Info & Resources

OLLI Instructor and Fresno State professor Dr. Andy Fiala has published a new book: "Simplicity: The Three Mountains: Simplicity, Compassion and Hope." The book includes insights from the world’s wisdom traditions, along with photographs from his wandering in Yosemite, the Sierra Nevada, the Alps, and the Andes. The book is the first in a planned trilogy. Click HERE for info.

Music abounds, especially in an online environment. Watch the Fresno State Symphonic Band perform "Exaltation Fanfare" HERE. Watch the Fresno State Wind Orchestra perform "Furioso" HERE.

Meanwhile, back on campus, the Lynda and Stewart Resnick Student Union is under construction, changing the campus landscape. View construction progress HERE.

See the beauty of Yellowstone National Park through virtual tours HERE.

Google Arts & Culture is an amazing site. Just one click HERE takes you to 480 American institutions - the United States of Culture.

P.S. We miss you and hope you miss us, too!

Advisory Council Profiles

Lanny Larson

OLLI Advisory Council member Lanny Larson believes OLLI meshes well with his lifelong curiosity, a half-century-plus of providing information to others through journalism and public relations and, now, as an OLLI instructor.

He joined the Advisory Council “to suggest ideas for courses, connect with more members and provide feedback on their interests and concerns directly to program leaders.” Lanny also volunteers to help at general sessions, field trips and events.

OLLI “provides intellectual stimulus and information we can use, while opening windows to things we didn’t even know we were interested in,” he says. “I’m also fascinated by what I learn from other OLLI participants in discussions and their questions.”

Lanny looks upon cancellation of in-person, on-campus courses as “an opportunity to get familiar with how learning now looks.” He also believes OLLI works best when members “speak up about what they like and don’t like – politely, of course – and can be confident that every suggestion or complaint is considered by the council and OLLI leaders.”

Each week we profile a member of the Fresno State OLLI Advisory Council. Profiles are written by member Lanny Larson, who also serves on the OLLI Advisory Council.