said he wanted to put together a program. We said, 'Well, OK,' and oh my gosh, he just went with it."

Pace was a high school student looking for community service hours when he came up with the idea of pairing students, who are digital natives, with seniors and started a program at Sea Country Senior Center in Laguna Niguel.

It was such a success he decided to duplicate it at Chapman last fall, reaching out to his fraternity brothers at Beta Theta Pi as well as other students and Greek organizations. What usually starts as a way to accumulate community service hours often becomes a regular routine.

"I always tell the other kids, it's something so easy for you to do that has such a profound effect on seniors," said Pace, a business administration major who organizes about 85 Chapman volunteers.

The program operates weekly during the academic year. Senior citizens seeking tech assistance can make reservations through the senior center.

"Some seniors have difficulty with their cell phones, but they want to have one to be able to call someone in an emergency," said Gretchen Snyder, director of operations at the senior center. "Some are trying to learn to text. Some are figuring out social media."

Skylar Singer '19 has helped regular visitor Kathryn Lillard learn how to use her laptop to watch movies through services like Hulu and others.

"It's just fun for me," Singer said. "I got to be friends with Kathryn, and I've kept coming in."



Jacob Pace '20 organizes fraternity members and other students to offer tech help. (Photo/Amanda Galemmo '20)

CHAPMAN DONATES \$1 MILLION CHEMISTRY LAB TO OUSD

With the opening of the new Keck Center for Science and Engineering, the modular chemistry lab that was located in a Hashinger Science Center parking lot has a new home: Orange Unified School District.

"This extraordinary gift to our students is another example of our community embracing OUSD's focus on STEM curriculum," said OUSD Superintendent Gunn Marie Hansen, Ph.D., adding

that some of the equipment may be moved to the new high school science buildings being constructed throughout the district. "The first of which, fittingly, will be the University's educational neighbor at Orange High School," Hansen said.

Chapman received only temporary city approval to install the state-of-the-art lab at a cost of about \$1 million in 2015 while awaiting construction of the Keck

Center. With the new building complete, Chapman decided to donate the lab. It was moved to the OUSD offices on Handy Street in June and will be used primarily as a demonstration lab for teacher science training.

"We are very happy to find such an excellent home for the lab where its use in quality STEM education will continue," said Kris Olsen, Chapman's vice president of campus planning and operations.



Did You Know?

The Orange Home Grown Foundation's Food for Neighbors Program will receive a \$5,000 grant in honor of Deanna Durigon, catering director for Sodexo at Chapman, after she was honored as one of five 2018 Heroes of Everyday Life by the Sodexo Stop Hunger Foundation. Durigon's efforts include teaching people how to prepare fresh foods at the Saturday farmers market and delivering food to local shelters. She also implemented an Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) token system at the market that helps about 50 families a month stretch their benefits with an extra \$10 for produce and other healthy foods.

Need to report a concern?

- Contact Chapman University's Office of Community Relations at (714) 289-2097 or email neighbors@chapman.edu.
- To report a disturbance that needs urgent attention, please call City of Orange PD dispatch at (714) 744-7444.

Some of the equipment from the modular lab, such as a vent hood, will be moved to new OUSD high school science buildings.

YOU'RE INVITED!

Join us for these engaging events at Chapman

There are many terrific Chapman University events, and neighbors are always welcome. Here are just a few. Find more at the University's online events calendar, www.chapman.edu/events. Advance tickets for performing arts events may be purchased online at www.chapman.edu/tickets.

Farmers Market Dinner

Saturday, August 25, 6-9 p.m.
200 W. Sycamore Ave.

The annual "farmers market to table" dinner to benefit the nonprofit Orange Home Grown will feature chef Greg Daniels and a host of culinary collaborators. This year's dinner will be held in an unexpected al fresco campus location under the evening sky. Tickets \$150 through eventbrite.com.

Chapman Mural Unveiling

Wednesday, Sept. 12, 5 p.m.
Moulton Complex Courtyard

Reflections of Chapman's roots from C.C. Chapman's orange groves to historic campus visits by Martin Luther King Jr. and Elie Wiesel are depicted in a sweeping new work by renowned mural artist Higgy Vasquez. The mural is near the Guggenheim Gallery. Free.

Jon Batiste in Concert

Friday, Sept. 21, 7:30 p.m.
Musco Center Main Stage

Batiste, the virtuosic leader of Stay Human, the house band for "The Late Show with Stephen Colbert," always brings a party with his signature harmonica and an eclectic musical mix influenced by both his Louisiana roots and his Juilliard training. Tickets \$25-55.



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**Chapman University
will soon welcome
students back to
campus for the
2018-2019
academic year.**

Following is a schedule of important
back-to-school dates.

Move-in Day for First Year Students and Families

Tuesday, August 21

All families and students will be advised to use
University parking lots and structures.

Opening Convocation

Student Opening Convocation will be
Tuesday, August 21, from 7 to 8 p.m.
on Wilson Field. A five-minute fireworks
display will conclude the program.

Move-in Day for Returning & Transfer Students

Thursday, August 23

First Day of Fall Classes

Monday, August 27

For questions about Move-in Day, Opening
Convocation or Orientation Week, please call
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