

OLLI at WVU

COURSE CATALOG

Summer 2026

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Classes Start July 7

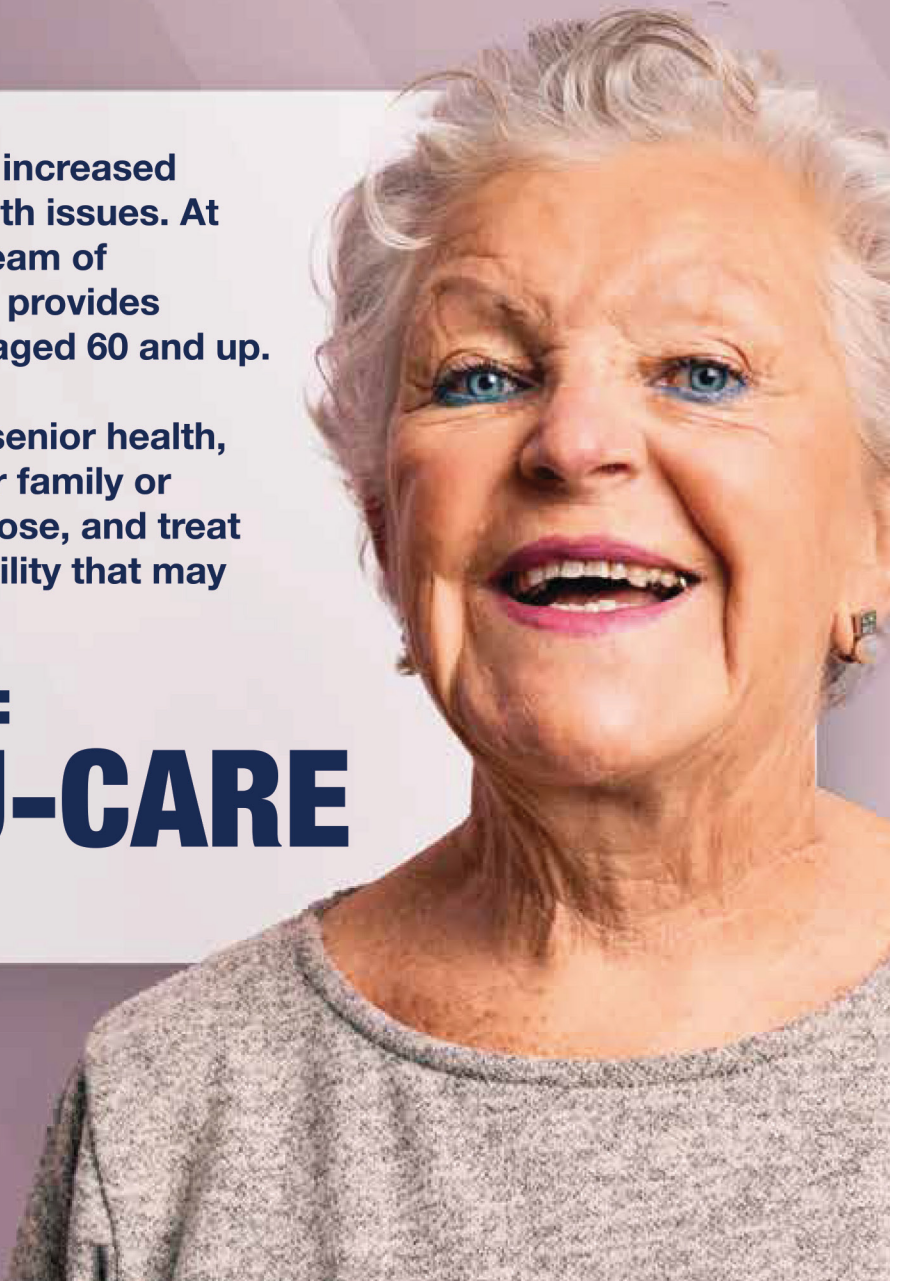
GERIATRIC CARE

Aging sometimes means an increased potential for illness and health issues. At WVU Medicine, our caring team of board-certified geriatricians provides high-quality care for adults aged 60 and up.

With our team approach to senior health, we'll work with you and your family or caregivers to prevent, diagnose, and treat diseases and possible disability that may occur with aging.

For an appointment:

855-WVU-CARE



WELCOME TO A NEW YEAR AT THE OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE AT WVU



Now is the moment to reconnect, explore, and engage. Whether you're returning to OLLI or considering joining us for the first time, this summer offers countless ways to learn, share, and build meaningful connections.

Inside this catalog, you'll discover a wide range of courses designed to spark curiosity and deepen understanding. Our instructors—both seasoned experts and passionate peers—bring energy and insight to every session, creating a

dynamic learning environment for all.

We're pleased to introduce a new trial membership this year. For \$45, individuals who have never joined OLLI can enjoy one full term of unlimited classes along with all member benefits—an ideal opportunity to experience our community firsthand.

Learning at OLLI extends well beyond the classroom. Conversations, shared interests, and special events create lasting friendships and vibrant exchanges of ideas. We're also planning a bus trip to Green Bank Observatory, with details to be announced—be sure to watch for updates.

In a time of rising costs, we are committed to keeping OLLI accessible. Membership and participation fees remain unchanged, reinforcing our dedication to affordability.

However you choose to participate, you'll find a welcoming community ready to learn and grow together. We look forward to having you with us this summer.

Jascenna Haislet
Director
Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at WVU



DISCOVER. CONNECT. THRIVE.

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The Bernard Osher Foundation seeks to improve quality of life through lifelong learning. Founded in 1977 by Bernard Osher, a respected businessman and community leader, the foundation funds a national network of more than 120 Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes, including the program at West Virginia University.

To learn more about the
Bernard Osher Foundation, visit
osherfoundation.org.

LIFELONG LEARNING, LASTING FR

OLLI at WVU

Looking for a vibrant, welcoming community of adults 50 and older? At the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at WVU, you'll **DISCOVER** new knowledge, **CONNECT** with new friends, and **THRIVE** through lifelong learning inside and outside the classroom.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

- Free and discounted events
- Travel opportunities
- Shared interest groups
- “Ask a Geek” tech help
- A voice in OLLI governance
- Lifelong learning and community

STANDARD MEMBERSHIP

- Annual fee: \$30
- Per-term enrollment fee: \$40*
- *Pay the term fee only when you register for classes.*

SAVE \$15 WITH A PLUS MEMBERSHIP!

- Annual fee: \$175
- Includes annual membership + all four terms
- Available through August 28, 2025

NEW - TRIAL MEMBERSHIP

- One-term trial membership: \$45
- Includes all membership benefits + one term of course enrollment
- Available only to new members

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Join today at olliatwvu.org!

FRIENDSHIPS.



NEED HELP WITH COSTS?

Applications for financial assistance are confidential and easy to complete – ask at the OLLI office or visit olliatwvu.org/get-involved/scholarships.

For details about membership and term costs, payment options, how to join, and registering for classes, see Program Information, Policies, and Assistance, pages 27-28.



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MORGANTOWN SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

Summer registration opens June 23. Classes start July 7.

CLASS/INSTRUCTOR	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
MONDAYS			
Intermediate T'ai Chi (Pollard)	Jul 13 - Aug 31	10:00 - 10:50 a.m.	OTHER & Z
Making and Using Stone-Age Tools (Venable)	Jul 13 & 20	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	B
A Look at Terezin Czech Republic, May We Never Forget (Lovett)	Jul 27	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	B & Z
Big Birthday, Big Plans, Ancestry Lands in the Baltic (Lovett)	Aug 3	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	B & Z
Beginner T'ai Chi (Pollard)	Jul 13 - Aug 31	11:00 - 11:50 a.m.	OTHER & Z
Yarn Arts	Jul 6 - Sep 7	12:45 - 2:30 p.m.	A
Vice Presidents of U.S. (Hutchins)	Jul 13 - 27	12:45 - 2:15 p.m.	Z
Tagore: The Renaissance Man and a Poet...(Reddy)	Aug 10	12:45 - 2:30 p.m.	Z
Stroke Awareness (Willard)	Aug 10	1:00- 2:00 p.m.	B & Z
Mon River Band	Jul 13 - Sep 7	3:00 - 4:30 p.m.	A
MONDAYS/WEDNESDAYS			
Geology of Our National Parks (Smosna)	Jul 13 - Aug 5	3:00 - 4:30 p.m.	B
TUESDAYS			
The Country Waltz and Line Dancing (Ayers, Ryan-Beard)	Jul 14 - Sep 1	10:00 - 11:30 a.m.	OTHER
What Style Is It? A Survey of American Architectural History (Howe)	Jul 14	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	B & Z
107 Days at Sea: The Journey That Changed Everything (Chalsty)	Jul 21	10:00 - 11:30 a.m.	B & Z
WVU Campus Read: <i>Everything Is Tuberculosis</i> (Lantz)	Jul 28	10:00 - 11:30 a.m.	B
Technology Security: Don't Be Fooled (Klishis)	Aug 4	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	B & Z
Bible Mysteries, Secrets, and Intrigues, Part 4 (Colvin)	Aug 11 & 18	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	B & Z
Easy Japanese: Conversation and Culture (Koike, Koike)	Jul 14 - Aug 25	12:45 - 2:15 p.m.	A
An Eclectic Collection of Prayers and Liturgy That Speak to Me (Blair)	Jul 14	12:45 - 2:15 p.m.	Z
Our Lady of Liberty (Hammersmith)	Jul 21	12:45 - 2:15 p.m.	B & Z
Hollywood Originals: Astaire, Kaye, Kelly & Montalban (Elkins)	Jul 28 - Aug 18	12:45 - 2:30 p.m.	B & Z
Campus Club Evening Book Discussion (Attfield)	Sep 8	7:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Z
WEDNESDAYS			
The Grandfriends Project (Ramirez)	Jul 15 - Aug 19	10:00 - 11:30 a.m.	A
Highs and Lows from the WV Legislature: 2026 Version (Ball)	Jul 15	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	B & Z
Story Songs, Fun Songs (w/ads): Summer, and More (Johnson)	Jul 22	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	B & Z
Identifying Trees, Part 1 (Fowler)	Jul 29 & Aug 5	10:00 - 11:45 a.m.	B & Z
Identifying Trees, Part 2 (Fowler)	Aug 12	10:00 - 11:45 a.m.	OTHER
Spanish Flu: 1918 Great Pandemic (Colvin)	Aug 19	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	B & Z
Whistles and a Bit More (Strakusek)	Jul 15 - Aug 19	12:45 - 2:15 p.m.	A
Birmingham 1963: the Children's Crusade (Rentch)	Jul 15 & 22	12:45 - 2:30 p.m.	B & Z
Tick Talk (Driscoll)	Jul 29	12:45 - 2:15 p.m.	B
Rangolee Art Workshop (Bapat, Loomis)	Jul 8	1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	A
Visit the Morgantown History Museum	Aug 12	1:00 - 2:30 p.m.	OTHER
Learn to Play the Tin Whistle 1 (Strakusek)	Jul 15 - Aug 19	2:30 - 3:30 p.m.	A
Understanding Forests (Gardner)	Aug 12	6:00 - 7:45 p.m.	B & Z
Summer Trivia (Klishis, Hyde)	Jul 29	7:00 - 8:30 p.m.	Z



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CLASS/INSTRUCTOR	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
THURSDAYS			
Campus Club Walking Outdoors (Covey)	Jul 9 - Sep 10	9:00 - 10:00 a.m.	OTHER
Beginner Pickleball (Ayers, Ryan-Beard)	Jul 16 - Aug 13	9:30 - 11:30 a.m.	OTHER
T'ai Chi for Arthritis (Pollard)	Jul 16 - Sep 3	10:00 - 11:30 a.m.	OTHER
Jewel in Our Crown: Appreciating the Green Bank Observatory (Cole)	Jul 16 - Aug 6	10:00 - 11:45 a.m.	B & Z
Euripides' <i>Medea</i> : Enchantress, Demigod, Child-Murderer (Aultman-Moore)	Aug 13	10:00 - 11:45 a.m.	A
Campus Club: Let's Do Lunch! (Rauch)	Jul 9, Aug 13, Sep 10	11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	OTHER
Brick Lab	Jul 9 - Sep 10	12:45 - 2:30 p.m.	A
Board Games	Jul 9 - Sep 10	12:45 - 2:30 p.m.	A
Film Forum: Summer Musicals 7 (Held)	Jul 16 - Aug 20	12:45 p.m.	B
Handcrafts: Terrarium Types and Plants (Hackney)	Jul 23	12:45 - 2:30 p.m.	A
Handcrafts: Kinusaiga "Silk Painting" (Elkins, Beaumont)	Aug 20	12:45 - 2:30 p.m.	A
An Interview with the Journalist: Behind the Scenes of Media (Gormly)	Jul 16	3:00 - 4:30 p.m.	A
Drinks & Dinner (Haislet)	Jul 9, Aug 13, Sep 10	6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	OTHER
FRIDAYS			
Take a Hike! You Decide the Trail (Klishis, Hyde)	Aug 28	9:00 a.m. - Noon	OTHER
SATURDAYS			
Intermediate T'ai Chi (Pollard)	Jul 11 - Sep 12	10:00 - 10:50 a.m.	OTHER
Introduction to T'ai Chi (Pollard)	Jul 11 - Sep 12	11:00 - 11:50 a.m.	OTHER
SUNDAYS			
OLLI at the Ballpark: WV Black Bears	Jul 12	5:00 - 8:00 p.m.	OTHER
Virtual Happy Hour	Jul 12 - Sep 13	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Z

A = Classroom A B = Classroom B Z = Zoom OTHER = see course description

ASK A GEEK!

Got a tech question? We're here to help. Our resident tech expert, Michelle Klishis, is ready to assist – especially with Android phones, Windows PCs, Microsoft Office, and digital privacy and security.

To get help, just email your question to olli@hsc.wvu.edu with "Geek Question" in the subject line.

Give us a few days, and Michelle will get back to you with an answer.

Thanks, Michelle, for keeping us connected and confident!

KANAWHA VALLEY SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

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CLASS/INSTRUCTOR	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
MONDAYS			
Intermediate T'ai Chi (Pollard)	Jul 13 - Aug 31	10:00 - 10:50 a.m.	Z
A Look at Terezin Czech Republic, May We Never Forget (Lovett)	Jul 27	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Z
Big Birthday, Big Plans, Ancestry Lands in the Baltic (Lovett)	Aug 3	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Z
Beginner T'ai Chi (Pollard)	Jul 13 - Aug 31	11:00 - 11:50 a.m.	Z
Vice Presidents of U.S. (Hutchins)	Jul 13 - 27	12:45 - 2:15 p.m.	Z
Tagore: The Renaissance Man and a Poet...(Reddy)	Aug 10	12:45 - 2:30 p.m.	Z
Stroke Awareness (Willard)	Aug 10	1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	Z
The Journey of Life Through Dialogue and Encounter (Urecki)	Aug 10	1:00 - 2:30 p.m.	ES
TUESDAYS			
Collective Dreams: The Kibbutz from Utopia to Today (Berman)	Jul 14 - 28	10:00 - 11:30 a.m.	ES
What Style Is It? A Survey of American Architectural History (Howe)	Jul 14	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Z
107 Days at Sea: The Journey That Changed Everything (Chalsty)	Jul 21	10:00 - 11:30 a.m.	Z
Technology Security: Don't Be Fooled (Klishis)	Aug 4	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Z
Bible Mysteries, Secrets, and Intrigues, Part 4 (Colvin)	Aug 11 & 18	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Z
An Eclectic Collection of Prayers and Liturgy... (Blair)	Jul 14	12:45 - 2:15 p.m.	Z
Our Lady of Liberty (Hammersmith)	Jul 21	12:45 - 2:15 p.m.	Z
Hollywood Originals: Astaire, Kaye, Kelly & Montalban (Elkins)	Jul 28 - Aug 18	12:45 - 2:30 p.m.	Z
A Very Floral Experience (Holsclaw)	Aug 4	1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	ES
Campus Club Evening Book Discussion (Attfield)	Sep 8	7:30 - 9:00 p.m.	Z
WEDNESDAYS			
Highs and Lows from the WV Legislature: 2026 Version (Ball)	Jul 15	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Z
Identifying Trees, Part 1 (Fowler)	Jul 29 & Aug 5	10:00 - 11:45 a.m.	Z
Spanish Flu: 1918 Great Pandemic (Colvin)	Aug 19	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Z
Story Songs, Fun Songs (w/ads): Summer, and More (Johnson)	Jul 22	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Z
Shlemiels, Shlimmazels, and Other Nobodies (Hartstein)	Jul 15	11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	ES
Birmingham 1963: the Children's Crusade (Rentch)	Jul 15 & 22	12:45 - 2:30 p.m.	Z
Understanding Forests (Gardner)	Aug 12	6:00 - 7:45 p.m.	Z
Summer Trivia (Klishis)	Jul 29	7:00 - 8:30 p.m.	Z
THURSDAYS			
Jewel in Our Crown: Appreciating the Green Bank Observatory (Cole)	Jul 16 - Aug 6	10:00 - 11:45 a.m.	Z
SUNDAYS			
Virtual Happy Hour	Jul 11 - Sep 13	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Z

E = Edgewood Summit, 300 Baker Lane, Charleston, WV Z = Zoom

MEMBER EVENTS

Member events are open to all current OLLI members!

Payment of term fee is not required.

OLLI AT THE BALLPARK: WV BLACK BEARS

Sunday, July 12, first pitch - 5:00 p.m.
Kendrick Family Ballpark

Maximum enrollment: 25

Join OLLI for an evening of baseball as the West Virginia Black Bears take on the Mahoning Valley Scrappers. Bring your family and friends!

OLLI members: \$8 Non-members: \$10
Reservation deadline: June 24. Payment due at the time of reservation. No refunds after the deadline.

INTERMEDIATE T'AI CHI

*Cecil Pollard**

L2

MONDAYS, JULY 13, 10:00 - 10:50 A.M. MORGANTOWN DANCE STUDIO AND ZOOM

This group provides an opportunity for participants who have moved beyond the beginning level to continue practicing together. Enrollment is by permission of OLLI instructors.

107 DAYS AT SEA: THE JOURNEY THAT CHANGED EVERYTHING

Jill Chalsty

Tuesday, July 21, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Morgantown B and Zoom

At 63, Jill Chalsty boarded a ship alone, grieving her husband's death and battling cancer. What began as a voyage around the world became far more than a trip. Chalsty shares the story behind her memoir *Packets of Hope*, inviting participants to travel alongside her through the ports she visited, the people she met, and the reflections that transformed personal adversity into strength

and global impact. She demonstrates how one person's courage can create ripples that span continents. Participants are encouraged to read her memoir, available free at www.packetsofhope.com, before the presentation.

SUMMER TRIVIA

Michelle Klishis, Michael Hyde*

Wednesday, July 29, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Zoom

Join us for laughter, silliness, and the most trivial of trivialities: Summer Trivia!

TAKE A HIKE! YOU DECIDE THE TRAIL

Michelle Klishis, Michael Hyde*

L3

Friday, August 28, 9:00 a.m. – Noon
Coopers Rock State Forest

Take a hike with Michelle and Michael at Coopers Rock State Forest. As a group, participants will choose how strenuous or easy they want the hike to be. Check your email for details on how we'll decide. If it's raining heavily on the scheduled day, the hike will be postponed one week.

GREEN BANK OBSERVATORY

Date: TBA
Green Bank WV

OLLI members will travel by bus to Green Bank, WV, to visit the Green Bank Observatory. Starting at the Science Center, we will take a guided tour to explore the world of radio astronomy, including a trip into the electronics-restricted Zone I to see the world's largest fully-steerable telescope, the Robert C. Byrd Green Bank Telescope. Lunch will be included.

Cost and registration information will be posted as soon as it becomes available.

SHARED INTEREST GROUPS

Shared Interest Groups offer OLLI members the opportunity to share a common interest in a social setting. Most meet year-round, so register just once per year unless otherwise noted.

Visit olliatwvu.org/current-members/interest-groups for descriptions and sign-up info.

Payment of term fee is not required.

VIRTUAL HAPPY HOUR

Every Sunday
July 2026 – June 2027, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Zoom

YARN ARTS

Every Monday
July 2026 – June 2027, 12:45 – 2:30 p.m.
Morgantown A

THE MON RIVER BAND

Every Monday
July 2026 – June 2027, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.
Morgantown A

AFTERNOON WALKING GROUP



Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays
July 2026 – June 2027, Time TBA
Various rail trails in Morgantown

CAMPUS CLUB EVENING BOOK DISCUSSION

2nd Tuesday of the month
September 2026 – June 2027
7:30 – 9:00 p.m.
Zoom

CAMPUS CLUB MORNING BOOK DISCUSSION

3rd Tuesday of the month
September 2026 – May 2027
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Morgantown A and Zoom

CAMPUS CLUB WALKING OUTDOORS



Every Thursday
July 2026 – June 2027, 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
Various rail trails in Morgantown

BOARD GAMES

Every Thursday
July 2026 – June 2027, 12:45 - 2:30 p.m.
Morgantown A

BRICK LAB

Every Thursday
July 2026 – June 2027, 12:45 - 2:30 p.m.
Morgantown A

CAMPUS CLUB: LET'S DO LUNCH!

2nd Thursday of the month
July – December 2025
11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Various locations around Morgantown
Maximum enrollment: 20

DRINKS AND DINNER

2nd Thursday of the month
July 2026 – June 2027, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Various locations around Morgantown
Maximum enrollment: 25



CLASS SCHEDULE

Summer 2026

July & August

**SUMMER REGISTRATION
OPENS JUNE 22**

Classes start early July

HOW TO REGISTER

- Online at wvusph-olli.augusoft.net/
- By phone at (304) 293-1793
- By mail, using the enclosed registration form. Make checks payable to the WVU Foundation.

**Advance registration is required
for class attendance.**



REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!

Our online registration portal contains the most up-to-date course information and is searchable by topic, instructor, and more. Courses fill up quickly, so this online portal is your best source of information! Registration remains open throughout the term for most classes and events.

ACTIVITY LEVEL KEY

For field trips, exercise classes, and outdoor adventures. Guidance only. Conditions may change.

- L1** Participants should be able to traverse flat surfaces at a leisurely pace. Activities may include some steps, boarding a bus, and standing for short periods of time. Accessible accommodations may be available on request.
- L2** Participants should be able to traverse uneven surfaces that are not always paved. Activities may include walking steps and small inclines, boarding a bus, standing for longer periods of time, and engaging in light exercise. Accessible accommodations may be available on request.
- L3** Participants should be in good physical health, able to do all the above, and able to participate in medium-endurance exercise and adventure.

THE ARTS & ART HISTORY

EURIPIDES' MEDEA: ENCHANTRESS, DEMIGOD, CHILD-MURDERER

J. Aultman-Moore

**Thursday, August 13, 10:00 - 11:45 a.m.
Morgantown A**

A reading and discussion of Euripides' famous play. We will consider Medea's character from a number of angles: foreigner, woman, enchantress, demigod, child-murderer. Some consideration of the character and motivation of Jason will also be given, as well as the question of justice and the nature of the gods in Euripides' troubling play.

** Member of the OLLI Honor Roll. Has taught ≥10 courses and ≥60 class hours.*

FILM FORUM: SUMMER MUSICALS 7

*James Held**

**Thursdays, July 16 – August 20,
12:45 – end of film
Morgantown B**

For our summer Film Forum series, we present a seventh year of musicals, old and newer. We'll watch and discuss *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, *Bye Bye Birdie*, *Deep in My Heart*, *The Music Man*, *The Band Wagon*, and *Anything Goes*. The films take us on a journey from an early Stephen Sondheim work to one of Dick Van Dyke's classic roles, to a charming bio-pic of the great Sigmund Romberg, King of the operetta, to Meredith Willson's best show about a sneaky con-man, to a great Fred Astaire-Cyd Charisse danceathon, to a live-filmed-in-London production of Cole Porter's tale of strangers at sea. Join us for an unforgettable season.

HANDCRAFTS: KINUSAIGA "SILK PAINTING"

Kathi Elkins, Lee Beaumont

**Thursday, August 20, 12:45 - 2:30 p.m.
Morgantown A**

Materials Fee: \$4.00 at the door

Created in the 1980s by Japanese artist Maeno Takashi, Kinusaiga originally used kimono silk to make "silk paintings" without sewing. Elkins and

Beaumont will lead in creating the designs, cutting into insulation foam boards, then tucking fabric into the grooves. No painting, sewing, or gluing. Participants will leave with a beautiful framed work of art.

HANDCRAFTS: TERRARIUM TYPES AND PLANTS

Tammy Hackney

**Thursday, July 23, 12:45 - 2:30 p.m.
Morgantown A**

Materials Fee: \$10.00 when registering

Terrariums have been popular for centuries as a low-maintenance method for houseplants. Hackney will guide participants in how to select the container, plants and dirt. Attendees will leave with their own terrarium for houseplant success.

HOLLYWOOD ORIGINALS: ASTAIRE, KAYE, KELLY & MONTALBAN

Andrea Elkins

**Tuesdays, July 28 – August 18, 12:45 - 2:30 p.m.
Morgantown B and Zoom**

This course examines the film and television careers of four legendary performers: Fred Astaire, Danny Kaye, Gene Kelly, and Ricardo Montalban. Through clips and discussion, we explore musicals, comedy, drama, and star image, as well as how these performers reshaped Hollywood during the

HELP OLLI GO GREEN

OLLI is working to reduce waste, save money, and protect the environment—and you can help! If you'd like to receive an email when the course catalog is available online and skip the printed version, let us know.

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or call 304-293-1793

Golden Age and the rise of television. We'll consider signature roles, key collaborations, and each artist's lasting influence on popular culture.

LEARN TO PLAY THE TIN WHISTLE 1

Ingrid Strakusek

**Wednesdays, July 15 - August 19, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Morgantown A**

The tin whistle has a long and illustrious history dating back hundreds of years. We will learn how to play several Irish, Appalachian, and American folk songs within a few weeks. The tin whistle is simple to learn. No musical knowledge is necessary as we will learn "Tabs" and how to read sheet music.



RANGOLEE ART WORKSHOP

Madhuri Bapat, Sue Loomis

**Wednesday, July 8, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Morgantown A**

Materials Fee: \$5.00 at the door

Explore the joy of rangolee art—no artistic experience required. Anyone who enjoys connecting dots, coloring patterns, and playing creatively with sand can instantly feel like an artist. In this hands-on workshop, participants will learn two basic rangolee designs and their larger pattern variations by connecting dots on paper, practice coloring them with markers while keeping symmetry, decorate with colorful beans, and finish by bringing the designs to life with vibrant colored sand powder.

STORY SONGS, FUN SONGS (W/ADS): SUMMER, AND MORE

*Ed Johnson**

**Wednesday, July 22, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Morgantown B and Zoom**

Continue the celebration of story songs—those irresistible tunes that tell a tale, stir a memory, or simply make you smile. This time, we'll lean into warm-weather vibes and musical nostalgia, enjoying songs of summer, a virtual journey through the steamy American South, and more stories set to music from folk, pop, and country traditions. Along the way, we'll revisit some unforgettable commercial jingles and musical ads, plus uncover a few delightful surprises that keep the experience fresh and fun. As always, expect catchy melodies, vivid storytelling, and plenty of moments that spark recognition, laughter, and shared memories. Participation in previous sessions are not a requirement to enjoy this class!

WHISTLES AND A BIT MORE

Ingrid Strakusek

**Wednesdays, July 15 - August 19, 12:45 - 2:15 p.m.
Morgantown A**

Interested in playing music with others and for others? Join Whistles and a Bit More, a group of regular folks who get together to play music that enriches our lives! If you can play an instrument in the key of 'D', no matter the skill level, then this group is for you! Whistles and a Bit More currently consists of tin whistles, dulcimers, guitar and rhythm players, and we play all sorts of music in the key of 'D', from Irish and Appalachian folk tunes to Rock 'n' Roll. Join us!

HEALTH & WELLNESS

BEGINNER PICKLEBALL

William Ayers, Debi Ryan-Beard

Thursdays, July 16 - August 13, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.
Westover Park, 500 Dupont Rd

Learn the fastest growing sport in the U.S.: Pickleball. Instruction will focus on the basics of the game which will provide participants with the necessary foundation to begin the journey to higher levels of play. This course introduces core skills through structured instruction covering types of shots, proper positioning, and ball control, while also emphasizing basic game planning and strategy. An important component of the course highlights sportsmanship and on-court etiquette, helping participants build confidence, consistency, and a strong understanding of the game's flow and spirit. The instructor will provide paddles and balls.

BEGINNER T'AI CHI

*Cecil Pollard**

Mondays, July 13 - August 31, 11:00 - 11:50 a.m.
Morgantown Dance Studio and Zoom

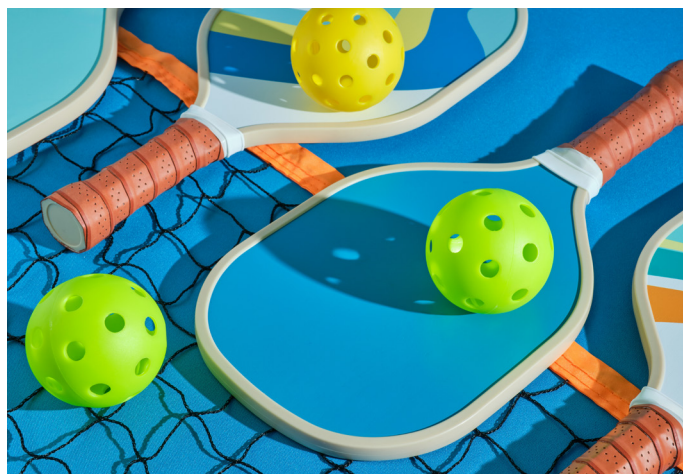
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THE COUNTRY WALTZ AND LINE DANCING

William Ayers, Debi Ryan-Beard

Tuesdays, July 14 - September 1, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Morgantown Dance Studio

An unknown author once wrote, "You can dance anywhere, even if it's only in your heart," and many would say the waltz is the dance of the heart. This course invites participants to experience the graceful, soulful rhythm of the country waltz alongside the fun and energy of line dancing. Instruction focuses on foundational steps, timing, and movement, making the country waltz an ideal style for social settings and everyday enjoyment. With less emphasis on strict precision, participants can quickly gain confidence and develop a comfortable, personal style.



STROKE AWARENESS

Leslie Willard

ENCORE

Monday, July 20, 1:00- 2:00 p.m.
Morgantown B and Zoom

Stroke is one of the leading causes of disability and death, with risk increasing with age and certain health conditions. This presentation focuses on building awareness of stroke warning signs and symptoms, the importance of calling 911 immediately, and the critical information hospitals need before treatment can begin. Participants will also gain a clear understanding of current stroke treatment techniques and how fast action can improve outcomes.

T'AI CHI FOR ARTHRITIS

*Cecil Pollard**

ENCORE

Thursdays, July 16 - September 3,
10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Morgantown Dance Studio

T'ai chi embraces the mind, body, and spirit. Originating in ancient China, t'ai chi is one of the most effective exercises for the health of mind and body. Although an art with great depth of knowledge and skill, it can be easy to learn and soon delivers its health benefits. For many, it continues as a lifetime journey.

HISTORY

BIRMINGHAM 1963: THE CHILDREN'S CRUSADE

James Rentch

**Wednesdays, July 15 and 22, 12:45 - 2:30 p.m.
Morgantown B and Zoom**

The 1963 Birmingham Campaign represents a critical moment in the modern civil rights movement, revealing both the strategic challenges and moral stakes of nonviolent protest. This course examines the Children's Crusade, when young demonstrators confronted segregation and state authority, transforming local protest into a national crisis. Attention is given to movement strategy, media impact, and public response, as well as the campaign's role in shaping federal civil rights action and exposing the human cost of resistance to desegregation.

JEWEL IN OUR CROWN: APPRECIATING THE GREEN BANK OBSERVATORY

Jay Cole

**Thursdays, July 16 – August 6, 10:00 - 11:45 a.m.
Morgantown B and Zoom**

The Green Bank Observatory is a jewel in West Virginia's crown. One of the world's most sophisticated radio astronomy facilities, Green Bank has a fascinating history extending back to the 1950s. Green Bank's history includes the search for extraterrestrial intelligence, international relations, technological innovation, outreach to K-12 education, and congressional appropriations. Green Bank has inspired everything from books and movies to license plates and Blenko Glass designs. This course will explore the history of this incredible place with pride for all it has accomplished...and for all that is yet to come!

OUR LADY OF LIBERTY

*Jack Hammersmith**

**Tuesday, July 21, 12:45 - 2:15 p.m.
Morgantown B and Zoom**

As the U.S. approaches the 250th anniversary of its founding, it seems an appropriate moment to recall its previous most famous and enduring centennial event: the plans in 1876 to construct the towering

Statue of Liberty in New York's harbor. Originally a French idea intended partially to celebrate the end of slavery in the U.S., it would be dedicated in 1886, marked by New York City's first ticker tape parade, and become a much-beloved symbol of welcome to incoming immigrants. We will look at its relevance today and at various engineering, political and symbolic aspects of the statue.

VICE PRESIDENTS OF U.S.

*Russ Hutchins**

**Mondays, July 13 – 27, 12:45 - 2:15 p.m.
Zoom**

We will examine the 50 Vice Presidents of the U.S., looking at their lives, how they got elected, their accomplishments, and fun trivia about them. From John Adams to J.D. Vance, we will trace how the vice presidency has evolved over time.

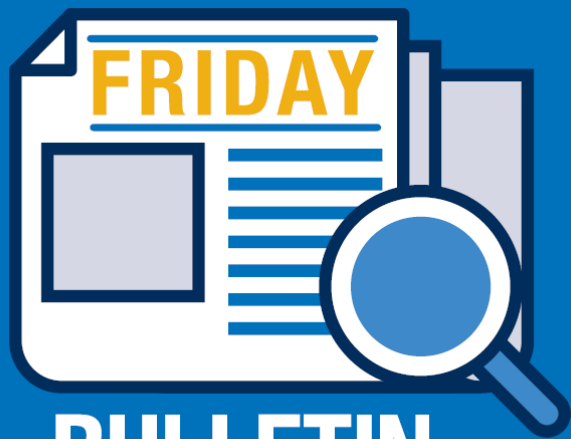
VISIT THE MORGANTOWN HISTORY MUSEUM

Museum Staff

**Wednesday, August 12, 1:00 - 2:30 PM
175 Kirk St, Morgantown**

Discover the history of Morgantown and the region through the museum collection of artifacts, writings, and photographs. Enjoy exhibits on the Monongahela People, Don Knotts, local glassware, and more. The visit will include a demonstration of printing as part of the printmaking exhibit.





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WHAT STYLE IS IT? A SURVEY OF AMERICAN ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY

*Barb Howe**



Tuesday, July 14, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Morgantown Classroom B and Zoom

This course will provide a brief survey of American architectural history from the colonial period to the International Style of the mid-20th century. While it will focus on the most important developments in the design of public buildings and important houses, we will touch briefly on the designs found in catalogs like those from Sears.

LITERATURE & WRITING

TAGORE: THE RENAISSANCE MAN AND A POET OF UNIVERSAL FREEDOM

*Sumitra Reddy**

Monday, August 10, 12:45 - 2:30 p.m.
Zoom

This class will focus on the multifaceted genius and humanitarian legacy of Rabindranath Tagore (1861-1941), the first non-European Nobel Laureate (1913) as a poet, musician, playwright, painter, educator, philosopher, and a well-travelled renaissance man from Calcutta, India. The national anthems of India and of Bangladesh were both composed and set to music by Tagore. Discussion will include his acclaimed play *Post Office*, performed by the children in the Warsaw ghetto before their execution; the universal appeal of his poem “Where the Mind Is Without Fear;” and his unconventional school in Shantiniketan, founded in 1901 as an abode of freedom and refuge for intellectuals.

WVU Campus Read: *Everything Is Tuberculosis*
Susan Lantz

Tuesday, July 28, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Morgantown B

Led by Susan Lantz, Director of the WVU Campus Read program, this discussion-based course for OLLI members examines the 2026–27 selection, *Everything Is Tuberculosis* by John Green. Green—an award-winning, bestselling author and public health advocate, widely known for *The Fault in Our Stars* and *The Anthropocene Reviewed*—combines historical

analysis, narrative inquiry, and ethical reflection in his exploration of tuberculosis as a global and social phenomenon. Through guided discussion, participants consider themes of inequality, medical progress, and moral responsibility, drawing connections to personal experience and contemporary public health challenges. Participants are encouraged to read the book prior to the course if possible.

OTHER INTERESTS

EASY JAPANESE: CONVERSATION AND CULTURE

Kazunari Koike, Mary A. Koike

ENCORE

**Tuesdays, July 14 and July 28 – August 25,
12:45 - 2:15 p.m.
Morgantown A**

The course will introduce the class to a beginning level of Japanese conversation. Participants will learn greetings and how to perform introductions, ask directions, buy/order drinks and food, etc. Basic grammar and the different styles of Japanese writing will be explained, but the primary focus of this course will be conversational speech. Participants will be expected to role-play as part of learning conversation. As part of each lesson, the class will also learn religion, geography, history, festival seasons, and food and drinks unique to Japan.

THE GRANDFRIENDS PROJECT

Maria-José Ramirez

**Wednesdays, July 15 – August 19, 10:00 - 11:30
a.m.
Morgantown A**

This hands-on course invites OLLI members to partner with Spark! Imagination and Science Center to design and launch meaningful intergenerational projects. Participants will explore how play supports child development and how seniors can uniquely strengthen learning through presence, story, and skill. Working in teams, members will develop a concrete initiative—an exhibit, program, club, or storytelling project—pilot it at the museum, and, when viable, establish it as an ongoing or permanent feature.

SHLEMIELS, SHLIMMAZELS, AND OTHER NOBODIES

Arnold Hartstein

**Wednesday, July 15, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Edgewood Summit, Charleston**

What names do we give to the foolish, inept, or clueless among us? Yiddish (about a thousand years old, the language of Central and Eastern European Jews) offers us a rich vocabulary--some of which has been absorbed into English--that helps us name and better understand these souls.

PHILOSOPHY & RELIGION

BIBLE MYSTERIES, SECRETS, AND INTRIGUES, PART 4

*Kenton Colvin**

**Tuesdays, August 11 and 18
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Morgantown B and Zoom**

The Bible contains passages that are puzzling, surprising, and often overlooked. This fourth installment continues an ongoing exploration of biblical mysteries, secrets, and intriguing narratives that challenge common assumptions and invite closer reading. The first hour revisits selected examples from earlier sessions, providing context for new participants. The remainder of the course examines additional unusual stories and details found in scripture, encouraging curiosity, discussion, and deeper engagement with the text's complexities and enduring fascination.



AN ECLECTIC COLLECTION OF PRAYERS AND LITURGY THAT SPEAK TO ME

Rabbi Joe Blair

Tuesday, July 14, 12:45 - 2:15 p.m.
Zoom

Drawing from texts that hold personal significance to the instructor, this session presents an eclectic collection of prayers and liturgical readings that reflect different moments of spiritual insight and life experience. The instructor offers context and reflection on why these pieces resonate at this point in his life, inviting participants to engage critically and reflectively. Through a combination of lecture, discussion, and shared response, the class explores how personal experience shapes interpretation and meaning within prayer and liturgy.

SCIENCE AND NATURE

IDENTIFYING TREES, PART 1

*Zach Fowler**

ENCORE

Wednesdays, July 29 and August 5,
10:00 – 11:45 a.m.
Classroom B and Zoom

Identifying Trees, Part 1, is an immersive course designed to explore the diverse array of trees native to the Mountain State, with a special focus on those growing in the WVU Core Arboretum. Participants will learn how to use Tree Finder, a common tree identification key, to identify local trees. During the course, we will also learn the key characteristics of several of our local trees so that some of the tree species start to become familiar. Ideal for nature enthusiasts and aspiring botanists, this course combines scientific knowledge with practical skills in tree identification. Participants should buy Tree Finder, by May Theilgaard Watts, which should cost less than \$10.

IDENTIFYING TREES, PART 2

*Zach Fowler**

ENCORE

Wednesday, August 12, 10:00 – 11:45 a.m.
WVU Core Arboretum

L2

Identifying Trees, Part 2, is a field-based extension of the course Identifying Trees, Part 1. We will put our skills to use and learn more about identifying and remembering local tree species on a hike at

the WVU Core Arboretum. Participants must have already taken Identifying Trees, Part 1.

SPANISH FLU: 1918 GREAT PANDEMIC

*Kenton Colvin**

Wednesday, August 19, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Morgantown B and Zoom

The 1918 influenza pandemic unfolded alongside the final year of World War I, becoming one of the deadliest global crises in history. This class examines the origins and worldwide spread of the so-called Spanish Flu, that infected roughly a third of the global population and caused over 50 million deaths. Topics will include the relationship between war and disease transmission, the pandemic's three distinct waves, and its lasting medical and social impacts. The course also places the Spanish Flu in historical context through comparison with earlier pandemics, including the Black Death and the Plague of Justinian.

TICK TALK

Timothy Driscoll

Wednesday, July 29, 12:45 - 2:15 p.m.
Morgantown B

Ticks are arguably some of the most successful parasites in the world. There are roughly a thousand species and they flourish on all continents of the world. In this class, we'll learn about the ticks to watch for in West Virginia, how to identify them, and what diseases they may transmit. We'll see how to remove ticks safely and discuss the importance of keeping track of your exposure to these critters. We'll also talk about the impact of changing climate and land use fragmentation on tick-human encounters. Finally, for the morbidly curious, you'll be able to look at different tick species up close under the microscope!

UNDERSTANDING FORESTS

Sam Gardner

Wednesday, August 12, 6:00 - 7:45 p.m.
Morgantown B and Zoom

Do you love trees and forests? Do you wish you knew more about forests? If yes, this talk is perfect for you! In this session, attendees will learn about the diverse, dynamic, and complex nature of forested ecosystems and the factors that determine

SOCIAL SCIENCES, CURRENT EVENTS, & POLITICAL STUDIES

HIGHS AND LOWS FROM THE WV LEGISLATURE: 2026 VERSION

Judy Ball

Wednesday, July 15, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Morgantown B and Zoom

The Legislature has done it again—sixty days of highs, lows, and everything in between, concluding with adjournment on March 14. As we head into an election year, this review of the 2026 session is especially timely. From the nonpartisan perspective of the League of Women Voters of WV, we will examine key legislation related to four priority areas: strengthening democracy and voting rights, safeguarding equal rights, protecting children and families, and creating a sustainable future. Ample time will be provided for questions and discussion.

COLLECTIVE DREAMS: THE KIBBUTZ FROM UTOPIA TO TODAY

Adam Berman

Tuesdays, July 14 - 28, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Edgewood Summit, Charleston

The kibbutz, a unique form of cooperative communal living in Israel, sits at the very heart of the story of modern Israel. From the idealistic pioneers who drained swamps and worked the land in the early 20th century, to the thriving communities and painful privatization debates of recent decades, the kibbutz offers a vivid window into the history, ideology, and soul of Zionism. This course traces that journey from founding vision to present day. The instructor has lived on three Israeli kibbutzim, and was living in Israel when the October 7th attacks devastated kibbutz communities along the Gaza border. His firsthand experience will bring the history alive in a personal way.

how they grow and change. Specific topics include species composition, forest structure, forest types, growth and competition, disturbance and succession, and historical land use impacts. Attendees will leave the session better equipped to understand and “read” the forests they love!

A VERY FLORAL EXPERIENCE

*Steven Holsclaw**

Tuesday, August 4, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Edgewood Summit, Charleston

Flowers first evolved between 150 and 190 million years ago in the Jurassic Period. Plants with flowers replaced non-flowering plants in many ecosystems due to their superior reproductive effectiveness. In human cultures, flowers are featured in art, literature, religious practices, rituals, celebrations, and festivals. Flowers (and most plants) can grow in almost any place on Earth excepting areas of extreme cold, high altitude, and arid conditions. All aspects of flowers, including size, shape, color, and smell, show immense diversity across flowering plants. This presentation celebrates that diversity by taking the student on a memorable and expansive visual experience.



THE JOURNEY OF LIFE THROUGH DIALOGUE AND ENCOUNTER

Victor Urecki

Monday, August 10, 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.
Edgewood Summit, Charleston

After nearly four decades of rabbinic leadership and service, Rabbi Urecki reflects on his personal journey and experiences in West Virginia. Through the lens of interfaith dialogue and encounter with people of other faiths and backgrounds, he will share how he learned to understand, respect and embrace different religious, political, cultural, and social narratives.

AN INTERVIEW WITH THE JOURNALIST: BEHIND THE SCENES OF MEDIA

Kellie Gormly

Thursday, July 16, 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.
Morgantown A

In recent years, the journalism profession has been under attack by false accusations about “fake news,” and many people believe the lies. So how do the news media really work? What are the guidelines and ethics of real journalists with respectable publications? What is a journalist’s daily life like? Gormly will share her personal memoirs about her colorful career—the famous people she has met, the happy and tragic stories she has covered, and more. She will report the truth about journalism and answer questions from the audience.

TECHNOLOGY & TRAINING

MAKING AND USING STONE-AGE TOOLS

*Wallace Venable**

Mondays, July 13 and 20, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Morgantown B

Stone Age tools were not static artifacts, but practical technologies shaped by daily needs and skilled use. This class explores the making and use of tools fashioned from stone, wood, bone, antler, fiber, and clay, with emphasis on how these tools function in real tasks rather than how they appear in museums. Using videos of modern practitioners, references to classic texts, and the instructor’s own experiments, participants examine how tools for

everyday life are used—such as cutting, building, and food preparation—and consider patterns of trade and shared knowledge across cultures, from European traditions to Cherokee practice.

TECHNOLOGY SECURITY: DON'T BE FOOLED

*Michelle Klishis**

Tuesday, August 4, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Morgantown B and Zoom

It used to be when you were standing in line at the grocery store and saw the headlines for the Weekly World News, you immediately knew how to evaluate what you saw. But on the internet, anyone can create and share information that might seem credible but truly is not. This session looks at how to improve critical thinking skills when it comes to what you see online and ways to verify the veracity of what you see.

TRAVEL & ADVENTURE

BIG BIRTHDAY, BIG PLANS, ANCESTRY LANDS IN THE BALTIC

Leslie Lovett

Monday, August 3, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Morgantown B and Zoom

Ever dreamed of planning a family vacation that brings you closer to your ancestral roots? Join the instructor and family on a meaningful 12-day journey through Denmark, Sweden, and Latvia—planned to coincide with and celebrate a milestone birthday along the way. Travel to Copenhagen, Malmö, Gothenburg, Stockholm, and Riga while exploring castles, churches, botanical gardens, canals, town squares, and the Baltic Sea. Alongside personal reflections from this celebratory trip, the course will share the rich history of each region and photographs of the towns and landmarks as they appear today, showing how ancestry, travel, and life milestones can come together in one unforgettable experience.

GEOLOGY OF OUR NATIONAL PARKS

*Richard Smosna**

Mondays and Wednesdays, July 13 – August 5, 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.
Morgantown B

Our national parks with their scenic beauty and special cast of characters are the showcase of American landscapes. Mountains, glaciers, volcanoes, hot springs and geysers, deserts and prairies, coastlines and coral reefs, rivers and islands, the national parks display them all. Moreover, the most interesting wildlife make these parks their home, including wolves, bison, alligators, tropical fish, eagles, mountain sheep, and cougars. All our parks share a common denominator: geological processes formed the physical characteristics of each geographical area which, in turn, provide the natural habitats for the animals living there.

A LOOK AT TEREZIN CZECH REPUBLIC, MAY WE NEVER FORGET

Leslie Lovett

Monday, July 27, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Morgantown B and Zoom

Terezin, located in what is now the northern Czech Republic, was founded in the late 18th century by Habsburg Emperor Joseph II and named Theresienstadt in honor of his mother, Empress Maria Theresa. Following the Munich Agreement of 1938, Nazi Germany annexed Terezin along with the rest of the Sudetenland. During World War II, the Nazis deceptively promoted the town as a Jewish spa city intended for resettlement, masking its true function in the Holocaust. Today, Terezin is home to approximately 3,000 residents. This class examines the city and its history from its founding in the 1780s to the present, centering the voices and experiences of its people. Their stories serve as a powerful reminder that to ensure humanity triumphs over hatred, we must never forget.



SPOTLIGHT ON KRISTIE GREGORY AND THE OLLI CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Four times each year, OLLI at WVU offers a diverse lineup of programming for members. Developing a term schedule that informs and inspires takes a strong network of support. At the center is the Curriculum Committee, chaired by Kristie Gregory, a longtime member and former Advisory Council chair. The committee works with dedicated instructors, group leaders, and members who suggest topics and help identify presenters.

The process begins with reviewing proposals from current, former, and prospective instructors. These are combined with existing groups and events, then organized to ensure a balanced schedule. Considerations include new versus repeat offerings, topic categories, session length, delivery format, and a mix of new and returning instructors.

The committee meets to evaluate proposals, focusing on clarity, qualifications, and logistics while identifying gaps and shaping a slate that reflects member interests.

Year-round, the committee mentors instructors, reviews evaluations, and uses feedback to strengthen offerings. Through outreach and personal connections, the committee recruits individuals eager to share their knowledge and passions.

“I’m so pleased to be a part of this excellent team and thank the current and past members for their efforts,” says Gregory. “We wouldn’t be the amazing OLLI program that we are without your help!”

Thanks to these efforts, OLLI offers a rich variety of subjects and presenters each term.

See the WORLD!

TRAVEL WITH OLLI @ WVU



THE NORTHERN LIGHTS OF FINLAND

February 21 - 28, 2027

Hunt for the elusive northern lights and discover fascinating Finland, from Lapland to Helsinki, "Daughter of the Baltic."

RESERVATION DEADLINE
July 15, 2026

FINAL PAYMENT DUE
November 23, 2026

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DISCOVER SOUTHERN ITALY & SICILY

March 11 - 24, 2027

Journey through a crossroads of civilizations in Sicily and on to the spectacular coastlines of Southern Italy. Allow the unique culture to capture your heart and get a glimpse into an age-old heritage composed of ancient monuments and cultivated lands.

RESERVATION DEADLINE
September 2, 2026

FINAL PAYMENT DUE
December 12, 2026

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For more information, visit the trip websites, call the OLLI office at (304) 293-1793, or email Jascenna Haislet at jascenna.haislet@hsc.wvu.edu.

EXPLORING SOUTH AFRICA, VICTORIA FALLS, & BOTSWANA

October 24 - November 7, 2027

Get ready for an unparalleled journey through the cultural diversity and abundant wildlife of southern Africa. Epic scenery and winding coastlines come together in an incredible adventure.

RESERVATION DEADLINE
December 18, 2026

FINAL PAYMENT DUE
July 26, 2027

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April 30 - May 9, 2027

From cosmopolitan London to romantic Paris, cross under the English Channel via the Eurostar train and take in the best of these iconic cities.

RESERVATION DEADLINE
November 20, 2026

FINAL PAYMENT DUE
January 31, 2027

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Osher Online courses are delivered via Zoom, allowing you to connect and learn with OLLI members nationwide – from the comfort of your own home.

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Learn more and explore upcoming Summer and Fall 2026 offerings at

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Community at Your Fingertips

Stay connected wherever you are! With Nearpeer, you can chat with friends, join groups, share a laugh, ask tech questions, and keep up with the latest OLLI news – all in one safe, easy-to-use social space created just for our members.

It's a fun and secure way to discover, connect, and thrive.

Learn more at olliatwvu.org/current-members



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Community events are free and open to the public. Registration is required.

T'AI CHI CLASSES

L2

Cecil Pollard

Hosted by OLLI at WVU and The Shack Neighborhood House

Saturdays, July 2026 – June 2027
The Shack Neighborhood House
537 Blue Horizon Drive, Osage

Register at

<https://bit.ly/4vPQCIM> or with the enclosed form

INTERMEDIATE T'AI CHI

10:00 – 10:50 a.m.

This group provides an opportunity for participants who have moved beyond the beginning level to continue practicing together. Enrollment is by permission of OLLI instructors.

INTRODUCTION TO T'AI CHI AND QIGONG

11:00 – 11:50 a.m.

This course introduces a version of Yang Style T'ai Chi, as modified and taught by Cheng Man-ch'ing. Students will learn the basic principles of T'ai Chi and how to perform the form.

SPEAKER SERIES

Facilitator: Allie Karshenas

1st Wednesday of the month

July 2026 – June 2027

2:30 – 4:00 p.m. Zoom

OLLI co-hosts a monthly presentation with the WVU Committee of Retired Faculty on topics of interest to members and the broader community. Past titles include Does West Virginia Have a Rainforest; Quantifying Health: Data, Discovery, and the Path to Longevity; and History Alive: Francis Perkins.

Visit olliatwvu.org for the latest information on speakers, topics, and registration requirements.

OLLI AFTER HOURS

Busy during the weekday? Join us for classes and events evenings and weekends!

MEMBER EVENTS AND SHARED INTEREST GROUPS

See pages 10 and 11 for details

- **OLLI at the Ballpark: WV Black Bears**
Sunday, July 12, 5:00 p.m. first pitch
- **Summer Trivia**
Wednesday, July 29, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
- **Campus Club Evening Book Discussion**
2nd Tuesday of the month, 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.
- **OLLI Virtual Happy Hour**
Every Sunday, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
- **Drinks and Dinner**
2nd Thursday of the month, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

CLASSES

See page 16 for details

- **Understanding Forests**
Sam Gardner
Wednesday, August 12, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.





LOVE TO TEACH, HOST, OR HELP OUT? OLLI NEEDS YOU!

At OLLI at WVU, there are lots of ways to get involved beyond the classroom – and we're always looking for enthusiastic members to share their time and talents.

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PROGRAM INFORMATION, POLICIES, AND ASSISTANCE

ABOUT OLLI AT WVU

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at West Virginia University (OLLI at WVU) is dedicated to enriching the lives of older adults across West Virginia. An affiliate of the WVU School of Public Health, OLLI at WVU is a member-driven organization that fosters connection, curiosity, exploration, discovery, and discussion through learning and social engagement. The program offers non-credit classes, lectures, field trips, and events designed specifically for adults aged 50 and older.

Courses are developed and led by volunteers who are passionate about their subjects, eager to share their knowledge, and committed to lifelong learning. OLLI at WVU celebrates the unique experiences, talents, and wisdom of mature adults, emphasizing peer learning, active participation, and collaborative leadership.

WE VALUE:

- The shared knowledge and talents of our members and volunteers.
- The support of our members for OLLI at WVU.
- A spirit of collaboration and respect among members and with West Virginia University.
- Excellence in all aspects of the life of OLLI at WVU.
- Innovation, creativity, and curiosity to develop and maintain a vibrant, member-driven program.
- Respect for diverse people, ideas, voices, and perspectives, where all members feel valued.

- Working together to positively impact every part of OLLI at WVU.
- Partnering with people in the communities that we serve to support the mission and vision of OLLI at WVU.

WITH GRATITUDE

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- Our members

MEMBERSHIPS AND CLASS TERMS

The OLLI at WVU membership year runs July 1 – June 30 and is divided into four terms: summer, fall, winter, and spring. Membership is open to anyone interested in participating.

We offer three flexible membership options:

- **Standard Annual Membership (\$30):** Includes access to a variety of educational and social

opportunities such as free member-only events, discounts on day trips and overnight travel, participation in shared interest groups, and a voice in OLLI governance. Benefits continue year-round, even when you're not enrolled in classes.

- **Annual Plus Membership (\$175 through August 28, 2025):** Includes all Standard benefits plus unlimited class enrollment for the entire membership year.
- **Trial Membership (\$45):** Includes all Standard benefits plus of unlimited class enrollment for one term. Available only to new members.

Members with a Standard Annual Membership may pay a \$40 term fee for unlimited class registrations in any given term. This pay-as-you-go model provides flexibility to participate in classes based on your interests and schedule. While most class costs are included, some require additional fees noted in the course description.

OLLI at WVU is committed to making lifelong learning accessible. Financial assistance is available to members for whom fees present a barrier. Confidential scholarship applications can be requested from the OLLI office or completed via the online scholarship request form.

REGISTRATION AND PAYMENTS

To register for classes, you must be a current OLLI member and have paid your term fee. Visit wvusph-olli.augusoft.net to purchase your membership, pay fees, and find up-to-date information. You may

also call the office or use the enclosed registration form.

Checks are payable to the WVU Foundation. Credit card charges will appear as WVU HSC PUBLIC HLTH OLLI OLLI@HSC.WVU. WV. Membership fees are non-refundable. Refunds for classes or events are considered on a case-by-case basis.

Registration opens before each term and remains open throughout, subject to availability. Early registration is encouraged, as some classes fill quickly.

TAKING CLASSES

OLLI classes are open to all current members, regardless of location.

Morgantown members are welcome to attend classes in the Kanawha Valley, and vice versa. Members from other regions may attend in-person classes when visiting. Contact the office to make arrangements.

Zoom links for online classes are emailed by 9:00 a.m. on the day of the event. Please check your inbox (including spam/junk folders) at least 30 minutes prior. If you do not receive the link, call the OLLI office – we're happy to resend it.

NEED HELP WITH ZOOM?

Interested in taking a class but unsure how to use Zoom? OLLI's professional technologist, Michelle Klishis, can guide you through everything from installing the app to joining a virtual class and using features like chat. Don't have a computer? Learn how to join by phone. Contact the OLLI office to schedule a session.

REGISTRATION AND ATTENDANCE MATTER

We understand plans change. Still, we ask that you register only for classes you are confident you can attend. Instructors are volunteers, and your participation helps demonstrate the value of our program to funders and

policymakers. Some classes fill quickly and maintain waitlists.

If you must cancel, please notify the OLLI office so we can inform the instructor and offer your spot to someone else.

CLASS AND EVENT UPDATES

Because our catalog goes to print before all details are finalized, changes and additions happen frequently. Classes may reach capacity, be added mid-term, or shift due to instructor availability.

Stay up to date via:

- Our weekly Friday bulletin (email)
- Email notifications for class or event-specific updates
- The OLLI Class and Event Updates page: olliatwvu.wpcomstaging.com
- Facebook and Instagram

If you have questions, don't hesitate to call or email the office.

CLASSROOM ETIQUETTE

Please help foster a respectful, inclusive learning environment by:

- Staying on topic during discussions
- Attending only classes and events for which you are registered
- Registering only for events you are likely to attend

OLLI encourages exposure to diverse ideas. Please be considerate of others' perspectives at all times.

WEATHER CLOSURES

OLLI does not hold in-person classes in Monongalia or Kanawha County when public schools are closed or operating remotely due to weather. Announcements will be posted on olliatwvu.org.

Zoom classes may still be held. For updates, visit the Class and Event Updates page, call, or email us.

CLASS DISCLAIMER

OLLI at WVU presents programs of interest for general guidance only. We do not render legal, medical, financial, or other professional advice or services. Information presented in an Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at WVU (OLLI) program is not a substitute for professional consultation. Before making any decision or taking any action based on material covered in an OLLI class or event, consult a legal, medical, financial, or other relevant professional.

All information is provided "as is," with no guarantee of completeness, accuracy, timelines, or results obtained from the use of the information, and without warranty of any kind, expressed or implied, including, but not limited to, warranties of performance, merchantability, and fitness for a particular purpose. Neither the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at WVU nor its information providers will be responsible to any program participant or anyone else for any decision made or action taken stemming from reliance on the information presented by OLLI or for any consequential, special, or similar damages, even if advised of the possibility of such damages.

LIABILITY DISCLAIMER

Individuals acknowledge and assume any and all risk associated with participation in Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at WVU (OLLI) activities. OLLI makes no representation regarding the appropriateness of any activity for an individual. OLLI at WVU disclaims any and all liability for each individual's participation in any activities. If a course involves physical activity, participants are responsible for wearing proper attire and using proper equipment. It is highly recommended participants consult a physician before participating in physical activity.

LIFE IS BETTER WITH FRIENDS

And so is OLLI! Know a friend, neighbor, or relative who would love OLLI at WVU as much as you? Invite them to join our community!

Clip the panel below, add a personal note, and drop it in the mail.

When your friend joins as a new member, let us know. You'll both be entered in our next drawing for a **FREE** term of OLLI classes!

Spreading the OLLI joy – one friend at a time.

Learn more at
olliatwvu.org



JOIN ME AT OLLI!

Are you looking for something different to do? Would you like to learn something new?

OLLI at WVU offers classes for people like us. No grades. No tests. Just learning for the joy of it.

Let's take a class together! Visit olliatwvu.org or give me a call – I'd love to tell you more.



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WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN OUR DONORS LIST?

At OLLI at WVU, we see the impact of your generosity every day. Many of the opportunities we offer would not be possible without donor support.

By making a gift today, you promote the future of OLLI – and help shape your legacy as a champion of lifelong learning.

CHOOSE THE WAY YOU GIVE

Whether you'd like to make a one-time donation or establish a lasting legacy, you can direct your gift to the area that matters most to you.

- **OLLI'S AREA OF GREATEST NEED**
- **CAMPUS CLUB ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP**
- **OLLI PARTICIPATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND**
- **THE OLLI ENDOWMENT**

You can also support OLLI through a **LEGACY GIFT, TRIBUTE GIFT,** or an **IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER.**

EVERY GIFT MAKES A DIFFERENCE.

To learn more or donate, visit olliatwvu.org/make-a-gift, contact the WVU Foundation, or include your tax-deductible donation with your registration form. Make checks payable to the WVU Foundation.

SUPPORT OLLI EVERY TIME YOU SHOP AT KROGER

Did you know you can help fund OLLI at WVU – at no extra cost to you?

Just link your **Kroger Plus Shopper's Card** to the **Kroger Community Rewards Program**, and Kroger will donate a portion of every eligible purchase to OLLI.

It's easy to sign up!

Visit krogercommunityrewards.com and select Osher Lifelong Learning Institute/WVU Found (FG916).

Already a supporter?

Thank you!

Need help?

Stop by the OLLI office – we'll be glad to walk you through it.



DIRECTIONS

to our Morgantown office and classrooms

From either I-68 East or West, take Exit 1 and turn left at the stoplight.

Travel approximately 2 miles.

Turn right at the next stoplight onto Green Bag Road.

Turn right at the next stoplight to enter the Mountaineer Mall property.

Follow the road to the mall area and enter the first parking lot.

Use the entrance next to Anybody Gym (marked with an X on the map below) to enter the mall.

Inside, turn right at the first corridor crossway.

OUR OFFICE

The OLLI at WVU office is halfway down the main mall corridor, on the left side, with a large West Virginia University logo above the door.

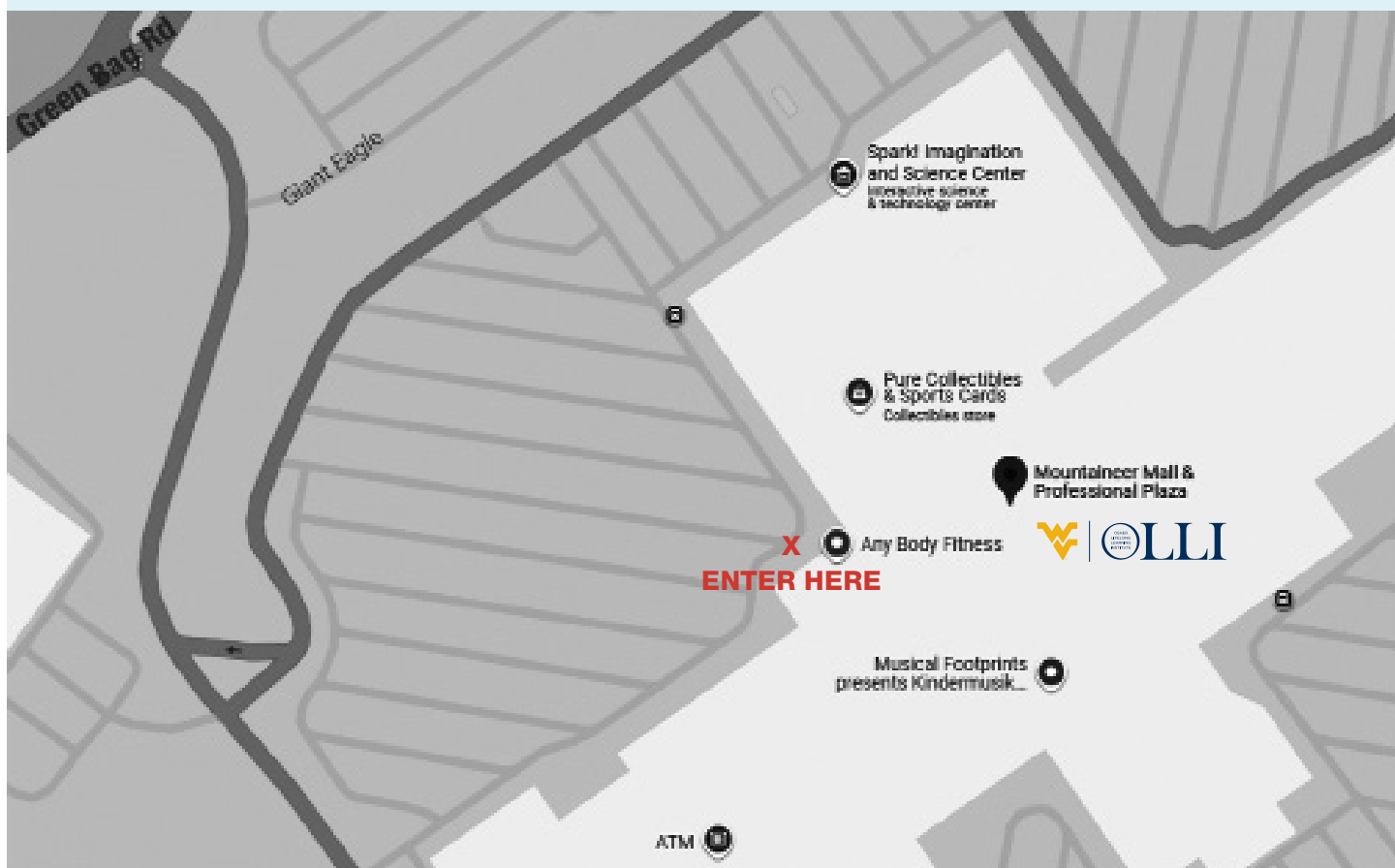
OUR CLASSROOMS

OLLI classrooms A and B are located to the left of our office.

The computer lab is located at the back of classroom B.

OUR MEMBER LOUNGE

The OLLI lounge offers members the opportunity to relax and socialize. Coffee, tea, and water are available, as well as access to a microwave. Donations help keep this service available and free.



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INSTRUCTOR BIOGRAPHIES

J. Aultman-Moore holds a PhD in Philosophy from Loyola University of Chicago and taught at Waynesburg University for 29 years.

William Ayers, P.E., P.S. is a retired Engineer from the U.S. Department of Energy with a Masters Degree from the West Virginia School of Engineering in 1982. He has provided technical consultation to a wide range of domestic and international clients and taught graduate level classes. He currently teaches pickleball and has taught ballroom dancing classes for more than 10 years.

Judy Ball holds a BA in political science from WVU and an MPA and PhD in public administration from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University. She spent more than 20 years with agencies of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services with continued public service post-retirement. She is a lifelong policy nerd, avid history fan, and co-President of the League of Women Voters of WV.

Madhuri Bapat holds degrees in physics from Pune University, India, and an M.S. in Plasma Physics from Wright State University. She taught physics for 25 years, math for 7 years, and astronomy for 3 years in Arizona community colleges. She has conducted independent research on rangoli and presented at conferences including NCTM and AAPT.

Lee Beamont retired from WVU's office of Institutional Analysis and Planning 18 years ago. During retirement she has enjoyed different craft projects, LEGO building, OLLI classes, WVU Retirees Association activities, and doll research. Previously she taught two doll related classes for OLLI.

Rabbi Adam Berman holds a BA from Yale University, an MA in Judaic Studies from the Schechter Institutes, and rabbinic ordination from the Schechter Rabbinical Seminary in Jerusalem. Rabbi Berman moved to Israel in 2013, including living and working on three different kibbutzim (cooperative communities). He currently serves as the spiritual leader of Congregation B'nai Jacob in Charleston, WV.

Rabbi Joe Blair* has served for seven years as spiritual leader and Rabbi for Temple Israel, in Charleston WV. Previously, he served two congregations for 15 years. Before entering the pulpit, he served as Executive Director and Rabbi at the UVa and Duke University Hillel Foundations. He holds a B.A.; a M.C.S.; a J.D.; and a M.H.L., and has taught for OLLI multiple times.

Jill Chalsty, founder of Overcoming Obstacles, has empowered over 180 million young people worldwide through life skills education. Her journey of loss and cancer inspired *Packets of Hope*, illuminating the power of resilience, love, and service.

Jay Cole has taught courses for WVU OLLI during the last decade on subjects ranging from Pearl S. Buck to the history of the PRT. Over the last 15 years, he has taught courses for the WVU Honors College on topics ranging from Dante's Divine Comedy to Star Wars. He has published stories and essays about radio astronomy in *Asimov's Science Fiction Magazine* and *Analog: Science Fiction and Fact*.

Kenton Colvin* retired from WVU Student Life after 18 years. Previously, he spent 26 years in manufacturing management with six corporations. He has a Masters Degree in Industrial and Systems Engineering and has taught engineering courses for 26 years. He is VP of Mon Valley Railroad Historical Society. He enjoys history and teaching classes at OLLI for over 13 years.

Timothy Driscoll, Ph.D., is an Associate Professor of Biology at West Virginia University. Dr. Driscoll has a Ph.D. in Genetics, Bioinformatics, & Computational Biology from Virginia Tech, M.S. degrees in Cell & Molecular Biology, Marine Biology & Biochemistry. His research investigates the evolution and distribution of zoonotic disease, including Lyme disease and Rocky mountain spotted fever

Andrea Elkins is a fan of musical theater, opera, tv, movies, and music.

Kathi Elkins is retired from the WVDHHR/Health Statistics Center as an epidemiologist and years in tobacco prevention. She has recently moved back to the Morgantown area from Charleston. Previously for OLLI, she taught the history of ice (and making ice cream), a series of classes on environmental issues, and share the story of your collection.

Sam Gardner is a forester and conservationist with a passion for healthy native ecosystems. Professionally, Sam manages restoration and forestry projects across the Mid-Atlantic for a variety of landowners, including the US Forest Service, National Park Service, and Pittsburgh Botanic Gardens. Sam holds an AAS and BS in Forest Management from WVU.

INSTRUCTOR BIOGRAPHIES

Kellie B. Gormly has enjoyed a storied career in journalism that has spanned three decades. She was a staff writer for the *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review* and The Associated Press. As a freelance writer, Kellie writes for many top national publications including *Smithsonian* and *The Washington Post*. She is the author of the Civil War book *Cease Firing! Life and Death at The Swope Manor*.

Tammy Hackney is a plant whisperer with a knack for turning jars into jungles. Her passion for flower gardening and experience with hands-on projects make terrarium building easy, fun, and sometimes messy. When she's not teaching, Tammy is on the hunt for quirky plants, perfect moss, and new excuses to add "just one more" unique touch to her creations.

Jack Hammersmith*, who retired in 2016 after 48 years of teaching U.S. and East Asian History at WVU, has offered a variety of OLLI classes. Among his more recent interests has been how we preserve our historical memory in monuments like those Washington, DC, or in remote areas like Mt. Rushmore.

Arnold Hartstein, PhD, retired from West Virginia State University, where he taught English for 41 years.

Jim Held* taught in WVU's Theater & Dance school for 35 years, retiring in 2015. The study and appreciation of films has been a lifelong interest. He claims to have learned everything at the movies, informing his reel life. At WVU he taught theater design, history and drama and world theater and drama. He designed scenery and/or directed productions almost every year. He has taught more than 100 classes for OLLI.

Steven Holsclaw* is a retired Petroleum Geologist after working 42 years in the oil and gas industry. He has a bachelor's degree in Geology from The Ohio State University. He has pursued a lifelong interest in fossils, minerals and crystals and enjoys sharing that interest with like-minded individuals.

Barb Howe* taught historic preservation classes at WVU and included a survey of American architectural history as part of those classes.

Russ T. Hutchins*, ED.Sp, is currently a professor at Friends University-Topeka, teaching U.S. History, Western Civilization, Economics, Business, Philosophy, and Business Management. He is a former school administrator and teacher with a Specialist Degree in School Administration, a graduate degree in Curriculum/ Instruction, and a Bachelor's degree in Secondary Education. Hutchins lectures for OLLIs on topics surrounding WWII and the mystery of Amelia Earhart's disappearance, women spies, and women aviators.

Ed Johnson* is a former cast member at Walt Disney World and long time Business professor. He is the creator and curator of MH3WV.org, a West Virginia Studies website for students, educators, and others.

Michelle Klishis*, OLLI's professional technologist, is a jack-of-all-trades and certifiable geek. Her degree in biology and work in a microbiology lab gave her absolutely no preparation for becoming a technology consultant, yet here we are.

Kazunari (Kaz) Koike was born and raised in Japan and received a bachelor's degree in Linguistics from Sophia University in Tokyo. He has obtained post-graduate degrees in Communication Disorders at the University of Tennessee. His educational background includes teaching spoken language to hearing-impaired children and teaching and development of foreign language courses.

Mary A. Koike has a deep appreciation of the Japanese language and culture and has visited Japan numerous times. She is looking forward to sharing her experiences with OLLI members.

Susan Lantz teaches Business Communication for the WVU John Chambers College. She serves as the first WVU Provost's LivingLearning Fellow for international students on the Global LLC and has organized Campus Read at WVU since its inception in 2016.

Sue Loomis was born and raised in Pittsburgh, PA, and built a distinguished career in the military as an electronics technician and instructor, teaching electronics at military institutes before retiring. She earned her BS from Southern Illinois University and her MS from Northern Illinois University. Sue has a strong interest in art and craft, including rangoli art, and creates intricate mirror work on mannequins, blending technical precision with creative expression.

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Leslie Lovett grew up in Arizona and resided in New York and North Dakota before coming to West Virginia. She is a retired emeritus professor of medical laboratory technology and administrator. Some of her passions include travel, outdoor activities, photography, spending time with family and friends, and animal conservation.

Cecil Pollard* has been studying, practicing, and teaching t'ai chi for several years.

MJ Ramirez is a Certified Mental Performance Consultant and Director of Education and Community Outreach at Spark! Imagination and Science Center. She is the author of *Unlock Your Potential: 15 Mental Habits for High Performance Without Burnout* and has previously taught at OLLI translating evidence-based performance psychology into practical, sustainable habits for real life.

Sumitra Reddy* has been enjoying teaching classes at OLLI since 2011 on various topics including travelogs, ancient trade routes and civilizations, Magic Math and mathematicians, AI topics, and Indo-European language family among others. She retired from WVU's Department of Computer Science and Electrical Engineering and remains as an Adjunct faculty member.

Jim Rentch* taught forestry at WVU for 18 years. He grew up during the early civil rights struggle in the eastern panhandle of West Virginia, and became inspired while visiting historic civil rights sites and museums in Alabama in 2022.

Deborah Ryan-Beard is a physical education graduate from WVU that has been assisting with the instruction of ballroom dancing for the past two years. She has also played, taught and organized pickleball groups for more than 10 years.

Richard Smosna* is an emeritus professor at WVU who has been teaching geology since the Jurassic Period, presenting courses on environmental hazards, history of Earth, dinosaurs, human evolution, national parks, oceanography, and petroleum.

Ingrid Strakusek is a retired IT executive who moved to WV five years ago. As a side gig, she taught college-level IT courses for 20 years. She draws on this experience to teach others music. She is from a musical family and has played the flute since the second grade. In 2020 she joined OLLI, learning both the tin whistle and lap dulcimer. She believes learning to play a musical instrument should be fun!

Rabbi Victor Urecki recently retired after serving as rabbi and spiritual leader of B'nai Jacob Synagogue in Charleston, West Virginia for almost 40 years. He co-founded the Root and the Branch, an organization dedicated to creating opportunities for faith traditions in the Kanawha Valley to come together, dialogue, and learn from one another.

Wallace Venable* taught mechanical engineering at WVU. His interest and research into the interactions between technology and society and the history of technology dates from the 1960s. He frequently teaches OLLI at WVU classes.

Leslie Willard is the Telestroke/Teleneurology Coordinator at WVU Rockefeller Neuroscience Institute.

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