

neighbor to neighbor

COMMUNITY NEWS FOR THE RESIDENTS OF ORANGE

Simon Scholars program grows

Four juniors from Orange High School are the newest Simon STEM Scholars. The Simon STEM Scholarship Program is a unique opportunity made possible through a collaboration with The Simon Foundation, Orange High School and Chapman University. The program allows selected students from Orange High who major in a STEM discipline – science, technology, engineering or math – to receive a full scholarship to Chapman University.

This year's cohort includes Gavin McCullough, Chelsey Cortes, An Ngo and Fabian Valdez. They join the inaugural Simon STEM Scholars, now seniors, Angel Diaz, Nancy Gomez, Michael Juarez, Gage Kizza and Atmary Martinez. All were honored together at an awards banquet on Thursday, Oct. 6, at the Hilton Orange County in Costa Mesa, which was hosted by the Simon Family Foundation.

The program is a six-year process that begins during a student's junior year at Orange High School and continues through four years at Chapman University. While still in high school, the selected students receive a computer, academic support and college level research experience. The



Simon STEM Scholars from Orange High School and teachers gather together at a recent banquet held in their honor.

2016 Simon STEM Scholars have already begun their work at Chapman. Split up into two groups they will work under the guidance of Schmid College faculty members Dr. Ali Nayeri and Dr. Ramesh Singh.

Following high school, students receive a full

scholarship to Chapman University including tuition and housing. Students electing not to attend Chapman will be eligible for a \$16,000 Simon Foundation Scholarship to assist with tuition as they pursue their STEM-focused studies at the university of their choice.

Build your online 'street smarts' to stay safe online

Chapman University has many experts who can answer questions and offer advice on a variety of topics. Since October is National Cyber Security Month, we asked George Viejas, Chapman's information security officer, to share some of the cyber safety tips he presented in a recent talk to the Orange Chamber of Commerce.

For many of us the online world is still a new and rapidly changing frontier. How do you stay safe online and protect the identity and financial and health information of your family? A few fundamental common sense principles that we use in our daily lives can also keep us safe online!

Our online presence is constantly growing and includes online banking, email accounts, social networking (LinkedIn, Facebook) and mobile banking. Many of us also have to watch out for the online presence of children and seniors in our care. Finally, there can be our business presence, which is a mix of our credit card point-of-purchase systems, wire transfer processes and our websites, online ordering systems and banking.

These online footprints, while a very important part of your lives, also represent the sum total of your attack surface - which is the many different ways that the cyber attackers can steal from you.

So what can you do to protect yourself? Use

commonsense street smarts. Below are some ways to transfer your street smarts to an online awareness so that you build a sixth sense to naturally know what doesn't smell right.

- You wouldn't follow a stranger down a dark alley and hand over your credit cards.

Learn to recognize and identify phish (pronounced "fish") email that lure you to click on links that take you to fraudulent and fake websites that trick you into handing over your identity.

- You check your locks and doors at night before going to bed.

Make it a habit to verify that your online accounts are all OK by frequently logging into your banking, credit card account and verifying there are not any fraudulent charges. I recommend weekly, but at least monthly.

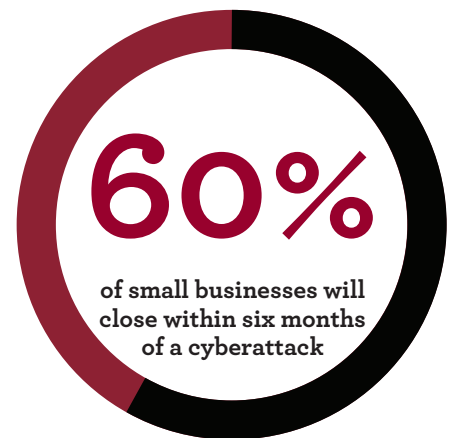
- You try to get the best and secure alarm systems and locks for your home.

Do the same online. Passwords are your online equivalent of strong locks on your door. Make sure you have strong passwords and use two factor authentication wherever possible. Consider using a passphrase which is a long easy-to-remember sentence that has all the

elements of a strong password.

- You do like to be updated on the latest news.

Make sure you have updated antivirus and security patches installed on all your home computers and enable security patches to be installed on your systems.



Source: National Cyber Security Alliance

Don't get caught by online 'phishers'

Phishing is a top attack vector used to steal your identity and financial information. Phishers use links in email to make you go to fake websites where they can steal your login credentials or infect your system with malware.

Use the hover over technique —place your mouse over the email link —which will reveal the real website that the link is taking you to. It will often be completely different from the email link. Check your mobile browser for the equivalent functionality on your mobile device.

Do not open or download strange attachments, even if they come from known senders.

What is BEC?

The Business Email Compromise (BEC) Scam happens when a fraudster sends an email requesting a wire transfer and the recipient sends it to the fraudster without verifying the legitimacy of the email. This is not a problem with the wire payments system, but is a clever social engineering scheme directed at many types of businesses.

Employees dealing with financial transactions need to understand how to recognize this scheme.

Did You Know?

Chapman University's Physician Assistant (PA) program, located at the Rinker Health Science Campus in Irvine, has been awarded provisional accreditation. This allows the university to enroll its first PA students, which is planned for January 2017. The University's programs in Physical Therapy, Communication Sciences and Disorders, as well as the School of Pharmacy, are also housed at the Rinker Campus.

Need to report a concern?

- Please contact Chapman University at (714) 997-6763 or email neighbors@chapman.edu
- To report a disturbance that needs urgent attention, please call City of Orange PD dispatch at (714) 744-7444.

YOU'RE INVITED!

Save these dates and join the fun this fall.

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.

Treats in the Streets Autumn Festival

Thursday, Oct. 27, 4 to 7 p.m.

The City of Orange festival starts with trick-or-treating through downtown from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Welcome ceremony and costume parade begins at 5:30 p.m. in The Plaza. Non-profit food booths available until 7 p.m. For more information, please call (714) 744-7278.

Get Square with the Rebs

Wednesday, Nov. 9, 5 to 7 p.m.

Learn about the rediscovered Civil War diary kept by Charles M. Jenkins, the only Los Angeles resident to see combat for the Union Army. A panel of historians and authors will discuss this remarkable document forgotten and left in storage for more than 60 years. Free admission and light refreshments. Center for American War Letters Archives, Leather Libraries, lower level. For more information, please email dcooper@chapman.edu.

Big Band and Jazz Combo

Tuesday, Nov. 29, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Enjoy an evening of great swing music and jazz performed by this award-winning student ensemble directed by Professor Albert Alva. Memorial Hall. General admission \$15; \$10 senior citizens, alumni and students, chapman.edu/tickets.

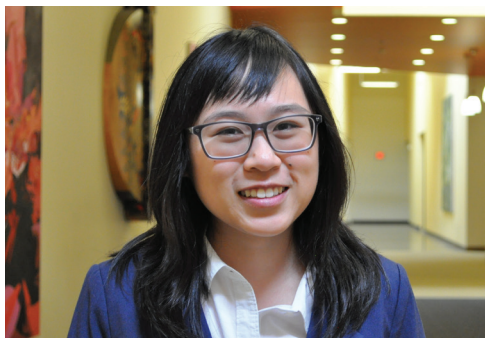


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A neighborly visit with ... SGA President Annabell Liao



Annabell Liao '17, this school year's president of the Student Government Association.

Chapman University students are increasingly joining in several neighborhood relations projects, many of which are being led by Annabell Liao '17, president of the Student Government Association. We recently caught up with the creative producing major from Chino Hills for a get-acquainted chat about these new efforts.

Tell us a bit about your student life.

Last spring, I produced a thesis film called Golden

Boy about the tenuous relationship between two brothers when only one is offered a spot on the football team at their dream college. One of my favorite ice cream flavors is cookies and cream!

One of your first projects was a neighborhood task force. Why was that a priority?

The Student Neighbor Relations Committee, a sub-committee for Student Government Association's Student Outreach Committee, is intended to inform student leaders of community issues and outreach opportunities as well as brainstorm and develop student-driven solutions that students are comfortable backing.

What kind of programs or activities do you hope to see develop?

We're looking into organizing a community mixer, PSAs, and community service events in addition to Chapman Greek life's weekly clean ups. We look forward to providing updates once details are solidified.

Why are neighborhood relations important to students?

Learning to live respectfully in a community is just part of being responsible member of society. Our behavior as Chapman students also affects how people perceive the Chapman community as a whole. Maintaining good relations benefits the University's reputation, which is a plus for us now and as future alumni.

What is your favorite part of leading these efforts?

I enjoy connecting with people and swapping stories. It's important to hear people out and consider different perspectives. I work on these efforts on behalf of the Chapman student body because this has been identified as one of their concerns, but to me, it usually comes down to recognizing and affirming each other's humanity.

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