By working together we’re going to identify ideas the committee members have already contributed to this process. I’m certain that community and university relations. Committee, the group includes representatives ranging from the Old Towne Preservation Association to the Orange Barrio Historical Society. Chancellor Daniele Struppa praised the committee for its commitment to enhancing Chapman’s proposed expansion plans and talk about issues surrounding campus growth. 

- Request for Chapman to appoint a primary lead person for community interaction – make it easier for the public to understand how to communicate with Chapman. The idea for the committee grew out of fall semester conversations Chapman President Jim Doti had with community leaders. The minutes for the meetings are available at neighborsofchapman.com.

**Forthright dialogue begins with Chapman and community members**

Coming on the heels of its swift formation, a local citizens committee has met several times with Chapman University officials and made progress to identify top concerns of Old Towne Orange residents living near the University. Called the Neighborhood Advisory Committee, the group includes representatives from a variety of leadership organizations, ranging from the Old Towne Preservation Association to the Orange Barrio Historical Society. Chancellor Daniele Struppa praised the committee for its commitment to enhancing community and university relations.

“I am grateful for the time, energy and ideas the committee members have already contributed to this process. I’m certain that by working together we’re going to identify solutions to key neighborhood issues that will have a positive impact in the near future and over the long term,” Struppa said.

At its first meeting Nov. 5, the committee listed concerns it most wanted to address. They include:

- Student housing – ways to house more students on campus and fewer students in the community.
- Parking in areas surrounding campus – ways to park more student vehicles in Chapman parking facilities instead of surrounding neighborhoods.
- Party houses – ways to address loud, large, disruptive repeat party houses on private property in residential neighborhoods.
- University growth – address the issues related to Chapman’s proposed expansion plans.

**Meet the Committee**

Robert Baca, Orange Barrio Historical Society
Pat Buttress, Orange Chamber of Commerce
William Crouch, Community Development Director, City of Orange
Jeff Franksel, Old Town Preservation Association
Robert Hitchcock, Old Towne Preservation Association
Dane Jensen, Jensen Associates
Brian Leich, President, Communications LAB
Dennis McCoistion, Principal, Orange Unified School District
Sandy Quinn, President, Old Towne Preservation Association
Judy Schroeder, Schneider Studio
Teresa Smith, Mayor, City of Orange
Tim Virus, TAIT & Associates, Inc.
Harold Hewitt, Executive Vice President/COO, Chapman University
Jack Raubolt, Vice President of Community Relations
Daniele Struppa, Chancellor, Chapman University

**Design awards go to Chapman’s Digital Media Arts Center on Cypress Street**

A historic industrial building that sat empty until it was transformed into a unique arts facility by Chapman University has won two design awards, including one that honors the University’s preservation efforts of the building’s heritage. AC Martin Architects was awarded a Citation Award in the Historic Preservation Category for its design of the Digital Media Arts Center on Cypress Street by the American Institute of Architects. Among the distinct elements of the Digital Media Arts Center, called the DMAC for short, was the restoration of the original brick façade.

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Save the date for fun!

And music, dance, theatre and a variety of family-friendly entertainment! It all happens on Saturday, April 2, at the Community Open House & Arts Festival at the Musco Center for the Arts at Chapman University. The day of FREE performances kicks off at 11 a.m. A dazzling array of presentations by community arts organizations from throughout Orange County will run from noon to 3 p.m. Complimentary parking for this event will be available in non-reserved spots in Lastinger and Barrerra parking structures.

The open house will be one of the first events at the center, following its Grand Opening on Saturday, March 19, that will feature a 6 p.m. concert with opera legend Placido Domingo. Learn more about other great events at muscocenter.org/events.

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New website invites residents to share ideas

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YOU’RE INVITED!
Join us for engaging events this spring at Chapman

There are many free or low-cost events available at Chapman University, and neighbors are always welcome. Here are just a few of those events. Find more at the University’s online events calendar, chapman.edu/events. Advance tickets for performing arts events may be purchased online at chapman.edu/tickets.

**The Presidency at War:**
With author Evan Thomas
Tuesday, March 8, at 7 p.m.
Fish Interfaith Center
Presidential biographer Evan Thomas, author of Being Nixon, and former editor at both Time and Newsweek magazines, will talk about some of the larger problems presidents face when the nation goes to war, discussing the importance of humility in presidential leadership in wartime. Free admission. For more information, call 714-997-6752.

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**Orange County Guitar Circle**
Saturday, March 19, 8 p.m.
Salmon Recital Hall
An evening of classical guitar music performed by musicians from Chapman and greater Orange County. Admission $5 to $15. Tickets are available at the door. For more information, contact Jeff Cogan at cogan@chapman.edu.

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**The Merchant Of Venice**
by William Shakespeare
Friday and Saturday, April 15-16 and Saturday, April 23
Musco Center for the Arts
Shakespeare’s immortal story of deceit, prejudice and justice is searingly portrayed in this new student production directed by Thomas F. Bradac and starring acclaimed Shakespearean actor Michael Nehring of the Chapman theatre faculty as Shylock. 7:30 p.m. - April 15-16 and 2 p.m. - April 16 & 23. Tickets $10-$25. Purchase advance tickets at chapman.edu/tickets.

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