

## OLLI at Casper College Fall 2007 Lecture Series: "Journeys to Africa"

In addition to the outstanding selection of classes OLLI will also host a five-week lecture series this session in Room 198 of the Administration Building. Please join us this fall as we explore Africa through the eyes of community members who have visited or worked in Africa. Each week a new speaker will entertain and inform as they weave a tale about their experiences in Africa. Learn about dinosaur collecting in the Sahara, starting a university in Tunisia, wildlife conservation in Botswana, working in a medical clinic in Malawi, and bird watching in South Africa.

Although this lecture series is FREE to OLLI members, nonmembers may attend for \$40. Members and nonmembers please

register for *Journeys to Africa* on your OLLI fall 2007 registration form so we may keep track of the number of attendees.



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### About OLLI at Casper College

OLLI at Casper College is a membership-based community of mature adults who enjoy learning and want to spend time with like-minded individuals. OLLI's mission is to foster accessible lifelong learning and individual growth for mature learners age 50+ by creating intellectually stimulating learning opportunities that will enrich their lives.

OLLI at Casper College is funded in part by the Bernard Osher Foundation, which was founded in 1977 by Bernard Osher, a respected community leader and philanthropist in San Francisco and Maine. The Osher Foundation seeks to improve the quality of life for mature adults through post-secondary student scholarships, as well as art, cultural, and educational grants. At present, the Osher Foundation is supporting 112 OLLIs across the country.

As the OLLI at Casper College membership grows, the membership will provide input to an advisory board that will advise the continuing education staff in determining which courses and programs to offer. This means that you, the members, will design your own learning activities.



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### OLLI at Casper College Successfully Launches Introductory Summer 2007 Program

This Summer, Casper College launched the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI). OLLI provides classes and other learning opportunities for individuals age 50+ who want to continue learning in a relaxed atmosphere.

This summer OLLI at Casper College offered a variety of classes as a "sampler" of the kind of classes learners can expect in upcoming OLLI sessions.

The Introductory Summer 2007 program got off to a fabulous start with the Grand Opening on May 22. Interested attendees enjoyed hors d'oeuvres and met the OLLI at Casper College staff and instructors. Many took advantage of the opportunity to sign up for a class or become a member of OLLI.

Classes ran June 18 through August 17. All six introductory classes were well received by the class participants. Each class was taught by Casper College current or retired staff or by a local expert on the topic at hand.

Several of the classes (*Older Than Dirt*, *Hogs and History*, *Downtown Sculpture Crawl* and *Walk on the Wild Side*) included field excursions. *Older Than Dirt* traveled to the Casper College woolly mammoth excavation sight, while *Hogs and History* finished up at the local Harley-Davidson store.

*Walk on the Wild Side* participants spent the morning at the Muddy Mountain Nature Trail practicing the wildlife viewing skills they had learned in class. Meanwhile a hardy group of walkers enjoyed root



beer floats prior to setting out on the *Downtown Sculpture Crawl* to learn about local sculptures. At the halfway point they rested and enjoyed refreshments and the air conditioning at the NIC!

The remaining two classes were not without their highlights. *Strike up the Band* featured discussions about upcoming musical selections of the Casper City Band concert series. Armed with their new knowledge about bands, band music and some of the selections being played in concert, participants were ready to attend the concerts at the band shell in Washington Park.

*Aging is not a Diagnosis* participants broke free from the confines of a classroom. They attended a one-day class in which they learned about aging while sipping delightful coffee beverages at Metro Coffee Company.

If these classes sound like fun, wait until you see what's in store for our fall 2007! Attend the OLLI Fall 2007 Open House on August 21 at the Doornbos Student Lounge in the Administration Building from 4 to 6 p.m. You can also visit the website at [www.caspercollege.edu/olli](http://www.caspercollege.edu/olli) to learn more.

### OLLI at Casper College Fall 2007 Social Event: High Tea and Theatre

We are pleased to announce that our fall OLLI member's social will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 2 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Leland and Barbara Scifers Dance Studio lobby. Join us for chamber music, tea and a backstage tour of the Gertrude Krampert Theatre Complex. In addition to the tour you will be treated to an exclusive conversation with Tom Empey, head of the theatre and dance program at Casper College and Kurt Stamm, past recipient of the Casper College distinguished alumni award and guest director of Casper College's fall 2007 musical, *Thoroughly Modern Millie*.

### Be sure to attend: OLLI at Casper College Fall 2007 Open House August 21, 2007 4 to 6 p.m.

Doornbos Student Lounge  
Administration Building

- Learn more about OLLI
- Enjoy food and beverages
- Meet the staff
- Register for courses
- Ask questions
- Meet other lifelong learners in the community



## OLLI at Casper College Fall 2007 Class Highlights

If you enjoyed the Summer 2007 introductory session classes then you are sure to love the fall 2007 lineup of classes. Twice as many classes have been added to the fall schedule! Here are just a few highlights of OLLI fall 2007:



- Bronze Casting Call:  
How Great Sculptures Are Made
- The Genius and Contemporary Influence of Frank Lloyd Wright
- A Complete Compendium of Oriental Rugs
- 101 Stories From the Ancient World
- It's So Easy Being Green:  
Raising Your Environmental Consciousness
- Out of This World: An Overview of NASA's Orbiters, Landers, and Space Missions
- Pillars of the Community:  
A History of the Early Churches of Casper
- All's Well That Ends Well:  
A Guide to Dealing with End of Life Issues
- Bombers to Jets: A Tour of Casper's Aviation and Military History
- Drawing on the News: Current Events and the Analysis of Political Cartoons

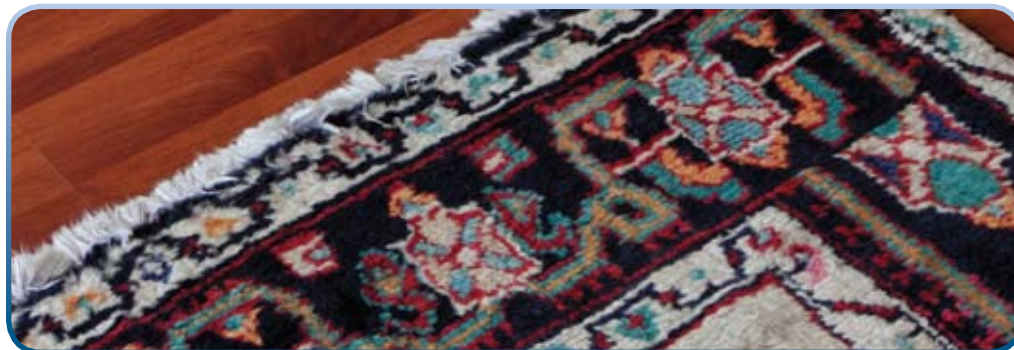
*Drawing on the News:* In this off-beat current events class learn about the issues facing you today from war, to elections, to climate change through analysis of political cartoons. It is sure to provoke some lively discussions and open your eyes to a brand new view of the news.

*Bombers to Jets:* This is the first of what will be a series of field studies that explore the history of the military in Wyoming. This class will focus on the 20th century presence beginning with the WWII era Casper Air Base up to present day operations. Tours of the Veteran's Memorial Museum, the National Guard Armory and the Natrona County International Airport complex will be included.

*All's Well That Ends Well:* This seminar-style class will focus on a different issue related to death and dying each week. Local experts will discuss trust issues, spiritual wills, bereavement, and estate planning.

*The Genius and Contemporary Influence of Frank Lloyd Wright:* Explore the history of Frank Lloyd Wright's career as an architect through such significant works as the Larkin Building, Falling Water, and his Oak Park studio. Learn how Wright continues to influence architecture today and discover his timeless appeal to architects and artists.

This is just a small sample of the classes that will be offered this fall. Be sure to visit the website for a complete list of classes or look for the schedule in the Casper Star-Tribune.



## Become a Member of OLLI at Casper College Today!



### Who Can Join OLLI?

Mature learners who want to learn for the love of it! Life is best enjoyed through activity and mental stimulation. Whether you are working, retired, or semi-retired, you can be a part of OLLI at Casper College. You do not need previous college experience to get involved – just a desire to learn. With OLLI, your life experience is what counts in the classroom.

### Why should I join OLLI?

- When you join OLLI at Casper College you can:
- Be part of an organization designed specifically to meet your educational interests.
  - Experience lively discussions and share what you have learned with others.
  - Enjoy the special learning opportunities available in a college atmosphere.
  - Make connections with OLLI members during classes and other activities.
  - Add life to your years by staying active and exercising your mind!

### What courses are offered by OLLI?

Noncredit OLLI courses are offered during three sessions throughout the year. You may choose from a wide collection of courses and active educational experiences without homework or tests. Courses will be taught by active and retired Casper College and University of Wyoming professors as well as by local experts and professionals. Future course topics will be selected by an advisory board of your peers and will reflect the interests of the membership.

## Membership Form:

*Become an OLLI member.*



(Please print)

Last name First Middle Maiden

P.O. Box or Street Number

City State Zip

Soc Sec # (last four digits) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] Male [ ] Female

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

## OLLI at Casper College Membership Price Structure and Application Form

### Membership Prices:

- One year (fall to summer)  
\$50 - Two free classes/session
- Half of a year (one semester)  
\$30 - Two free classes
- Nine week summer session  
\$15 - One free class

\*NOTE\*: Field-study classes are priced separately due to variations in travel and museum fees.

### Class cost for '07-'08 year:

- Member taking two complimentary classes - \$0 (Registration # 01)
- Member taking additional courses beyond the two complimentary classes - \$8 (Registration #02)
- Nonmember per course - \$27 (Registration #3)

### Lecture Series:

- Member – FREE!
- Nonmember per series - \$40

### As an OLLI at Casper College member you will receive:

- Access to OLLI courses for free and at discounted prices.
- Free admittance to the OLLI Lecture Series.
- Access to OLLI social events.
- Quarterly OLLI newsletters.
- Interesting travel and field-study opportunities.