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Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at CSU, Chico

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FALL REALLY IS IN THE AIR!

OLLI classes begin Tuesday, September 3

The Fall Term is finally approaching – and fast! Have you already signed up for <u>classes</u>? Remember the **5-class limit was lifted on Thursday, Aug. 29**. Now you can enroll in as many classes as you'd like, space permitting. **On a wait list?** The office staff is coordinating with peer leaders to make more room, where appropriate. And if you can't get in this fall, you'll have priority registration privileges for the same class in spring— or whenever it's offered again. We'll reach out to you as we know more. Have **questions?** Don't hesitate to call the office at (530) 898-6679.



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OLLI'S PRIMARY CLASSROOM COMPLEX GOT A MAKE OVER THIS SUMMER

Fresh paint, new carpeting...The Social Chico is ready for fall!

Who can forget the construction projects rattling The Social Chico last spring? Ugh. Good news is the racket is quieting, with a calmer learning environment on the fall menu. **OLLI classrooms are in the same locations, with the same names**; however, the buildings themselves have new identifiers: west, central, and east. Gordon classrooms are housed in what's now "The Social West" building; Bradley rooms are in "The Social East." The cafeteria, located in the center of the complex, is, you guessed it, at "Social Central." Handsome new signage on our classroom doors makes the rooms themselves easier to find. So does the bright red paint!

The cafeteria remains open to OLLI members at \$7, all-you-can-eat. For those keeping track, this is an increase over last year. Apparently, management underestimated how much we can eat, so they've made some adjustments to the price accordingly. OLLI meal cards will be ready soon, too, for the purpose of reducing the lunch-line wait! You'll be learning more about meal card options soon.

Remember to thank The Social Chico staff when you see them around the complex. While these upgrades were disruptive last spring, OLLI has benefited from the changes—without a rental fee increase passed along to OLLI so far.



Volunteers William Tefteller (top) & Jerry Dunham model some of the new features.



LONG-TERM CARE PLANNING WORKSHOP—FREE!

Estate and long-term care planning-sponsored by Passages

On Wednesday, September 11, from 9:30am to 12:30pm, OLLI Sponsor Nicole Plottel, who headlined the OLLI General Meeting last spring, will join Edward Jones financial consultant David Green, in a free workshop on planning—and why it's important. Tips for getting started with your estate plan and strategies for retirement income will be the major topics of discussion. Seating is limited. To reserve your spot, call (530) 898-5923.

The meeting is free and open to the public Butte Creek Country Club located at 175 Estates Drive

CELEBRATING OLLI ARTISTS & VOLUNTEERS

80 members, family, and friends on hand for art opening

As the paint is still drying on the walls of OLLI's largest classroom, a full crowd turned out to witness the **multi-artist, multi-medium exhibit "Flights of Fancy"** last weekend. With airplanes suspended from the ceiling and painted birds and planes adorning the walls, the Bradley 2 classroom is fully alive with color and whimsy.

We hope you will take some time this fall to witness the scene for yourself, with special thanks to artists **Gary Hendrickson, Jack Lee, Carol Burr, and Bill Augros, Frank Womack** and the entire gallery committee, led by Maria Cimino. The OLLI Gallery was made possible by a generous donation from long-time Peer Leader Jim Kirks, who envisioned a gathering place in which to celebrate the many talented people in our lifelong learning program. **Photos from top:** OLLI members Stew and Sue Monroe hear from model-maker Gary Hendrickson. **Bottom:** Carol Burr's life-like illustration of a belted kingfisher.

MEMBER-LED, MEMBER-DRIVEN

OLLI satellite office ("The Annex") is a place to connect

Something that makes OLLI Chico unique from the majority of other Osher Institutes is its member-driven approach to operations. One important contribution is the creation of the **Member Services Desk, located next to the Bradley 2 classroom at The Social Chico**. Fondly tagged "The Annex," OLLI now has a "customer service" presence at the complex where the majority of classes are held, making it easier to respond to questions and help trouble-shoot when problems arise.

OLLI member Paul Coots has recently volunteered to **help recruit more volunteers for The Annex** in order to keep the doors (and windows!) open longer. The primary volunteer requirement is a friendly face. If you are interested in learning more about how you can help at The Annex, please contact Paul at olli@csuchico.edu and put "OLLI Office" in the Subject line. Even one, two-hour shift occasionally would extend our ability to take good care of our members.



Registration Day Volunteers!





WELCOME BACK...BUT, NOT ALL CLASSES START IN SEPTEMBER!

Where am I going? When?!

The OLLI fall term officially starts when it used to when we were kids—the day after Labor Day. But **not all classes begin in September**. Please refer to the <u>Fall Class Schedule</u> for specific start and end times for each class. And mark your calendars. Classes that don't start until November are easy to forget! Not sure where to go? The OLLI home page has a link for the <u>Class Locations</u> & <u>Maps</u> directory. Look for it in the green menu bar. Questions? Call us at (530) 898-6679. We're here to help!

FALL 2019 CALENDAR

Mark your calendars!

September 2 Labor Day (OLLI Closed) September 3 First Day of Fall Classes October 9 Fall Community Speaker Series (General Meeting) November 11 Veterans Day (no classes) December 11 Holiday Luncheon

HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE?

If you have something to say, a photo to share, or a question to pose to the editor, you can submit information using our new "<u>OLLI Newsletter Submission</u>" form.

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