



New Frontiers News

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Fall Semester Class and Event Registration Set for September 21 Open House

Sign up for the record-breaking 86 New Frontiers Classes and a variety of special events on Friday, September 21, 2007 at the NFLL Open House. The event will be from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the Kirk Student Center on the MCC Dobson Campus. Open House offers the opportunity to join New Frontiers and then to sign up for classes of your choice. Facilitators and instructors will be present to visit with students and to answer questions.



NFLL Annual Membership Fee continues to be \$60. Members are given opportunity to sign up for classes and to participate in a variety of social event and community service volunteer projects.

Early class registration for all paid members begins on September 15, 2007. Fall Semester Class Schedules will be mailed in early September. Membership fees may be paid by calling MCC Community Education Department at 480-461-7497. NFLL membership is open to all ages. Skip Carney – President

New Frontiers Web Site www.newfrontiers-mesa.org



Sharon Snow– Webmaster

Have you tried the NFLL web site lately? There are a few new features you will like **We have added a new tab for all New Frontiers newsletters.** Click on the tab and you will get a list of newsletters by date. Click on the newsletter you want to read, or even print it on your printer if you like

The Gallery has been updated with photos taken at NFLL events over the past years. Click on any event in the list to see an array of small photos. Click on any small photo to enlarge it to full screen size. We have an official photographer, and new photos will be added as he takes them. **If you have a special photo you want on the website, send it to webmaster@newfrontiers-mesa.org** and it will be included on the site.

Coming soon will be a new event calendar. This calendar can be viewed by month in calendar or agenda format. Clicking on an event will display more details about it, and even allow you to see a map to the location.

In order to protect the privacy of our members, we will endeavor to remove personal contact information from documents on our web site. Refer to your membership roster for contact information.

Don't forget to look for the Fall Course Schedule online in September after it is mailed to members. **You can even register on-line!**

And here is a hint for members who use pop-up blockers to keep those annoying ads from popping up: Make the NFLL web site a "trusted site" and you won't have to override the blocker for "good" pop-ups. We promise not to put ads on the site! Sharon Snow–Webmaster

Take a look! We welcome suggestions!

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Curriculum Committee



The Curriculum Committee hopes you are eager to resume classes since the fall 2007 schedule has more new classes, the repetition of the all time favorites, and even some new locations for you. Probably the hardest decision will be trying to fit as many as possible into your schedule. You will want to jump on the wagon train for some traveling plus carpooling on a wide variety of one day field trips to explore sites close to home. There will be new classes for you to share your artistic abilities that range from music to painting and include crafts plus eating. Yes, the ASU Emeritus College professors will be available to stimulate our thinking on a variety of subjects. There are discussion groups to give you an opportunity to express your opinions, authors sharing their books, and former and new physical activities to keep you body healthy. There may not be enough time in each day! Remember regular paid members will receive the schedule prior to Open House. It will be mailed September 6th, but you **may not register for classes with the Community Education office until September 15th. See you at Open House - September 21st** will be here before you know it! Pat DeBlake– Curriculum Chair

Membership Committee

The membership Committee is looking forward to the fall programs as new projects and procedures are implemented that will benefit the entire organization, such as the new web site and reviewing of past procedures in order to streamline committee duties and activities.

Our challenge this year is to increase membership, as the numbers have stayed about the same over the past three years. **The committee is asking each of you, as members, to bring at least one new guest with you to the open house on September 21st.** Our publicity team is busy contacting various media outlets publicizing the upcoming event. Flyers promoting our annual membership efforts and details will be available at the September membership and council meetings as well as at the Community Education office. Please help us out by distributing these flyers in your neighborhood and local businesses. The entire membership committee is looking forward to seeing you all and renewing our friendships at the open house. See you there! Jacque Marchant –Membership Chair

Officer Election/Bylaws Revisions Set for October Annual Meeting



Election for New Frontiers Officers will be part of the **Friday, October 26, 2007 Annual Meeting at the Kirk Student Center, MCC Campus at Dobson and Southern.** The meeting begins at 1 p.m. and refreshments will be served.

Officers include President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and two Council Members-at-Large. Each officer is elected for a one year term and may be re-elected twice, serving no more than three consecutive years. If you are interested in being a part of the team directing the present and future of the New Frontiers organization, contact the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Bob O'Brien before October 5th. email: communications@newfrontiers-mesa.org

The New Frontiers Nominating Committee Chair Bob O'Brien and his committee will present their officer recommendations. Those elected take office immediately following the Annual Meeting.

Revisions to the New Frontiers Bylaws will also be presented for consideration at the Annual Meeting. Skip Carney – President



Paperless Newsletter

How is this possible? In addition to a new improved website, NFLL will offer you the opportunity to receive the newsletter by email – in color. Of course, you can always print it out if you want a hard copy too.

There will be a form at the Open House, during registration, where you can update your email address and choose whether or not you wish your newsletter sent to you by email or snail mail.

If you choose to register by phone or on-line, instead of waiting for the Open House, please check the enclosed membership directory to make certain we have your current email address. **If correct & you wish your newsletter emailed to you, email membership@newfrontiers-mesa.org. We'll put you on the list. If incorrect, please contact Peggy Randolph at the same address, with your address. Also include whether or not you wish your newsletter sent to you by email or snail mail.**

We're very excited about being able to offer this to our members.

Chris Dugandzic-Newsletter Editor

Newsletter

Co-Editor Sought

Maria Goldsmith, who redesigned the newsletter, can no longer serve as co-editor, as she is moving to California. We wish to thank her for a terrific job. Please email Bob O'Brien at communications@newfrontiers-mesa.org if you would like to be part of the Communication team.

Theatre Outback Performances



There are three separate opportunities to attend performances at the Theatre Outback during the 2007 fall semester for only \$6.00. **You are required to register for the each performance in order to obtain the student discount.**

Review the plays and dates in the schedule. You may register for each performance by telephone or in person at the Community Education office. Previous to Open House you may use a credit card, but at Open House only checks and cash will be accepted.

All tickets previously paid, or paid for at Open House, will be picked up at Open House. If you are unable to attend Open House, please make arrangements with the Box Office to pick up the tickets at another time. Box Office hours are 1:00 to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. The phone number is 480-461-7170.

Caroline Cline-Curriculum Facilitator

MCC President Offers Free Passes to all Athletic Events

Two free passes to all Mesa Community College Athletic Events will be given to each NFLL Member. The MCC Athletic Program has been named as one of the best community college athletic programs in the USA. The passes and schedule of athletic events are included in the September mailing to members. The passes are another outstanding example of MCC support for New Frontiers. Special thanks to MCC for the continued Partnership!! Skip Carney – President

Social Committee

The July 4th celebration at the Rockin' R Ranch in Mesa was attended by 29 New Frontier members and 6 guests. It was a very enjoyable evening which started with a delicious meal followed by a fun and lively show which even included some audience participation. After the entertainment we all went outside where the evening was topped off with a very beautiful and fantastic display of fireworks. Mary Jochen– Social Co-Chair



Join the MCC Alumni Association

New Frontiers members are invited to join the MCC Alumni Association by requesting an alumni card. Requesting your card puts you on our active membership list and entitles you to a variety of services:

Invitations to special events and ceremonies

Informational updates about the college available exclusively for card holders

Discounted tickets to the Theatre Outback

A 10% discount at the MCC Bookstore on merchandise bearing the MCC logo

Free library privileges

Free use of MCC Career Services

10% discount to the Store at the Mesa Arts Center (MAC) and email notification of special promotions on tickets to Performing Live events at the MAC.

10% discount to any Mesa Symphony concert. Patrons over the age of 65 can receive a 30% discount off certain sections. Present your card at the MAC box office when purchasing tickets.

Half price tickets to any 2006-07 Southwest Shakespeare Company production (4 ticket maximum). Present your alumni card at the MAC box office when purchasing tickets.

Please call Nikki Stroughter at 480-461-7445 or email nikki.stroughter@mcmail.maricopa.edu. Provide your name, address, phone number, and email address.



Since our partnership with New Frontiers began in 2006, more than 35 people have joined the alumni association.

MCC Alumni Association 2007-08 initiatives

- **Creation of a directory of all MCC alumni** – MCC has contracted with Harris Connect to produce an alumni directory. The directory may only be purchased by MCC alumni and is available in hard- or soft-bound editions or CD-Rom. Alumni will be listed four ways: biographical section, class year section, geographical index, and career networking section.
- **Online community** – The association is actively exploring the creation of an online community for our alumni. The community will simplify the process of updating alumni information and will allow the college to quickly and easily disseminate information based on alumni interest. Searchable directories of alumni volunteers will also be available – students and faculty will be able to find alumni volunteers for career advice and classroom presentations, respectively.
- **Alumni and Friends newsletter** – The Office of Alumni Relations publishes 2-3 newsletters each year. You will be added to our mailing list (which has over 40,000 people!) when you request your alumni card.
- **Community Outreach** – The association will be launching the “It Started at MCC” campaign. The campaign will feature successful alumni for the purpose of promoting the college to prospective students as well as recruiting additional volunteers into the association. The association is also working with MCC Recruitment Office to provide representatives at recruitment events that occur outside of Maricopa County.
- **Events/Membership** – Homecoming is one of the association’s major events. Smaller events are offered throughout the school year and advertised on the alumni website, in the newsletter, via postcards, and/or via email. Events are designed to appeal to various demographics that comprise our alumni base. Check your mail for new opportunities.

Fundraising and Scholarships – The association offers 1 – 2 scholarships each year based on availability of funds. A campaign will be launched in 2007-08 to raise additional funds. Please contact the Development Office at 480-461-7356 for information on donating.

Upcoming opportunities:

- Use the enclosed key tag for free admission to MCC athletic events. Support our MCC Thunderbirds!
- Homecoming is Saturday, November 3. Kick off is at 2:00 p.m. against the Glendale Gauchos. Volunteer opportunities begin at 11:00 a.m. Please contact the Office of Institutional Advancement – Alumni Relations at 480-461-7445 for details.

2nd Annual Sports Hall of Fame Banquet, Friday, November 2, at the Dobson Ranch Inn. Guest tickets are \$50 per person. Volunteer and sponsorship opportunities are available. Contact Marcy Snitzer at 480-461-7792 for additional information.

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OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH

Come and join other New Frontiers members for lunch on the 2nd Friday of the month at 11:30 a.m. Please call the person listed to make your reservation.

September 14, 2007 11:30 a.m.

Midwestern Steakhouse

4308 E. Main Street, Mesa

(Located west of Greenfield)

For reservations call Elaine Shea

October 12, 2007, 11:30 a.m.

El Paso Restaurant

1641 S. Stapley Drive, Mesa

(Located SE corner of Rt 60 and Stapley in the AMC Theatre complex)

For Reservations call Diana Pearce

November 9, 2007, 11:30 a.m.

Annabelle's Restaurant

425 S. Power Rd, Mesa

(Located in the Arizona Golf Resort SE corner of Power and Broadway

Entrance is on Broadway)

For Reservations call Elaine Shea

Please note: You must make your reservation by 12:00 noon of the Thursday before. The restaurants need the exact count in order to accommodate us. Thank you.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Upcoming events – Social Committee

October 17th – Empty Bowls 10:00 a.m.– 2:00 p.m. – MCC Dobson & Southern Campus. Money from purchase of locally made bowls benefits the homeless. Volunteers are always needed to help unpack bowls and serve soup.

October 18th -Casino Arizona – 8:30 a.m. Bus pickup at Resurrection Church, 3201 S. Evergreen Rd, Tempe. (Please park next to street). Each person will be given \$5.00 “play money” and \$5.00 towards food.
1:00 p.m. bus will return us to Resurrection parking lot. To reserve free seats for members and guests call Lynnea at 883-8212.

November 3rd – Homecoming Bar-B-Q and Football Game - at 12:00 a free catered buffet lunch. 2:00 p.m. – football game kick-off. Come support our MCC team

December 6th – Holiday Party – 11:30 a.m. at the Windemere Hotel, 5750 E. Main Street, Mesa. More information and menu choices available later.

December 15th –The Messiah, 2:30 p.m. at the Mesa Arts Center, Center and Main Street, Mesa. Performances by the Mesa Symphony and MCC Chorus.
New Frontier Members \$10.00, guests \$15.00

January 1, 2008 – New Year’s Day Brunch, 10:30 a.m. – Shalimar Country Club, 2032 E. Golf Ave., Tempe. New Frontier Members \$15.00, guests \$20.00.

For the **Spring Semester** we will also schedule:

Race day

Tea and White Elephant Auction

Baseball games

Picnic

July 4th celebration

Possible Activities:

Beer Tasting

Botanical Garden Tour

Wine Tasting

Cinco DeMayo Chihuahua Races

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