ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING APRIL 17, 11:30AM – 1PM

Annual Business Meeting scheduled for April 17 at Masonic Family Center

Enjoy a light lunch, mingle with friends, and learn more about the key issues facing OLLI this year. A deeper discussion follows on where we’re headed and how best to get there. This annual meeting offers members a forum for understanding how OLLI operates.

In addition to reviewing last year’s budget and this year’s forecast, plus presenting the proposed 2019-2020 budget, everyone will be invited to share their vision for OLLI in the future. Where do you see OLLI in five years? What kind of classes, travel, and other learning opportunities would you like to see offered? We’d love to hear from you!

SPRING LUNCHEON WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 11:30AM – 1PM

A celebration of those who made OLLI tick this academic year

Join us as we pause our busy schedules to thank our 130 incredible volunteer instructors who make OLLI possible. They take time from their lives to share something valuable, whether it's expanding our knowledge about science, stretching our legs on a hike, or challenging us to see the world in a different way. We honor their contributions at the Spring Luncheon, where OLLI buys lunch for our 2018-19 peer leaders and acknowledges their commitment.

Join us at Canyon Oaks Country Club, 11:30am-1pm, Wednesday, May 8. Reserve and pay online or print a reservation form to mail in (or drop off) at your convenience. Peer Leaders will receive a separate invitation, with special instructions for their complementary ticket. Questions? Call the OLLI office at (530) 898-6679.

SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION FOR OLLI PEER LEADERS

Share a few nice words about a peer leader who made a difference this year

Our volunteer instructors spend considerable time and energy creating OLLI classes for you. Some of the classes require hours of preparation; all require thought and dedication. Do you have some words of appreciation you’d like to direct to a particular peer leader(s)? Your comments will be shared at the spring appreciation luncheon held in honor of our 2018-19 instructors. Use the “Have Something to Share?” link at the bottom of this bulletin or email the OLLI office at olli@csuchico.edu. The Spring Luncheon is May 8 at Canyon Oaks Country Club. Sign-ups start April 12. See details above.
HONORING CALIFORNIA WATER SERVICE

OLLI Gold Sponsor Cal Water lends a helping hand in Paradise

In November, after the tragic wildfires struck Paradise, Cal Water gave assistance to the community of Paradise by sending teams and equipment from across the state to help aid and rebuild the damage done there. Cal Water holds an annual H2O challenge, which is offered to elementary schools across California. This year, Chico’s very own 4th grade class of Sierra View Elementary School won first place in the competition! They developed a plan to help restore the ecosystem and communities affected by the fire. Thank you, Cal Water, for your support of OLLI and our surrounding communities!

FORMER OLLI MEMBER HARRY KESHET BACK IN CHICO

Free workshop on spiritual & emotional growth

Come listen to clinical and organizational psychologist Harry Keshet talk about the relationship between the brain, emotional life, and how to achieve greater peace and well-being through spiritual practice. For years, Harry led the popular Bagavad Gita class, where he shared his long personal history of study, practice, and teaching Eastern and Western spiritual traditions. This April workshop is filled with lively discussions and experimental exercises. Join Harry on Monday, April 29, from 3 – 4:30pm in Gordon 1.

SUMMER BUS TRIP

Sign up to see the play OKLAHOMA! (read Playbill reviews)

Join us on Sunday, June 30, 11am – 8pm at Broadway Music Circus in Sacramento.

Ticket Price (including bus fare, a theater ticket & driver gratuity):
OLLI Member and Guests: $130/ticket

Registration and Payments are DUE By May 15, 2019

Tickets can be purchased today online, by mail, or by calling the office.

CHICO HEARING AID CENTER CELEBRATES 70 YEARS

May is Better Hearing Month

Chico Hearing Aid Center is celebrating 70 years of "changing lives through better hearing," and they are bringing their celebration to OLLI. In honor of Better Hearing Month, Chico Hearing Aid Center will set up their Hearing Check Kiosk in the lobby of The Social Chico, near the entrance to the cafeteria on April 29, 30, and May 1 between 12—1:30pm.

Because hearing loss is usually a gradual process, your hearing can deteriorate without you being aware of it. We hope you'll take a few minutes to check out your hearing health. Chico Hearing Aid Center is a family-owned business and proud sponsor of OLLI, helping people enjoy life through better hearing since 1949. You can reach them directly at (530) 342-8132 or visit their website at www.ChicoHearingAidCenter.com.
OLLI VOLUNTEERS MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Experience, enthusiasm, and expertise help OLLI thrive

Two years ago, OLLI member and peer leader Debbie Vermette volunteered to help out in the OLLI office. A retired CSU, Chico staff member, Debbie offers skills and experience that enable OLLI to get more work done—without the extra expense of additional staff hours. Debbie plays a key role in the leadership of the annual play festival (which launched successfully on April 11!), she is an active member of the Advisory Council, she leads a popular art class, and she assists with outreach and recruitment activities in the office for several hours every Tuesday. Says Debbie, “OLLI provides so much to me in wonderful friendships and learning opportunities that I love giving back!”

Have you ever considered volunteering for OLLI? Would you like to learn more about the volunteer roles we have available? OLLI offers monthly orientation sessions, where prospective volunteers gather to meet OLLI staff and learn more about volunteer opportunities.

The next Volunteer Orientation is on April 24 from 4 – 5pm in Gordon 2 at The Social. RSVP to Gayle Womack at (530) 624-2807, so we know to expect you.

OLLI thanks you, Debbie!

Debbie volunteers 5 hours/week in the OLLI office. She is also an Advisory Council Member, Peer Leader & Office Volunteer

BETTER THAN SUMMER CAMP!

Join us at the Summer Class Preview on May 15 at the Chico Masonic Center

Inspired by all the fun activities we see our kids and grandkids engaged in when we drop them off at summer camp, OLLI offers its own version of summer learning during the entire month of June. Learn more from the summer peer leaders when they speak about their classes at the Summer Class Preview on Wednesday, May 15, from 10am to 12pm, at the Chico Masonic Family Center.

Registration for Summer classes opens on May 16 at 9am. View the summer schedule online or download the printed schedule, which will be available soon.

SPRING 2019 CALENDAR

Mark your calendars!

April 11-13 ................. OLLI Play Festival, 7:30 pm at Blue Room Theater
April 14 ...................... OLLI Play Festival, 2 pm at Blue Room Theater
April 17 ...................... Business Meeting, 11:30am – 1pm at Masonic Family Center
May 8 ........................ Spring Luncheon, 11:30am – 1pm at Canyon Oaks Country Club
May 10 ....................... Spring Classes End
May 15 ....................... Summer Class Preview
May 16 ....................... Summer Registration Day
June 3 ........................ First Day of Summer Classes
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