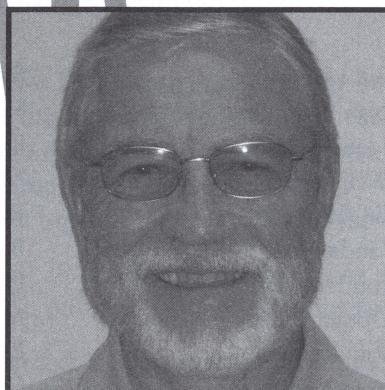
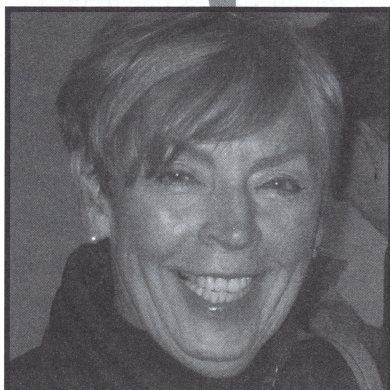
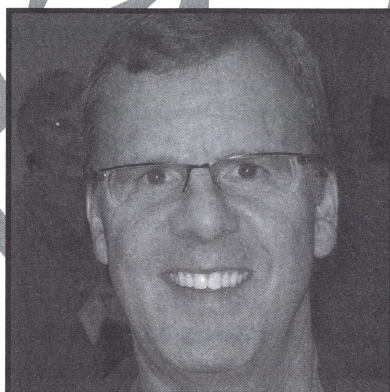


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**OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE  
AT BRADLEY UNIVERSITY**

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# WHO IS OLLI?

The Bradley University Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) is a group of over 600 learners, age 50 and over, who learn together through three distinct programs.

Three times each year, we meet at Bradley and enjoy presentations by volunteers who teach four 1-hour sessions on a subject of their choice. OLLI Classes cover all topics and disciplines and regularly include a few hands-on computer classes.

We also take **Learning Trips**, held throughout the year and throughout the region. With a focus on learning, we enjoy behind-the-scenes explanations, step-on guides, and docent-led tours that enrich each of our excursions. Transportation is provided, and lunch is generally included on these half day and full day trips.

**Study Groups** are another feature of OLLI. These member-facilitated groups convene around a topic of mutual interest and include discussions and presentations by the group's members. Study groups generally meet two hours for five or six weeks and convene throughout the year.

In essence, OLLI is our opportunity, at 50 and over, to learn again. It's an organization that enables us to revisit old interests and develop new ones; to rekindle old friendships and make new ones—with people like ourselves. It's our time to learn!

The Osher Lifelong Institute at Bradley University is a program sponsored by Continuing Education and is affiliated with the Bernard Osher Foundation and the Elderhostel Institute Network.

# WE ARE OLLI!

OLLI volunteers are the heart and soul of our organization. We celebrate our success due to their efforts. Thank you, volunteers!

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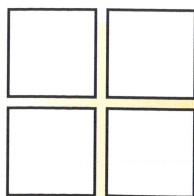
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# OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE AT BRADLEY UNIVERSITY



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Welcome to our 2009 Spring session of OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute). Our move to a new name – OLLI, accompanied by a \$100,000, grant has enabled current program enhancements and several very exciting program possibilities in the future.

Additional personnel (a secretary and a program director) have already been hired in the Continuing Education Department to work with the OLLI program.

As a result of the increased support our overall program offerings, classes, trips, and study groups will be increased for the spring session. Planning is currently underway for adding new activities in the future.

For the 2009 Spring session the curriculum committee, under the leadership of Gil Nolde, has increased the number of classes to 54 which is a significant increase over the 45 classes offered Spring 2008.

Our uppermost appreciative thanks go to Peggy Cornelius who has retired from curriculum chair after many years. Peggy was a very dedicated curriculum chair and instrumental in seeing that the classes offered were varied, interesting, and educational. Please give Peggy a big thank you when you see her.

Trips have become very popular and most fill up early leaving many on the waiting lists. Popularity and subsequent demand for the trips has improved as a result of very positive reviews by those who have made trips in the past. Therefore trips have been increased in number for the Spring session – six additional trips have been added to the program. You'll also notice that trips are now first in the brochure–so you can find them quickly.

Study groups were introduced in the Fall 2008 session to see how our group would respond and, based on the very positive feedback, our study group selections have also been increased.

Changes have also been made to the Executive Board to support future programs. Four members have been added to sit on the board, namely Chair of Curriculum, Chair of Winterim, Chair of Study Groups, and Chair of Learning Trips.

We will continue to utilize the Westminster Presbyterian Church lot on Moss Avenue and the lot at Shea Stadium (formerly Meinen Field) on Nebraska. Shuttle service will be provided to the front door of the Student Center and will make return trips throughout the day.

The future of OLLI is very exciting. Enjoy our Spring OLLI program.

Jim Hooker  
President

P.S. Enjoy the new look of our brochure. We hope you like the addition of seasonal art–starting with spring flowers.



CONTINUING EDUCATION  
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New for Spring – activity level descriptions for each trip! In order to assist in trip selection, we have included an activity level icon next to each trip description. Some of this year's trips provide opportunities for you to learn while exploring, hiking, and more. Please take care to note the level of activity for each trip, illustrated below:



Participants should be able to climb a few stairs, stand for up to an hour, get on/off van or bus with minimal assistance, and walk a few blocks indoors or out.



Participants should be able to climb a few flights of stairs, walk on uneven surfaces from three blocks up to two miles over the course of a day.

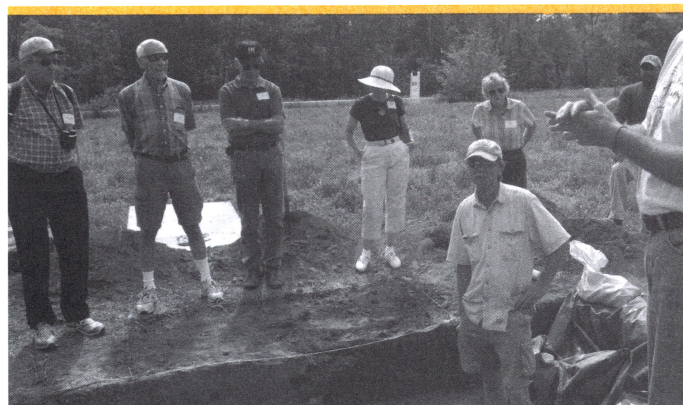


Participants should be in good health, mobile, and able to participate in 3-5 hours of physical activity per day (the equivalent of walking up to five miles at a 2.5-mph pace over uneven ground).



Participants must be in excellent health, extremely mobile, and used to an active lifestyle. Activities may require up to six hours of strenuous, moderate- to fast-paced activity per day (the equivalent to hiking six miles at a 3-mph pace over varied terrain).

*adapted from Elderhostel activity levels*



## LOCAL TRIPS

The 2009 Spring local trips are designed to take you into a variety of overlooked businesses and organizations within our own community. Michelle Riggio and Emily Skocaj will be your hosts.

Each trip is \$22, which includes your tour, lunch, and round-trip van transportation. We typically meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m., tour, and return by 3:30 p.m. Detailed handouts and timelines will be provided upon registration confirmation. Please register quickly – seats are limited!

### **Winpak Heat Seal Corporation & Excalibur Seasoning Company**

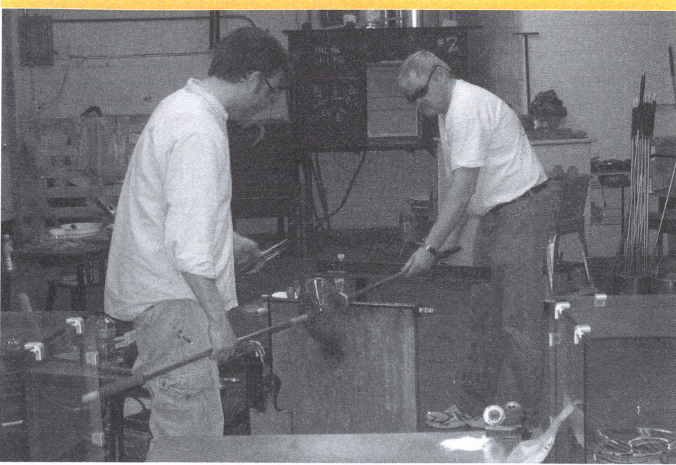
**Thursday, February 19, 2009**

Join us as we tour two of the businesses located in Pekin's Riverway Business Park, Winpak Heat Seal Packaging and Excalibur Seasonings. Winpak, the largest producer of die-cut lids in North America, is an integrated manufacturer of heat-sealable membranes and die-cut lids for the food, beverage, dairy, and healthcare industries. Excalibur creates varieties of seasonings formulated for producing smoked and cured meats. The company serves over 13,000 seasoning blends and provides new and existing customers with seasoning formulas. Their flavor profiles have produced state champions in almost every product category throughout the Midwest since the company's inception in 1986. Note to our friends with sensitive noses—our Excalibur visit is brimming with spicy aromas. You are welcome to excuse yourself from the tour if your nose is not cooperating!

### **Peoria County Sheriff's Office**

**Thursday, February 26, 2009**

Back by popular demand, this behind-the-scenes look at the Peoria County Sheriff's Department will be led by Peoria County Sheriff Mike McCoy. We will tour the Sheriff's administrative offices and crime lab to learn how highly qualified officers handle criminal investigations and protect Peoria County residents. During our trip through the lockup portion of the building, we'll experience the jail's new technological advances, including a closed-circuit video bonding system, digital computer driven mug shot system, computerized booking system, and live scan fingerprint process system.



### Toraason Glass

**Thursday, March 12, 2009**

Experience the beautiful art of glass blowing at a working artist's 2,700 square foot studio and gallery in downtown Peoria. Glass artist Hiram Toraason, who has displayed his finished work at OLLI and is scheduled to teach a "Look What I Did" course in April, will lead a tour of his gallery and demonstrate the techniques of working with 2,000-degree molten glass to create a one-of-a-kind work of art. Tour members will also be able to purchase individual pieces, all of which are signed and dated. Cameras and camcorders are welcome.

### Caterpillar Robotics/Technical Center

**Thursday, March 19, 2009**

Caterpillar conducts major product research at its Technical Center, a sprawling campus-like facility in Mossville. Join us as we get a behind-the-scenes look at Cat's virtual reality development, robotics, and related technology. We will also learn about the various associated technologies and the applications to future products. This tour requires close-toed shoes and the ability to enter/exit the vans frequently.

### Great Harvest Bread Company

**Tuesday, March 24, 2009**

Ever wonder what it is like to be a baker? Join us as we find out during a tour of the Great Harvest Bread Company on North Allen Road. We'll have the bakery all to ourselves while we discover the five simple ingredients the company uses to make its bread, see how wheat kernels are ground into fresh flour, follow the baking process from the milling room to the mixers, and more. We will also be able to personally bake a half-loaf of honey whole wheat bread and sample it fresh out of the oven.

### Dynamic Controls Inc.

**Thursday, March 26, 2009**

Lighting, heating, and cooling our homes is something most of us take for granted. For Bill Wahl, ('65) president of Dynamic Controls, Inc., however, it's something he thinks about every single day. Bill will give us a behind-the-scenes look at Dynamic Controls, Inc., a company that manufactures, supplies, and installs automated and integrated building control systems, including heating, air conditioning, and high-tech security systems. We'll get a look at how the company monitors its clients' facilities via online systems, and hear about how his company installed the security camera system at Illini Stadium when the Chicago Bears played at the University of Illinois during Soldier Field renovations.

### A Day in Downtown Dunlap

**Thursday, April 16, 2009**

Need a break from your daily routine? Spend a relaxing day in Downtown Dunlap, where we'll tour several locally owned businesses and enjoy a civilized high tea and lunch, English style. First, we'll take a guided tour of the Little Church on the Prairie Wedding Chapel, a small, private chapel that caters to brides and grooms on their special day. Next, we'll enjoy high tea and lunch at Her Majesty's English Tea Room, where owners Jerry and Jackie Gillam will guide us through their unique shop, give a presentation about the formalities of high tea, and compare notes with those of us who participated in the high tea service in London in 2007. Lastly, we'll meet the owners of two small downtown businesses, Knit 4 Together (a yarn shop owned by four local women) and the Village Clock Shop, Arts & Antiques (owned by John Parks, Sr.) as they talk about the histories of their shops. Note special time: 9:45 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.



**Historic Washington Square** **Friday, May 15, 2009**

Historic Washington Square will be the focus of our learning as we visit the thriving city of Washington, Illinois. Located just five miles east of the Illinois River, the city of 13,000 has grown into a progressive community while preserving its rich heritage. Our visit will include a tour of the Village Doctor Museum, where we'll step inside a doctor's office just as it was in the early 1900s. We'll also tour the adjacent Zinser House, which was mail-ordered from the Sears Catalog. After a walking tour of the churches, homes, and businesses on the square, we'll have lunch at the Denhart Baking Company & Restaurant. Owners Tom and Judy Gross will show us around their building, discuss its recent restoration, and explain their efforts to have it listed on the National Register of Historic Places. After the tour is complete, participants are welcome to spend an hour enjoying the square on their own.

Note special time: 9:45 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**182nd Airlift Wing, Illinois Air National Guard** **Tuesday, June 23, 2009**

Day in and day out, C-130 Hercules cargo aircraft leave Peoria destined for locations all over the world. Whether delivering humanitarian supplies to Hurricane Katrina victims or air dropping food and ammunition in the middle of the night to our Special Operations Forces engaged throughout Afghanistan in the Global War on Terror, the citizen-airmen of the 182nd Airlift Wing, Peoria Air National Guard, are always proudly representing the Heart of Illinois. During this trip, we will have a chance to see some of these professionals in action as we tour the maintenance, operations, and security facilities. Colonel William Robertson ('83), the Wing Commander, will also provide an aircraft tour and present a short briefing about the 182nd Airlift Wing's missions involving the global war on terror, humanitarian support, and homeland security missions. Due to security regulations, all participants will be required to show photo identification prior to entering the base.




## REGIONAL TRIPS

Regional learning trips are day-long opportunities to enjoy a variety of activities throughout Illinois. Michelle Riggio and Emily Skocaj will be your hosts.

Each trip is priced differently, and includes your tour, lunch, snacks, and round-trip transportation via van or charter coach. Detailed handouts will be provided upon registration confirmation. Please note the registration deadline for each trip.



**Becoming Edvard Munch:  
Influence, Anxiety, and Myth**   
**Art Institute of Chicago, Illinois**  
**Tuesday, February 24, 2009**

In the first regional trip of the year, we will have the opportunity to view the work of Edvard Munch, whose work, including the canonical 1895 *The Scream*, has been connected to his emotional pain and supposed insanity. Participants will be excited to learn that we will be accompanied to the Art Institute of Chicago by Bradley University art professor Heather Brammeier and 10 of her students. After we view the exhibition, Ms. Brammeier will give a short talk about Munch and his impact on modern art.

This rich exhibition will bring together approximately 150 works, including 75 paintings and 75 works on paper by Munch and his contemporaries rarely seen in the United States. The works will be organized around the following themes: the street and crowd; anxiety and solitude; love and sexuality; nature, bathing, and the

neo-romantic landscape; and, finally, death and dying. This arrangement will serve to reinforce the connections between Munch's art and that of his peers in often surprising ways.

Cost: \$109, which includes round-trip charter bus transportation (during which we'll view a DVD on Munch), admission to the museum and special exhibits, audio tour, and lunch. Please register by Wednesday, February 4.

**Chicago Gangster Tour**   
**Downtown Chicago, Illinois**  
**Wednesday, March 4**

In this first-of-its-kind trip, we will travel to Chicago to learn about the city as it existed during the Roaring Twenties, when the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages was outlawed and strictly prohibited. We'll have a personalized step-on tour guide, "Big Julie," who'll give us the inside story on Chicago's windiest politicians, rollicking red-light districts, and most notorious vice games. We'll see the old gangster hot spots (and hit spots), hear of the exploits of Capone, Moran, and Dillinger, feel the excitement of jazz-age Chicago during the era of Prohibition, and enjoy a journey into the past as we cruise the city in search of the old hoodlum haunts, brothels, gambling dens, and sites of gangland shootouts!

After we drop off "Big Julie," we'll head to Tommy Guns Garage, Chicago's only speakeasy dinner theater, for lunch and a show. We'll enter through the rear entrance under the tracks, provide a secret password, and be transported into the 1920s, complete with gangsters and flappers, silent movies, a 1928 Ford Model A car, and a replica of the St. Valentine's Day Wall.

The audience interactive show offers a musical comedy revue with the gangsters, flappers (and us) dancing and singing musical selections from Cole Porter, George Gershwin, Duke Ellington, and more. For your meal, you'll choose from "King Pin" prime rib, "Big Jim" lasagna, and "Don't Call Me Chicken" chicken breast; plus soup or salad, vegetable, potato, dessert, and coffee, tea, or soft drink. Hooch (alcohol) will be available, but must be purchased on your own.

Cost: \$124, which includes round-trip charter bus transportation, two-hour gangster tour, lunch and show at Tommy Gun's Garage, and snacks on the bus. Please register by Wednesday, February 18.

**A Day in Flanagan & Gridley** **Flanagan and Gridley, Illinois****Thursday, April 23, 2009**

Plan to spend the day with us as we explore several interesting venues in Flanagan and Gridley, Illinois.

The Flanagan AquaRanch practices “aquaponics,” a form of agriculture that combines aquaculture (raising fish in a controlled environment) and hydroponics (growing vegetables and herbs in water). Aquaponics results in two primary products: naturally-raised tilapia fish and organic basil. We’ll learn about the life cycle of the fish and the herbs from inception to market.

Salem Children’s Home, also located in Flanagan, opened in 1896 as an orphanage for boys and girls. Through the years, it has evolved into a boarding school for troubled young boys ages 12-18. With about 50 horses on the campus, the young men learn how to ride and take care of the horses, and Salem’s annual horse auction is its major fund-raiser.

After a stop for lunch at the Green Garden Restaurant, we’ll visit the Gridley Telephone Museum, a local fixture since 2002. The museum’s telephone collection houses phones dating back to the late 1800s, including a model that Alexander Graham Bell introduced at the Philadelphia Exposition.

Cost: \$69, which includes round-trip charter bus transportation, lunch, and tours of all three facilities. Please register by Thursday, April 2.

**Amish Countryside Tour** **Arcola, Tuscola, and Arthur, Illinois****Thursday, May 7, 2009**

Immerse yourself in the Amish culture for the entire day to get a glimpse of what it would be like to live in a different world when we visit Amish country in Arcola, Tuscola, and Arthur, Illinois.

Our day will begin with a visit to the Illinois Amish Interpretive Center museum, where we’ll view an 18-minute introductory video about the Amish, see the Smithsonian Institution’s traveling exhibit “Between Fences,” and enjoy the other permanent exhibits, including Anabaptist history, Amish history, buggies, quilting, barns, homes, and technology.

After the museum tour, we’ll pick up a step-on guide and head into the countryside to see significant homes, schools, farms, and businesses along the way. During the countryside tour, we’ll stop at Wilson’s Kitchens and More to see craftsmen making furniture.

We will then head to the home of Delores Graber, who will host our group for a homemade lunch of fried chicken, homemade bread, hearty sides, all the fixin’s, and, most importantly, homemade pies! After the meal, we will take an Amish woodworking shop tour and then head to Flesor’s Candy Kitchen for a personalized candy-making demonstration. Cameras are welcome at all venues except lunch.

Cost: \$89, which includes round-trip charter bus transportation, museum admission, step-on guide for countryside tour, lunch with an Amish family, woodworking shop tour, and candy-making demonstration. Please register by Thursday, April 9.





**Peoria Area Historical Barn Lunch-n-Learn**    
**Bradley University and Rural Peoria County**  
**Thursday, May 14 and 21**

Have you ever driven through the countryside and wondered why some barns are noticeably different than others? In this repeat of our successful program, we'll once again have an opportunity to learn the fascinating history of barns and farm structures throughout rural Peoria County.

First, on May 14, Bob Sherman, a Springfield resident and barn expert with degrees in history and museum management, will present a morning class about the history of American barns and farmstead buildings. He will explain the barn's European antecedents by showing their ethnic origins and characteristics, and then we will discuss and examine the nomenclature and the functional uses of farm structures. The presentation will be a total of two hours, followed by lunch in the Alumni Dining Room in the Bradley Student Center.

Next, on May 21, we'll board the bus and venture out into the countryside for a day-long visit to different types of barns in our area. We will be looking at rural structures and farmsteads in and around the Peoria area, observing the different characteristics discussed in the lecture.

Cost: \$89, which includes the lecture, round-trip bus transportation to the barns, lunch on both days, and refreshments. Please register by Thursday, April 30.

**A Day in Princeton** 

**Princeton, Illinois**  
**Tuesday, May 19, 2009**

Our day of learning will begin at the Bureau County Historical Society Museum, which consists of two adjacent buildings: the Clark-Norris Home, a handsome Prairie Square mansion built in 1900, and the Newell-Bryant House, a stately Greek revival house dating back to 1853. Among the exhibits are an 1853 parlor, an interpretation of Princeton photographer Henry Immke's studio (including many of his negatives and photographs), a large costume room, and a research library. Other items on display are fossils, Native American artifacts, pioneer utensils, farming equipment, Civil War and military memorabilia, Cherry Mine Disaster displays, early vehicles, and medical equipment.

After touring the museum, we'll head to the Lovejoy Homestead, home of the Denham and Lovejoy families for nearly 100 years. Reverend Lovejoy was its most famous resident and occupied the house from 1838 until his death in 1864. Lovejoy was prominent in the abolition movement and the Underground Railroad, a founder of the Illinois and national Republican Party, and a Congressional leader. He is perhaps best known for his role in the Underground Railroad. As an outspoken abolitionist, he openly proclaimed his willingness to assist fugitive slaves. His involvement made this house one of the most important stations on the Underground Railroad in Illinois. The United States Secretary of the Interior declared the property a National Historic Landmark in 1997.

After lunch at The Lightpost Restaurant, we'll visit some downtown shops (including Patterns of the Past), then conclude the day with a visit to Hornbaker Gardens, a family-owned and operated nursery specializing in perennial flowers. Large collections of hostas, daylilies, irises, and other perennials draw plant enthusiasts from all over the Midwest to this nursery. Our visit should coincide with the full blooming of the irises!

Cost: \$69, which includes round-trip charter bus transportation, all site admissions, and lunch. Please register by Wednesday, April 22.

### Behind-the-Scenes at Wildlife Prairie State Park Wednesday, June 10, 2009

Be a part of OLLI's first hiking trip when we experience an exclusive behind-the-scenes look at Wildlife Prairie State Park, a 2,000-acre zoological park just outside Peoria.

Our day will begin with an hour-long guided hike along the park's numerous walking trails and animal exhibits. During the hike we will learn about the native plant and animal species, the bison and elk pasture, and the Sandhill Cranes in Walden Pond.

Next, we'll enjoy an informative birds of prey exhibition followed by a personalized, behind-the-scenes look at the educational animals used at the park. The park's staff will show us how they feed and care for the animals, explain how they rehabilitate injured birds, and provide opportunities to see individual animal enclosures. Afterward, you'll have two hours to enjoy a gourmet boxed lunch and explore more areas of the park.

Cost: \$49, which includes round-trip van transportation, admission to the park, guided hike with bottled water, birds of prey presentation, behind-the-scenes tour, and lunch. Please register by Wednesday, May 13.

### Intergenerational Day at Camp Big Sky Tuesday, June 16, 2009

It's another OLLI first – a day of outdoor adventure with an intergenerational twist. Celebrate the end of the school year with a full day of hiking, boating, and fishing ... with your grandkids! Participants on this trip have the option of bringing a grandchild (or other family member) aged 8 – 12 as we spend a beautiful summer day at Camp Big Sky, a charitable, not-for-profit campground near Farmington that provides accessible fishing, camping, boating, and other related outdoor opportunities to children and adults with disabilities.

As highlighted in the Fall 2008 edition of Hilltopics, Camp Big Sky was founded by Brad Guidi ('71), who was inspired to make a difference in the lives of people with disabilities following the death of his younger brother Bruce, who had severe developmental disabilities. Guidi and his wife, Willa ('72) are parents to 26-year-old Dominique, who is confined to a wheelchair with cerebral palsy and developmental disabilities. In 1995, his family purchased a 102-acre tract of strip mine land near Farmington, and Guidi decided to create a place where people with disabilities could access the outdoors that so many of us take for granted.

Guidi will lead us on a tour of the campground, cabins, fishing pier, pavilion, and a hike along wheelchair-accessible

nature trails. We'll also take a pontoon boat ride on Bruce's Lake, a 15-acre, half-mile-wide body of water that features a 230-foot-long floating dock. After enjoying a catered box lunch in one of the outdoor pavilions, you'll have time to spend the remainder of the day fishing off the dock, playing bocce ball, flying kites, or enjoying the scenic views throughout the 102-acre site. All fishing supplies, sports equipment, and binoculars will be provided.

Cost: \$69 (adults) / \$29 (kids ages 8-12), which includes round-trip charter bus transportation, guided hiking tour, boat ride, fishing/recreation equipment, water/snacks, and lunch. Please register by Wednesday, May 20.

### Starved Rock Geology Hike Friday, June 19, 2009

Experience the fun of outdoor adventure as we enjoy an all-day geological hike around Starved Rock State Park with Ed Stermer, assistant professor of earth science at Illinois Central College.

Our first stop will be at Buffalo Rock State Park, located on a bluff which was once an island in the Illinois River. Buffalo Rock was the home of the Illinois Indians before the tribe was virtually annihilated in protracted warfare with the aggressive Iroquois. Now standing majestically on the north bank, this 280-acre promontory affords a magnificent sweeping view of the Illinois River. While exploring, we will learn about the geologic history and mineral resources of the region.

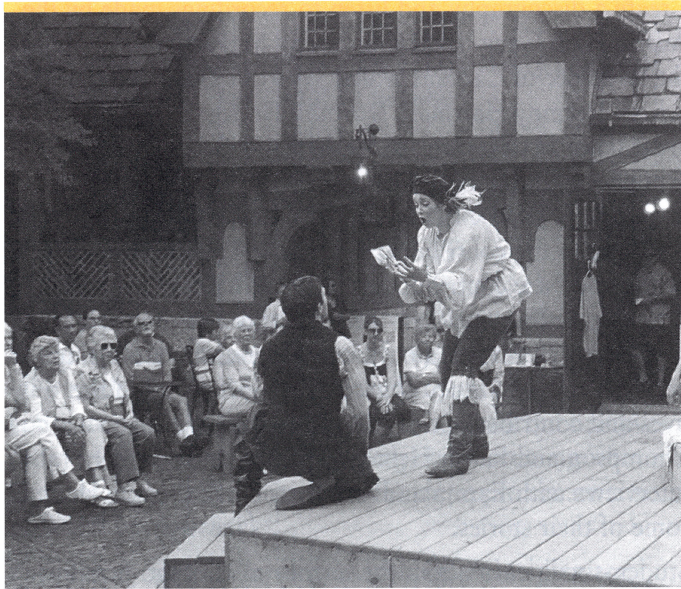
We'll then head to the Starved Rock Lock and Dam and Visitors' Center, meet with the Army Corps of Engineers, and tour their facility. After a relaxing lunch at the Starved Rock Lodge Restaurant, we'll hike trails within Starved Rock to visit and discuss the 18 canyons that slice dramatically through tree-covered, sandstone bluffs. In addition, we'll view and learn more about the park's rock formations, primarily St. Peter Sandstone, the historic site of the siege, starvation, and demise of the entire Illini tribe.

Our final stop will be a hike through Matthiessen State Park, where we will explore the beautiful rock formations, learn about the canyons, streams, prairie, and forest, and view one of the largest waterfalls in Illinois.

Cost: \$69, which includes round-trip charter bus transportation, snacks and bottled water, presentation/handouts/guided hike with Ed Stermer, and lunch. Please register by Friday, May 22.

**A Midsummer Night's Dream**   
**Illinois Shakespeare Festival, Normal, Illinois**  
**Thursday, June 25, 2009**

If you missed all the fun at last summer's trip to the Illinois Shakespeare Festival, you'll have another chance to enjoy a great performance and an exquisite evening – at the opening night gala of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Young lovers, spirits, and mythic royalty are conjured up in an enticing mix of poetry, wide-eyed fairy magic, and the madness of love in Shakespeare's most popular comedy. It portrays the adventures of four young Athenian lovers and a group of amateur actors, their interactions with the Duke and Duchess of Athens, and with the fairies who inhabit a moonlit forest. The play is one of Shakespeare's most popular works for the stage and is widely performed across the world.



Dr. Susan Hillabold, who taught a Shakespeare class for OLLI Winterim '09, will once again accompany our group to enrich our understanding of the play's subtleties. At the venue, we'll enjoy a gourmet catered picnic dinner from Distihl, a personalized backstage tour by the actors, a pre-performance green show (short performance of the play in modern English), and the performance itself.

Cost: \$109 includes charter bus transportation, backstage tour, green show, gourmet picnic dinner with wine, platinum theatre ticket for the show's opening night gala, and soft drinks at intermission. Please bring a lawn chair for our picnic on the patio. Please register by Wednesday, May 20.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

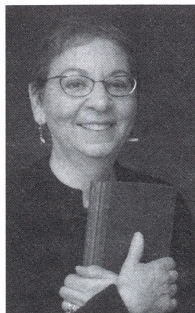


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**Nancy Pearl Lecture**   
**Monday, June 8, 2009**

Since the release of the best-selling "Book Lust" in 2003, Seattle-based Nancy Pearl has become the expert people turn to when deciding what to read next.

Join us as the award-winning author, celebrated librarian, and regular commentator on National Public Radio's "Morning Edition" – who happens to have a librarian action figure modeled in her likeness – speaks on "The Pleasures and Perils of a Life of Reading."

During the hour-long program, Nancy will share the origins of her love of reading and libraries, how the Book Lust books came to be written, what she's discovered about the perils of a life of reading, and, of course, she'll suggest some good books to read.

Nancy will also be available for a book signing prior to her lecture.

Cost: FREE! Please register by Wednesday, May 27.

Location: Bradley University campus. Room TBA.

**German Dinner**   
**Wednesday, April 22, 2009**

Our first ethnic dinner was so successful we decided to do it again! Meet us at 5:30 p.m. at the German American Central Society, 7601 N. Harker Drive, for an evening highlighting German heritage, food, and entertainment. Al Hedemann of the German Heritage Foundation will give a short talk, and we will be entertained by a pair of accordionists dressed in German dirndl outfits. The menu for the evening will include sauerbraten, red cabbage, spaetzel with gravy, salad, bread, coffee/tea, and apple strudel. A cash bar will be available.

Cost: \$25, which includes presentation, meal, and entertainment (transportation is not available for this event). Please register by Wednesday, April 1.

## STUDY GROUPS

Study groups are in-depth learning experiences that encourage interactive participation by members. They are led by facilitators, who establish group expectations and areas of study. As active, involved learners, members will do outside readings and make in-class presentations.

Gain a new perspective, contribute to a fun discussion, and join like-minded peers in this new venue for learning and friend-making!

### Pre-1900 Peoria Area History

**Thursdays, February 12, 19, March 12, 19, 26 and April 2  
1:00 – 3:00 PM**

Investigate a topic, person, or event of your choice. We'll provide leads and encouragement, and you will present results to the group (and for possible publication). Help us locate and preserve new pages in our area's history by becoming part of this history!

Facilitators: Carolann Purcell and Dale Kuntz

Carolann is a former reference librarian at the Peoria Public Library where she specialized in local history and genealogy. Dale is a researcher and speaker about Tazewell County, especially Lincoln, barns, and Civil War soldier stories.

Fee: \$60 Class size is limited to 15.

### Life Story Writers Workshop

**Mondays, February 16 – March 23  
1:00 – 3:00 PM**

Many of us want to write the stories of our lives, but we procrastinate. The ideas come and go, but the stories don't get written. If this profile fits you, then join this study group for writers who could benefit from the structure of weekly writing. Each week we will write on a topic of your choice. We will also discuss the work of a few authors who write about writing, and share our own struggles and triumphs with the writing process. If the group chooses, we will also share and discuss each other's stories. Join this friendly group as we put pen to paper and finally give those life stories some voice. This class is intended for people who are writing stories about their lives.

Facilitator: Carla Rich Montez is the instructor for the OLLI class "Writing the Stories of Your Life" which she has taught to over 200 OLLI members. Carla is the Marketing Director in Continuing Education at Bradley. She is also a freelance writer whose most recent publication was a story about the life of her one-room schoolhouse teacher.

Fee: \$60 Class size is limited to 15.

### Talking About the History of Chicago Jazz

**Wednesdays, March 4 – April 8**

**4:00 – 5:30 PM**

During the first group meeting, the instructors will give an overview of important contributions made by Chicago jazz musicians/educators. Afterward, we will give students a list of possible topics that we can further investigate in the remaining sessions. Based upon the students' interests and willingness to lead a discussion(s), we will select specific topics and make assignments. Some example topics include the following: 1) Review *Jelly's Blues: The Life, Music, and Redemption of Jelly Roll Morton* by Howard Reich and William Gaines and published by Da Capo Press, 2004, 2) Understand Louis Armstrong's time spent in Chicago, possibly reading *Jazzmen* by Frederic Ramsey and Charles Edward Smith and published by Harper & Row Publishers, 1985, 3) Create a discography and listen to recordings made by the Austin High Gang, including Jimmy McPartland, 4) Study the influence of Captain Walter Dyett at DuSable High School (Johnny Hartman, Dorothy Donegan, and many great tenor sax players), 5) Understand the great tenor saxophone tradition and listen to its styles (Gene Ammons, Johnny Griffin, Von Freeman, etc.), 6) Understand the contributions of the Sun Ra Arkestra, 7) Understand the contributions of the Art Ensemble of Chicago, 8) Discuss Chess Records and listen to their jazz recordings, 9) Investigate the crossover and relationships between jazz and blues musicians, 10) Understand the lives and contributions of current legends, Earma Thompson and Erwin Helfer, and 11) Conduct phone interviews with Earma and Erwin, and ask them to share some of their stories.

Students will learn about the history of Chicago Jazz by talking about and listening to a number of historic jazz players and educators from Chicago, including Captain Dyett, Dorothy Donegan, Gene Ammons, Johnny Hartman, Sun Ra, Clifford Jordon, William Russell, and more. We will also learn about the lives and careers of a few living jazz legends from Chicago.

Facilitators: Steven Dolins and Derek Montgomery  
Steven Dolins is an Associate Professor in the Department of Computer Science and Information Systems. He is also a hobbyist who owns The Sirens Records, a label dedicated to preserving Chicago jazz, blues, and gospel piano. Derek Montgomery is an associate professor in Bradley's Department of Psychology. He is also a jazz enthusiast and impresario.

Fee: \$60 Class size is limited to 12.

**Creation Stories-Origin of the Universe****Thursdays, March 5 through April 9****2:00 – 4:00 PM**

The purpose of this study group is to investigate, but not evaluate, the different creation stories from people all over the world. We will not decide which is the true or correct story. We will not try to convince another of our understanding of creation. Our purpose is simply to broaden our knowledge of how people, over the centuries and over the Earth, have tried to answer the question we are still trying to answer. How did it all begin? Or, did it have a beginning? Maybe it just was.

Each week, two of the participants will be the discussion leaders. The group will have been given a key reference and the two discussion leaders will delve more deeply into the subject, present their findings, and lead the discussion. The instructor will facilitate the group and learn along with the members. Come join us!

Facilitator: Henry Rakoff is a retired chemistry professor, research chemist, and an OLLI member.

Fee: \$60 Class size is limited to 12.

**World War I, Causes, Characters, Consequences****Tuesdays, March 10 through April 14****11:00 AM – 12:30 PM**

Study and discuss the reasons for the war to make the world “safe for democracy,” the major political figures who made decisions in the Great War, and the consequences and implications of this conflict in our lives today. Participants will be reading and discussing *The Guns of August* by Barbara Tuchman (approximate cost of \$7.99 in paperback).

Facilitator: Carol May is a retired ICC Administrator, Social Sciences Department

Fee: \$60 Class size is limited to 15.

**The Stock Market—Secrets from the Greatest Stock Traders of all Time****Tuesdays, March 24 through April 21****10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

How did the greatest stock traders of all time make all that money? What were their techniques and strategies? What did they have in common? What can we learn from them that might enrich our own well-being?

This will be a five week study group, and each week we will rotate and study the characteristics of great investors

such as Warren Buffett, Jessie Livermore, Benjamin Graham, and Bernard Baruch. Then, at the last session, we will collectively boil down the techniques discussed into a set of guidelines that we might all use to take home to enhance our own investments.

Three participants will be assigned to report on each stock trader. Assignments will be made before the class starts. Source material can be obtained from libraries, the internet, or the personal material that some of us may have to share from our home. Energetic student participation will make this study group both fun and, hopefully, profitable.

Facilitator: Don Wagner, retired engineer from Caterpillar and OLLI member. Don has been a student of the stock market for many years.

Fee: \$60 Class size is limited to 12.

**Computer Utilization and Related Issues****Thursdays, April 23 through May 28****9:00 – 11:00 AM**

If you have ever sat in front of your computer faced with a perplexing issue, wondered how to proceed or to find needed information, and could only utter – “now what,” then this study group is for you! We will be investigating numerous issues related to home computer usage including operating systems, local programs, peripherals, and web-based applications. Some potential subjects include external hard drives, security issues, backing up your information, email choices, internet phone applications, and where to find web-based information, to name a few. Topics of interest will be collected from the group participants and prioritized before the first meeting.

Study group meetings will be held in the Bradley Cullom-Davis Library computer room, so computers will be available when required. Laptops may be a topic of discussion and may be used in our group meetings. (Laptops are not required.)

This study group will be facilitated with participants sharing responsibilities for investigating an issue and presenting their findings at our meetings. This study group will be a great learning experience.

Facilitator: Jim Hooker, retired engineer from Caterpillar and OLLI president

Fee: \$60 Class size is limited to 12.

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**COFFEE 8:30 - BALLROOM B**



8:00-8:30

**1. Tai Chi for Health**

Dave Grebner will provide a brief introduction to the health aspects of Tai Chi and teach the basic forms and movements of this ancient body-mind discipline. The class will be held in Westminster Parish House Fellowship Hall. (RI/RC)



8:30-10:00

**2. The Bible as Literature:**

**Exploring the Storyline of the Old Testament**

The Bible is the best-selling book of all time and contains many stories that are familiar to most everyone. However, the overall storyline of the Hebrew Scriptures (the Old Testament) remains somewhat of a mystery even to many who read the Bible regularly. Using a storytelling approach, we will explore the historical literature of the Old Testament and see how the stories connect chronologically into an identifiable narrative. Come along with Mark Getz, physician, Bible instructor and storyteller, and enjoy listening to some of the greatest stories of all time. (NI/NC)

**3. Humanity in the Midst of War**

Most victims of war wear neither a uniform nor carry a gun. They are civilians, including women, children, and the elderly. International Humanitarian Law and the Geneva Conventions exist to protect them during times of armed conflict, as well as protecting the wounded, sick combatants, and prisoners of war. Join instructor Harley Jones, Director of Emergency Services for the Red Cross and adjunct ICC history instructor, for insight into the history and development of humanitarian practices during armed conflict. This class will be held in Bradley's Cullom-Davis Library. (RI/NC)

**4. Introduction to Islam**

This class will familiarize the audience with the teachings and practices of Islam and the Islamic way of life. Osama Alrefai, Louise Cloutier, and Mohamed Salem will explain many of today's misconceptions and jargon such as Jihad. (RI&NI/RC)



9:00 - 10:00

**5. Brilliant Reflections: The Beauty of American Brilliant Cut Glass and Victorian Vaseline Glass**

If you've always wondered about Grandma's cut glass bowl, come and learn how to tell the difference between cut and pressed glass, how glass was cut, the names of the motifs, the artistry of cut glass, and much more. Verle Davison, retired USDA Agriculture Lab chemist, will also look at the beauty of Vaseline glass and what makes it so scientifically interesting. This class will be held in Bradley's Cullom-Davis Library. (NI/NC)

**6. Dark Corners of American Presidential History**

George Hopkins, Western Illinois University history professor emeritus, will present a series of topics including the strange death of President Harding, assassination of Huey Long, JFK conspiracy theories, and history's mysteries. (NI/NC)

**7. Getting to Know the PSO!**

Four of the Peoria Symphony Orchestra (PSO) sections will be represented to help you understand their instruments' roles in the orchestra, as well as their own personal career and musical activities outside the PSO. You can also expect to hear a few musical selections from: Adriana Ransom, cello; Dawn Clark, French horn; Grant and Nancy Gillett, bassoon and oboe; Bill Booher, trumpet. (NI/RC)

**8. Hammering Justice on an Anvil of Steel and Iron: Lincoln's Controversial Presidential Actions**

Join Randall Saxon, Co-Pastor of United Presbyterian Church, as we learn how President Lincoln wielded his power and will to shape America (and its future) when it was rent asunder from 1861-1865. (RI/NC)





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**9. Memories of Great Opera Singers of the Past**  
Reminiscence with Stan Ransom about the great opera singers. See and hear such greats as Maria Callas, Robert Merrill, Joan Sutherland, Renata TeBaldi, Leontyne Price, Beverly Sills. Discuss what makes a great artist, and share memories of great performers and great performances. (RI/NC)

**10. Pediatric Medical Devices**

Unlike adults whose access to medical devices is driven by market forces, with common metrics of billions in revenues, children are dependent upon a needs driven market that may realize thousands and perhaps millions in revenue. For children in the United States, whose access to pediatric medical devices is limited by small market size and increased regulatory restrictions, the pediatric medical consortia will serve to reduce these barriers.

This class will discuss the issues transitioning pediatric device needs from ideas and concepts generated by clinicians to design, development, and finally commercialization. We will track several of these devices through this process. The lectures will be delivered by Dr. Al Wicks, Virginia Tech, and Dr. Andre Muelenaer, Carilion Children's Hospital. This video conferencing class will be held in Bradley's Caterpillar Global Communication Center and class is limited to 25. (NI/NC)

**11. Rating Presidents**

Once every decade or so historians will rate the Presidents. Do you agree with these ratings? How would you rate the Presidents? Come join Griffin Hathaway, associate professor at ICC, as we study the rating of Presidents as well as controversial and disputed elections. (NI/NC)

**12. The Other Law of Moses**

The ancient Israelites used an economic system that created great prosperity. It made Israel the world's first middle-class nation. Join John Kelly, Senior Vice President at Smith Barney, as we explore the economic law contained within the Law of Moses. This class will be held in Bradley's Cullom-Davis Library. (RI/RC)

**BREAK 10:00 - BALLROOM B**



10:30-11:30

**13. Animals of the Coral Reef**

The coral reef is an underwater world populated by hundreds of fascinating creatures. You will meet many of them through photos from the reefs of the Philippines, presented by Judy Greer. Judy has been scuba diving for 25 years and has photographed underwater environments around the world. (NI/NC)

**14. ArtsPartners of Central Illinois**

ArtsPartners of Central Illinois, Inc., is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to building awareness and economic viability of the arts in the Peoria area. Suzette Boulais, Executive Director of ArtsPartners, will provide background information about the organization's history, mission, programs, and initiatives. In addition, the following member organizations will tell about the arts programs they provide: Lakeview Museum, Peoria Area Civic Chorale, Fine Arts Society, Central Illinois Jazz Society, Mitch Williams Magic, Morton Civic Chorus, and Wheels O' Time Museum. (R&NI/RC)

**15. Beginning Digital Cameras**

Jeff Jaramillo of Peoria Camera Shop will lead this class focusing on very basic information about digital cameras starting with what to do after you open the box. He will also talk about creating a good picture and transferring slides to your computer. (RI&RC)

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## 16. Consulting and Lecturing in Foreign Countries: Cultural Differences

Jim Adrian, Bradley professor of Civil Engineering and Construction, is an expert on construction costs and productivity having been a seminar presenter and consultant on projects world wide. He will share his experiences about doing business in various countries and the impact of cultural differences on those experiences. In addition to sharing some milestone projects, he will include some memorable events such as a national strike in Venezuela, a terrorist bombing in London, and cultural differences in China and Saudi Arabia. This class will be held in Bradley's Cullom-Davis Library. (NI/NC)

## 17. Energy, Environment, and Eco-Doom

This course will examine contemporary energy and environmental issues with a particular emphasis on unintended consequences. Topics could include: Is it proper for Vermont and Cape Cod to ban wind farms? Should we explore the nuclear option more vigorously? What are the nonhuman factors that influence climate change? Should private jets be banned? What are the environmental savings if we adapt Sheryl Crow's proposal of one toilet paper square per restroom visit (Washington Post 22Apr07)? Our instructor is Bob Podlasek, Assistant Dean, Bradley University College of Engineering and Technology. (RI/RC&NC)

## 18. Finding Your Way in Today's Investing World

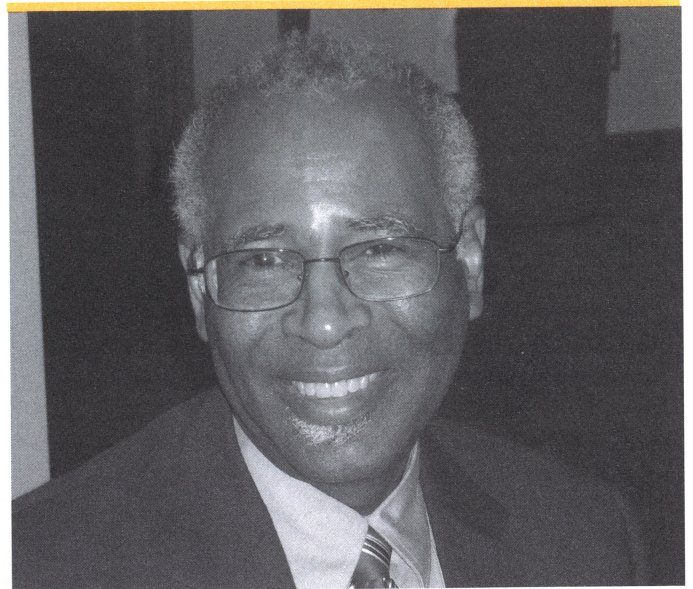
With all the volatility of our investing world, how do we know what to do and when to do it? Carl Williams, Williams Investment Network, will discuss ways to enhance your investment results while staying within your risk tolerance. (RI/NC)

## 19. History of Melody

Where do melodies come from? What makes a melody memorable? Do classical composers always write their own melodies or do they borrow from others? Central Illinois pianist and organist Carroll Green will explore these and other questions, as well as play some memorable tunes on the keyboard. (RI/NC)

## 20. Money Matters and More

This series will discuss asset management topics including: money matters; investment risks and rewards; trusts and estates, and estate planning for retirement benefits and charitable gifts. Each session will provide information to enhance your financial knowledge and show you how to utilize the information in your personal money matters. Class instructor is Delores Eagleson, Senior Vice President and Trust Officer with Herget National Bank. (RI/RC&NC)



## 21. The New Yorker

Join Theo Kenyon, Peoria Journal Star feature writer, on this study of The New Yorker magazine. Well known for its commentaries on popular culture, the magazine also includes short stories, social issue journalism, and cartoons, namely Eustace Tilley, a character whose image debuted on the first cover and reappears on anniversary issues. How does The New Yorker keep doing it after over 88 years? We'll find out. This class will be held in Bradley's Cullom-Davis Library. (NI/NC)

## 22. Non-Verbal Communication – What You Need to Know About Body Language

What does your body language say about you? Amazingly, 93% of your message is projected by facial expressions and body language rather than by what you say. Learn how all of us, and especially law enforcement personnel, use all the available clues to assess the people with whom we interact. If you're interested in learning about body language and how to use it in everyday interactions, you'll want to join Officer John Williams of the Peoria Police Department and Continuing Education's Sue Manley for a study of non-verbal communication...body language. (RI&NI/NC)

## 23. Psychology 314: Adult Development and Aging: Relationships across the Lifespan (class meets 10:00 – 11:30 AM)

This class is a continuation of the series that allows Bradley students to interact with OLLI students. This semester's topic is the social factors that impact adult development and aging. Marjorie Getz, Bradley psychology instructor, will lead this interactive class which will meet each week from 10 – 11:30 AM in Marty Theatre. Bradley students will attend from 10-11:00 AM each week. (RI/RC)





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## 24. Slavery, Anti-Slavery, and the Underground Railroad

Owen Muelder, Director of the Galesburg Colony Underground Railroad Freedom Station at Knox College, will provide a brief history of slavery and the anti-slavery movement and provide a discussion of the Underground Railroad in the U.S., the state of Illinois, and in Central Illinois. Patricia Goitein, editor of the Galena Trail Newsletter, will focus on the Underground Railroad and anti-slavery movement along the trail and in the upper Illinois River Valley. (NI/NC)

## 25. What's Special about Special Collections?

Explore the little known world of Special Collections at the Bradley University Cullom-Davis Library. Learn how it differs from the rest of the Library, why materials are collected, what makes a book rare, and how to do research on local history with Special Collections Librarian Charles Frey. Conservator Ana Lyra will also explain how old books and papers can be preserved for future generations. This class will be held in Bradley's Cullom-Davis Library and is limited to 15. (RI/RC)

## 26. Whiskey, Women, Crime

The irascible leprechaun of Peoria history is back! Norm Kelly, well-known Peoria historian and author of eight books about Peoria's sordid past, will take his listeners on another Peoria odyssey. Beginning in 1917, Norm will reveal his hometown during World War One, Prohibition, Roaring Twenties, Gambling, Prostitution, and World War Two. Did Peoria deserve its wide-open gangster reputation? (RI/RC)



## LUNCH 11:30 - 12:30

Choose one of our neighborhood restaurants, or stay on campus. Visit the Bradley Café, Student Center Cafeteria, bring a lunch from home, or join our lunch buffet in the Student Center Ballroom. (The buffet menu is \$31 for all four days.)

April 1	Rotisserie Chicken
April 8	BBQ Beef and Chicken
April 15	Beef Taco Salad Bar
April 29	Tuna, Chicken, and Egg Salad Bar



## 12:30-1:30

## 27. All Aboard Amtrak 2009 from a Rider's Viewpoint

Bliss Phillips, OLLI member and lifelong train rider, will cover the "nitty gritty" of planning, making a reservation, and traveling on-board an Amtrak train. He'll provide advice on pitfalls to avoid and suggestions for an enjoyable trip. New for this class is that one session will be devoted to a step-by-step guide for using the internet to make a reservation. (RI/RC)

## 28. American Poetry

Read and discuss the poetry of Langston Hughes, Sterling Brown, William Carlos Williams, and Wallace Stevens with Jim Sullivan, English professor at Illinois Central College. This class will be held in Bradley's Cullom-Davis Library. (RI/NC)

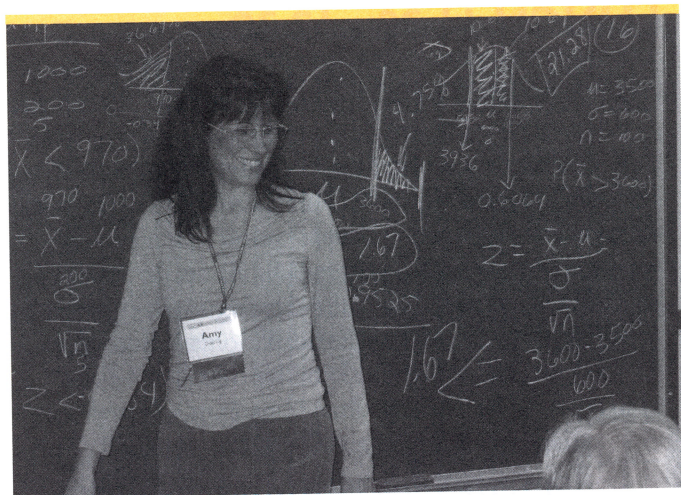
## 29. Author! Author!

Meet Peoria authors and learn about their books. April 1: Gil Nolde, editor of *All in a Day's Work*, *Seventy-Five Years of Caterpillar*. April 8: Mike Rucker, author of 17 *Terry the Tractor* books. April 15: Bill Haycraft, author of *Yellow Steel*, *The Story of the Earthmoving Equipment*. April 29: Monica Vest Wheeler, author of numerous books, including a history of Peoria business. (RI&NI/NC)

## 30. Biomes of the World

Biomes are large, distinctive regions of the earth. We will explore several of these biomes, looking at the determining factors, flora, and fauna. Rich Henz, OLLI member, will lead this combined discussion and lecture class. No prior knowledge of biomes is required. (NI/NC)

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**31. Is Your Money Safe? / Where Can You Safely Stash Your Cash?**

Join us for this timely discussion about protecting your income and investments. Our speakers include Pat Webber, OLLI member and Bradley University economics professor, Understanding Deflation; Mark Spenny, CEFCU President, Understanding Credit Unions; South Side Bank's Richard Firebaugh, Senior V.P. and Emma Vandever, Marketing Director, Understanding Banks; and a panel discussion by all with moderator Ellen Dearden, Ag Review, Registered Commodity Advisor. (NI/NC)

**32. The Joy of Ponds**

Jean Clarke and Sheldon Bevard will guide you on choosing the type of pond and building your backyard pond. Discussion will also include fish health and growing common pond plants. Jean is currently treasurer for Prairieland Koi and Pond Society and has built three of her own ponds. (NI/NC)

**33. The Richard Rodgers Story**

Enjoy a review of the life and music of this beloved musical theater composer. Join Dick Hinds as he shares the stories behind the blockbusters and takes you through both the Lorenz Hart and Oscar Hammerstein periods. (RI/RC)

**34. A Rose by Any Other Name**

Roses are among the oldest cultivated ornamental plants and are loved for their shape, color, variety, and fragrance. Join Larry Stratton, Master Gardener, University of Illinois Extension, Peoria County, as he takes you through the types of roses, selection, planting, care, problems, and joys of the All American rose. (RI/NC)

**35. Understanding Consumer Technology**

Come learn what your grandchildren already know and use: (1) Computer peripherals, wireless devices, digital picture frames, web cams. (2) Cell phone advances such as text messaging, sending pictures, videos, and other

wireless accessories. (3) Blue Ray video players, I Pod's, MP3's, Blackberry's, Bluetooth, V cast music, and GPS navigation. Additional topics requested by the participants will also be covered. Instructors are Jeff Wagenknecht, Verizon, and from Best Buy, Joseph Clark, Casey Lovell, Matt Davis, and Chad Taylor. (RI/RC)

**36. Volunteerism: It's Good for You!**

The snow has melted and winter hibernation is finally over! Spring ahead by volunteering. If you are looking for opportunities to fill the longer days and get into the swing of spring, volunteering is a great choice. We'll help you explore the numerous benefits of volunteering and the talents and skills you possess that could be useful in helping others. Ashley Kinne, RSVP Peoria County Coordinator and Connie Gee, RSVP Tazewell County Coordinator, will also look at the one hundred non-profit organizations in Peoria and Tazewell Counties and their volunteer opportunities. (NI/NC)

**37. Why Everything You Thought You Knew about the American Revolution is Wrong**

Philip Jones, Bradley History professor, will discuss the popular myths concerning the American Revolution as it is considered from an objective point of view. This class will be held in Bradley's Cullom-Davis Library. (NI/NC)

**BREAK 1:30 - BALLROOM B**



2:00-3:00

**38. How Are We to Think about Chinese Religion? Part 2**

Although this class is a continuation of the OLLI class taught in the fall semester, it stands by itself and does not require those enrolled to have attended the fall course. Whereas the first class presented a model for understanding Chinese religion, this class will provide a selective overview of the three main Chinese traditions: Confucianism, Daoism, and Buddhism. Dan Getz, Bradley professor of Philosophy and Religious Studies, will particularly focus on how these traditions contribute to the Chinese traditional worldview. (RI/NC)

This class will be held in the Bradley Cullom-Davis Library. (RI/NC)

**39. Aqui Se Habla Español**

Have fun learning Spanish through stories and easy conversation. In this class you will become involved in listening, speaking, and reading simple Spanish phrases. This is an interactive class! The instructor for this class is Dottie Strickler, OLLI member and retired Spanish teacher. (RI/RC)



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**40. Crooks, Characters, and Other Tales Worth Telling**

Come journey with us through history, foreign cultures, and almost believable places with story and imagination. This unique and fun class will stimulate your little gray cells and stretch your imagination. The Peoria Prairie Tellers Guild, Lynn Furness, Carol Johnson, Kay Price, Doris Roland, and other guild members, will inspire you and help you become a storyteller, too. (NI/NC)

**41. Current Events in Chemistry**

Look at current events in science with an emphasis on chemistry, and learn how these events impact society. Our instructor will be Max Taylor, Bradley chemistry professor. This class will be held in Bradley's Cullom-Davis Library. (RI/NC)

**42. Genetics for Idiots and Intellectuals**

John DePinto, Bradley biology professor emeritus, will examine genetic principles based on studies by the monk, Gregor Mendel. These principles will help with the understanding of many human genetic diseases such as cystic fibrosis, sickle cell anemia, hemophilia, boy in the bubble syndrome, and many others. Both idiots as well as intellectuals will have a greater appreciation of genetics by the end of this course. (RI/RC)

**43. Indian Tribes of Illinois**

Michael Wiant, Director, Illinois State Museum-Dickson Mounds, will present an overview of Indian tribes once resident in Illinois between 1650 AD and 1832 AD. (RI/RC)

**44. Look What I Did**

Corky Sutherland will talk about hitchhiking through the 48 states before he turned 21. Jim Eller will talk about his life before and after becoming paralyzed in 2001. Elsburgh Clarke, an emergency room physician, will thrill you with stories and pictures related to his other "job" as a photo journalist, and Hiram Toraason will take us on a virtual tour inside the artist's studio and his glass business. This is an interesting and varied class that you will want to join! (NI/NC)

**45. Managing Retirement and Investment Risk**

Is your retirement a game of chance? Don't let it be! Join Bill Kwon, First Vice President at Morgan Stanley, to learn how to manage retirement and investment risk. (RI/NC)

**46. The 1919 Paris Peace Conference – Decisions and Consequences**

For six months in 1919 Paris was the capital of the world. Three men, Woodrow Wilson, Georges Clemenceau, and David Lloyd George, dominated the Paris Peace Conference at the end of World War I. Join local historian, Bernie Drake, as we look at how the Peace Conference decided the world and how we live with those consequences today. (RI/NC)

**47. Poof! It's Magic**

Even MORE magic! Learn new effects and magical skills while becoming more magical than ever! In this magic session, you will enjoy conquering more magical challenges and discovering the fun of learning new ways to entertain yourself and others. Magical ethics and history are still important; entertainment and fun are our goals. Join Char Gott, magic performer in the local area since 1964, to rediscover the joy of magic. (No prior magical experience is required.) (RI/NC)

**48. Protecting the Illinois River: A Time for Action**

Illinois River Organizations – What is their make up? What do they do? Learn more about our Illinois River with Allen Andrews and Bob Pinkerton. (NI/NC)

**49. Wealth and Life Planning in Retirement**

This series will illustrate areas of financial planning that revolve around wealth, retirement, and life planning. Topics include: planning strategies and retirement income; long term care; beneficiary planning; and document retention. Class instructors are H.L. "Chappie" Chapman and Carter Chapman of the Chapman Investment Group of Wachovia Securities. (RI/RC)

**50. Zoo 101**

Discover the zoo as you've never seen it before! Learn how exhibits are designed, what enrichment is, the tricks behind the training of a 600 pound sea lion, and what it takes to run a zoo. Jill Roderick, education curator, and Julie Brunton, keeper/educator, will also discuss the past, present, and future of the Peoria Zoo. (NI/NC)



**COMPUTER CLASSES**

**FRIDAYS: MARCH 27, APRIL 3, 17, AND 24, 2009**

**8:00 – 9:45**

**51. What's a Blog?**

"A blog is a personal diary. A daily pulpit. A collaborative space. A political soapbox. A breaking-news outlet...Your own private thoughts...Your blog is whatever you want it to be. In simple terms, a blog is a web site, where you write stuff on an ongoing basis. New stuff shows up at the top, so your visitors can read what's new. Then they comment on it or link to it or email you. Or not." (www.blogger.com). Please join Jon C. Neidy as we create our own blogs, discuss the benefits of blogging, and explore other people's blogs. You may consider using a blog to write your life story and make it available for only your family to read. (RI/NC)

**10:00 – 11:45**

**52. Using a Computer to Manage Your Investments**

Track and manage your own investment performance! Free websites such as Yahoo, MSN, and Morningstar will be used. Quicken and Microsoft Money will be demonstrated. You will see the importance of self-administered portfolio management and how this knowledge can yield improved investment gains. This will not be a stock picking class as control and management will be stressed. We will help you judge your broker's (if you have one) performance. Our instructor will be Don Wagner who will be assisted by Jim Hooker, OLLI members. Prerequisites: Student should have a solid knowledge of computer usage and Excel spreadsheet analysis. (RI/RC)

**1:00 – 2:45**

**53. Second Life 101**

Barbara Galik, Executive Director of Cullom-Davis Library, will provide a basic introduction to Second Life, a 3-D multi-user virtual environment. This class will be held in Bradley's Cullom-Davis Library and is limited to 15. (RI/RC)

**3:00 – 4:45**

**54. Intro to Buying on eBay**

This class will introduce the eBay auction process. We will concentrate on registration, searching, bidding, and payment methods. Bidding methodology will be presented to assist the buyer in making intelligent purchases. PayPal will be explained as a facility for safe payment means for buyers. eBay seller 'feedback' will be addressed to know whether or not to bid on items for a given seller. Instructors are Randal and Rebecca Braun, OLLI members and Peoria Area SeniorNet Volunteer Instructors/Coaches. Participants should be new to eBay and comfortable using the mouse and keyboard, searching on the Internet, and making purchases on the Internet with a credit card. (RI/RC)

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**SPRING 2009 KICK-OFF LUNCHEON**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2009

12:00 PM

MICHEL STUDENT CENTER BALLROOM

PRESENTER: **SARA RUSCH, MD, FACP**

DEAN, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS COLLEGE OF MEDICINE AT PEORIA

**MENU**

- Mixed green salad with oranges and candied almonds
- Chicken breast florentine in puff pastry
- Sugar snap peas
- Redskin potatoes
- Strawberry layer triangle

**If you would like to attend, please check "Will Attend the Kick-Off Luncheon" on your registration form. Please register by Wednesday, March 11, 2009.**

# REGISTRATION SPRING 2009

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## WHAT I WANT TO DO

### Learning Trip Membership Fees

#### Local Trips

- \$ 22 Winpak Corp. & Excalibur Seasoning Co., February 19
- \$ 22 Peoria County Sheriff's Office, February 26
- \$ 22 Toraason Glass, March 12
- \$ 22 Caterpillar Robotics/Technical Center, March 19
- \$ 22 Great Harvest Bread Company, March 24
- \$ 22 Dynamic Controls Inc., March 26
- \$ 22 A Day in Downtown Dunlap, April 16
- \$ 22 Historic Washington Square, May 15
- \$ 22 182nd Airlift Wing, June 23

#### Regional Trips

- \$ 109 Becoming Edvard Munch, February 24
- \$ 124 Chicago Gangster Tour, March 4
- \$ 69 A Day in Flanagan & Gridley, April 23
- \$ 89 Amish Countryside Tour, May 7
- \$ 89 Barn Lunch-n-Learn & Tour, May 14 and 21
- \$ 69 A Day in Princeton, May 19
- \$ 49 Wildlife Prairie State Park, June 10
- \$ 69 Intergenerational Day at Camp Big Sky, June 16
- \$ 29 Intergenerational Day at Camp Big Sky, (kid fee)
- \$ 69 Starved Rock Geology Hike, June 19
- \$ 10 A Midsummer Night's Dream, June 25

#### Special Events

- (Free) Nancy Pearl Lecture, June 8
- \$ 25 German Dinner, April 22

#### Total (LINE A)

### Study Group Membership Fees

- \$ 60 Pre-1900 Peoria Area History, Feb. 12 - Apr 2
- \$ 60 Life Story Writers Workshop, Feb. 16 - Mar. 23
- \$ 60 Talking About the History of Chicago Jazz, Mar. 4 - Apr. 8
- \$ 60 Creation Stories-Origin of the Universe, Mar. 5 - April 9
- \$ 60 World War I ... Mar. 10 - April 14
- \$ 60 The Stock Market ... Mar. 24 - April 21
- \$ 60 Computer Utilization and Related Issues, Apr. 23- May 28

#### Total (LINE B)

### Class Membership Fee

The class fee includes the complimentary Kick-Off Luncheon, gift, one class in each of the periods listed below, and optional computer classes.

Be sure to include 1st and 2nd choice options for each class time

- \$85 Olli Class Fee
- \$31 Buffet lunches
- I will attend the complimentary Kick-Off Luncheon on March 18.

#### Total (LINE C)

8:00 - 8:30

- 1. Tai Chi for Health

8:30 - 10:00 - indicate a first (1) and second (2) choice

- 2. The Bible as Literature...
- 3. Humanity in the Midst of War
- 4. Introduction to Islam

9:00 - 10:00

- 5. Brilliant Reflections ...
- 6. Dark Corners of American Presidential History
- 7. Getting to Know the PSO!

- 8. Hammering Justice on an Anvil of Steel and Iron ...
- 9. Memories of Great Opera Singers of the Past
- 10. Pediatric Medical Devices
- 11. Rating Presidents
- 12. The Other Law of Moses

10:30 - 11:30 - indicate a first (1) and second (2) choice

- 13. Animals of the Coral Reef
- 14. ArtsPartners of Central Illinois
- 15. Beginning Digital Cameras
- 16. Consulting and Lecturing in Foreign Countries: Cultural Differences
- 17. Energy, Environment, and Eco-Doom
- 18. Finding Your Way in Today's Investing World
- 19. History of Melody
- 20. Money Matters and More
- 21. The New Yorker
- 22. Non-Verbal Communication ...
- 23. Psy. 314: Adult Development and Aging: ... (10:00 - 11:30 a.m.)
- 24. Slavery, Anti-Slavery, and the Underground Railroad
- 25. What's Special about Special Collections?
- 26. Whiskey, Women, Crime

12:30 - 1:30 - indicate a first (1) and second (2) choice

- 27. All Aboard Amtrak 2009 from a Rider's Viewpoint
- 28. American Poetry
- 29. Author! Author!
- 30. Biomes of the World
- 31. Is Your Money Safe ...
- 32. The Joy of Ponds
- 33. The Richard Rodgers Story
- 34. A Rose by Any Other Name
- 35. Understanding Consumer Technology
- 36. Volunteerism: It's Good for You!
- 37. Why Everything You Thought You Knew about the American ...

2:00 - 3:00 - indicate a first (1) and second (2) choice

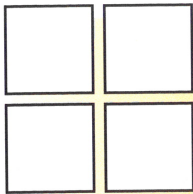
- 38. Chinese Religion
- 39. Aqui Se Habla Español
- 40. Crooks, Characters, and Other Tales Worth Telling
- 41. Current Events in Chemistry
- 42. Genetics for Idiots and Intellectuals
- 43. Indian Tribes of Illinois
- 44. Look What I Did
- 45. Managing Retirement and Investment Risk
- 46. The 1919 Paris Peace Conference - Decisions and Consequences
- 47. Poof! It's Magic
- 48. Protecting the Illinois River: A Time for Action
- 49. Wealth and Life Planning in Retirement
- 50. Zoo 101

OLLI Computer Classes, Fridays, March 27, April 3, 17, & 24, 2009  
If you choose to take these computer classes, select only one or two.

Register for computer classes only if you can attend all four (4) sessions.

- 8:00-9:45  51. What's a Blog?
- 10:00-11:45  52. Using a Computer to Manage Your Investments
- 1:00-2:45  53. Second Life 101
- 3:00-4:45  54. Intro to Buying on eBay

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Bradley Alum, Year \_\_\_\_\_

## HOW I WANT TO PAY

LINE A \_\_\_\_\_ +

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LINE C \_\_\_\_\_ =

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## PARKING

Please plan to use our shuttle buses which will run throughout the day among Westminster Church, Shea Stadium, and the Michel Student Center. Limited handicapped-accessible parking is available by permit on campus. Please contact Wanda at 309.677.2523 for details.

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## LEARNING TRIP WAIVER

In order to complete trip registration, participants are required to read and sign this assumption of risk, release, and waiver.

My signature confirms that I have read and meet the activity level requirements, agree to abide by the safety guidelines of Bradley University staff and each host organization, and recognize and accept the risks and conditions of the trip.

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 of the host site.

I will assume the risks and responsibilities regarding my participation and hold Bradley University and its agents harmless.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

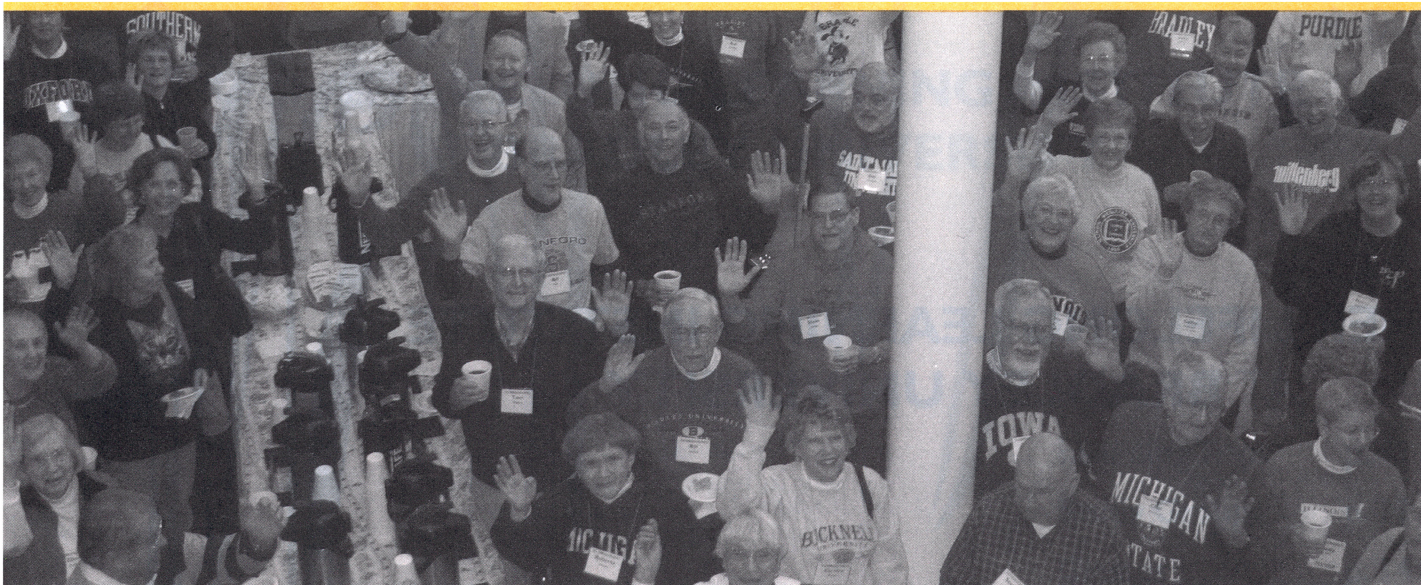
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## FUTURE CLASS DATES

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
<b>FALL 2009</b>	<b>Weds., Sept. 16, 30 &amp; Oct. 7, 14, 2009</b>		To Be Announced
Fall Wrap-Up Meeting	Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2009	9:00 AM	Executive Suite
Spring Curriculum Meeting	Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2009	9:00 AM	Executive Suite
Spring Curriculum Meeting	Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2009	9:00 AM	Executive Suite
Spring Curriculum Meeting	Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2009	9:00 AM	Executive Suite
Winterim Kick-Off Luncheon	Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2010	11:45 AM	Ballrooms B and C
<b>WINTERIM 2010</b>	<b>Tuesday - Friday, Jan. 12-15, 2010</b>		<b>Michel Student Center</b>
Wrap-Up/Spring Mailing Party	Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2010	9:00 AM	Executive Suite
Spring Kick-Off Luncheon	Wednesday, Mar. 17, 2010	12:00 PM	Ballrooms A, B, and C
<b>SPRING 2010</b>	<b>Weds., Mar. 24, 31, April 7, &amp; 14, 2010</b>		<b>Michel Student Center</b>
Spring OLLI Computer Classes	Fridays, Mar. 26, & Apr. 2, 9, & 16, 2010		To Be Announced
Spring Wrap-Up Meeting	Wednesday, Apr. 21, 2010	9:00 AM	Executive Suite
Fall Curriculum Meeting	Wednesday, Apr. 28, 2010	9:00 AM	Executive Suite
Fall Curriculum Meeting	Wednesday, May 5, 2010	9:00 AM	Executive Suite
Fall Curriculum Meeting	Wednesday, May 12, 2010	9:00 AM	Executive Suite
Fall Mailing Party	Wednesday, Jul. 21, 2007	9:00 AM	Executive Suite
Fall Kick-Off Luncheon	Wednesday, Sept. 15, 2010	12:00 PM	Ballrooms A, B, and C
<b>FALL 2010</b>	<b>Weds., Sept. 22, 29, Oct 6, 13, 2010</b>		<b>Michel Student Center</b>
Fall OLLI Computer Classes	Fridays, Sept. 24, and Oct. 1, 8, & 15, 2010		To Be Announced
Fall Wrap-Up Meeting	Wednesday, Oct. 20, 2010	9:00 AM	Executive Suite
Spring Curriculum Meeting	Wednesday, Oct. 27, 2010	9:00 AM	Executive Suite
Spring Curriculum Meeting	Wednesday, Nov. 3, 2010	9:00 AM	Executive Suite
Spring Curriculum Meeting	Wednesday, Nov. 10, 2010	9:00 AM	Executive Suite

**THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF OUR LEARNING COMMUNITY!**

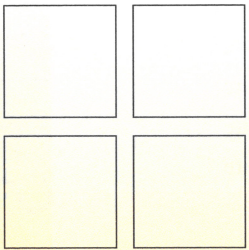




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