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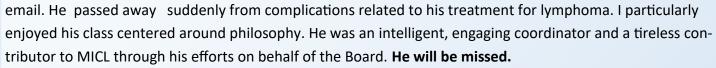
AUGUST 2018 FALL 2018 SESSION A

Message from our President - Richard Cato

Welcome everyone to the FALL 2018 semester. I hope everyone

had an eventful and engaging summer. As your new President, I look forward to serving the needs of the MICL community.

We lost a valuable and important member of our community in June. **Dan Brown**, our Communications Director, published our newsletter, managed our website, kept all of you up to date on the goings on through his weekly class updates, and managed our



This Fall we have a wonderful line up of classes. In addition to our continuing classes – Travels Around the World, Bridge, Writer's Workshop and What in the World - in the A Session we will be offering my class on Elections, Judy Moore's class on the Immigrant Experience and Ron Rutschman's class on everything you wanted to know about PowerPoint. In the B Session we will look at the Constitution and Hugh Brereton will talk to us about our Presidents. In the C Session Dave Froba will take us Birding and Frances Lopez is going to introduce us to Central Valley Rivers. There are other classes, so be sure and check our calendar.

On another note, we need new volunteers to help us bring to the membership the wonderful classes that our Curriculum Committee produces, the trips we coordinate, the snacks we provide at breaktime, and the end of the year luncheon that brings us all together to take care of some "big business" and enjoy a few hours of social interaction. All of this is done by volunteers. Those of us who serve on the various committees and provide the necessary leadership by serving on the Board do so for several reasons, but mostly because we believe in MICL as a vital part of our community and a necessary place for seniors and other mature adults to meet, socialize, vent our frustrations, and expose ourselves to the undiscovered talents and interests of great people.

To that end we will be talking to everyone at Registration and at individual classes about volunteering. If you can find the time, please let us know. You will find the atmosphere welcoming and supportive. I speak from experience. I joined MICL only three years ago and was approached year before last year to lead the Board as President. I have done a class on Islam and moderated the What in the World discussion group on Thursdays. All the folks I have asked for help have willingly given of their time and expertise.

Thank you for joining MICL or renewing your membership for the coming year. Thank you for coming to classes and contributing. Thank you for volunteering to coordinate a class, serve on a committee or provide leadership on the Board. I look forward to meeting as many people as possible and having a successful term as your President. See you in class!

REGISTRATION for FALL SEMESTER:

August 22, 2018 9:00am to 11:30am El Capitan Multi-purpose Room

SESSION A Classes:

August 27 thru September 28

SCHEDULE								
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday			
8:30 to 9:30 AM		Young at Heart & Qi Gong		Young at Heart & Qi Gong				
10 am to NOON	Travels Around the World	VOTE ** Elections	Immigrant Experience	What in the World?	Friday at the Movies			
1 pm to 3 pm	Maya Culture	Bridge	WRITING WORKSHOP Writing It Down!	PowerPoint Presentations				

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CLASSES ARE HELD MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY DURING FALL, SPRING & SUMMER SEMESTERS IN THE EL CAPITAN CENTER BUILDING LOCATED ON THE WEST CAMPUS OF **MODESTO JUNIOR COLLEGE**

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10:00 AM TO 12:00 NOON

Coordinators: Robin Martin & Judy Spencer

TRAVELS AROUND THE WORLD: Let yourself experience the travel delights and occasional frustrations of MICL members and selected guests on their journeys by car, foot, RV, rail, ferry, river boat, ocean liner, airplane, etc. They will share with us, in illustrated detail, their explorations of places far and near, exotic and familiar.

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Whether you are a fearless explorer or an armchair traveler, join us in a cozy classroom setting to experience vicariously their wondrous tales and adventures. Expand your horizons and brush up on world geography. Questions and comments are encouraged.

12:00 NOON TO 1:00 PM BREAK

1:00 PM TO 3:00 PM

Coordinator: Betty Boj-Sode



MAYA CULTURE II: This second course on the Maya in Pre-Contact Mexico will begin by stepping back to consider the emergence of the Olmecs, usually identified as the Mother Culture of Mesoamerica. Using Great Courses video material and MICL members' recollections of visits to the areas, we'll learn about three cities which once dominated the Maya world--Tikal, Calakmul, and Mayapan. Three other classes will introduce us to the Popol Vuh, one of only a handful of extant books written (and often illustrated) by contemporary Maya scribes; significant masterpieces of Maya art recovered by archaeologists; and the mysterious widespread collapse at the end of the Classic Period when throughout Mesoamerica the inhabitants of their great cities simply abandoned them and walked away for still undetermined reasons.

8:30 AM TO 9:30 AM

Coordinators: Arline Wortner, Lila Huff, Leonard Olives, Jim McCabe & Rudy Serrato

YOUNG AT HEART: A strength-training program designed specifically for older adults followed by Qigong. You may sit or stand, depending on your physical ability. The program follows the guidelines of the Presidential Fitness Award.

10:00 AM TO 12:00 NOON

Coordinator: Richard Cato



ELECTIONS: Join us for a look at the election process and the issues that will be on the ballot this November. We will talk to a few insiders to get a feel for how our election process works. We will also try to get some non-partisan information on local and state propositions. This election cycle is as important as they come so join us to get as much information as possible to make an informed choice when you go to the polls.

12:00 NOON TO 1:00 PM BREAK

1:00 PM TO 3:00 PM

Coordinators: Ron Rutschman & Wayne Eddington



BEGINNER'S BRIDGE: As always, this class serves both experienced players and members who have never played bridge and want to learn something new.

This Fall Semester also features a new program to enhance the skills of experienced players. The American Contract Bridge League (ACBL) course Play of the Hand in the 21st Century is taught to make better bridge players through lectures, videos, booklets and practice hands.

WEDNESDAY

10:00 AM TO 12:00 NOON

Coordinator: Judy Moore



OUR IMMIGRANT EXPERIENCE: The United States is a nation of immigrants. Unless one is 100% Native American, your ancestors came from other lands: to escape persecution, to find new opportunities, or in some cases, not of our own free will. Come find out about our varied immigrant backgrounds through the experiences and familial history of our MICL members.

12:00 NOON TO 1:00 PM BREAK

1:00 PM TO 3:00 PM

Coordinator: Millie Starr



WRITING IT DOWN: Be inspired to share your writing efforts in an encouraging and supportive classroom setting. Class members write at home about anything they want, and they share what they write in class when they are ready. The goal of the class is to support one another in the writing process and learn by doing. Come and join our writing community as a writer or listener.

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10:00 AM TO 12:00 NOON

Coordinators: To be announced WHAT IN THE WORLD?: Have you ever watched TV or read a news paper article, opinion, or letter to the editor and really wanted to discuss or react to what you read? What in the World is just the class for you. We discuss all kinds of issues and happenings from your neighborhood, local, regional, state, national, and world news. You bring in the topic, introduce it, and we all discuss it with the help of a new class facilitator each five week session. A number of class members have real expertise to lend to a number of discussions. Learn something new every day. Come join the camaraderie.

12:00 NOON TO 1:00 PM **BREAK**

1:00 PM TO 3:00 PM

Coordinator: Ron Rutschman



Coordinator: Carol Sullivan



POWERPOINT: If you would like to learn how to use the Microsoft PowerPoint application to build modern looking, visually appealing and entertaining presentations for fun, family, business or MICL presentations, don't miss this class. Besides PowerPoint basics, learn how to find, capture, edit and embed videos into your presentations. This class marks MICL's first use of the Community Education Annex Computer Lab on the MJC East Campus. See page 6 for East Campus parking map. **First class will be held in the El Capitan classroom.**

MICL BOOK CLUB—Meets the last Thursday of each session at this time: We read a non-fiction book one month and a fiction book the next month. The book is suggested and selected by the group and will be moderated by the person that suggested the book title. Our group is open to everyone, even if you have not read or have previously read the book. Please feel free to join the group for any of the meetings. Keep Reading!

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10:00 AM TO 12:00 NOON

Coordinators: Betty Boj-Sode & Susan Wiltse



Start your weekend relaxation with a film classic or foreign film (subtitled in English, of course) that will carry you away to other times and other places.

Discussion encouraged but not required. Details of the movies are posted.





Chinese/subtitled color 99 m. Sept. 14 Hero (2002) Treasure of the Sierra Madre (1948) Sept. 21 English b/w 126 m.

Sept. 28 Uzala (1975) Russian/subtitled 140 m.



MICL DAY TRIPS September – December 2018						
Date	Place	Kind of fun	Cost			
Sept 29th SAT	Jelly Belly Factory – Candies, Chocolates	6th annual Candy-Palooza Candy Sampling, Quality Art and Craft Vendors	MICL ticket \$20 Plus: "Chocolate & Wine Experience" addt'l \$20			
Nov 3rd SAT	Apple Hill Loop – Apples, Produce & Bakeshops	**Eudge Factory Farm – raspberry, blackberry & apple wines; candy apples **Rainbow Orchards – Apple cider donuts, Fairytale Cinderella Pumpkin pie **Apple cream cheese tart **Apple Ridge Farms – Bar-B-Que Barn, Country Store, Bakeshop **O'Halloran's Apple Trail Ranch – Tree grafted from original Johnny Appleseed tree, pumpkins & winter squash	MICL ticket \$25			
Dec 1st SAT	Round-Trip Felton to Bear Mountain through Redwood Forest	Steam Train Ride to Festive Decorated Trees Henry Cowell Redwoods State Park Felton Covered Bridge, Bigfoot Museum	MICL Ticket: \$65 Candle-making \$3, Gold panning \$1 (w/gold \$5)			

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EVENT SCHEDULE							
Registration	August 22	9:00am – 11:30am	El Capitan				
Session A starts	August 27		El Capitan				
Curriculum Committee	September 5	3:15pm	El Capitan				
Board Meeting	September 12	3:15pm	El Capitan				
Birthday Lunch	September 21	11:30am	Mimi's				
Potluck	September 27	11:30am	El Capitan				
Book Club	September 27	1:00pm	Classroom				
Session A ends	September 28						
Trip	September 29	TBA	Jelly Belly Factory				

EAST CAMPUS PARKING

Make sure to read Parking Lot signs carefully. Parking lots may be restricted as to which parking permits are valid during specific time periods.

You may park where it is DESIGNATED FOR STUDENTS.

Parking Lots 103 (near Science Bldg 2 on Coldwell) and 104 (near Art/Music on Stoddard) and Lot 109 by Stadium & 113 by Gym are STAFF ONLY.

RON RECOMMENDS PARKING IN LOTS 105, 106, 107 (Tully) or 108 on Stoddard.

Community Education Classroom Annex Computer Lab is in FORUM Building 10.

Call Ron's cell 1-805-312-3834 if you arrive on campus and need help finding the building.

