INTRODUCTION:
OLLI at the University of Nevada, Reno is excited to offer online programs to help members meet and learn during our time of physical distancing. Our April 2021 programs are hosted on OLLI’s Zoom account: a web-based software you can download onto your computer, phone or tablet. You do not need to create an account to use this application. Just go to https://zoom.us to get it for your device.
The Zoom link for each program will be provided in OLLI Weekly’s program listings. If you are not receiving the OLLI Weekly emails, please notify the office at olli@unr.edu.

HOW TO USE THIS CATALOG:
This month’s programs are listed in two sections.
• Multi-session Programs meeting several times this month. These programs will be listed by the day of the week.
• Single Programs are listed in chronological order, by date and then by time.
“IG” after a program title indicates an Interest Group/ongoing class that meets throughout the year.
“*PRQ*” after a program title indicates advanced pre-registration is required to participate in this program. Specific pre-registration instructions will be just below the program description.
For all Outdoor Activities, see ollireno.com/outdoor.
All programs start promptly at the time specified.

MULTI-SESSION PROGRAMS:

Mondays:
French 2 — Conversation IG
Meets weekly on April 5, 12, 19 and 26 at 12 p.m.
Presenter: Cora Robey, Ph.D., OLLI member
This class is for students who have some previous knowledge of French and would like to review and build upon that knowledge. We will practice dialogues written to help travelers and those who love France and its cultural traditions. Students also will converse in French about their experiences and interests. For more information, contact Cora at corarobey@sbcglobal.net.

Warm Hats for Cool Heads IG
Meets on April 12 and 26 at 2 p.m.
Facilitator: Leslie Davis, OLLI member
Knit and/or crochet hats and scarves for Reno’s homeless and needy. Share patterns, techniques and inspiration while satisfying our need to create and our desire to support the community. Experience the glow of gratification by providing a thing of beauty and comfort to a fellow human in need.

Tuesdays:
Ukulele 2 — Intermediate IG
Meets weekly on April 6, 13, 20 and 27 at 12 p.m.
Presenter: William Papa, ukulele instructor
Intermediate ukulele is for those familiar with the instrument and who feel comfortable reading music. If you already have taken the beginning ukulele class, this intermediate class will continue your ukulele adventure. For more information, email baldrica@charter.net with “OLLI Ukulele 2” in the subject line.

Ukulele 1 — Beginners IG
Meets weekly on April 6, 13, 20 and 27 at 2 p.m.
Presenter: William Papa, ukulele instructor
Ever wanted to play the ukulele? Learn the correct way to hold the instrument and two chords for playing multiple songs. For more information, email baldrica@charter.net with “OLLI Ukulele 1” in the subject line.
**Cracker Barrel IG**
Meets weekly on April 6, 13, 20 and 27 at 2 p.m.
**Facilitator:** LaMerne Kozlowski, OLLI member
Ongoing discussions of current affairs of municipal, state, national and international interest modeled on the old-time, free-wheeling exchange of opinions by those who desire to be heard among their peers. Subjects will vary based on the interests of the participants. For more information, contact LaMerne Kozlowski at lamernekozlowski@att.net or (775) 358-1746.

**Wednesdays:**

**Sudoku Strategies **PRQ**
Meets on April 7, 14, 21 and 28 at 10 a.m.
**Presenter:** Russell Abbott
Sudoku has become one of the most popular puzzles. The fun thing about Sudoku is that it does not involve math, but rather just basic logic. Once you learn this logic, your brain will feel healthier and your confidence will grow. Learn a simple four-step system that will help you understand the logic needed to successfully solve puzzles. Each class will be valuable to both the beginner and the expert.
PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED: email russellabbott1977@gmail.com by April 4 with “OLLI Sudoku” in the subject line.

**Reading Poetry Together IG**
Meets on April 7 and 21 at 2 p.m.
**Facilitators:** Tom Wolf and OLLI members
Explore insights and pleasures in response to poetry. Group members will share poems that are meaningful to them. For more information, email Tom Wolf at tewolf1960@gmail.com with “Reading Poetry” in the subject line.

**Great Decisions 2021**
Meets on April 14, 21 and 28 at 2 p.m.
**Facilitator:** Anne Stilwill, OLLI Advisory Council member
Great Decisions is America’s largest discussion program on world affairs. Participants read the annual Great Decisions 2021 Briefing Book and meet in a group to watch the DVD and discuss the most critical global issues facing America today. Please purchase your own Briefing Book (about $30) at http://www.fpa.org, and read the first chapter before our initial class meeting. More information about the program and materials can be found on the Foreign Policy Association’s website at www.fpa.org/great_decisions. For more information about the Great Decisions program at OLLI, please contact Anne Stilwill at annestilwill@gmail.com.

**Thursdays:**

**Cracker Barrel IG**
(see Tuesdays for description)
Meets weekly on April 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 at 10 a.m.

**Reading Great Literature IG**
Meets on April 1 and 15 at 10 a.m.
**Facilitator:** Susan Nielsen, OLLI member
Read and discuss selections from The Norton Anthology of World Literature Third Edition, Volumes A, B, C, and D, E, F, available in paperback in two distinct sets from Amazon or used booksellers. Readings are selected by the group each semester. Together we explore the big ideas and issues of the readings in a historical and contemporary context. For more information, contact Susan Nielsen at (775) 881-8070 or susancosmicdance@gmail.com.

**Big Questions IG**
Meets on April 8 and 22 at 2 p.m.
**Facilitators:** Larry Marshall and Debbie Bartley, OLLI members
A challenging and engaging book discussion group for individuals seeking new insights into the big questions of our lives. Past areas of inquiry have been science, religion, philosophy, history, politics and economics. Group members select, read and then discuss a book for several sessions. For more information, contact Larry Marshall at olli.big.questions@gmail.com.

**Fridays:**

**Germanic Medieval Classics**
Meets on April 2 and 16 at 10 a.m.
**Presenter:** Phil Boardman, Ph.D., professor emeritus of English, UNR, OLLI member
Explore the growing interest in love and romance in medieval German literary culture. Pre-read the recommended translations to get more out of these great stories:

French 3 — Advanced IG
Meets weekly on April 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 at 12 p.m.
Presenter: Arlette Lessig, OLLI member
This French class is for students fluent enough to exchange ideas comfortably with others in a relaxed, conversational setting. Some new vocabulary will be introduced on topics of interest to the students. For more information, contact Arlette at arlettebiche@yahoo.com.

SINGLE PROGRAMS:

Thursday, April 1
12 p.m.
How to Read Memoir
Presenter: Kathleen Boardman, Ph.D., professor emeritus of English, UNR, OLLI member
Memoir has become an increasingly popular genre, and readers have begun asking questions about this type of writing. What are reasonable expectations for truth in memoir? What are the memoirist’s responsibilities to the audience, the story, and the people they write about? What happens when memoirs are co-written or ghost-written, as so many are? Let’s explore the development and even politics of memoir, with examples from a wide variety of authors.

Friday, April 2
12 p.m.
Poetry of Comfort and Hope
Presenters: Gailmarie Pahmeier, MFA, Dept. of English, UNR, Lindsay Wilson, M.A., MFA, professor of English, TMCC, et al
Celebrate National Poetry month by experiencing the power of poetry to comfort us in troubled times and inspire hope for the future. Join local poets Gailmarie Pahmeier, Lindsay Wilson and special guests as they read original poems and those by poets throughout the ages that have special meaning in their lives.

Monday, April 5
2 p.m.
Chair Yoga
Presenter: Diane Dunn, MFA, yoga instructor
Are you uncomfortable getting up and down from the floor? Do you sit most of the day in a chair at work or at home and need a break to stretch out those muscles and clear your mind? Note: this is the last session of this series.

Wednesday, April 7
2 p.m.
OLLI Travelers IG
Facilitator: Judi Whiting
Jim Bonar presents "Lani’s Last Drive" as they traveled to Amarillo Texas, for the 31st Palo Duro Jeep Jamboree outing. This trip was a little different than others, and you will see why.

Thursday, April 8
12 p.m.
Medieval Food — From Enormous Banquets to Empty Pies: Makings Meals and Feasting Foods
Presenter: Edward Schoolman, Ph.D., associate professor, Department of History, UNR
It is hard to imagine European cuisine today without 1,000 years of trade and adoption from other cultures and continents: No pasta, no potatoes, no peppers, no tomatoes. Learn about the foodways and feasts of the European Middle Ages from 590 to 1100, and how those living in the period ate, from rich to poor. See a short demonstration of the making of a torta munda, an “empty pie,” based on evidence from 10th century charters.

Friday, April 9
10 a.m.
Espionage Books IG: The Spy and the Traitor by Ben Macintyre
Facilitator: Kenn Rohrs, OLLI member
Join other readers to discuss spy novels and discover new authors and plot twists.
See https://ollirenoebgeb.blogspot.com for more information.

2 p.m.
OLLI Crafts Fair
Facilitators: LaMerne Kozlowski and Alice Baldrica, OLLI Members
Our first virtual Crafts Fair! Each crafter will have a set time to introduce their craft and showcase their wares.
PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR CRAFTERS to be included in the program.
Email lamernekozlowski@att.net by April 3.
Monday, April 12
10 a.m.
Maximizing Your Wealth in Retirement
Presenter: Benson Mathews, CFP
Stepping into retirement can be challenging on many fronts. Learn sound financial planning strategies that help you not run out of money as you focus on what is most important to you.

12 p.m.
Mystery Books IG: Murder Below Montparnasse by Cara Black
Facilitator: Kenn Rohrs, OLLI member
Join fellow mystery buffs to discuss mysteries of all types — from cozies to hard-boiled crime fiction. See http://ollirenomysterybg.blogspot.com for more information.

Tuesday, April 13
10 a.m.
Facilitator: Kenn Rohrs, OLLI member
Discuss books with topics of wildlife, ecology and the natural world and our place in it. Explore the literature of landscape, place, natural history and the environment. See http://ollirenonatbooks.blogspot.com for more information.

Thursday, April 15
2 p.m.
Waste, Weeds, and Watershed: Keeping the Truckee Meadows Beautiful
Presenters: Haylie Brown, Community Programs AmeriCorps, and Kim Rios, community educator, Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful
Learn about the most pressing local environmental issues, and the difference you can make in your community. Understand how we can reduce waste, keep nonpoint source pollutants from entering our waterways, and prevent the spread of noxious weeds.

Friday, April 16
2 p.m.
Novel Takes on Shakespeare's Tales: New Boy by Tracy Chevalier — a re-imagining of Othello
Presenter: Joe Sanpietro, Ph.D., instructor of English, TMCC
In 2013, Hogarth Press invited modern authors to re-imagine some of Shakespeare's most famous plays. Let’s explore these novels within the context of Shakespeare's source material as we analyze how modern authors tie their work to the Bard.
Session 4 (May 14): pre-read Hag-Seed by Margaret Atwood — a new take on The Tempest

Monday, April 19
10 a.m.
Tahoe Pyramid Trail Update
Presenter: Janet Phillips, president, Tahoe-Pyramid Trail
Learn about the latest construction and what’s to come on this unique foot/bicycle trail that will eventually follow the entire length of the Truckee River from Lake Tahoe to Pyramid Lake. When fully completed, the 114-mile long trail will descend over 2,000 feet, using a combination of existing roads, bike paths and historic roads, as well as many new sections of trail and connecting bridges.

Wednesday, April 21
10 a.m.
Elder Law and Preserving Your Privacy and Dignity
Presenter: Richard Schulze, J.D.
Learn how to effectively communicate your wishes in the event of a health care crisis or long term disability. Everyone will face tough times in life when we cannot make our own decisions regarding health care or living situation, and face the risks presented by others making decisions for us. Leaving effective instructions and guidelines can make all the difference for you and your loved ones.

Share your ideas for programs
The Programs Committee needs help finding new ideas for programs and presenters! Please contact Alice Yucht at programs@ollireno.org for more info about working on/with the Programs Committee for 2021.
Chautauqua: Mrs. John Mackay
Presenter: Veronica Fraser, community theater actor, OLLI member
Join Veronica Fraser in her first Chautauqua performance as Marie Louise Hungerford Bryant Mackay, the wife of "Bonanza King" John Mackay. The Mackays loved and respected each other, and their families were intensely protective of one another. The presence of the Bonanza King and the "Queen of the Comstock" are still felt in Reno through endowments by the Mackay and related Hawkins families.

Friday, April 23
12 p.m.
Acting Dynasties
Presenter: Jim Bernardi, Ph.D., professor emeritus of theatre and dance, UNR, OLLI member
Clowns and trapeze artists, as well individuals in other crafts and professions, are often members of the same family. Acting is no different: talent is often passed on to or developed by subsequent generations who continue in the family business. Let's explore this phenomenon focusing primarily on the Booths, the Redgraves, the Barrymores and several others.

2 p.m.
Potpourri of Politics
Presenter: Fred Lokken, M.A., professor of political science, TMCC
The world of politics — whether at the local, state, regional, national or international level — seems to change every five minutes, which can make it hard to sort it all out. Our well-known political pundit will discuss what's topical at the time of his talk.

Thursday, April 29
2 p.m.
Discovering Reno's Natural History Wonders
Presenters: Cecilia Vigil, D.V.M., instructor of biology, TMCC and Megan Lahti, Ph.D., professor of biology, TMCC
With a passion for the outdoors and nerding out on anything that is science, Cecilia and Megan have found much to explore in northern Nevada. The area's natural history is unique and fascinating, from the geologic forces that shaped the landscape and prevailing climate to the organisms who have found ways to survive inhospitable conditions.

OLLI Outdoor Activities:
Please check ollireno.com/outdoor for weekly information for all activities. The health and safety precautions are on the website. All who are interested in any of the activities should sign up for the mailing list. All weekly activities require participants to register in advance. Although we welcome members who are new to OLLI outdoor activities, we do request, because of COVID-19 concerns, you sign up only for those activities that are well within your current level of fitness. We are delighted to offer our full panoply of activities while keeping everyone safe and socially distanced.

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