INTRODUCTION:
OLLI at the University of Nevada is excited to offer both online and in-person programs at our Moana campus. Please visit our new website at https://med.unr.edu/olli.

OLLI Program locations:
ZOOM: online only.
MOANA: in-person only.
HYBRID: simultaneous online via Zoom OR in-person attendance at Moana.
OFF-SITE: in-person, not on campus.

For in-person programs, masks are required for all indoor activities regardless of vaccination status against COVID-19. Available seating will depend on room capacity, and pre-registration may be required.

If required, the pre-registration link will be found below the program description. If you do not have internet, pre-register by leaving a voicemail message at (775) 241-8474 (must include area code when calling). State your name and program for which you are pre-registering.

Zoom classes are hosted on OLLI’s Zoom account: a free, web-based software that you can download, without needing to create an account, onto your computer, phone or tablet. Go to https://zoom.us to get it for your device. Links for Zoom and Hybrid programs will be in the OLLI Weekly’s program listings.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES GROUPS:
With winter upon us, most of the Outdoor Activity Groups are on hiatus until the spring. Our intrepid Thursday Hikers continue, weather permitting, all year. The Reno winters are moderate and the hiking group descends from the Sierras to enjoy the desert and the local Reno foothills. On Mondays through February there will be light hike-walk activities. As soon as there is adequate snow the Snowshoers will commence events. We hope to offer a variety of snowshoe activities from relaxing to vigorous, with all dependent on road and snow conditions. Please visit ollireno.com/outdoor for up-to-date information. All activities require participants to be an OLLI member, to have signed a current liability waiver and to register in advance. We welcome all first-timers but please ensure that you sign up for activities that are within your current level of fitness.
PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Wednesday, December 1

**World War II: Origins to 1940**

**HYBRID:** 10 a.m. (Final of 3 sessions)
Presenter: Neal Ferguson, Ph.D., professor emeritus of history and dean emeritus of Extended Studies, UNR, OLLI member
This series will cover a variety of topics stressing the years from 1931 to 1940 including Japan’s Asian strategy, U.S.-Japanese tensions, the rise of fascism in Germany, German military theory and rearmament, Churchill’s phoenix-like rise, the Battle of Britain and the beginnings of Soviet and U.S. military preparedness.

**CLASS FULL. CLICK LINK FOR WAIT LIST ONLY:**

**Maximizing Health and Well-being When I’m 64 (or even more...)**

**HYBRID:** 12 p.m.
Presenter: Michael Lollich, M.S., former CEO of Carson Medical Group, OLLI member
It’s been more than 50 years since the Beatles sang this ditty about growing older, and now, here we are. By 2025, more people in the United States will be over 65 than under age 13. The U.S. health care system is as yet ill-prepared for the number of seniors or the complexity of their medical needs. This presentation will look at America’s aging demographic and the health care system’s strengths and weaknesses related to caring for the increasing senior population. Then we’ll focus on the science of aging and strategies that seniors can use to optimize their health and wellness.

**Movies with Robin Holabird**

**MOANA:** 2 p.m. (3 sessions: Dec. 1 and 15, Jan. 26, 2022)
Presenter: Robin Holabird, film reviewer
Travel with author Robin Holabird ("Around the World in 80 Movies") to bucket list destinations like Tuscany and Lake Tahoe. On December 1, see parts of Tuscany with Cher, Judi Dench, Maggie Smith and Lily Tomlin in Director Franco Zeffirelli’s fond memories of growing up in Italy during World War II, *Tea with Mussolini*. On December 15, hear Whitney Houston sing off stage during *The Bodyguard* with Kevin Costner. The series will conclude on January 26 with the mob-related adventure *Smokin’ Aces* and an all-star cast (Ben Affleck, Chris Pine, Ryan Reynolds and Alicia Keys) at South Lake Tahoe.

**OLLI Travelers: "We Saved the Best ‘til Last"**

**HYBRID:** 2 p.m.
Facilitator: Judi Whiting, OLLI member
Floyd and Judi Whiting take a road trip to pick up their 49th and 50th states. Along the way there are historic trails, national parks and some surprising discoveries.

**PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR IN-PERSON:**

Thursday, December 2

**Great Stories from Opera and Lots of Great Music Too!**

**HYBRID:** 2 p.m. (This is a 2-hour class session)
Presenter: Lynne Gray, Ph.D., OLLI Advisory Council
Why do so many people love opera? Partly it’s the music, partly it’s the stories, partly it’s the incredible spectacle of the costumes and the sets, but mostly it’s the thrilling emotional power of the human voice. In this month’s class you will get an in-depth introduction to the Metropolitan Opera’s "Live in HD" transmissions to local movie theaters for December. We have another brand-new opera this time — *Eurydice* by LA Opera’s young artist in residence, Matthew Aucoin, who has been called a modern Mozart. We’ll also do a quick run through of the Met’s Holiday offerings — Massenet’s *Cinderella* and Mozart’s *The Magic Flute*. As usual, you will hear clips from some of opera's most amazing voices and learn about the stories, the music, the history and the stars who will be thrilling audiences around the world this month.

Friday, December 3

**Alaska to Siberia: A Flying Adventure in Memory of WWII**

**MOANA:** 10 a.m.
Presenter: Everett Long, retired Alaskan bush pilot and aviation historian
In June 1990, at the invitation of the mayor of Yakutsk and the Soviet government, Everett flew from Fairbanks to Yakutsk to retrace a portion of the lend-lease route of WWII. He will share memories and pictures from that trip.

**PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR IN-PERSON:**
Oregon's Covered Bridges

HYBRID: 12 p.m.
Presenter: Jim Bernardi, Ph.D., professor emeritus of theatre and dance, UNR, OLLI member
There is something about a covered bridge which brings back memories of the past and the romance of a bygone age, which is why the abundance of covered bridges in our neighbor to the north is so amazing. There are 52 covered bridges spread throughout the state. Visiting them is a marvelous way of exploring the less-traveled routes or deviations from the four-lane freeways and seeing the character of the people and towns beyond the interstate. Let’s look at some of these bridges, talk about their origins and functions, and discuss possible trips to maximize the number of sites to be visited.
PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR IN-PERSON: https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/6512429/OLLI-Dec21

Holiday Candle Wreath Workshop Redux

MOANA: 2 p.m.
Presenters: Sue Buckmaster and Toni Chaucer, OLLI members
Create a candle wreath for your holiday celebration! Instructors will provide a work mat for each participant, a circular base and a circular pattern to take home, pine cones and a variety of natural materials and a large box to transport your project home. Participants should bring a glue gun, 5-7 glue sticks and an extension cord (6- or 10-foot size). Although not necessary, those who wish to bring some decorative ribbon, etc., to add as a finishing touch may do so. This workshop is limited to 10 participants. If you have any questions, please email Sue Buckmaster at waltsue62@gmail.com.
PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR IN-PERSON: https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/6512429/OLLI-Dec21

Immunology for Seniors

HYBRID: 2 p.m.
Presenter: Marshall Postman, M.D., OLLI member
Dr. Postman will present information on four immunizations of vital importance for seniors and will discuss the causes, signs and symptoms, and treatment of the diseases in addition to their vaccines. He will begin with introductory remarks on immunology as background for how vaccines work.
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Monday, December 6

Chorus: Holiday Concert

HYBRID: 2 p.m.
Facilitator: Jim Heller, M.A., OLLI member
The OLLI Chorus has been practicing all year to bring the musical magic of the holidays to our members. The program will feature songs celebrating the season, including familiar carols, songs for Hanukkah and Kwanzaa as well as some lighter numbers. A feature this year is the inclusion of the "Huron Carol," honoring our nation's first people. In-person seating is limited, so please register soon.
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Wednesday, December 8

Nature Lovers’ Book Discussion Group: Woolly: The True Story of the Quest to Revive One of History’s Most Iconic Extinct Creatures by Ben Mezrich

HYBRID: 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. Everyone who is interested is welcome to join the discussion. See http://ollirenonatbooks.blogspot.com for more information.

Sir Gawain and the Green Knight: An Arthurian Christmas

MOANA: 2 p.m.
Presenter: Joe Sanpietro, M.A., instructor, TMCC
When the Pearl Poet wrote "Sir Gawain and the Green Knight," he gave us a unique look at the festivals and feasts that surrounded the end-of-the-year celebrations and Christmas. While experts agree that the legendary king of the Britons was first mentioned in 829, this work published in the late 14th century gives us an intimate look at the grandeur and majesty of Camelot, the start of modern Christmas caroling and the need for a good story to get it all started.

Thursday, December 9

Wetland Birds of Northern Nevada

HYBRID: 12 p.m.
Presenter: Alan Gubanich, Ph.D., associate professor emeritus of biology, UNR, OLLI member
To an out-of-state traveler in Nevada, the landscape looks barren and desolate. One would hardly expect to see ducks, terns, swans, egrets, shorebirds and other water-loving birds in a state covered by sagebrush and salt desert scrub. But Nevada does have lakes, ponds and waterways that are regularly used by over 60 bird species. Join Alan Gubanich, long-time member of our local Audubon society, who will use taxidermy mounts and photos to show you the diversity of wetland birds that can be found in northern Nevada.
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Medieval Spain

**MOANA: 2 p.m.**
Presenter: Dianne Cheseldine, M.A., professor emeritus, TMCC
In 711, members of the Umayyads, the first Muslim dynasty and newly converted Berbers from North Africa landed in Gibraltar, starting the long period of Muslim rule on the Iberian Peninsula, which ended with the famous fall of Granada in 1492. During much of that long period, Muslim, Jewish and Christian philosophers, poets, architects, artisans and musicians created a fascinating world of mutual understanding and beauty, often referred to in Spain as the “convivencia.” Dianne will share images, writings and observations to create lively impressions of this unique period in the history of the world.

Friday, December 10

**Espionage Books Discussion Group: Our Man in Havana by Graham Greene**

**HYBRID: 10 a.m.**
Facilitator: Kenn Rohrs, OLLI member
Join other readers to discuss spy novels and discover new authors and plot twists. Everyone who is interested is welcome to join the discussion. See [https://ollirenoebg@blogspot.com](https://ollirenoebg@blogspot.com) for more information.

**How the West Was Settled Part 2 — The Gold Rush**

**HYBRID: 12 p.m.**
 Presenter: Jim Bonar, M.Ed., OLLI member
What do we know about the prospectors who made the journey to California for the Gold Rush? How did they travel? What did they bring? Who were these people? What did they wear? If you have a specific question on “how” (not about a specific person) Jim will try to answer those questions during this presentation.

**PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR IN-PERSON:**

**Potpouri of Politics**

**HYBRID: 2 p.m.**
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. TMCC political science professor and well-known northern Nevada pundit Fred Lokken will discuss what’s topical at the time of his talk.

**PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED FOR IN-PERSON:**

Monday, December 13

**Mystery Books Discussion Group: The Daughter of Time by Josephine Tey**

**HYBRID: 12 p.m.**
Facilitator: Kenn Rohrs, OLLI member
Join fellow mystery buffs to discuss mysteries of all types — from cozies to hard-boiled crime fiction. Everyone who is interested is welcome to join the discussion. See [http://ollirenomysterybg.blogspot.com](http://ollirenomysterybg.blogspot.com) for more information.

**hOLLIday Social Event**

**ZOOM: 2 p.m.**
Facilitators: Members of the OLLI Advisory Council
Back by Popular Demand! The second annual ZOOM hOLLIday social event will be returning on December 13 at 2 p.m. Wear your holiday sweaters, enjoy fun games and seasonal beverages along with your OLLI friends. Watch the OLLI Weekly for details.

Wednesday, December 15

**HERstory of US: American History Through Women's Eyes**

**HYBRID: 12 p.m.**
Presenter: Alice Yucht, MLS, OLLI member
Each month we will examine a different time period in U.S. history through a female lens: reading primary sources, biographies and historical fiction to understand the cultural, economic and societal expectations that shaped the lives of women in America. See [https://tiny.one/yz-herstory](https://tiny.one/yz-herstory) for each month’s recommended readings. For more information, email yzguide@gmail.com with HERstory in the subject line.

**OLLI Scholarships**

Thanks to the support of Helaine Greenberg, the Karkalik Family, and the Osher Foundation, scholarships and transportation assistance are available. Fill out the [scholarship form](https://ollirenoebg@blogspot.com) and submit it to an OLLI staff member in person, through the mail or by email at olli@unr.edu. For more information call (775) 784-8053. Each application and circumstance is independently reviewed. All information submitted is kept confidential.
## December At a Glance

See [ollireno.com/outdoor/](https://ollireno.com/outdoor/) for Outdoor Activities

**Calendar Key:**
- **Z** = Zoom
- **M** = Moana
- **H** = Hybrid/Moana
- **EC** = Enrollment Closed

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**OLLI is closed December 24, 2021 to January 7, 2022**
Movies with Robin Holabird

MOANA: 2 p.m. (3 sessions: Dec. 1 and 15, Jan. 26, 2022)
See description in December 1 listing

Tuesday, December 21

Underwater Aliens Part 2 — Scuba 101 to the Dreaded Bends

HYBRID: 12 p.m.
Presenter: Karin McCollum, M. Ed., OLLI member
If you're a scuba diver, want to be a scuba diver or are simply interested in the underwater world, this presentation is for you. Personal stories, underwater photos and videos from the 800+ ocean dives Karin has completed will complement this informational show that continues from Underwater Aliens Part 1, shown in the spring of 2020.

INTEREST GROUPS

Mondays

Drop-in Watercolors IG

MOANA: December 13 at 10 a.m.
Facilitator: Larry Jacox, OLLI member
Larry Jacox will join avid watercolorists twice a month to paint. He will provide painting tips and plenty of positive reinforcement. Students should bring all of the supplies they want to use.

French 2 — Conversation IG

ZOOM: December 6, 13 and 20 at 12 p.m.
Presenter: Cora Robey, Ph.D., OLLI member
For students with some previous knowledge of French who would like to review and build on that knowledge. We will practice dialogues written to help travelers and those who love France and its cultural traditions. Students will also converse in French about their experiences and interests. Contact Cora at corarobey@sbcglobal.net for more information.

Tuesdays

Lifescapes

HYBRID: Section A: December 7 at 9:30 a.m.
HYBRID: Section B: December 14 at 9:30 a.m.
Enrollment is closed for this class.

Spanish 3 — Advanced IG

MOANA: December 7 and 14 at 10 a.m.
Presenter: Sandra Bailey, OLLI member
Intermediate level students with some prior knowledge of Spanish will engage in interactive practice in speaking, listening and writing with limited translation. Students will practice verb tenses, grammatical structures and vocabulary. In addition, Sandra will teach students about travel, food, shopping and holidays such as the Day of the Dead, current events, well known persons, art, folk art and points of interest in the Spanish-speaking world. Contact Sandra Bailey at 13moons@seerenotv.com for additional information.

Tech Help: for Computers, Cell Phones, Laptops, Tablets and/or Kindles

MOANA: December 7 and 21 at 12 p.m.
Facilitator: Karen Hanks, OLLI member
This is a drop-in class for anything electronic: Computers (Apple or Microsoft), Software (Word, Excel, Zoom, E-Mail, etc.), Cell Phones (Apple or Android), etc. Remote tech help is also available between meetings, or if pandemic restrictions exist, by sending questions to tech@ollireno.com.

Ukulele 2 — Intermediate IG

HYBRID: December 7 and 14 at 12 p.m.
Class is full for In-Person; please sign up for ZOOM.
Presenter: William Papa, ukulele instructor
Intermediate ukulele is for those familiar with the instrument and who feel comfortable reading music. If you’ve already taken the beginning ukulele class, this intermediate class will continue your ukulele adventure.

ANOTHER WAY TO PRE-REGISTER:
Use this QR code to link to the pre-registration tool for items in this OLLI catalog.
**Ukulele 1 — Beginner IG**

**HYBRID:** December 7 and 14 at 2 p.m.

Class is full for In-Person; please sign up for ZOOM.

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. Please bring your own instrument.

**Cracker Barrel**

**ZOOM:** December 7, 14 and 21 at 2 p.m.

Facilitators: Judith and Fred Frampton, OLLI members

Ongoing discussions of current affairs of municipal, state, national and international interest in a free-wheeling exchange of opinions. Subjects will vary based on the interests of the participants. For more information, contact the Framptons at fjpf@sbcglobal.net.

**Wednesdays**

**French 1 — Beginners IG**

**MOANA:** December 1, 8 and 15 at 10 a.m.

Presenter: LeeAnn Wade

_Voulez-vous parler français?_ Learn basic French vocabulary and grammar in an engaging and non-threatening classroom environment. Short stories, conversations, songs, videos and games will have you speaking French in no time.

**Reading Poetry Together**

**MOANA:** December 1 and 15 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.

**Thursdays**

**Reading Great Literature IG**

**MOANA:** December 2 and 16 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 susancosmicdance@gmail.com or (775) 881-8070.

**Fridays**

**French 3 — Advanced IG**

**MOANA:** December 3, 10 and 17 at 12 p.m.

Presenter: Arlette Lessig, OLLI member

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 arlettebic6@yahoo.com.
Need holiday gift ideas?

Give the gift of an OLLI membership to a family member or friend! They can enjoy OLLI hybrid programs from anywhere.

Email olli@unr.edu with “gift” in the subject line or call (775) 784-8053.

BEST WISHES for your holiday season

from all of us at OLLI!
OLLI Volunteer Opportunities!

OLLI at the University of Nevada, Reno is member-powered. Volunteers provide instruction, communications, technical support, outreach and help us make important social connections.

We could not provide the array of lifelong learning experiences members enjoy year-round without our volunteers! Please step up and help lighten the load for everyone, plus bring fresh ideas to the table.

Whether you want to spend a few hours a month working from home or prefer to meet regularly with a team of volunteers, OLLI has a variety of ways to get involved.

For more information on volunteer opportunities email olli@unr.edu or call (775) 784-8053.

Tech Hosts

Description: Tech Hosts support the OLLI facilitator/instructor who is offering an online or hybrid program.

Tasks/Skills: Work with OLLI staff to manage Zoom controls throughout the entirety of an OLLI program, and monitor questions from the online audience. Experience with Zoom is beneficial. Sense of humor and ability to adapt to change and challenges with a positive attitude is important.

Time Investment: 2 hours per program. You can host as many programs per month as you would like.

Greeters

Description: Greeters welcome attendees to OLLI sessions, ensure that all members and guests are registered and sign in and answer general questions. Greeters start 30 minutes before the session start time, and finish 5 minutes after the session begins. For programs that require pre-registration for In-Person attendance, greeters will automatically receive a seat to attend in person when they serve as greeter for that program.

Tasks/Skills: Greeters are the face of OLLI, welcoming all members with a smile. Greeters are outgoing and cheerful, with a dash of tact and diplomacy.

Time Investment: 45 minutes per program. You may serve as greeter for as many programs as you wish during the month.

If you are interested in becoming a Greeter, please email Penny Drucker at greeters@ollireno.org to join the team.

Program Committee Members

Description: Identify, recruit and manage presenters and programs to entice, entertain and educate our members!

Tasks/Skills: Recruit and communicate with presenters; schedule classes; introduce programs; enter information in the programs database; proofread the catalog; ensure our classrooms are safe and comfortable.

Time Investment: 3-6 hours per month, including monthly committee meetings.

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