Thursday, October 2, 2014
Triumph or Tragedy?
Experiencing World War I

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The year 2014 marks the 100th anniversary of the beginning of World War I. What should we know or remember about this war? Was World War I a triumph or a tragedy? The response often depends on who is answering the question. Dr. Keene will talk about how ordinary men and women of different nationalities, races, and ethnicities experienced the Great War that meant separation, combat and loss for millions around the globe. Conversely, she will show how that war proved a positive experience – giving rise to colonial independence movements, possibilities for adventure, and victory.

Thursday, November 6, 2014
Your Advocate, the Pharmacist:
Performing Vital Roles in Health Care

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Today, pharmacists are uniquely positioned to be part of the solution in the delivery of direct patient care services, especially in areas devoid of primary care professionals. Health care is front and center in the minds of many – patients and caregivers, health care professionals and health-system administrators, and policy makers. Dr. Alvarez will share commonly held consumer perceptions of the role of pharmacists, efforts in California to leverage the knowledge and skills of pharmacists, and suggestions for the audience to optimize care delivered by their pharmacist. She will describe Chapman’s role in improving health and wellness through its developing School of Pharmacy.

Thursday, May 7, 2015
3 Deans, 3 Buildings, 1 Goal:
Transforming Education at Chapman University

Charlene Baldwin Dean of Leatherby Libraries
Dale Merrill Dean of College of Performing Arts
Dr. Gail Stearns Dean of Chapel Fish Interfaith Center

The new millennium saw fundamental and transformative changes to the mission and vision of Chapman University. The University added new programs and new land, increased the number of students and faculty, and built new buildings. Celebrating their 10th anniversary this year are Oliphant Hall, Leatherby Libraries, and Fish Interfaith Center. The three deans will describe how these structures enabled the University to provide a bridge to the academic and Orange County communities.

Thursday, February 5, 2015
Just Improvise:
Applying Theatre Tools to Work and Life

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Improvisation is not just for actors! Applied improvisation, that is, impro theatre methods and theories used for training in communities and within organizations, has expanded all over the world. Impro is now being taught in top business schools. Major corporations are hiring more impro-trained consultants to teach them to thrive in spontaneous, collaborative, risk-taking, idea-generating environments. Dr. Dudeck will share her expertise on improvisational theatre, applied improvisation, and demonstrate with students some basic impro techniques to enhance the people skills we use in everyday work and life.

Thursday, March 5, 2015
Illuminating Stones:
Exciting Excavations in Ancient Israel

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How can stones and artifacts 3000 years old illuminate the historical, societal, and religious context of the biblical narratives? Some excavations have revealed new findings which have changed our understanding of Old Testament events. Dr. Bidmead conducts excavations each summer and supervises students on two prominent biblical archaeological expeditions: Tel Megiddo, an ancient Israelite city and the location of biblical Armageddon, and its sister city, the neighboring Tel Jezreel, the winter palace of King Ahab and his notorious wife, Jezebel. In this talk, Dr. Bidmead will discuss her research in domestic archaeology, exploring unearthed remains which shed light on understanding daily life in biblical times.