

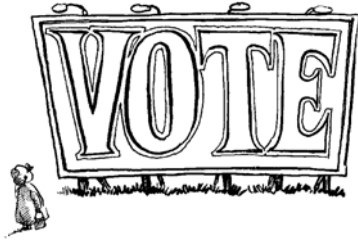


# OLLI – CSU, CHICO NEWSLETTER

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OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE

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**BUSINESS MEETING –  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1 – 11:30**

**Vote on budget, dues, and board members ~  
Hear from Dean Debra Barger ~  
Meet our Re-Entry Scholarship recipients~**

*President's Message: ON THE DOWNHILL SIDE OF THE SEMESTER*

All OLLI members are requested to attend and participate in the April 1 annual business meeting when the election of officers for the next school year, adoption of the dues, and approval of the budget will be the main topics of business. Prime Timers Re-Entry Scholarship recipients for this year will share their insights about returning to college and how we helped. Please help more re-entry students by contributing to the scholarship again this spring.

Do you enjoy your classes in comfortable quarters with good AV equipment? Most of the equipment in our classrooms and the AJH furniture were acquired with Osher grant funds but our current, day-to-day expenses are now from the OLLI Operations Fund. Therefore, the board determined that it is necessary to ask you to approve fees of \$65 for the next school year. Linda MacMichael, OLLI Program Coordinator, has been very diligent in getting the most from the grants and the OLLI operations (fees) funds. Most OLLIs charge higher fees and tuition, and many also limit the courses members may attend. Debra Barger, Dean of Regional and Continuing Education, will speak on our OLLI's financial model.

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Chico State may have 700 great members by the time that you read this. We have our own affinity group with the love of learning, openness to new ideas and tolerance for those ideas with which we do not agree and amidst all this learning, members can get acquainted with many like-minded mature Americans.

Would you not like to become more involved by joining a committee or becoming a peer leader? If many members take turns in these positions we can have new topics and enthusiastic leaders. The curriculum committee is requesting fall course proposals until early April and they'll mentor you in this process, if you would like.

Thank you to Julia Jenkins, aka the engineer, for her efforts to streamline the membership process at the meetings as well as in the classrooms. She's literally stuck with the project.

Mary Brashears will be retiring from her position as newsletter editor after 3 years with this BIG task. Be sure to thank her for this solitary work.

Tedo Best will be unable to serve as OLLI director for the next school year due to a time conflict. Therefore, at the April business meeting there will be a request for nominees from the floor for election to her position.

It is not too late to request your Meriam Library Courtesy Card authorization from Koni Needles in AJH 118B, M-Th from 9 to 1. Debra Barger and Linda MacMichael are responsible for this long-sought privilege.

*Roxanne Ferry, President*

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Hail to Our Peer Leaders

All you'll ever want to know,  
You can learn from Stew and Sue Monroe.

Exhort your views at Cracker Barrel,  
And feed your artist's soul with Carol.

Talk books with Ike on a Coffey date,  
Join Gayle or George to meditate.

Robert Main is sharp and funny,  
David Murphy can save you money.

Learning Spanish is a breeze,  
Anne M. will teach computereze.

Leslie, Phyl and all the rest--  
Our OLLI leaders are the best!

Contributed by Anonymous OLLI

Our Web Site: [www.rce.csuchico.edu/osher/](http://www.rce.csuchico.edu/osher/)

**The Prime Timers Re-Entry Student Scholarship**

The Prime Timers Re-Entry Scholarship is a program of which OLLI at CSU Chico is justly proud. Since 1987 it has assisted students to re-enter college after prior enrollments were interrupted. In this academic year we have been able to provide \$1600 each to three deserving students. Through the generosity of our members it is our goal to provide even more assistance in the 2009 – 2010 academic year.

All OLLI members will receive a special request by mail for contributions to the Scholarship Fund. So don't put it off. Take a moment right now to make out your check. Your donation is tax deductible and the University will mail you a receipt. Checks are to be written to the CHICO STATE FUND. Make sure to write #7217 in the memo section of the check so it is credited to the Prime Timers Re-entry Student Scholarship account. For further clarification you can add "Prime Timers Scholarship." Mail your contribution to: Chico State Fund, California State University, Chico, CA 95929-0240.

If you are on good terms with your computer you can go to [www.csuchico.edu/ChicoStateFund](http://www.csuchico.edu/ChicoStateFund) to contribute on line. If you didn't receive an envelope or you have misplaced it, there are special envelopes for these contributions that can be had by asking any OLLI board member.

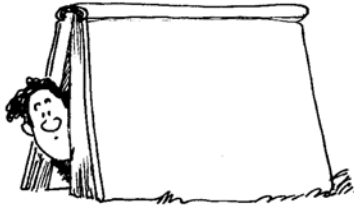
*Morey Fuqua, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President*

*Anybody can grow older. That doesn't take any talent or ability. The idea is to grow up by always finding opportunity in change. Have no regrets.*

## BUSINESS MEETING – WEDNESDAY, April 1, 2009

April is the only month where you get to vote on the Board, the Budget, and the Bylaws. Although we have no bylaw or constitution changes, we will need your vote on the new slate of officers, the proposed fees change and the annual budget. **We no longer need a quorum of all members to pass these things, so a quorum of those attending will have the say on these important issues. Be sure to attend so your voice is heard.** Debra Barger, Dean of Regional and Continuing Education, will speak about the financial model under which our OLLI organization operates. You'll also get to meet some of our delightful scholarship recipients. So come and vote, meet with friends and enjoy some great refreshments. See you at 11:30 on April 1st at the Masonic Hall on East Ave. (No joke!)

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### OLLI Published Authors

We would like to honor our own members who have published books since 2006:

**Robert Woods** - *Travels With Cornbinder*

**Nelson R. Ober** - *Finding a Literary Nihilist & a Cowardly Badman*

**Willa Perrine** - *Quill's Barn, a novel*

**Claire Braz-Valentine** - co-author of *Letters to Poets*

**Stewart Monroe** - co-author of *Physical Geology: Exploring the Earth; Historical Geology: Evolution of Earth and Life Through Time; Essentials of Physical Geology and The Changing Earth: Exploring Geology and Evolution*

**Dick Cory** - *After the Dust Has Settled* and *Sweepings From Under the Rug*

**Helga Ruge** - *More Truth Than Fiction: Growing Up In Europe Between The World Wars and Whither The Promised Land*

**Ted Kloski** - *Through the Teaching Glass*

**Phyl Manning** - *Here is the African Jungle*

**George McClendon** - *Heaven's Call to Earthly Spirituality*

Congratulations to our talented OLLI authors!

### Notice!

The OLLI Course Proposal Deadline for Fall 2009 is April 17th. That means it needs to be in **my hands** by then: Pat LeBlanc, 5042 Country Club Drive, Paradise, CA 95969 or (preferably) e-mailed to me at [PatLeblanc@msn.com](mailto:PatLeblanc@msn.com). (The OLLI Course Proposal Form can be downloaded from the internet at: [www.rce.csuchico.edu/osher/forms.asp](http://www.rce.csuchico.edu/osher/forms.asp))



### Sing With OLLI

Keep a song in your heart and a smile on your lips – that's the motto of the small but vocal group that meets every Wed. at 2:00 at the Almond Grove Mobile Home Park at 567 E. Lassen Ave. Peer leader Don Smith provides background music and words to oldies, country western, rock 'n roll and ballads, and all we do is sing, sometimes even in tune. I find myself singing all week long and I can't wait to come back and sing some more.

Come join us and sing along!

*Mary Brashears,*

**APRIL IS ELECTION MONTH-YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT-PLEASE  
ATTEND THE BUSINESS MEETING ON APRIL 1 AT THE MASONIC LODGE**

# SPRING LUNCHEON

Wednesday, May 6, 2009 \*\*\*Note the change in location\*\*\*

**Chico Women's Club located at 592 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Chico**

Guests may gather at 11:30 AM - Buffet lunch served at 12:00 Noon

**Menu Choices:** Turkey club sandwich on a croissant with a basil or cranberry mayonnaise on the side. Vegetarian sandwich will feature tomato, avocado, cucumbers, cheese and sprouts with the same basil or cranberry mayonnaise on the side. Each will include Caesar salad and lemon pie for dessert.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Turkey \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

Guest \_\_\_\_\_ Turkey \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_

\$12.00 per person (non-refundable)

**Only the first 130 reservations will be accepted due to the limited capacity of the Women's Club - reservations beyond that will be placed on a waiting list.**

Please make check payable to: Andrea Edson.

Write "OLLI" in memo portion of check.

Mail form and check to: Roxanne Ferry, P.O. Box 8996, Chico, CA 95927-8996  
(530) 891-1722

**RESERVATION DEADLINE: Thursday, APRIL 23, 2009**