CELEBRATING CIVILITY

OLLI Honor Code sets the tone for civil discourse
By Susan Levine

We are starting a new OLLI year. It comes around so fast! Last year I asked you to make a new friend in OLLI. Did you? I hope so. It takes courage to make those overtures, but a new friend is such a great reward. I have heard from a few of you who were successful. Good for you, and go for another! Along those same lines, I have felt more tension in the air than usual over the past year. Because I answer the phones at the OLLI office and speak to so many members, I hear the stories about heated exchanges at family gatherings, on the news, and even in our classrooms. My personal life has been affected by this national atmosphere, as well. With this in mind, I am going to ask you to consider OLLI to be a sanctuary of civility, growth, and lifelong learning. It is part of our charter and who we strive to be. Look for our OLLI Honor Code on the bulletin boards in our four Craig Hall classrooms. Richard Carlson, the author of *Don’t Sweat the Small Stuff,* puts it this way; “Choose to be kind over being right and you’ll be right every time.”

FIVE CLASS LIMIT LIFTED

Want to add more classes? Sign up online, by phone, or at the OLLI office.

Perhaps you’ve already enrolled in the maximum number of classes allowed under the 5-class limit rule? Would you like to add more? Now that everyone has had fair opportunity to register, we invite you to add more classes, if you’d like. There are still empty seats in more than 75% of the fall classes. Consider Bridge Boot Camp, Optim-Eyes, The Development of American Values and Institutions, Exploring the Art of the Page, or World Dance Singing Class. Note that some classes start later in the term.

NEW MEMBERS MINGLE AT BEATNIKS COFFEE HOUSE

Making new OLLI members feel welcome

Forty new members enjoyed appetizers and wine at Beatniks Coffee House in Chico on August 30. Volunteers from the Membership Committee, led by Gayle Womack, hosted the event, which included a short presentation about OLLI, Q&A, and a social hour that utilized some ice-breaker exercises to bring people together. Special thanks to Beatniks’ owners Mike Cress and Mike Huber (pictured left to right), who donated the food and space for this new event. Are you new to OLLI and want to get more involved? Call our Community Outreach Coordinator Gayle Womack for more information about upcoming events, volunteer opportunities, and other tips for staying sharp and having fun!

“HEALTHIER YOU” LECTURE SERIES BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

OLLI business sponsor Enloe Medical Center brings new line-up of medical experts this fall

Designed to help active OLLI members learn new ways to keep their bodies in shape, the series is geared towards preventive health topics. Starting Tuesday, Sept. 5, Dina Zaphiris will bring her cancer-sniffing dog to the first of 8 lectures in the Enloe health series. Lectures take place weekly in September and November at the Enloe Conference Center. For a list of dates and topics, and to sign up, see the class schedule.
CRAIG HALL COMPLEX OFFERING PERKS FOR OLLI MEMBERS

New classroom, discounted meals, overflow parking

Some people know how to take summer vacation—but not the OLLI Facilities Committee volunteers! Chairman William Tefteller and committee members Myron Flindt, Jerry Dunham, and Lois Olsen dedicated a combined total of more than 500 hours since July 1 preparing our newest OLLI classroom, Bradley 2, and providing audio-visual training and support for our fall leaders. Special kudos go to Robert Van Bokkelen and Bruce Nikolai, who offered assistance when they could. The new room provides greater capacity than other venues, and it keeps members from racing across town to attend these popular lectures.

Photo: Bruce Nikolai, Jerry Dunham & William Tefteller (L-R) mount a 15’ screen on Bradley 2 wall.

Jon Timko, Community Manager for the Craig Student Living complex, is eager to make OLLI members feel at home. At the OLLI Class Preview in August, Jon thanked OLLI members and shared his vision for an inter-generational “campus.” Said Jon, “Our younger students benefit from having OLLI share this facility, and we want OLLI members to feel a part of the Craig family and know they’re appreciated.” He also announced new Craig Hall improvements and perks for OLLI members:

• New Bradley 2 Classroom (with 130 seats comfy seats!)
• Expanded parking (5 accessible spots, six reserved)
• Gravel overflow lot (leveled & new lighting by Oct. 1)
• OLLI Meal Specials: ALL YOU CAN EAT breakfast or lunch for just $4.97 each! (includes tax)
• OLLI Drink Special ($1.29 Grande coffee; then save your receipt for .99 refills)...or bring your own mug for .99 drop coffee all day

Download an updated Craig Hall map or pick up a copy in OLLI classroom or the office.

FALL 2017 CALENDAR

Mark your calendars!

September 5 .................. Fall Classes Start. Happy Learning!
October 2 ..................... Spring ’18 Course Proposals Due
October 18 ..................... Fall General Meeting with Featured Speaker Dina Zaphiris
October 18 ..................... Summer ’18 Course Proposals Due
November 2 .................... Broadway Sacramento Bus Trip: “Beautiful: The Carole King Musical”
November 10 ................. Veterans’ Day Observed. No Classes Held
November 20-24 ............. Thanksgiving Break. No Classes Held
December 13 ................. OLLI Holiday Luncheon

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