



Amelia Earhart

Presented by: Nick DiNapoli

Thursdays, October 23 & 30, 2014

1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

Maravilla - Valencia Room

5486 Calle Real, Santa Barbara

(Please carpool if possible)

Needless to say Amelia was the most famous women flyer of the twentieth century and a great role model for women of any age. Nick will present Amelia in the first session from her beginnings as a skinny kid who just loved to fly, through to her worldwide fame as a record-breaking long distance aviator.

Her husband, George Putnam, the famous publisher, was endlessly promoting and marketing her as the image of the modern American woman. During her career she met kings and presidents and always had the most advanced aircraft to fly. Much of the first presentation will be based on her final book "*Last Flight*," which she was writing when she and her navigator, Fred Noonan, disappeared on July 2, 1937.

The second session on Amelia will cover many of the theories about what may have happened to her and Noonan on their round-the-world flight in 1937. We will focus on the search for her, FDR'S involvement, and all the mysteries and legends that surround her flight to this day... Was her plane sabotaged? Were the Japanese involved? Was she really as good a pilot as the world thought she was? Were she and Noonan in love and jointly decided to just disappear?

Amelia's disappearance has sparked more than 20 expeditions to search for her, and this month, after 76 years, another large search effort is leaving Hawaii for the South Seas so we may have more news around the time of the presentations.



ENROLLMENT FORM: *Amelia Earhart*- Oct 23 & 30

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Biography: *Nick DiNapli* is a California boy who grew up loving history. He received his master's degree from Stanford University, and joined the General Motors Design staff. After being involved in all phases of product design with various companies for 30 years, he began teaching at the College of Engineering at UCSB.

He retired from UCSB about 7 years ago and now spends his time working on consulting projects, studying history, and writing the occasional paper



VISTAS CALENDAR

Seminar/Event	Dates	Time	Venue
Annual Picnic	Sunday, September 7	12:30 pm	Tuckers Grove
Documentary Film Club	3rd Thurs Monthly	10:00 am	Valle Verde Theater
Shakespeare	Sept 9, 16, 23, 30	1:30 pm	Maravilla Theater
Maya Classic Period	Sept 10,17,24 & Oct 1	1:30 pm	Maravilla Club Room
Fall Ballot Propositions	Sept 22 & 29	1:30 pm	Maravilla Valencia
Military Sexual Assault	October 7	1:30 pm	Maravilla Club Room
Women in Art	Oct 8, 15, 22	9:30 am	Farrand Hall
Amelia Earhart	Oct 23 & 30	1:30 pm	Maravilla Valencia
History of Hawaii	October 29, Nov 5 & 12	1:30 pm	Maravilla Club Room
Poetry & Metaphor	Nov 7, 14 & 21	9:30 am	Valle Verde Social Rm
Pacific Coastal Fishes	November 19	9:30 am	Valle Verde Social Rm



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