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# WINTER 2020

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# WHAT IS OLLI?

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OLLI is an acronym for The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Bradley University, an organization of nearly 1,200 Peoriaarea residents who are at least 50 years old who want to stay vital and active as they reach and enjoy retirement.

One of the best ways to do that is to keep learning, and OLLI offers many options. Our members enjoy the best of life-after-50 with a diverse collection of year-round programs, including non-credit classes, educational travel, study groups, and special events.



#### **OLLI Classes**

If you think OLLI classes are like traditional school, you'll be surprised to learn that we take a different approach. Imagine learning only about the topics you choose, taught by engaging volunteer instructors, on a college campus, with people your age, and no tests or grades. Add time for socializing, and you have a sense of what we love to do.

Classes meet at Bradley University on Wednesdays in April and October, and on four consecutive days the second week of January. We provide a friendly, welcoming environment on campus, with free parkand-ride service when Bradley University classes are in session. When you sign up for a season of classes, you'll take four classes and receive a total of 16 hours of instruction. A typical class day lasts from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., with several snack breaks to provide socializing opportunities with your peers.



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#### **OLLI Study Groups**

If you're like many OLLI members, you want to learn more about the things that interest you. That's what study groups offer – the opportunity to investigate topics in depth. They are your

connection to studying what you most enjoy with people who share your enthusiasm.

Study groups are offered in three categories: discussionbased (members may be asked to read material and participate in whole group discussions); participationbased (members may be asked to read material, participate in discussions, complete research, and make brief reports); and practice-based (members may be asked to learn a skill set and engage in practice between sessions).

Study groups meet throughout the year and throughout the community, convening weekly for two hours and meeting anywhere between four and 8 weeks.



#### **OLLI Learning Trips**

OLLI's educational travel experiences enable you to interact with experts who offer behind-the-scenes looks at area businesses, regional attractions, and multi-day domestic and international destinations. Learning trips are scheduled year round, and all land excursions travel via our comfortable, easy-access OLLI shuttles or by charter coach.

On OLLI learning trips, you get to investigate and explore with your peers while receiving top-notch customer service. All travel arrangements are arranged by staff so you can focus on learning and fun.

#### **OLLI** Originals

Each of these special events provides an opportunity for a unique experience to gain valuable insights in a variety of settings. They are designed to offer our members extra learning opportunities that don't necessarily fit the molds of our classes, study groups,



and learning trips. OLLI Originals include after-hours events, workshops, moderated films, lunch-and-learns, themed dinners, multiday travel, and more. These events are made possible in part through generous donations from OLLI members.

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OLLI volunteers are the heart and soul of our organization - thank you all very much!

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# A LETTER FROM YOUR OLLI PRESIDENT

Hello again,

Welcome to our winter season of great stuff, OLLI Friends! Take heart – it's worth it to be a four-season Illinois resident, especially when you see all the offerings your OLLI volunteers have prepared for you. Yeah, we agree that these halcyon months of late summer and fall go way too fast, and we likely shiver along with you just thinking of the chilly months ahead. We lucky OLLI members won't be bored or lonely though, and we might not even notice the snow, because we have so many good things to do while our Midwestern world refreshes itself. We might just complain that winter goes too fast.

As you have heard, we are taking the whole year to celebrate the wonder of our OLLI! And a theme has emerged: from our fundraising outreach to our program planning and our invitation to you to introduce new friends to OLLI, the words "The Year of You!" keep coming up. It's all about us members and our OLLI lives. And while we're planning for a whole year of fun and ways to bring likeminded people together, right now let's focus on winter, that lovely time to cocoon with a warm lap blanket and a good book. How about if we challenge ourselves to stretch a bit? Yes, literally stretch and exercise and stay physically active, but also to look for class and study groups outside our usual areas of interest, to take more trips to local and regional neighborhoods and businesses. There are so many nearby places we have yet to go and so many people we have yet to meet.

So Happy 25th Anniversary to all of us! Look for some changes in the way we make OLLI work for you and for some new offerings to add to your fun and learning in the months ahead. Enjoy studying your catalog, as always with pen and calendar nearby, and put together a great winter plan for yourselves.



Yours,

Jane Dense

Jane Hense OLLI President jhense@aol.com

#### MEET YOUR OLLI EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



The OLLI Executive Committee members serve as advisors to Continuing Education staff in coordinating the OLLI program. Pictured are, front row, left to right: Keith Butterfield, Gary Nelson, Cornell Carr, and Bob Drake. Second row, left to right: Dave Allan, Diane Rock, Laurie Bailey, Jane Hense, Phyllis Baylor, and John Amdall.

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# CLASSES

Winter classes are held at Bradley University from Tuesday, January 7 to Friday, January 10, 2020. Classes are two hours long (including a 30-minute break for socializing and refreshments), and meet on Tuesday/Thursday and Wednesday/Friday in the morning and afternoon.

A free lunch buffet is provided on the first day of classes, and the Michel Student Center Marketplace will be open throughout the week for lunch purchases. Parking is free and open on campus during the Winter, and the OLLI shuttle will be en route to pick up members from their cars in case of inclement weather.

If you have any questions about our classes, please call the Continuing Education office at (309) 677-3900 or email olli@bradley.edu. We look forward to seeing you in January!

#### TUESDAY, January 7 and THURSDAY, January 9 CLASS: 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. Coffee: 8:30-9:00 a.m. • Break: 10:00-10:30 a.m.

#### I. Chronologically Gifted

"Chronologically gifted" is a tongue-in-cheek euphemism for being older. It has appeared as a book title, an online role-playing game for adults over the age of 40, and even is used by the Minnesota agency that helps older people with career development issues. For us, this term means "none of the above." Join us for an OLLI class that capitalizes on the well-documented fact that you can improve your biological, physiological, and social well-being at any age. We will explore the latest information on successful aging across a variety of disciplines, and by the end of our sessions, you may find that you are younger than you think! The class instructor is Marjorie Getz, professor of arts and sciences at Methodist College. (RI/NC)



All Winter class participants and instructors are invited to attend at no cost. Register on page 30.

#### 2. Cryptocurrencies and Blockchain: Combining to Change the World

Cryptocurrencies, such as Bitcoin and Libra, and the blockchains they run on, are changing the way we will pay for goods and services. Come join the discussion on what these virtual currencies are and how they work. We will explore many new technologies so you can feel informed and comfortable when discussing these future payment systems with others. Rod Van Mieghem, retired director of software engineering for Lexis Nexis, will provide insights and share his learning journey on these complex issues. (NI/NC)

#### 3. Dietrich Bonhoeffer: German Philosopher and Theologian

Throughout his life, Dietrich Bonhoeffer wore many hats. Spy, pastor, theologian, revolutionary, and martyr are just a few of the roles he assumed. His theological writings were widely influential, and he was known for his staunch resistance to Nazi dictatorship, including vocal opposition to Hitler's genocidal persecution of the Jews. Join us as we look at Bonhoeffer's life, search for meaning in his idea of community and grace, understand responsible religious action, and wrestle with the future of the church in his writings. The class instructor is Pastor Bill Dohle, a frequent OLLI instructor and facilitator who has served at St. Paul Lutheran Church for eight years. (RI/NC)

#### 4. Ernie Pyle:

#### Beloved American World War II Correspondent

2020 marks the 75th anniversary of the death of Ernie Pyle, probably the most widely read correspondent of World War II. In this class, you will learn about the life of Pyle from his humble Indiana beginnings to his coverage of the war in Africa, Italy, France, and the Pacific. We will weave the Pyle history with retired WCBU host Lee Wenger reading some of Ernie's most famous columns. This class will be co-instructed by Wenger and Bernie Drake, past president of OLLI and the Peoria Historical Society. (RIs/RC)

#### 5. Explore the World of Gardens

Bob Streitmatter, garden manager at Luthy Botanical Garden, will take us to gardens in England, Italy, France, Spain,

Japan, and back to America. During each session, he will highlight traits from Japanese, Italian, French, and Spanish (Moorish) gardens, as well as those from English, Prairie School, and New American Gardens that are applicable to our own gardens here in Central Illinois. (RIs/RC)

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OLLI volunteer facilitator Arvil Bass leads a discussion with his study group participants.

#### 6. Literary Lions – Four Contemporary Authors January 7 at 9:00 a.m. John Green

In this class, we'll explore the works and life of author John Green, whose best-selling titles include *Looking for Alaska, Paper Towns, The Fault in Our Stars*, and *Turtles All the Way Down*. The wildly successful author co-hosts video blogs, created the educational channel Crash Course (which has over 7 million subscribers), and has become an important voice for mental health care reform. Green speaks candidly about his personal experiences with obsessive-compulsive disorder and actively advocates for better understanding and care for those who suffer with mental health conditions. Class instructor is Mary Aylmer, director of the Chillicothe Public Library District. (RI/NC)

#### January 7 at 10:30 a.m. Margaret Atwood

Margaret Atwood, a Canadian poet, novelist, essayist, inventor, teacher, and environmental activist, has been a literary powerhouse since the 1960s. She has published dozens of books of poetry, novels, and collections of non-fiction and children's works. Her most anticipated work, *The Testaments: The Sequel to The Handmaid's Tale*, has just been released and is as relevant as ever. Participants in this class will discuss this fascinating author and learn about some of her most riveting work. Class instructor is Laura Wallen, adult services manager at Fondulac District Library in East Peoria. (RI/NC)

#### January 9 at 9:00 a.m. Fredrik Backman

A Man Called Ove is a 2012 novel about a curmudgeonly man who prefers to keep to himself. The Swedish author, Fredrick Backman, basically is Ove, and now travels the world sharing his best-selling, award-winning words with millions of readers – whether he likes it or not. In this session, we'll discover more about this intriguing blogger, columnist, and author. Class instructor is Joel Shoemaker, director of the Illinois Prairie District Public Library in Metamora. (RI/NC)

#### January 9 at 10:30 a.m. George Saunders

George Saunders, master of the short story and recipient of a MacArthur Genius Grant, is an insightful humorist and humanist whose satirical works offer a unique insight into the human condition. We'll take a look at his body of work and pay particular attention to his collection *Tenth of December* and his first novel *Lincoln in the Bardo*. Class instructor is Randall Yelverton, Executive Director of the Peoria Public Library. (RI/NC)

#### 7. The Other Law of Moses

Did you know that ancient Israel was the most prosperous nation on earth? Did you know it was the world's first middle-class nation? This class sets out the almostunknown macro-economic law found inside the Law of Moses. We will see what that other law is, and trace its serial observance and suppression through the time of the judges, kings, and the return from exile. We will even see what Jesus had to say about it, and discuss if this law has any relevance to today's very different economic environment. Class instructor is John Kelly, an at-large member of the Peoria City Council and retired financial consultant. (RI/RC)

#### 8. Peoria Women Who Changed the World

For a city its size, Peoria has been the home of many extraordinary women. Three were among the early inductees into the National Women's Hall of Fame: Betty Friedan, author of The Feminine Mystique and founder of the modern-day women's movement; Nancy Goodman Brinker, who founded Susan G. Komen for the Cure to lead the fight against breast cancer and changed how researchers viewed the role of gender in their work; and Lydia Moss Bradley, who triumphed over tragedy when she founded Bradley University. The names of the other world-changers are not as familiar, so all the more reason we should learn about them: the women scientists at the Ag Lab, including Allene Jeanes, whose research on dextran helped save countless lives in the Korean and Vietnam Wars. Class instructors Barb Drake, retired editorial page editor for the *Peoria Journal Star*;

Marilyn Voss Leyland, retired public affairs professional at Caterpillar Inc.; and Dr. Martha Vaughan, plant molecular biologist at the Ag Lab, will share insights and make you think about the role Peoria played in these extraordinary women's accomplishments. (RIs/NC)

#### 9. Smart Investors Ignore the Noise

Elections, trade wars, interest rate cuts, threats of recession – what is an investor to do given all of the uncertainty in the markets? What news should we brush aside as noise and what information should we act upon? Let's use history as a guide to determine which current events may impact our portfolio and how best to hedge against potential risks. Class instructor is Anthony Ault, financial advisor at Morgan Stanley. (RI/NC)

#### TUESDAY, January 7 and THURSDAY, January 9 CLASS: 12:30 – 3:00 p.m. Break:1:30-2:00 p.m.

#### 10. 20/20 Vision in the Year 2020

There is no better way to start off the year 2020 than with an in-depth look at our amazing eyes! This class will feature a wide variety of frequently asked questions about our eyes and our entire visual system. How do our eyes work? What problems or diseases can occur in our eyes? What are things we can do to prevent these problems and protect our eyes? How does the significant usage of digital devices and screen-time impact our eyes? We will discuss all of these topics and much more throughout this educational and entertaining class. Class instructor is Dr. Timothy Cundiff, optometrist at Vision Care Center in Peoria. (RI/NC)

#### **II. Art and Controversy**

In this class, we will look at art that many argue should not be seen. These are artworks that have been vandalized

by angry viewers, banned from museums, blocked from the internet and have, in some instances, landed their creators in jail. During each session, we will examine a specific artist's work and the controversy surrounding it. Artists will include Ai Weiwei, Kara Walker, and Chris Ofili, amongst others, and broader issues concerning the politics of censorship, trends in contemporary art, and the function of art in public discourse will be addressed. Class instructor is Sarah Glover, associate professor of art history at Bradley University. (RI/NC)

#### 12. Beachler's Car Care Seminar

In this class, participants will learn all about the necessary (and unnecessary) services for vehicles. We will also analyze the costs of operating a vehicle, learn all about basic maintenance, and discover beneficial strategies to prolong the life of your vehicle and lower the cost per mile. Class instructor is Brett Beachler, Vice President of Beachler Vehicle Care and Repair. (RI/RC)

#### 13. Behind the Scenes of a Restaurant Inspection

Ever wonder what's behind the kitchen doors at a restaurant? Local restaurant inspectors from the Peoria City/County Health Department will take you behind the scenes for an in-depth look at a restaurant inspection and teach you what to look for to keep you and your family safe. Class instructors are Taylor Lykins, environmental health specialist, and Corine Peplinski, environmental health practitioner. (NIs/NC)

#### 14. Building Your Insurance Toolkit

Insurance can be complicated, whether it pertains to your personal coverage, life policies, or Medicare, everyone needs to understand how it works. In this class, we'll discuss different plans within each category at a layman's level, with information that is easy to absorb. We'll also offer considerations for changes at various stages of our lives, especially as we approach, reach, and enjoy retirement. Whether it's learning specific changes with Medicare – such as keeping up with enrollment times, plan types, and terms – or discussing personal umbrella policies, class instructor Teresa Hagen, insurance consultant/agency owner, will answer your questions and equip you with the knowledge and material you need to complete your insurance tookit. (RI/RC)

#### 15. Center for Prevention of Abuse: Building a Safe and Peaceful Community

Stories of violence and abuse in our communities, schools, and homes are in the news all too frequently. Locally, the Center for Prevention of Abuse (CFPA) is a pioneer in providing services to create and maintain a safe place for survivors of violence. In this class, staff from the CFPA will review the scope of three forms of violence and abuse: domestic violence, elder abuse, and human trafficking. Instructors will present both national and local statistics, available services, and ways to access these services in Peoria. They will also discuss how to identify those in our community who may be affected and in need of assistance. We will also learn about the CFPA's violence prevention educational programming in the tri-county schools. Class instructors include Joyce DeRenzy, trainer and former chief operating officer of the CFPA; Sara Sefried, director of human trafficking services, and Laura Kowalske, director of prevention education for the agency. (NIs/NC)

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#### 16. Look What I Did January 7 at 12:30 p.m. Our 16-Year Journey to Empower Special-Needs Children Through Theater

Dr. Andy Morgan is passionate about theater and people with special needs. So, 16 years ago, he and his wife, Kathy, founded The Penguin Project, an award-winning program that now has 33 chapters in 16 states and has changed the lives of hundreds of young people. When they first implemented this concept, however, Dr. Andy and Kathy overcame many obstacles. Join us to hear about their learning journey as they created one of the nation's best supportive environments for children with disabilities to explore their creative talents. (NI/NC)

#### January 7 at 2:00 p.m. Half a Century in Neurosurgery in Peoria – Technology, Transitions, and Teamwork

In 2019, Dr. Patrick Elwood was celebrated as a "Local Legend" by Peoria Magazine. He was founding professor and head of the neurosurgery department at the University of Illinois College of Medicine-Peoria until his retirement in 2004. He is also founding director of OSF's Illinois Neurological Institute and continues to participate in the research program after serving as CEO for 13 years. Join us as he talks about his amazing learning journey and changes in technology, education, and medical care over 50 years. (NI/NC)

#### January 9 at 12:30 p.m. College Knowledge: The Small Business that Changes Lives

After "graduating" from Caterpillar Inc, Deb Clay used her business background and her passion for education to form a college consulting business. She helps high school students learn about themselves, and coaches them as they consider careers and colleges that will be a good fit academically, socially, and financially. After 10 years in business, Deb shares her start-up journey, her most rewarding successes, and several valuable resources for students and their families. (NI/NC)

#### January 9 at 2:00 p.m. Confessions of a Baseball Scout: Beating the Bushes for the Chicago Cubs

At the age of 14, Tim Pletkovich was evaluating freeagent baseball talent for the Philadelphia Phillies. By age 21, he'd joined the Chicago Cubs as the nation's youngest professional baseball scout. It was a dream come true. Join us as Tim discusses his baseball life in the 1980s, the complexities of baseball scouting, and the myriad personalities he met along the way. (NI/NC)

#### 17. Shape Note Music

Shape note music is like nothing you have ever experienced! Shape notes are music notations designed to facilitate congregational and community singing. The notations, introduced in late 18th century England, became a popular teaching device in American singing schools. In this class, we'll learn the history of this music and experience the tunes – but don't worry, you don't need any previous music nor singing experience. Come learn about this unique part of American culture as a learner or a participant. Class instructor is Peggy Peryam, a teacher, workshop leader, and professional musician. (NI/NC)

#### 18. Origami: The Joy of Folding

Origami is easily learned, is really good for your brain, and is a skill you can use for the rest of your life. Origami is also fun and helps you create unique designs



to garnish your home or leave entertaining money folds as a tip for your servers. This class will help you create some simple, cute, and entertaining models. We will start with a basic design so anyone who is a true novice folder (or is just learning from YouTube videos), will understand the basics of folding and how to read the diagrams. All materials will be provided – just bring your hands. Class instructor is Steve Richards, a horticulturist and certified arborist. (NI/NC)



When OLLI describes a trip as a Level 4, we mean it ... here, our adventurous members cross a creek during a Level 4 hike at Brockman Farms.



Seth Zeller of Zeller Electric in Goodfield takes OLLI members on a private tour of the facility.

#### WEDNESDAY, January 8 and FRIDAY, January 10 CLASS: 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. Coffee: 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. • Break: 10:00 - 10:30 a.m.

#### **19. Airports and Air Traffic Control**

Have you ever wondered what those light lines, numbers and signs mean at an airport? Have you wondered how the air traffic control system works to keep track of airplanes in all kinds of



weather? Come to this class and let Dean Doughty, who was an air traffic controller for 30 years, explain it to you. (RI/RC)

#### 20. Create An Art Installation for Public Viewing

In this class, the art you help create will later be displayed at the Peoria Public Library's Main Branch. We'll begin by learning the history of this engaging



contemporary art form by viewing and discussing iconic examples. You'll then gain hands-on class experience as "studio assistants" working with artists to create special elements as part of the final artwork. You'll be invited to watch the actual installation of the work, and to the public reception at the library where we'll celebrate your role in the creation of the artwork and this special collaboration between OLLI and the Peoria Public Library. The experience will be educational and fun. Wear work clothes, because we'll get messy! Class instructors are artists Barbie Perry and Jaci Musec. This class will be held on campus at Heuser Art Center; shuttle transportation provided. (NIs/NC)

#### 21. Math in the Movies and On TV

Mathematics is secretly entertaining, but movie and television writers have used this secret for a long time. During the class, we'll watch clips from a variety of movies and television shows to learn how math is used to entertain audiences around the world. We'll view the scarecrow's error in The Wizard of Oz, Jodi Foster's revelation in Contact, and a tutoring session in According to Jim. You'll be entertained – and even learn some mathematics. Class instructor is Mary Jane Sterling, mathematics lecturer emeritus at Bradley University. (RI/RC)

#### 22. Organizations That Help Our Community

As with any community, Peoria has residents with a variety of disabilities. In order to ensure that they can be productive members of the community and enjoy a high quality of life, a number of organizations have evolved to provide a variety of services. In this class, we will hear presentations from four such organizations and learn about their histories, the services they provide, and how they relate to the community as a whole. Class instructors are Brad Guidi of Camp Big Sky; Katie Van Cleve of the Heart of Illinois Special Recreation Association; Ashley Schreck of EPIC!; and Don Rulis of the Community Workshop and Training Center. (NIs/NC)

#### 23. Peoria Reads 2020: The Hate U Give

Sixteen-vear-old Starr Carter moves between two worlds: the poor neighborhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her unarmed childhood best friend at the hands of a police officer. In this class, we'll discuss *The Hate U Give*, and explore the novel's themes of police brutality, systemic racism, family, loyalty, and other challenging social issues in the context of the novel, our community, and our nation. Class instructor is Roberta Koscielski, deputy director of the Peoria Public Library, and Wayne Cannon, manager, Peoria Area Food Bank. (RIs/NC)



Members of the 3D-printing study group share a laugh during a demonstration.

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#### 24. Preparing Your Garden for Spring

Get excited for spring gardening! Class instructor Ella Maxwell, a horticulturist at Hoerr Nursery, will teach us why seed starting is a great way to prepare for our

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spring gardens. We'll learn to experiment with unique seed combinations and examine how to grow vegetables and herbs from new plants from gardening magazines, catalogs, and trade publications. (RI/RC)

#### **25. RETHINK Poverty**

During RETHINK Poverty, participants will be immersed in what it would be like to live an entire month in poverty. The simulation is followed up with a



panel discussion on the realities and solutions with a mix of volunteers, previously homeless Peorians, homeless shelter staff, and community leaders. The class is designed to help participants understand what it is like to live as a typical low-income family, surviving month to month. It is a simulation, not a game, and the object is to sensitize participants to the realities faced by low-income individuals and families. In doing so, participants leave in a better position to be an effective part of the solution to local poverty as donors, volunteers, or simply advocates. Class instructor is Brian Uhlenhopp, CEO of the Greater Peoria Economic Development Council and previous assistant city manager/director of economic development for the City of Peoria. (RI/NC)



Participants enjoy a beautiful day on the water during OLLI's kayaking trip last summer.



Willa Anderson 'fist-bumps' a statue of a gorilla during a recent garden walk.

#### 26. The Civil War Veteran in a Post-Civil War Era

The end of the Civil War brought with it a whole new set of problems for the nation. One of the questions looming on the minds of Americans was whether or not the soldiers of the northern and southern armies could successfully assimilate back into the civilian population. This class will delve into the post-war lives of both Union and Confederate veterans, and participants will analyze the demobilization process, which shifted military men back to civilians, and the many post-war adjustments these men faced, including the wounded warrior image and the notions of 19th century masculinity, manhood, and independence. We will also discuss how 19th century Americans viewed returning veterans, how veterans viewed themselves, their retirement, and how they handled charity, pensions, and government assistance. Class instructor is Christina Lee Smith, a historian of the 19th century and American Civil War. (RI/NC)

#### WEDNESDAY, January 8 and FRIDAY, January 10 CLASS: 12:30 – 3:00 p.m. Break:1:30-2:00 p.m.

#### 27. Agricultural Markets: A Personal Perspective

In this class, participants will get a unique look at agricultural markets and commodity trading. We'll discuss how are cash bids determined for local farmers, review the history of the Chicago Board of Trade, examine the operations of future markets, and learn how reports affect prices. We will also look at the markets from an international perspective and explore the global outlook for corn and beans, and how markets are affected by crop production in Brazil and trade with China. Class instructor Larry Clay will share his perspective growing up on a farm, working at country grain elevators, spending a few years as a merchandiser and commodity trader with ADM, and most recently as a soon-to-be-retired partner in Cornbelt Marketing, an agricultural brokerage and marketing service. (NI/NC)

#### 28. All About Wildlife Prairie Park

This class will provide an overview of both the history and the evolution of the park to give participants an idea of

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the true size and scope of Wildlife Prairie Park. We will explore the park's uniqueness, learn how it stimulates and fosters natural behaviors in the animals, and review the variety of animals located within the park. Master gardeners and naturalists will talk about their educational programs and projects, discuss conversation efforts, and review the unique educational learning environments and outreach programs offered at the park. Class instructor is Brad Windsor, a volunteer coordinator and interim director of development at Wildlife Prairie Park. (NI/NC)

#### 29. Broaden Your Knowledge of Investing

The goal of the class is to make you a better investor by giving you the "rules of the road," no matter where that road may lead you. The instructor will discuss basic information and general methods for investing as you prepare for major events in your life, whether you've arrived at retirement, beginning social security, preparing your estate, or other paths. We will also talk about determining how stocks fit into your overall investment strategy, and review common versus preferred stocks, dividends, investment strategies, and different ways to own stocks. The discussions will also dig into the outlook and opportunities of this aging bull market in regards to your portfolio. Class instructor Jeremy Sarna is a financial advisor with Edward Jones. (NI/NC)

#### 30. Frank Lloyd Wright - 150 Years of Genius

When Frank Lloyd Wright began his training as an architect in 1887, telephones and electric lamps were in their infancy and the automobile and the airplane had not yet been invented. By the end of Wright's career in 1959, televisions had become fixtures in American



Volunteer John Dust sends poses in his OLLI shirt during a personal visit to Israel. We'd love to see more pictures of members wearing OLLI gear as they travel the world!



During last fall's nine-day Civil War trip, OLLI stopped in Memphis. Pictured are some of the members visiting Graceland, home of Elvis Presley.

homes and unmanned rockets were being launched into space. During these decades of dramatic change, Wright designed 1,141 structures, museums, churches, homes, and bridges, but only 532 were built; 409 still stand. A master of three-dimensional form and a champion of natural materials, Wright was recognized during his lifetime as an architectural genius. Follow along in a four-part review of Frank Lloyd Wright's career as instructor Abbie Alexander, an interpreter at the Dana Thomas House in Springfield, interprets his work. (RI/RC)

#### 31. Oh! That Feels So Good!

Learn self-massage and give and receive partner massage for relaxation and for body validation. Come with or without a partner. This class is for persons who like to nap and/or rest after lunch. This class will be instructed by Shirley Cunningham, massage therapist for 20 years. This class is limited to 20 participants. (RI/RC)

#### 32. Peoria's Sister Cities: **Citizen Diplomacy Thrives After 40 Years**

Peoria launched its first Sister City relationship 43 years ago with Friedrichshafen, Germany – an outgrowth of President Dwight D. Eisenhower's vision for a global network of "citizen diplomats/people-to-people partnerships" that would foster cultural ties between different countries. Today, Peoria's partnership with Friedrichshafen includes the longest continuously running vouth exchange program among sister cites anywhere in the United States. It also has served as a model for three additional Peoria sister city relationships: Benxi, China (adopted in 1994), Clonmel, Ireland (1998) and Aytou, Lebanon (2014). Class instructors Rex Linder, Peoria Sister City Commission chair, and members of the commission will discuss the movement's purpose, history, successes, and future vision. (NI/NC)



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#### 33. Songs of Summer Surfing

Looking for an answer to winter blahs? Get out those shorts, sandals, and Hawaiian shirts and surf to songs in this vibrant class. Imagine yourself in scenarios that include cruising and surfing to Beach Boys and Jan and Dean songs, eating and drinking to Jimmy Buffett songs, ending the summer (and class) with songs like *Sealed with a Kiss* by Brian Hyland. See if your favorite summer songs get played and learn about all the singers that made them memorable. Class instructor is Don Baker, disc jockey and retired English teacher. (RI/NC)

# 34. Tips, Tricks, and Technology for Your Home Computer

The overall goal of this class is to share practical, pragmatic recommendations on how to design, implement, and use a stable, secure home computer network. Topics will include risk management, security, passwords, WiFi, ethernet, hardware, software, printers, storage, and backups. We will also discuss social media, popular software, and what to do (and what not to do) for a stable and secure home computer network. John Amdall, OLLI vice president and frequent instructor, will provide a handout and share his learning journey and the details of how he strives towards the goal of a secure home computer network. (RI/RC)



Doug McCarty, who served in the U.S. Navy in the 1960s, received a pin from a docent during a recent trip to Great Lakes Naval Station.

# **VOLUNTEER AT OLLI**

All committees meet at the Peoria Next Innovation Center 801 W. Main Street, Peoria

Membership Development Committee Meetings	
Wednesday, November 13, 2019	11:00 a.m.
Learning Trip Committee Meetings	
Tuesday, January 14, 2020	9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, April 7, 2020	9:00 a.m.
Study Group Committee Meetings	
Thursdays, January 16 and 30, 2020	9:00 a.m.
Thursdays, April 2 and 16, 2020	9:00 a.m.
Curriculum Committee Meetings	
Wednesdays, November 13, 20, and December 4, 2019	9:00 a.m.
Wednesdays, May 6, 13, and 27, 2020	9:00 a.m.

We're always looking for those willing to help serve as class instructors, study group facilitators/ leaders, parking coordinators, class hosts, and study group hosts. To volunteer, please contact the Continuing Education office at (309) 677-3900.

# **OLLI** ORIGINALS

Each of our new OLLI Originals events are designed to offer our members extra learning experiences that accommodate large groups with costs offset in part through generous donations from our members.

#### I. OLLI at the Theatre

#### The Marty Monologues at Marty Theatre Wednesday, January 29 6:30- 8:00 p.m. Michel Student Center, Bradley University 180 seats available

OLLI welcomes Marty Wombacher, a writer and photojournalist who was born in Peoria and lived in New York City from 1993 to 2012 and wrote for the New York Post, New York Daily News, and New York Newsday. In 2012 he returned to his hometown and began a blog, Meanwhile, Back in Peoria, about living in the Midwest. He has also written and produced a stage show called The Marty Monologues, which has been performed in New York, Peoria, and Chicago. At this special event, he'll perform the second installment from that show, titled Confessions of a Pre-Teen Hippie: Sweet and Savage Childhood Memories From the '60s. This unique, oneof-a kind event includes music, witty (and sometimes unpredictable) humor, and give-away souvenirs. It's sure to be fun-filled evening for everyone who experienced the Sixties (or wished they had).

\$10 – includes presentation and refreshments. Transportation not provided – meet us there! Campus parking will be available in white- and blue-lined spaces.



Ann Oedewaldt and Debra Mielke get an up-close look at an anatomy lab during a visit to the Jump Simulation and Education Center.

#### OLLI Films at the PRM

OLLI, in partnership with the Peoria Riverfront Museum (PRM), will screen two documentaries that may be nominated for Academy Awards in January 2020. Don't miss your chance to see these incredible films – with moderated discussion beforehand – on the big screen.

#### 2. One Child Nation Friday, January 3 I 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Peoria Riverfront Museum 222 SW Washington Street, Peoria 180 seats available

China's multi-decade attempt at population control is the subject of this 2019 documentary, which the New York Times called "soul-baring and furious ... a powerful, unflinching look at China's present through its past." Prior to screening this powerful film, Charli Copeland, a Bradley University undergraduate student, will share her story of being left at a hospital in Baoding as a result of China's one-child policy. She'll be joined by Dr. Daniel Getz, associate professor of philosophy and religious studies at Bradley University, who will discuss the effects of population control strategies of Asian countries. Join us as we watch the documentary, which uncovers the untold history of China's policy and the generations of parents and children forever shaped by this social experiment. Complimentary popcorn and soda will be provided by OLLI. \$5 – includes moderated discussion, film screening, popcorn, and soda. Transportation not provided - meet us there!

# 3. Maiden

#### Thursday, February 6 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Peoria Riverfront Museum 222 SW Washington Street, Peoria 180 seats available

Another hopeful Oscar contender, this documentary is about Tracy Edwards, a British sailing captain who led the first all-female crew to enter the grueling Whitbread Round the World Race in 1989. Maiden reveals an extraordinary saga of grit and daring in the face of doubt, fear, and lifethreatening situations, and is ultimately a feel-good movie about underdogs finding their strength. Charity Monroe, avid lifelong sailor and instructor at Peoria's Illinois Valley Yacht (IVY) Club will lead a moderated discussion prior to the film. Complimentary popcorn and soda will be provided by OLLI.

\$5 – includes moderated discussion, film screening, popcorn, and soda. Transportation not provided – meet us there!



#### 4. OLLI After Hours The Twelve Bar Tuesday, February 25 4:45 – 6:30 p.m. 4500 N. Prospect Road, Peoria Heights 50 seats available

The Twelve Bar will be our destination for OLLI After Hours this winter. Join your friends, new and old, as we enjoy appetizers and drinks at one of Peoria Heights' premiere music, wine, and cocktail bar. Chef Dustin Allen, who created the Edge, a farm-to-table restaurant with unique creations, now sends those tasty creations upstairs for patrons to enjoy the views and comfort of the third floor lounge. We'll start the evening with drinks, eats, and social time, then we'll turn the floor over to Chef Dustin so he can share the story of creating unique dining experiences in the Peoria area. This will be a magical evening in the Heights, and a great chance to socialize after hours with OLLI.

\$20 – includes appetizers, two drinks, and presentation. Transportation not provided – meet us there!

#### 5. 400th Anniversary: The Pilgrims' Path to America

This once-in-a-lifetime trip is designed to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the landing of the Mayflower and the establishment of the first English colony in Massachusetts in 1620. Join OLLI on this unique private charter from September 27 - October 2, 2020, when we'll travel to Boston, a city of living history like no other, and continue to historic Plymouth and Provincetown. Along the way we will meet Pilgrims, Puritans, Patriots, and Wampanoag tribe members. Explore American history, culture and traditions as you never have before! Save the date for our information session on Tuesday, February 25 at 9:00 a.m. at Peoria Next, 801 W. Main Street, Peoria.

Please check the box on page 30 to RSVP for the meeting and to receive a detailed itinerary with pricing and registration information.

# **OLLI'S 2019-2020 FUNDRAISING UPDATE**

For more than seven years, OLLI members have shown support of our lifelong learning community through consistent and generous donations to our annual fundraising campaigns.

For 2019-2020 (June 1, 2019 – May 31, 2020) the OLLI Executive Committee has set a monetary goal of **\$55,000 to expand OLLI Originals programming and explore options for increased trip capacities.** 

More than half of that amount will continue to be used to fund ongoing expenses not covered by our membership and program fees: shuttle maintenance/replacement, student volunteer awards, audio-visual purchases, and co-sponsored programming on campus and at the Peoria Riverfront Museum.

The campaign is already off to a great start, thanks in part to the success of our Fifth Annual Trivia Night Fundraiser in late August. The 175 participants embraced the "Night at the Movies" theme and netted just over \$7,000. Thank you to everyone, especially the evening's sponsors:







The Kwon Gallup Group at Morgan Stanley

Your past donations have funded audio-visual improvements and the construction of a soundproof wall in the Michel Student Center ballrooms, a new audio system in the Michel Student Center's Marty Theatre, two 14-passenger shuttles, a new audio system at Peoria Next Innovation Center, and upgraded headsets used during our programs.

Every dollar – and donor – makes a difference. Donate to OLLI and help us grow our program for 2020 and beyond! Use our secure online system (Bradley.edu/olli/giving) to make a convenient donation today. Thank you so much for your support of OLLI!

## Dear OLLI Friends:

Guess what? I am about to become an OLLI member! I've been waiting for 25 years to be able to participate fully in OLLI, and when my husband and I retire at the end of December, going to OLLI classes is number two on our list of "Tips for a Happy Retirement." I bet you can guess what is at the top of our list. That's right, spending more time with grandchildren is our number one priority.

When we started OLLI in 1994, I was a new Executive Director. I had just finished my master's degree, had only four years of Bradley experience under my belt, two smart daughters, a husband named Jeff, and a schnauzer named Sophie. Since then, my husband and I added a much-loved son, two award-winning sons-in-law, and six genius grandchildren. Sophie went to doggie heaven, but we have a granddog named Tootsie.

Our lives have been full and rewarding. Because of Bradley, I have experienced dozens of places in the Peoria area and in Illinois that I never would have seen. I've achieved my dream of visiting London, Rome, Paris, and Venice as well as other cities, states, and countries. Bradley's tuition remission allowed all of our children to complete a bachelor's degree and, for me, a master's degree, debt free. I've worked with incredibly talented, smart, and dedicated faculty, staff, co-workers, and volunteers.

OLLI has exceeded my wildest dreams. Oprah was once asked if she had planned all of her achievements, and she said that she couldn't have even imagined them when she first began her career. I feel the same about OLLI. The sky is the limit for where OLLI goes next. It has already achieved my goal - that each member will make Bradley their campus home and find in OLLI a place where they are welcomed and where they can learn and grow with friends old and new.

Thank you to our Continuing Education staff both past and present, who hold me up, inspire me, and make it fun to come to work each day. Thank you to my bosses who have encouraged and mentored me, to the OLLI directors and Executive Committee members who steer this organization, to Bradley University for supporting me and OLLI, and to the Bernard Osher Foundation for its endowment and grant gifts. Thank you to my husband Jeff, my one true love who has kept me laughing since 1969, and to our children, who are my proudest accomplishment.

Hey OLLI, I'll see you at spring classes!



Janet and Jeff Lange are headed to retirement! All of us at OLLI wish the Langes the best of luck, and we look forward to seeing them at our Spring 2020 classes.



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# January 2020

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri
		1 Happy 2020! Bradley University closed	2 Resolve to join OLLI in 2020.	3 Email us to sign up for our newsletter: <i>olli@bradley.edu</i>
6 Visit OLLI online at Bradley.edu/olli	7 Classes Day 1	8 Classes Day 2	9 Classes Day 3	10 Classes Day 4
<b>13</b> <b>Trip #1, Wheel Art,</b> 9:45a-1:30p <b>SG #7, Origin,</b> 9:30-11:15a	<b>14</b> <b>SG #11, Origami,</b> 9-11:15a <b>Learning Trip Cmte,</b> 9-11a <b>SG #1, Hubble,</b> 9:30-11:45a	15 Spring 2020 Registration opens online, 9a SG #2, Beat Poets, 2-4:15p	<b>16</b> <b>Study Group</b> <b>Committee,</b> 9-11a <b>SG #3, A.I.,</b> 9:30-11:45a	<b>17</b> <b>Trip #2, McDonald</b> <b>House,</b> 8:45a-1:30p <b>SG #8, Da Vinci,</b> 9:30-11:45a
20 Trip #11, Cat SS, 8:30a-1:30p SG #4, Art & Physics, 9-11:15a SG #7, Origin, 9:30-11:15a SG #5, Short Stories, 1:30-3:45p	<b>21</b> <b>SG #11, Origami,</b> 9-11:15a <b>SG #1, Hubble,</b> 9:30-11:45a	<b>22</b> <b>SG #2, Beat Poets,</b> 2-4:15p	<b>23</b> <b>Trip #3, Easterseals,</b> 8:45a-1:30p <b>SG #9, Evicted,</b> 9-11:15a <b>SG #3, A.I.,</b> 9:30-11:45a	24 Trip #12, Homeway, 8:30a-1:30p SG #8, Da Vinci, 9:30-11:45a SG #10, Natural History, 10a-12:15p
<b>27</b> <b>SG #4, Art &amp; Physics,</b> 9-11:15a <b>SG #7, Origin,</b> 9:30-11:15a <b>SG #5, Short Stories,</b> 1:30-3:45p	<b>28</b> <b>SG #11, Origami,</b> 9-11:15a <b>SG #1, Hubble,</b> 9:30-11:45a <b>Trip #4, WEEK,</b> 10a-2p	<b>29</b> <b>SG #2, Beat Poets,</b> 2-4:15p <b>OO#1, Marty,</b> 6:30-8p	<b>30</b> <b>Study Group Cmte</b> , 9-11a <b>Trip #5, Jail</b> , 9:30a-2:30p <b>SG #9, Evicted</b> , 9-11:15a <b>SG #3, A.I.</b> , 9:30-11:45a	<b>31</b> <b>SG #8, Da Vinci,</b> 9:30-11:45a <b>SG #10, Natural</b> <b>History,</b> 10a-12:15p <b>OO #2, One Nation,</b> 12:30-2:30p





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<b>3</b> <b>SG #4, Art &amp; Physics</b> , 9-11:15a <b>SG #7, Origin</b> , 9:30-11:15a <b>SG #5, Short Stories</b> , 1:30-3:45p	<b>4</b> <b>Trip #13, Lifeline,</b> 8:45a-2p <b>SG #11, Origami,</b> 9-11:15a <b>SG #1, Hubble,</b> 9:30-11:45a	<b>5</b> <b>Trip #14, 4B,</b> 8:30a-1:30p <b>SG #6, Pioneers,</b> 10a-12:15p <b>SG #2, Beat Poets,</b> 2-4:15p	<b>6</b> <b>SG #9, Evicted,</b> 9-11:15a <b>SG #3, A.I.,</b> 9:30-11:45a <b>OO #3, Maiden,</b> 12:30-2:30p	<b>7</b> <b>SG #8, Da Vinci,</b> 9:30-11:45a <b>SG #10, Natural</b> <b>History,</b> 10a-12:15p <b>Trip #6, AMT,</b> 8:45a-1:30p
<b>10</b> <b>Trip #7, Midwest,</b> 8:45a-1:30p <b>SG #4, Art &amp; Physics,</b> 9-11:15a <b>SG #7, Origin,</b> 9:30-11:15a <b>SG #3, Short Stories,</b> 1:30-3:45p	<b>11</b> <b>Trip #15, Case,</b> 10:45a-3:45p	<b>12</b> <b>Trip #16, IVEX,</b> 8:45a-1:30p <b>SG #6, Pioneers,</b> 10a-12:15p	<b>13</b> <b>SG #9, Evicted,</b> 9-11:15a <b>SG #3, A.I.,</b> 9:30-11:45a	<b>14</b> <b>Trip #17, WPP,</b> 10:45a-3:45p <b>SG #8, Da Vinci,</b> 9:30-11:45a <b>SG #10, Natural</b> <b>History,</b> 10a-12:15p
<b>17</b> <b>SG #4, Art &amp; Physics,</b> 9-11:15a <b>SG #5, Short Stories,</b> 1:30-3:45p	<b>18</b> <b>Trip #18, PMP,</b> 8:45a-1:30p	<b>19</b> <b>SG #6, Pioneers,</b> 10a-12:15p <b>Trip #8, Dayspring,</b> 11a-3:45p	20 Honor a friend's birthday by donating to OLLI!	<b>21</b> <b>SG #8, Da Vinci,</b> 9:30-11:45a <b>SG #10, Natural</b> <b>History,</b> 10a-12:15p
<b>24</b> <b>SG #5, Short Stories,</b> 1:30-3:45p	<b>25</b> <b>OO #5 Meeting</b> , 9a <b>OO #4, After Hours</b> , 4:45-6:30p	<b>26</b> <b>Trip #9, PRM,</b> 9:15a-1:45p <b>SG #6, Pioneers,</b> 10a-12:15p	<b>27</b> <b>Trip #10, Airport,</b> 8:45a-1:30p	<b>28</b> <b>SG #8, Da Vinci,</b> 9:30-11:45a <b>SG #10, Natural</b> <b>History,</b> 10a-12:15p



# **STUDY** GROUPS

Study groups offer the opportunity to investigate a topic in depth. You may work independently outside the group, you may lead the group, or you could experience anything in between. They meet for 2.25 hours a week (including a 30-minute break for socializing).

Most groups last between 4-8 weeks, and are held at convenient locations throughout our community. **Please note that internet and email access is required for participants, as group facilitators communicate frequently via email.** 

Please be sure to review the three types of categories before registering.

- **Discussion-based:** you may be asked to read material and participate in whole group discussions
- **Participation-based:** you may be asked to read material, participate in small group breakouts/ discussions, do research, and/or make brief oral reports
- **Practice-based:** you may be asked to learn a skill set and engage in practice between sessions

All of our facilitators are enthusiastic volunteers with a passion for their subjects. If you are interested in learning more about becoming a facilitator for a future group, please contact OLLI Director Michelle Riggio at (309) 677-3900 or mriggio@bradley.edu.



Participants in OLLI's Bridge study group learn all about the strategy of the intricate game.

#### DISCUSSION-BASED

I. Experiencing Hubble:

#### Understanding the Greatest Images of the Universe Tuesdays, January 14 – February 4

9:30 – 11:45 a.m.

**Peoria Next Innovation Center** 

Minimum 8 participants, register by January 2

A few hundred miles above Earth, there is a remarkable telescope with a crystal-clear view across the universe. For two decades, the Hubble Space Telescope has been amassing discoveries that rival those of history's greatest scientists and explorers, making it the most important and productive scientific instrument ever built. In this study group, we will study 10 iconic Hubble images based on their visual beauty, scientific impact, and breadth of subject matter. Topics include a comet crash, star birth, warped space, and deep time. Each session requires 1.5 hours of outside video lectures and questions. Internet and email access is required for this group.

\$45 – facilitated by Larry Trollope, OLLI past president and retired information technology manager; Rick Gentry, retired attorney; and Joe Emanuel, emeritus professor of industrial and manufacturing engineering at Bradley University. (NFs/RG)

#### 2. The Beat Poets: A Literary Generation of Dissidence and Freedom Wednesdays, January 15 – February 5 2:00 – 4:15 p.m. Peoria Next Innovation Contor

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Minimum 10 participants, register by January 2

Poet Lawrence Ferlinghetti is still active and engaged at age 100, the longest living of writers such as Allen Ginsburg and Jack Kerouac whose words called to the disillusioned and politically repressed young people of the post World War II era. Centered around the Bay Area in California, these writers were inspired by jazz, art, the hunger for free expression ... and a dose of hallucinogenic drugs. Join Jim Sullivan and Jane Hense as we take a fresh look at the works of the countercultural literary generation. Participants must obtain two books by Ferlinghetti: *A Coney Island of the Mind: Poems* and *Little Boy*, available at local and online booksellers and libraries. Internet and email access is required for this group.

\$45 – facilitated by Jim Sullivan, English instructor at Illinois Central College, and Jane Hense, OLLI president and retired teacher and school administrator. (RFs/NG)

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#### 3. Ethical Artificial Intelligence Thursdays, January 16 - February 13 9:30 - 11:45 a.m. **Peoria Next Innovation Center**

#### Minimum 10 participants, register by January 2

This study group will explore the latest information regarding ethical Artificial Intelligence (A.I.). The goal will be an enhanced understanding of answers to questions such as: what does "ethical A.I." mean personally, locally, and globally as it brings autonomous machines into our everyday lives? What are the ethical boundaries of A.I. regarding medical advice, psychological counseling, financial advice, emotional support, physical interactions, and so on when proffered by a machine? Each week there will be suggested reading material and associated touch points provided by the facilitator to set the table for group discussion. Participants are asked to become familiar with the materials and bring the results of their cognitive efforts to share. All contributions will be appreciated and enjoyed in the context of an OLLI discussion potluck.

\$45 - facilitated by Greg Peine, Caterpillar retiree and frequent facilitator. (RF/RG)

#### 4. Leonard Shlain's Art & Physics: Parallel Visions in Space, Time, and Light Mondays, January 20 - February 17 9:00 - 11:15 a.m.

**Peoria Next Innovation Center** 

#### Minimum 6 participants, register by January 6

Art interprets the visible world; physics charts its unseen workings - making these two realms seem to be in complete opposition. However, in Art & Physics, Leonard Shlain tracks their development side by side throughout the centuries to reveal what he considers an astonishing correlation of visions. From the classical Greek sculptors to Andy Warhol and Jasper Johns, and from Aristotle to Einstein, many believe artists have often foreshadowed the theories and discoveries of scientists. Shlain, a neurosurgeon, explores how major artistic breakthroughs have prefigured the visionary insights of physicists throughout history. In this study group, we'll explore these ideas together and form our own thoughts. We will also watch a video to hear Shlain's thoughts. Participants must acquire and read the book, available at local and online retailers and libraries. Internet and email access is also required for this group.

\$45 - facilitated by Duffy Armstrong Farrell, OLLI art curriculum coordinator, artist, and art gallery director. (NF/NG)

#### 5. Great Short Stories by International Writers Mondays, January 20 - February 24 1:30 – 3:45 p.m.

#### **Peoria Next Innovation Center**

Minimum 12 participants, register by January 6 Such good stuff! Join us to discuss great contemporary

short stories by 12 award-winning international writers. Focusing on their works, we will look into their

backgrounds and world views and try to distinguish what makes them different from American writers as we enjoy their fiction. No politics here, just culture, with discussions led by six experienced facilitators. Participants should obtain *The Art of the Short Story: An International* Anthology of Contemporary Short Stories, edited by Daniel Halperin, available and local and online retailers and libraries. Participants are also required to read stories as assigned and have internet and email access. \$45 – facilitated by Willa Anderson, Jennifer Bass, Julie Carl, Louise Rettke, Catriona Ritenhouse, and Jane Hense, all former teachers and literature group leaders. (RFs&NFs/NG)

#### 6. Women in Aviation – The Early Years Wednesdays, February 5 - 26 10:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. You'll Love **Peoria Next Innovation Center** Class #19 Minimum 12 participants, register by January 22 Trips #10

Although we all know about Orville and Wilbur Wright, how many of us know

about Bessie Coleman, the first African-American woman to fly? Or Blanche Scott, who taught herself to fly in 1910 and went on to be a test pilot for Curtis Aviation? Female pilots did aerobatics in air shows as early as 1911, set distance and altitude records, and built their own aircraft. Life was changing for women during the first several decades of the 20th century and the women who flew, designed, built, and promoted airplanes were pioneers both for women and for aviation. Come learn about the fun they had, the rules they broke, the dangers they faced, and the trails they blazed.

\$45 – facilitated by David W. Jackson and Sarah C. Allen, licensed pilots with a combined 70 years of commercial and private piloting experience. (RF/NG)

#### PARTICIPATION-BASED

7. The Origin of Satan Mondays, January 13 - February 10 9:30 - 11:45 a.m. St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Minimum 2 participants, register by January 2

The figure of Satan has long been the opposer and oppressor of the Christian faith, but from where did he originate? From where do all of our ideas about him come? Join us as we explore a book by religious historian Elaine Pagels, The Origin of Satan. Through our readings of the book and other materials that parallel her theories, we will explore Satan's roots and attempt to discover the origin of the menace of evil. Participants must obtain and read the book, available at local and online retailers and libraries, and have internet and email access. \$45 – facilitated by Pastor Bill Dohle of St. Paul's

Lutheran Church in Peoria. (RF/NG)

#### 8. The Creative Genius of Leonardo Da Vinci Fridays, January 17 – February 28 9:30 - 11:45 a.m. **Peoria Riverfront Museum** Minimum 12 participants, register

You'll Love Trip #9

#### by January 3

In the grand history of the Western world, there is no single individual whose name is more synonymous with inventiveness, curiosity, and creative genius than Leonardo Da Vinci. From his relentless pursuit of knowledge to everyday questions, such as "What separates water from air?" and "Where is the soul?" Da Vinci produced copious journals, notebooks, and sketches of his ever-curious mind. In addition to his well-known and loved paintings, Da Vinci pursued subjects such as botany, geology, architecture, hydraulics, military engineering, geometry, anatomy, among others. As the year 2019 celebrates the 500th anniversary of his death, come discover the uniqueness of the life and work of Leonardo Da Vinci from all these perspectives. Participants should obtain the book Leonardo da Vinci by Walter Isaacson, available from local and online retailers and libraries. Internet and email access is also required for this group.

\$45 – facilitated by Randy Huber, retired Caterpillar engineer and past OLLI study group facilitator; and Patricia Melaik, retired teacher, master gardener and naturalist, and frequent instructor and facilitator. (RFs/RG)

#### 9. Evicted

#### Thursdays, January 23 – February 13 9:00 – 11:15 a.m. St. Paul's Episcopal Church Minimum 5 participants, register by January 9

You'll Love **Class #25** 

In Evicted, Princeton sociologist and MacArthur "Genius" Matthew Desmond follows eight families in Milwaukee as they struggle to keep a roof over their heads. Winner of the 2017 Pulitzer Prize for general non-fiction and New York Times bestseller, the book transforms our understanding of poverty and economic exploitation while providing fresh ideas for solving one of 21st-century America's most devastating problems. Join facilitator Anni Reinking as she leads a discussion of the book, brings her research from the field to provide insight on current practices in our area, and helps us discover the book's unforgettable scenes of hope and loss remind us of the centrality of home, without which nothing else is possible. \$45 – facilitated by Anni Reinking, early childhood professor at Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville. (NF/NG)

#### 10. Peoria's Natural History Fridays, January 24 – February 28 10:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. **Peoria Next Innovation Center**

#### Minimum 6 participants, register by January 10

Peoria was once on the Equator. It was once on the shore of the ocean. It has been in the path of glaciers and on the banks of a great river. It has been the home of wooly mammoths, Native Americans, and European settlers. In this study group, we'll learn about this history and what might be in store for the future of Peoria from a number of speakers with academic and practical experience in geology, biology and habitat study, anthropology, and ecosystems. Participants will be asked to conduct some research and make short presentations. Internet and email access is required for this group.

\$45 – facilitated by York Phillips, retired urban planner; Jennifer McDaniel, master naturalist; Mike Miller, supervisor of environmental and interpretive services at the Peoria Park District; Dr. Duane Esarey, director, Dickson Mounds Museum; and Jason Beverlin, deputy director of river conservation at The Nature Conservancy at Emiquon. (NFs/NG)

#### **PRACTICE-BASED**

II. Origami – Folding Amazing Models Tuesdays, January 14 – February 4 9:00 - 11:15 a.m. **Peoria Next Innovation Center** 

Minimum 6 participants, register by January 2

You'll Love Class #18

This study group will take a much "deeper dive" into the art of Origami that will be covered in a Winter class. Why Origami? It's easily learned, is really good for your brain, and is a skill you can use for the rest of your life. It's also fun and helps you create unique designs to garnish your home or leave entertaining money folds as a tip for your servers. The group's facilitator will help you create a variety of models, understand the basics of folding, and how to read the diagrams. All materials will be provided – just bring your hands and be ready to learn and have fun. \$45 – facilitated by Steve Richards, Origami instructor for over 40 years. (NF/NG)

# LEARNING TRIPS

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Learning trips are educational travel experiences that enable you to interact with experts who offer behind-thescenes looks at area businesses, regional attractions, and domestic / international destinations.

On OLLI trips, you can investigate and explore with your peers while receiving top-notch customer service – all travel arrangements are organized by staff so you can focus on learning and fun. Our land excursions travel via our comfortable, easy-access OLLI shuttles or by charter coach. All trips depart from Campustown shopping center, near Bradley University, with reserved parking on trip days.

To make your trip even more enjoyable, please note:

- All learning trip times in this brochure are approximate and subject to change. Please refer to your confirmation handout (mailed upon registration) for specific departure, tour, and arrival times.
- Many of our learning trips require walking and standing in various terrains and environments. To ensure your safety and to respect our hosts' regulations, everyone is required to wear closed-toed shoes on all our trips.

# ACTIVITY LEVELS

Each learning trip includes an activity level symbol. **Before** you register, make sure the activity level matches your abilities. This will ensure an enjoyable trip for you and those who travel with you.

- Enter/exit vehicle with minimal assistance, climb some stairs, stand for up to an hour, and walk a few blocks indoors or out.
- Stand for over an hour, climb some flights of stairs, and walk on uneven surfaces, plus all Level 1 requirements.
- Be able to stand and walk for over 2 hours with minimal chance for sitting, be active for an extended period of time, be healthy, mobile, and able to participate in 3-5 hours of daily physical activity, plus all Level 1 and 2 requirements.

Be able to participate in extended walking and standing beyond normal trip expectations, be able to participate in 6 hours of moderate physical activity, plus all Level 1, 2, and 3 requirements.

# LOCAL TRIPS

Get to know your community on these half-day excursions to local sites. The price includes meal, shuttle transportation, entrance fees, and tour guides. Detailed itineraries are mailed upon registration. Register early – these trips are usually limited to 28 and fill quickly. **Please note: all times listed are approximate and subject to change.** 

#### ACTIVITY LEVEL **1**

All trips listed in this section may require participants to enter and exit a vehicle with minimal assistance, climb some stairs, stand for up to an hour, and walk a few blocks indoors or out.

#### I.Wheel Art Pottery **1** Monday, January 13, 9:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. 16 seats available

For a unique winter treat we'll visit Jacob Grant, Bradley University alumnus and owner of two businesses: Wheel Art Pottery Studios (which emphasizes instruction) and Jacob Grant Ceramics (a studio through which he sells his artwork). Jacob's pottery has been on display at Disney World and The Four Seasons Hotel in Washington, D.C. On this trip, we'll get hands-on by throwing pottery on the wheel and handbuilding our own creations. Be prepared to get messy and have fun!

\$60 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, presentation, and shuttle transportation (RT)

#### ACTIVITY LEVEL 🕗

All trips listed in this section may require participants to stand for over an hour, climb some flights of stairs, walk on uneven surfaces, plus all Level 1 requirements.

#### 2. Peoria Ronald McDonald House **1 2** Friday, January 17, 8:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. 28 seats available

Join OLLI as we tour the newly opened Peoria Ronald McDonald House (RMH) with its Central Illinois Chief Executive Officer Kelly Thompson. The Peoria RMH has 22 mini-suites available to provide a supportive place for families to stay while their children are receiving medical care, and supports programs that directly improve the health and well-being of children. The second floor of the Peoria House will be home to the Dax Wing and open to pediatric cancer patients. Fully sponsored by the Dax Foundation, the wing is separate from the rest of the facility to allow immunocompromised visitors a place of their own. The founder of the Dax Foundation, Julie Locke, will guide us thru the Dax Wing and discuss the background and work of the foundation. \$30 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, and shuttle transportation (NT)

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#### 3. Easterseals Central Illinois 12 Thursday, January 23, 8:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. 28 seats available

For 100 years, Easterseals Central Illinois has helped children with developmental delays and disabilities reach their full potential. Through its dedicated team of physicians, therapists, and staff, Easterseals offers services from six locations, including pediatric specialty service centers in Peoria and Bloomington, Easterseals Learning Academy in Germantown Hills, Timber Pointe Outdoor Center on Lake Bloomington, and two Children and Family Connection Centers. Join OLLI as we learn about the Easterseals mission, the range of services it provides, and the amazing goals and milestones that are realized each day through its Peoria and Bloomington centers. \$30 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, and shuttle transportation (RT)

#### 4.WEEK TV Studio 12 Tuesday, January 28, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

22 seats available

On this trip, we'll take a private one-hour tour of the WEEK TV studio in East Peoria, which has been recently remodeled (while remaining in production). We'll view editing bays and the control room, and have an opportunity to see reporters and anchors at work. In addition, our tour will include a peek behind the scenes to view the midday news broadcast and a question-and-answer session to learn more about the station. Depending on the broadcast schedule, we may also have a chance to talk with the midday anchors.

\$35 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, and shuttle transportation (RT)



During a recent learning trip, Gloria Smith-Duryea poses by one of the beautiful stained glass windows at Peoria's GAR Hall.

#### 5. Peoria County Jail with Sheriff Asbell 12 Thursday, January 30, 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. 28 seats available

Peoria County Sheriff Asbell will lead a behind-thescenes tour of his department and the attached jail while providing a narrative about the county's law enforcement services. During our visit, we will walk through the lockup portion of the facility and view the jail's newer technological advances, including a closed circuit bonding system, computerized mug shot and booking system, a live scan fingerprint process system, and an interactive indoor training system.

\$30 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, and shuttle transportation (RT)

#### 6. Advanced Medical Transport **1 2** Friday, February 7, 8:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. 28 seats available

Join us for a tour of Advanced Medical Transport (AMT), a private, not-for-profit company that serves the people of more than 60 communities throughout Central Illinois. During our visit, we will learn about the state-of-the-art equipment that dispatches the ambulances, get a close up look inside an ambulance, and tour one of the most high-tech classrooms in the area. In addition, we will find out how AMT's nurses, paramedics, emergency medical technicians, and dispatchers provide medical services to fire protection districts, townships, municipalities, counties, hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, physicians' offices, and public events.

\$30 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, and shuttle transportation (RT)

#### 7. Midwest Food Bank 12 Monday, February 10, 8:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. 28 seats available

Midwest Food Bank, a faith-based, ecumenical nonprofit organization, was founded in 2003 when the Kieser family began providing food from their family farm in McLean County. Today, the organization serves more than 1,800 agencies and organizations with warehouses in Bloomington, Peoria, Morton, Peachtree City, Fort Meyers, Dallas, Gilbert, Indianapolis, Haiti, and Kenya. In the first quarter of 2019, these 10 locations distributed \$60 million of food. We'll tour the Peoria facility and talk with Carrie Doolin, volunteer relations director, about the donations, distributions, and volunteers.

\$30 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, and shuttle transportation (RT)

# 8. Dayspring Native American United Methodist Church **1 2**Wednesday, February 19, 11:00 a.m. – 3:45 p.m. 28 seats available

The Dayspring Native American United Methodist Church is a faith based community that embraces Native American traditional practices, including music from the Spirit Drum, worship services celebrated in a circle, and rituals such as smudging and the four-directions prayer. We will have the opportunity to experience a sage smudging or water blessing, drum preparation with tobacco, friendship dance with drum and four direction prayer. Our trip will be led by Pastor Danira Parra and will include lunch, gratuities, music, and stories.

\$30 – includes lunch at the church, tour, and shuttle transportation (NT)

9. Peoria Riverfront Museum Da Vinci – The Genius <sup>1</sup> <sup>2</sup>
Wednesday, February 26,
9:15 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.
28 seats available



#### *Da Vinci – The Genius* is the most comprehensive

exhibition on Leonardo da Vinci to tour the world. Created with the assistance of the Museo Leonardo da Vinci in Rome and a number of experts in Italy and France, the exhibition brings to life the genius of Leonardo as an inventor, artist, scientist, anatomist, engineer, architect, sculptor, and philosopher. We'll enjoy a private tour of the exhibit with Bill Conger, curator of collections and exhibitions. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to get first-hand knowledge of these fabulous displays, available to the public for a limited time.

\$40 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, and shuttle transportation (RT)



Bill Bermes poses with his friends Jake and Elwood Blues during a tour of the Joliet Historical Society.



OLLI members take a break during a hardhat tour of the new Ronald McDonald House in Peoria.

#### 10. General Wayne A. Downing Peoria International Airport **1 2** Thursday, February 27, 8:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. 25 seats available

Join Director Gene Olson for an exclusive, behind the scenes look at the General Wayne A. Downing Peoria International Airport. During our visit, we'll learn how the terminal is able to serve approximately 1 million travelers annually as we tour the ticket counters, inbound baggage facilities, passenger screening rooms, waiting areas, and jet bridges of this 125,000 square-foot facility. \$30 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, and shuttle transportation (RT)

#### ACTIVITY LEVEL 3

All trips listed in this section may require participants to stand and walk for over 2 hours with minimal chance for sitting, be active for an extended period of time, be healthy, mobile, and able to participate in 3-5 hours of daily activity, plus all Level 1 and 2 requirements.

#### II. Caterpillar Track-Type Tractor Assembly 128 Monday, January 20, 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. 28 seats available

Caterpillar's Track-Type Tractor Assembly is responsible for producing some of the largest and most innovative machines in the industry. The facility has streamlined factory operations with flexible manufacturing systems and other computer-based technology and processes. From the versatile D6 to the rugged D11 Carrydozer, all of Caterpillar's track-type tractors are engineered for tough working conditions. Join us for a behind-the-scenes look at how Caterpillar's medium and large track-type tractors are assembled, tested, and painted.

\$30 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, and shuttle transportation (RT)



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# 12. Homeway Homes **128**Friday, January 24, 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. 28 seats available

On this popular trip, we'll travel to Deer Creek to tour the Homeway Homes Factory and learn all about the company's design and construction processes. We'll see the staff at work throughout each step of the building stages, including floor and wall build, roof set, plumbing and insulation, siding, and final inspection and wrap. We'll then head to Goodfield to tour completed model homes and enjoy lunch at local favorite Busy Corner Restaurant. \$30 – includes lunch, gratuities, tour, and shuttle transportation (RT)

# I3. Lifeline and Byerly Aviation 123 Tuesday, February 4, 8:45 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. 28 seats available

Join OLLI as we tour Byerly Aviation and LifeLine Pilots at the Peoria's General Wayne A Downing International Airport. Byerly Aviation opened its hanger doors back in the 1930s under the operation of Millard Byerly, and now You'll Love Class #19 Study Group #6, and Trip #10

offers customers a full range of services including fuel supply, de-icing, and hanger services. Byerly also offers ground support equipment maintenance, refurbishment, and equipment sales. LifeLine Pilots was founded by Wanda Whitsitt in 1981 to facilitate free air transportation for children and adults with medical and humanitarian needs. Its 450 volunteer pilots cover a 10 state area and donate their time, talent, airplane, fuel, and operating expenses. \$30 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, fees, and shuttle transportation (NT)



Vic Reed rubs Danny Thomas' nose for luck during a tour of the St. Jude Children's Hospital in Memphis.

#### 14. 4B Components 123 Wednesday, February 5, 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. 28 seats available

4B Components, a Morton-based developer of material handling components, won the 2019 Governor's Export Award in the agricultural exporter category. The company is a subsidiary of the worldwide manufacturer 4B Braime Components, and develops products ranging from elevator buckets and bolts to speed switches, level monitors and other hazard monitoring systems. Join OLLI as we tour the new elevator bucket injection molding facility that features over 250,000 buckets and 6 million bolts – representing one of the largest inventories of elevator buckets and bolts in the world.

\$30 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, and shuttle transportation (NT)

#### 15. Case Agriculture, CNH Industrial **123** Tuesday, February 11, 10:45 a.m. – 3:45 p.m. 28 seats available

Case IH in Goodfield is part of CNH Industrial, a global leader in capital goods including agricultural equipment. The company employs over 64,000 people at 66 plants worldwide with a network of dealers and distributers in 180 countries. In September 2019, CNH was named as Industry Leader in the Dow Jones Sustainability World and Europe Indexes for the ninth consecutive year. The company's full range of product offerings include tractors, combine harvesters, and implements. Join us as we visit the Case IH plant in Goodfield and learn how this facility, founded in 1961 by a local farmer, now produces topquality industry leading tillage equipment. \$35 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, and shuttle transportation (NT)

# 16. IVEX Specialty Paper **12**Wednesday, February 12, 8:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. 28 seats available

IVEX Specialty Paper, LLC, located in downtown Peoria, is the industry leader in manufacturing machine-finish and machine crepe kraft papers used in the multi-wall bag industry and silicone-coated base paper for the carpet industry. During our trip, we'll learn how IVEX uses both recycled and virgin fibers to produce bleached, natural, and colored krafts. We'll also get to see how its converting capabilities allow for slitting jumbo rolls to as narrow as one-inch wide.

\$30 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, and shuttle transportation (RT)

#### 17.Wildlife Prairie Park **128** Friday, February 14, 10:45 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. 28 seats available You'll Love

On this trip, we will learn about the some of the hidden gems at Wildlife Prairie Park. We'll climb aboard our shuttles

with a step-on-guide to go behind-the-scenes for a tour of the park. We'll meet with staff for an update on what is new and what is in store for the 2,000-acre zoological park. Depending on weather, we will visit some of the lesser known areas of the park. Participants will have an opportunity to feed Bison Ambassador Big Mike, and meet some of our other animal ambassadors that help the park with outreach education programs. We'll also visit the Peoria Regional Learning Center, an alternative high school for at-risk students, located within the park. \$35 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, and shuttle transportation (RT)

**Class #28** 

#### 18. PMP Fermentation Products **12** Tuesday, February 18, 8:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. 28 seats available

Join OLLI as we step back into Peoria history and view the workings of a modern chemical company, PMP Fermentation Products, Inc. The riverfront plant, owned by Fuso Chemical Company of Japan, produces sodium gluconate, a fine granular or powdered product derived from corn syrup. Gluconate serves as a metal cleaner and is used in agriculture, concrete mixes and the soap industry. The plant is comprised of a collection of buildings, some of which date back to the 1800s, including the Old City Brewery. Jim Zinkhon, President of PMP, will lead our private, behind the scenes tour of the facility. \$30 – includes lunch at a local restaurant, gratuities, tour, and shuttle transportation (NT)

September 4, 2019 THE BERNARD OSHER Dear Friends: CUNDATION On behalf of the trustees and staff of The Bernard Osher Foundation, we extend hearty congratulations to everyone involved with the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Bradley University on twenty-five years of One Market Plaza exceptional service to the community. Spear Tower, Suite 4025 San Francisco California 94105 We recognize that the development of your Institute over the past two Telephone (415) 861-5587 and a half decades has engaged the energies and talents of countless www.osherfoundation.org devoted and generous people from dedicated members and volunteers to Board of Directors outstanding program staff and administrators. The progress of your Barbro Doher Chairman dynamic program has been simply remarkable since the Osher Foundation made its first grant in June 2008, growing from 640 members then to Bernard Osher Founder & Tressurer nearly 1,200 today. We therefore salute your extraordinary success and collective achievements as you come together in celebration of your Nety G.F. Bitterman President common purpose: to explore new ideas, to share wisdom and insights, and to form new and lasting friendships. David Agger Phallis Cook We hope that you take great pride in all that you have accomplished over Robert Friend the past twenty-five years, and we are confident that the Institute will John Gallo continue to enhance the lives of Central Illinois residents for decades to Laura Lauder come. John Pritzker Witb@varm regards THANKYOU to The Bernard Osher Bernard Osher Treasurer and Founder Foundation for its ery continued support Mary G.F. Bitterman President

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#### **OLLI News from Bradley University**



September 24, 2019

Missing Our Newsletter? Check Your Spam Folder City Council to Honor OLU with Proclamation OLLI at the Theatre: Peter and the Starcatcher Spots Still Available Stay up-to-date on what's happening at OLLI at Bradley University, including announcements of pop-up trips, special events, and campus happenings, by reading our weekly e-newsletter.

If you would like to subscribe, please email olli@bradley.edu to add your name to the mailing list.

#### ATTENDANCE

Please only attend programs in which you are enrolled. During classes, if you would like to leave one and attend an alternate, please speak with staff at the registration desk before doing so. It is important that everyone who registers for a class have a seat.

#### **CELL PHONES**

Please silence your phone before every program. If you are using a cell phone or a tablet to take notes, make sure the key strokes have been silenced, too.

#### **DIETARY CONCERNS**

All OLLI programs will provide options for vegan, vegetarian, and gluten-free meals upon request. If you have a dietary issue, please contact our office at (309) 677-3900 at least two weeks before your program, so we can meet your dietary needs.

# **INFORMATION DISCLAIMER**

Information provided in OLLI programs is for educational and informational purposes only. In no way should OLLI be considered as offering legal advice, investment advice, health advice, or any related advice on behalf of Bradley University.

#### **GUESTS /INVITE A FRIEND**

We encourage members to bring a friend to enjoy OLLI classes for one day at no charge. If you have a friend who has never been to OLLI classes and would like him or her to attend as your guest for one day, please contact our office at (309) 677-3900 at least one day in advance so we can have a list of available classes prepared for their visit. It is important to reserve this privilege for those who haven't yet experienced OLLI classes.

# LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

OLLI subscribes to an environment of thoughtful discussion and mutual respect which is at the heart of a universitybased experience. We value our participants and those who volunteer to share their time, talent, and organizations with us. These ideals enable us to enjoy the constructive exchange of ideas and remain informed and excited as lifelong learners. We embrace these ideals as a commitment to civility and academic freedom.

# TRIP TRANSPORTATION

We encourage all of our trip participants to use OLLI's shuttle transportation, as many of our trip sites have limited parking and require the group to arrive at one time. Plus, traveling as a group allows for more socializing!

# PHOTOGRAPHY

Photographs are taken during all OLLI programs. Your registration gives consent for any such photographs to be used for advertising and publicity purposes by Bradley University, its licensees, and/or member organizations, and you waive all claims for compensation for such use or for damages.

# PARKING

For Winter classes only, parking is open and free on campus. The OLLI shuttle will circle the parking lots near the Student Center in case of cold or icy weather.

# PERFUME AND COLOGNE

Many members have sensitive respiratory systems which can be exacerbated by strong odors. Please avoid wearing strong perfume or cologne.



The OLLI shuttles are on the go nearly every day; this time they make a stop on a trip along Route 66.

# **CLASS SCHEDULES**

If you register between November 6 - December 19, 2019, your Winter 2020 schedule will be mailed on December 20, 2019. If you register for classes over break, you can pick up your schedule and receipt on the first day of classes, Tuesday, January 7, 2020. We also provide class schedules on the back of participants' nametags.

## WEATHER

OLLI classes are cancelled only when Bradley University closes due to inclement weather. Please stay tuned to local television and radio stations for cancellation announcements.

# **CANCELLATION POLICIES**

Bradley University offices close for winter break on Monday, December 23, 2019 and reopen on Thursday, January 2, 2020.

#### CLASSES

There is a \$10 minimum cancellation fee. If you cancel before December 20, the remainder of your fee will be refunded. If you cancel on or after January 2, you will be refunded \$64 (luncheon cost). If you cancel on or after January 7, your fee will be forfeited.

#### **STUDY GROUPS**

There is a \$10 minimum cancellation fee. If you cancel 7 days before the start of the group, the remainder of the fee will be refunded. If you cancel less than a week before the start of the group, your fee will be forfeited.

#### LEARNING TRIPS

There is a \$10 minimum fee. For Winter trips, if you cancel and your spot is filled from a waitlist, the remainder of your fee will be refunded. If you cancel and your spot cannot be filled, or if you cancel on the day of the reminder email or after, your fee will be forfeited.

#### **OLLI ORIGINALS**

Due to the nature of these low-cost, donor-sponsored events, there are no refunds for events \$15 or under. Other cancellations will follow the learning trip committee cancellation policy.

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## **NEW OLLI WINTER 2020 REGISTRATION OPTIONS**

After much thoughtful consideration by the Executive Committee, OLLI will transition its registration process to treat all methods more equally beginning with the Winter 2020 season. Please read carefully so you can determine which method of registration will work best for you:

#I.WALK IN	#2. BY MAIL	#3. ONLINE
Attend the Walk-in Social*	Brochure arrives at post offices on Monday, October 28, 2019.	Brochure will be posted online on Monday, October 28, 2019.
STOP IN: Wednesday, November 6, 2019 8:00-10:00 a.m. Michel Student Center	MAIL TO: BU Continuing Education Attention OLLI, 1501 W. Bradley Avenue, Peoria, IL 61625	VISIT: Bradley.edu/olli
Walk-in Social registrations will be processed on Wednesday, November 6 starting at 11:00 am	Mail in registrations at any time; they will be opened/processed on <b>Wednesday, November 6</b> starting at 11:00 am	Online registration will open on <b>Wednesday, November 6</b> at 11:00 am

#### **#4. PHONE AND WALK-IN**

Phone registrations and office walk-ins will not be accepted until Thursday, November 7 at 9:00 a.m. We appreciate your cooperation by waiting to call or visit our office until that time.

\* There will be a Park-and-ride shuttle from Westminster Church, 1504 Moss Avenue beginning at 7:15 a.m. Doors to the Michel Student Center open at 7:30 a.m.

#### NOTE:

Starting with Spring 2020 and beyond, we will no longer offer a Walk-in Registration Social.

#### Members will benefit from this change:

- The **new process will be fairer** to all members by giving everyone equal opportunity to register with the concurrent processing of forms, without waiting in line or getting up early to attend a walk-in social.
- We hope to **reduce the frustration** of those members who have arrived at past socials at 7:30 a.m. to stand in a crowded lobby, as well as those who are upset to find that they are already #200 in line.
- Members can **mail forms at any time** brochures are available online and are delivered to post offices 10 days prior to registration.
- For even more convenience, there will now be an option to select "payment by check" with online registrations for those who do not wish to use credit cards online.
- Our online registration system has been carefully re-designed over the past two years to ensure confidence in the process.

- Event confirmation is immediate with online registration you won't have to wait for a mailed receipt.
- **Online registration reduces errors** caused by manual entry, mostly due to difficulty reading handwriting or incorrectly listed payment information.
- There will be an overall **increase in socialization opportunities**, thanks to more OLLI Originals and member events designed by the new Membership Development Committee.
- More than 90% of our members have email addresses, and this transition will **enable those who prefer to use their online capabilities.**

Throughout this transition, our commitment to excellent customer service remains our top priority.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we adjust to our members' needs and our capacity as a staff.

# WINTER 2020 REGISTRATION FORM (pg I of 3)

# **OLLI CLASSES**

Classes will be held January 7 - 10,2020 in the Michel Student Center. The \$99 fee includes a complimentary buffet lunch on January 7 and one class in each of the time periods below. Please complete the following information:

#### **PART 2:**

### TUESDAY/THURSDAY CLASS PREFERENCES

Put a "1" and a "2" next to your 1st and 2nd choices in each of the two tables below

Tuesday, January 7 & Thursday, January 9 9:00-11:30 am		
1. Chronologically Gifted		
2. Cryptocurrencies and Blockchain		
 3. Dietrich Bonhoeffer		
4. Ernie Pyle		
5. Explore the World of Gardens		
6. Literary Lions		
7. The Other Law of Moses		
8. Peoria Women Who Changed the World		
9. Smart Investors Ignore the Noise		

#### Tuesday, January 7 & Thursday, January 9 12:30-3:00 pm

10. 20/20 Vision in the Year 2020
11. Art and Controversy
12. Beachler's Car Care Seminar
13. Behind the Scenes of Restaurant Inspection
14. Building Your Insurance Toolkit
15. Center for Prevention of Abuse
16. Look What I Did
17. Shape Note Music
18. Origami: The Joy of Folding

#### PART I: OLLI Classes Fee

BOXI	\$00	Record this fee on Line A, page 31 if you are taking OLLI classes
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#### PART 3: WEDNESDAY/FRIDAY CLASS PREFERENCES

Put a "1" and a "2" next to your 1st and 2nd choices in each of the two tables below

#### Wednesday, January 8 & Friday, January 10 9:00-11:30 am

19. Airports and Air Traffic Control
20. Create Art Installation for Public Viewing
21. Math in the Movies and On TV
22. Organizations That Help Our Community
23. Peoria Reads 2020: The Hate U Give
24. Preparing Your Garden for Spring
25. RETHINK Poverty
26. The Civil War Veteran

Wednesday, January 8 & Friday, January 12:30-3:00 pm	10
27. Agricultural Markets: Personal Persp	ective
28. All About Wildlife Prairie Park	
29. Broaden Your Knowledge of Investing	g
30. Frank Lloyd Wright- 150 Years of Ge	nius
31. Oh! That Feels So Good!	
32. Peoria's Sister Cities	
33. Songs of Summer Surfing	
34. Tips, Tricks, and Technology	

## **IMPORTANT:**

Please remember to mark a 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> choice for EACH class period. This helps staff place you in a class in case your first choice is full or the instructor has to cancel the session.

# WINTER 2020 REGISTRATION FORM (pg 2 of 3)

#### WINTER LUNCHEON

If you're taking classes, be sure to check the box and join us at the Winter Luncheon on January 7 at no cost. Not taking classes? You can still join us for just \$25. There is no formal program or speaker for this buffet luncheon.

# **OLLI ORIGINALS**

Put an "X" next to the OLLI Originals you wish to take and total the fees.

	1. OLLI at the Theatre	Jan. 29	\$10	
	2. One Child Nation	Jan. 31	\$5	
	3. Maiden	Feb, 6	\$5	
	4. OLLI After Hours	Feb. 25	\$20	
I will	I will attend this informational trip meeting - pg. 14:			
	5. The Pilgrims' Path	Feb. 25	FREE	
OLLI ORIGINALS TOTAL - BOX 3: Record this fee on Line C, pg 31			\$	

# **OLLI STUDY GROUPS**

Put an "X" next to the Study Groups you wish to take and total the fees.

DISCUSSION-BASED		
1. Experiencing Hubble	Jan. 14 - Feb. 4	\$45
2. The Beat Poets	Jan. 15 - Feb. 5	\$45
3. Ethical Artificial Intell	Jan. 16 - Feb. 13	\$45
4. Leonard Shlain's	Jan. 20 - Feb. 17	\$45
5. Great Short Stories	Jan. 20 - Feb. 24	\$45
6. Women in Aviation	Feb. 5 - 26	\$45
PARTICIPATION-BASED		
7. The Origin of Satan	Jan. 13 - Feb. 10	\$45
8. Creative Genius of DaVinci	Jan. 17 - Feb. 28	\$45
9. Evicted	Jan. 23 - Feb. 13	\$45
10. Peoria's Natural History	Jan. 24 - Feb. 28	\$45
PRACTICE-BASED		
11. Origami	Jan. 14 - Feb. 4	\$45
STUDY GROUPS Record this fee	TOTAL - BOX 4: on Line D, pg 31	\$

Winter Luncheon (complimentary for class members)	\$0
Winter Luncheon (I'm not taking classes)	\$25
WINTER LUNCH TOTAL - BOX 2 Record this fee on Line B, page 31	\$

# **OLLI LEARNING TRIPS**

Put an "X" next to the Learning Trips you wish to take and total the fees.

LOCAL TRIPS		
ACTIVITY LEVEL		
1. Wheel Art Pottery	Jan. 13	\$60
2. Ronald McDonald House	Jan. 17	\$30
3. Easterseals Central Illinois	Jan. 23	\$30
4. WEEK TV	Jan. 28	\$35
5. Peoria County Jail	Jan. 30	\$30
6. Advanced Medical Trans.	Feb. 7	\$30
7. Midwest Food Bank	Feb. 10	\$30
8. DayspringChurch	Feb. 19	\$30
9. PRMDaVinci	Feb. 26	\$40
10. Peoria Inter. Airport	Feb. 27	\$30
11. Caterpillar Assembly	Jan. 20	\$30
12. Homeway Homes	Jan. 24	\$30
13. Lifeline and Byerly	Feb. 4	\$30
14. 4 B Components	Feb. 5	\$30
15. Case/CNH	Feb. 11	\$35
16. IVEX Specialty Paper	Feb. 12	\$30
17. Wildlife Prairie Park	Feb. 14	\$35
18. PMP Fermentation	Feb. 18	\$30
LEARNING TRIPS TOTAL Record this fee on Lin		\$

# WINTER 2020 REGISTRATION FORM (page 3 of 3)

#### **ONE REGISTRATION FORM PER PERSON, PLEASE!**

#### Step #I: REGISTRANT INFO

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#### □ Luncheon (assist with decorations)

□ Art Exhibits (assist artists at classes)

# Step #3: SELECT YOUR PROGRAMS

On pages 29-30, pick the activities in which you'd like to participate, and total the cost for each.

#### Step #4: PAYMENT INFORMATION

Please refer to your totals on pages 29-30 and complete:									
LINEA	Classes	BOX 1, pg 29	\$	_+					
LINE B	Winter Lunch	BOX 2, pg 30	\$	_+					
LINE C	OLLI Originals	BOX 3, pg 30	\$	_+					
LINE D	Study Groups	BOX 4, pg 30	\$	_+					
LINE E	Learning Trips	BOX 5, pg 30	\$	_+					
Quarterly Member Fee			\$5.00	_					
	-	TOTAL DUE =	\$	_					

□ I am paying by check (*Payable to Bradley University*)

□ I am paying by credit card □ VISA □ MasterCard □ Discover □ American Express

Print name as it appears on card

Card Number\_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date\_\_\_\_\_

Signature\_\_\_\_\_

Card billing address

## Step #5: READ & SIGN WAIVER

Photographs are taken during all OLLI programs. Your registration gives consent for any such photographs to be used for advertising and publicity purposes by Bradley University, its licensees, and/or member organizations, and you waive all claims for compensation for such use or for damages.

In order to complete registration, participants are required to read and sign this assumption of risk, release, and waiver. My signature confirms that I have read and agree to the cancellation policy, I meet the activity level requirements, I agree to abide by the safety guidelines of Bradley University staff and each host organization, and I recognize and accept the risks and conditions of the classes, study groups, and trips. I acknowledge that my participation involves some personal risk. For each trip, I will wear closed-toed shoes and agree to use any other safety equipment required by the host site. I will assume the risks and responsibilities regarding my participation and hold Bradley University and its agents harmless.

Signature

Date



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