WHAT’S ON YOUR MIND? CHAT WITH OLLI PROGRAM DIRECTOR

*Every Tuesday afternoon at 2:30pm in Bradley 2*

We need your help! The input we have on how OLLI operates and the programs provided continues to be more limited than we like. **To get it right for all of us, we need to hear from more of you.** Losing University financial support has been an operational challenge for OLLI—do you have ideas for how to cover the gap without passing all of those costs onto members? Do you have ideas for possible classes? Suggestions for peer leaders and/or how to recruit them?

Please join me on Tuesdays at 2:30pm in Bradley 2, or leave me a message at (530) 898-5858 and we'll find a time to talk.

FALL GENERAL MEETING: DE-POLARIZING PUBLIC DISCOURSE

*Wednesday, October 10, from 11:30am to 1pm, at the Chico Masonic Family Center on W. East*

Americans are more politically polarized than at any time in recent decades, making civil discourse across lines of difference—even at the family dinner table—increasingly rare. At the OLLI Fall General Meeting on October 10, **Dr. McCarthy draws on her decades of research in interreligious relations to make sense of the current political divide and offers local strategies for finding common ground across the red-blue divide.**

Join us for this **free lecture**, and invite friends and family members to be part of this important conversation! Healthy snacks and beverages provided! For more about Dr. McCarthy and the General Meeting program, [visit the OLLI website](#).
OLLI MEMBER’S SCREENPLAY SELECTED FOR OAXACA FILMFEST

Lynn Elliott’s “Alta California” is a finalist in international festival

OLLI Peer Leader Lynn Elliott heads to Oaxaca, Mexico for a week long, international film festival experience next month. Lynn's screenplay, Alta California, was selected as a finalist in the category of Global Script Challenge. One of 20 finalists internationally, this honor opens the possibility of meeting producers who might be interested in finding financing to make Lynn’s movie. Alta California explores the decimation of California Indian tribes from what were once 500 in California. The festival winner will be announced at the final gala event on October 11.

Emeritus Professor of English and Creative Writing at CSU, Chico, Lynn is also an award-winning playwright, winning four different national awards for four different plays. He has written three screenplays, a novel, and autobiographical work, which was developed into a play. Lynn currently teaches Myths, Legends & Tales of the Celts for OLLI on Mondays from 8:30 to 10am in Bradley 2.

OLLI CHICO SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL STUDY

“Successful Aging Project” seeks to change the paradigm on aging

On October 10, Dr. Bonnie Kenaley, Associate Professor from the School of Social Work at Boise State University, will host a one-day workshop via Skype to advance new research on aging. OLLI Chico was selected as one of only three OLLIs to participate in this research study, and members enrolled in Dr. Kenaley’s class, titled “Successful Aging Project,” will learn more about her inspiration for the study and how the findings can impact national policy. The study’s results will assist the World Health Organization in establishing a contemporary definition of successful aging, which will better inform national policy makers for revising standards of care for older adults as well as developing and implementing evidence-based interventions to promote better health outcomes.

There are still seats in the class if you’d like to participate on Oct. 10. The class meets from 10-11am in Bradley 1, and Dr. Kenaley will address the group via video. After her introduction, members will be asked to complete an anonymous survey, which she estimates will take about 20 minutes to complete. An electronic version of the study will also be available after Oct. 10 for members who’d like to participate from the comfort of their own home office. We’ll send out a reminder, and a link, next month.

FALL 2018 CALENDAR

Mark your calendars!

October 1 .........................Spring ’19 Course Proposals Due
October 10 .......................General Meeting (Masonic Family Center)
October 16 & 23 ...............Hearing Workshop (OLLI Office)
November 12 ....................Veterans’ Day Observed. No classes Held.
November 19-23 ...............Thanksgiving Break. No Classes Held
December 12 .....................Holiday Luncheon
December 14 .....................Last Day of Fall Classes (All Locations)