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Twenty-three SVSU-OLLI members traveled to Italy in October, enjoying wine tastings, cooking classes, and an Amalfi Coast speedboat cruise.

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF LIFELONG LEARNING!

OLLI at Saginaw Valley State University is proud to celebrate its 25th anniversary this year! Since 2001, we've been connecting adults age 50 and better with engaging classes, exciting travel opportunities and a vibrant community of learners. This milestone year is all about honoring our past, celebrating the present and looking ahead to even more enriching experiences. Join us for a season filled with special events, new adventures and plenty of reasons to keep learning — and laughing — together.

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GENERAL INFORMATION/POLICIES

OLLI annual memberships run from September 1 through August 31. The current prorated membership fee is $60.

OLLI Office Information

For any questions or assistance, please contact the OLLI office. Our friendly staff is here to help you with all your inquiries and support your learning journey.

Location: Curtiss Hall, Room C 201
Phone: (989) 964–4475
Email: olli@svsu.edu
Office Hours: Monday–Friday: 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

BENEFITS OF OLLI MEMBERSHIP

- **Monthly Meetings:** Engaging speakers provide opportunities to learn, connect and socialize.
- **Interest Groups:** Get together with others who share a passion for your activity or interest.
- **Monthly Newsletter:** Get the news about OLLI classes, OLLI travel and SVSU activities.
- **Class Discounts:** Get members-only rates for our unique classes. And no homework!
- **Group Travel:** Educational and just-for-fun day trips, as well as domestic and international travel.
- **Ryder Center:** OLLI Members may purchase a Ryder Center Membership for $200/year. (Call the Ryder Center at (989) 964–4906 for current guidelines and regulations.)

Cancellation Policy for Classes

There is a $10 cancellation fee. The balance of the registration fee will remain as credit on your account or be refunded (minus the cancellation fee); if less than one week, no refund will be given. If the university closes due to weather or other reasons, classes will be canceled. We will make every reasonable effort to reschedule any missed classes.

Cancellation Policy for Day Trips

Day trips are non-refundable unless we can fill your spot from that trip's waitlist, in which case you will receive your registration fee minus a $10 cancellation fee. If the university is closed due to weather or other reasons, day trips will go on as scheduled unless you are directly notified of other plans.

Locations for OLLI Classes

Each class description includes a room number; the letter that precedes the number indicates the building. On-campus locations include:

C – Curtiss Hall (#12 on campus map)
R – Ryder Center (#36 on campus map)
A – Arbury Fine Arts Center (#1 on campus map)
GS – Gilbertson Hall (#19 on campus map)
Z – Zahnow Library (#54 on campus map)
CCB – Carmona College of Business (#10 on campus map)

Meetings are held in the Curtiss Hall Banquet Rooms; doors open at 8:45 a.m. for a prompt 9:30 a.m. start. Each month features a vibrant speaker on diverse topics, from history and arts to current affairs, as well as a lively Q&A session. Meetings are complimentary for OLLI Members, providing an opportunity to learn and connect. Remember to RSVP to secure your seat!

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

Teddy Roosevelt and the National Parks
Presented by Matthew Daley

Mr. Daley will offer an in-depth look at President Roosevelt's pivotal role in the development of the U.S. National Parks system and his lasting impact on American natural heritage. Dedicated to conservation, Roosevelt safeguarded over 230 million acres of public land through the creation of national parks, monuments and wildlife refuges.

Wednesday, February 11, 2026

America 250 Michigan — An All-Day Event!

Celebrate America250MI with OLLI! Enjoy special presentations from guest tour specialists highlighting the exciting educational experiences happening across the state as part of America250MI. Browse vendor booths from across Michigan showcasing unique products, destinations and experiences.

Wednesday, March 11, 2026

Health, Equity and Action: Building Stronger Communities Together
Laprisha Berry Daniels

To honor Women's History Month and National Public Health Week, Ms. Berry Daniels will draw on her extensive work in public health and community advocacy to talk with us about women's vital role in shaping healthier, more resilient neighborhoods and how people of all ages can contribute to positive change through civic engagement.

Wednesday, April 8, 2026

Being a Good Ancestor – Preserving the Stories
Presented by Deb Huntley

Ms. Huntley, retired SVSU Provost and OLLI member, will guide us in preserving the experiences and memories that define our lives. Using storytelling and other creative approaches, learn how to thoughtfully document your family history for generations to come.

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

Visions in an Open Field: The Founding Stories of SVSU Presented by Dr. Eric Gilbertson, President Emeritus, Saginaw Valley State University

Join OLLI for a special presentation as Dr. Eric Gilbertson shares inspiring stories of the visionaries who imagined SVSU long before its campus existed. With vivid storytelling and firsthand insight, he'll introduce the people whose bold ideas, determination, and imagination transformed open fields into the university we know today. Don't miss this chance to explore SVSU's origins and the power of imagination to shape a community.

Wednesday, June 10, 2026

The World of Speed Bump
Presented by Dave Coverly

Mr. Coverly is the cartoonist for the internationally syndicated cartoon strip Speed Bump, including appearances in *The Washington Post* and *The Los Angeles Times*. He is also the principal cartoonist for BarkBox and donates his works to PETA, the Humane Society and other organizations. With clever humor and a unique take on life, he'll share the creative process behind his cartoons.

OLLI INTEREST GROUPS

Share your hobbies with OLLI's Interest Groups! Register for Interest Groups the same way you register for classes using the numbers below. (You must be a current OLLI Member to participate.)

- 101 Bridge
- 102 Cooking Group
- 103 Cross-country Skiing
- 104 Current Events
- 105 Cycling
- 106 Dinner Group
- 107 Esoteric Studies
- 108 Guitar
- 109 Kayaking
- 110 Movie/Theatre/ Concert
- 111 Folks on Spokes
- 112 Ping Pong
- 113 Stamp and Coin Collecting
- 114 Knitting
- 115 Puzzles

ORIENTATION

New Member Orientation (26)
Discover OLLI! Join us to meet the staff and learn about SVSU OLLI's classes, trips, and programs, whether you're new or need a refresher.

Instructor: Heather O'Hearn
Date & Time: Wednesday, 1/21 • 1–2 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: Free • Non-members: $60 (includes OLLI membership)**R**

OLLI Travel Orientation (27)
Ready to travel with OLLI? Join us to learn about group travel perks, how to sign up for trips, and essential planning tips.

Instructor: Shelley Wegner
Date & Time: Wednesday, 1/21 • 2:30–3:30 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: Free • Non-members: $60 (includes OLLI membership)

SPECIAL EVENTS

Tai Chi/Qigong Festival (28)
This gentle "meditation in motion" supports strength, flexibility, and balance. Led by Jim Bush of Cloud Hands Michigan, this event features relaxed, beginner-friendly sessions with instructors from across the state. Lunch is included. Wear comfortable clothing; no weapons allowed per SVSU policy. Registration required.

Instructor: Jim Bush
Date & Time: Saturday, February 7, 2026 • 10:a.m.–2 p.m.
Location: Curtiss Hall Banquet Rooms
Price: Members: $40 • Non-members: $40

Jazz Brunch - OLLI Silver Celebration Event (24)
To celebrate OLLI's 25th anniversary, a signature gathering is underway. We're excited to offer a Jazz Brunch featuring the Jim Pagel Trio.

Date & Time: Tuesday, 4/14 • 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Price: Members $40 • Non-Members $60

ARCHITECTURE & DESIGN

Bay City's Historic Architecture (131)
Explore the historic architecture of downtown Bay City, including the three Albert Kahn buildings in the city. Class meets at the Delta College Planetarium in downtown Bay City for a PowerPoint presentation. Participants will also learn about the history of the Planetarium and visit the Observation Deck for a beautiful view of downtown. All will have a chance to touch a real meteorite.

Instructor: Tim Murray
Date & Time: Monday, 4/27 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: Delta College Planetarium, 100 Center Ave., Bay City
Price: Members: $20 • Non-Members: $40

ART

Learn to Paint like Bob Ross (132)
Create a complete painting in one relaxing session with certified Bob Ross instructor Ted Simpson. Learn step-by-step techniques to paint landscapes with "happy trees" and more. All supplies included; no experience needed.

Instructor: Ted Simpson
Location: A107
Price: Members: $90/session • Non-Members: $110/session

(132A) Mountain Waterfall
Date & Time: Wednesday, 2/18 • 1–4 p.m.
(132B) Red Sunset
Date & Time: Thursday, 4/9 • 1–4 p.m.
(132C) Spectacular View
Date & Time: Thursday, 6/25 • 1–4 p.m.

Artist Reflective Conversations (133)
Discuss the lives and work of four artists — Hildegard von Bingen, Leonardo da Vinci, Maria Sibylla Merian and Georges Seurat. Explore their contributions across art, science, medicine and philosophy in a guided reflective session.

Instructor: Andrea Ondish
Date & Time: Wednesday, 3/25 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Creations with Clay (134)
Learn pottery basics including hand-forming, wheel throwing, glazing and firing (including Raku). No experience required; materials provided. A creative, hands-on introduction to working with clay.

Instructor: Sara Clark, SVSU Studio Art Technician
Dates & Times: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 5/12, 5/18, 5/20, 5/21, 5/27, 6/1 • 9 a.m.–12 p.m.
Wednesday, 5/13 • 11 a.m.–2 p.m.
Location: A119
Price: Members: $130 • Non-Members: $150

Artist Reflective Conversations (135)
Join Andrea Ondish in reflective conversations that explore four prominent public artists (Anna Hyatt Huntington, Nancy Holt, Jason Quigno, and Ken Newman) represented in the public art collections of three higher education institutions in the Great Lakes Bay Region.

Instructor: Andrea Ondish
Date & Time: Tuesday, 6/16 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

CRAFTS

Michigan Resin Pour (191)
Create a resin artwork shaped like Michigan while learning pouring, color blending and finishing techniques. All supplies included — craft a unique Great Lakes-themed keepsake.

Instructor: Tammy Walton
Date & Time: Tuesday, 4/28 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $55 • Non-Members: $75

Basket Making with Sue: Double Jelly Basket (192)
Join OLLI and create a charming, handcrafted wooden caddy measuring 8.5" long by 4" wide and 4" high, perfect for holding two pint-sized jars! The 4-hour, hands-on workshop is guided by an experienced instructor who will provide all materials. **Supply Fee: $35** (payable to the instructor by cash or check on the day of class)

Instructor: Sue Collins
Date & Time: Friday, 4/24 • 12:30–4:30 p.m.
Location: GS115
Price: Members: $20 • Non-Members: $40

Crafts with Pat - Create a Floral Plaque (193)
Join us for a fun, hands-on OLLI workshop where you'll learn to create a beautiful flower-themed plaque. Using simple materials and easy techniques, participants will explore color and texture. If time allows, we will also craft some cards.

Instructor: Pat Schrank
Date & Time: Tuesday, 3/24 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $20 • Non-members: $40

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

From Early Examinations to Modern Forensics: The Evolution of Firearm and Tool Mark Identification (194)
Discover how firearm and toolmark identification has evolved from its earliest use in landmark court cases to the advanced forensic science practiced today. This class will highlight the first instances in which firearm evidence was examined and presented in court, showing how these cases shaped the field. We'll then explore the modern tools and technologies that experts use to analyze evidence today.

Instructor: Jacob Garcia
Date & Time: Monday, 6/8 • 5–6:30 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

DRAMA & FILM

***Star Trek*: The History of the Future (221)**
We will watch and discuss selected episodes from Captain Pike's *Enterprise*. Whether you're a longtime Trekkie or simply curious, enjoy engaging conversation, fresh insights, and a trip into the final frontier.
Instructor: Christina De Clerck-Szilagyi
Dates & Times: Mondays, 4/13, 4/20, 5/4, 5/11 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $40 • Non-Members: $60

Classic Horror and Science Fiction (222)
Journey into the golden age of monster movies by watching classics such as *King Kong, The Beast from 20,000 Fathoms, Godzilla* and *Rodan*. Discuss how these films shaped cinematic history, influenced culture and developed early special-effects techniques. Each session blends viewing with conversation, making it fun for both avid fans and beginners.
Instructor: Jason Szilagyi
Dates & Times: Mondays, 6/1, 6/8, 6/15, 6/22 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $40 • Non-Members: $60

Film Noir: A Journey Through the Heart of Darkness (223)
Film noir exploded in the 1940s with dark visuals, morally conflicted characters and stories shaped by the Depression, WWII and early Cold War fears. This course is led by career journalist and professor Dennis Foley, a 1973 graduate of Saginaw Valley College, who brings deep insight into the genre's cultural and historical context. You'll view three double features pairing famous classics with lesser-known, low-budget gems to highlight the range of noir filmmaking. Topics include noir's treatment of social issues such as anti-semitism, racism, political corruption and organized crime. Expect rich discussion on how these films reflected — and influenced — the anxieties of their time.
Instructor: Dennis Foley
Dates & Times: Thursdays, 6/4, 6/11, 6/18 • 12–4:30
Location: C129
Price: Members: $25 • Non-Members: $45

DANCE

Beginning Belly Dancing (224)
Experience the joy of belly dancing in a welcoming class designed for absolute beginners. The class emphasizes confidence, coordination, and personal expression. All body types and fitness levels are encouraged to participate — just wear comfortable clothing.
Instructor: Jeanie Cardinal
Dates & Times: Tuesdays, 4/7, 4/14, 4/21, 4/28 • 1–2 p.m.
Location: TBA
Price: Members: $30 • Non-Members: $50

FITNESS

Free Senior Fitness Test (311)
Take part in a specially designed fitness assessment for adults 60 and older. SVSU faculty and students guide you through safe activities measuring strength, flexibility, balance and endurance. Participants receive personalized results and interpretation to better understand their fitness level. You may complete all or only selected activities based on comfort and ability.

Instructor: Lisa Brewer
Date & Time: Wednesday, 2/26 • 9:30–10:45 a.m.
Location: Ryder Rec Center Basketball Courts (park in lot R and enter through Rec Center)
Price: Members: FREE • Non-Members: FREE

Healthy Traveler (312)
Enhance your travel adventures with our meticulously crafted walking fitness course. Refine walking techniques, build conditioning and boost stamina. Enroll now and get ready to embark on your next journey with confidence!

Instructor: Katherine Resseguie
Dates & Times: Tuesdays & Thursdays • 8–9:45 a.m.
(312A) 1/13, 1/15, 1/20, 1/22, 1/27, 1/29, 2/3, 2/5, 2/10, 2/12
(312B) 2/17, 2/19, 2/24, 2/26, 3/3, 3/5, 3/10, 3/12, 3/17, 3/19
(312C) 3/24, 3/26, 3/31, 4/2, 4/7, 4/9, 4/21, 4/23, 4/28, 4/30
(312D) 5/5, 5/7, 5/12, 5/14, 5/19, 5/21, 5/26, 5/28, 6/2, 6/4
(312E) 6/9, 6/11, 6/16, 6/18, 6/23, 6/25, 7/7, 7/9, 7/14, 7/16
Location: Ryder Fitness Center Track
Price: Members $15/session • Non-Members $35/session
(If registered for an OLLI multiple day trip in 2026 or 2027, fee is waived; call OLLI to register.)

Senior Strength Training (313)
This class is ideal for beginners and those already engaged in strength training, offering dynamic variations on familiar exercises. Enjoy an energizing group experience that promises an effective workout, helping you build strength and confidence in a fun, supportive environment!

Instructor: Katherine Resseguie
Dates & Times: Tuesdays & Thursdays • 10–11 a.m.
(313A) 1/13, 1/15, 1/20, 1/22, 1/27, 1/29, 2/3, 2/5, 2/10, 2/12
(313B) 2/17, 2/19, 2/24, 2/26, 3/3, 3/5, 3/10, 3/12, 3/17, 3/19
(313C) 3/24, 3/26, 3/31, 4/2, 4/7, 4/9, 4/21, 4/23, 4/28, 4/30
(313D) 5/5, 5/7, 5/12, 5/14, 5/19, 5/21, 5/26, 5/28, 6/2, 6/4
(313E) 6/9, 6/11, 6/16, 6/18, 6/23, 6/25, 7/7, 7/9, 7/14, 7/16
Location: Aux Gym
Price: Members: $35/session • Non-Members: $55/session

Vitality Flow: Yoga for Wisdom & Wellness (314)
Join OLLI for a rejuvenating yoga class that enhances flexibility, strength and mindfulness. Experience gentle movements, breathing exercises and relaxation techniques in a welcoming environment.

Instructor: Katherine Resseguie
Dates & Times: Tuesdays • 11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
(314A) 1/13, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/17
(314B) 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31
(314C) 4/7, 4/21, 4/28, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19
(314D) 5/26, 6/2, 6/9, 6/16, 6/23
Location: R244
Price: Members $25/session • Non-Members $45/session

Pilates (315)
This gentle, low-impact workout focuses on building core strength, improving posture and increasing mobility — all key to better balance and reducing the risk of falls. Modifications are offered throughout, making this class accessible and comfortable for all fitness levels. Join us to move, stretch and feel your best!

Instructor: Katherine Resseguie
Dates & Times: Mondays • 4–5 p.m.
(315A) 2/2, 2/9, 2/16, 2/23
(315B) 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23
(315C) 3/30, 4/6, 4/20, 4/27
(315D) 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 6/1
(315E) 6/8, 6/15, 6/22, 6/29
Location: R244
Price: Members: $20/session • Non-Members: $40/session

Aerobic Flow (316)
Groove to high-energy, choreographed classic dance hits and maybe even hit your 5,000 steps while you're at it! This low-impact aerobics class is about moving to the beat, with your instructor leading a series of easy-to-follow foot and arm combinations. For an added challenge, optional light weights or resistance bands may be available for a strength boost during the class's slower beat songs.

Instructor: Jill Miller
Dates & Times: Mondays • 12:15–1 p.m.
(316A) 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30
(316B) 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27
Location: R244
Price: Members: $20/session • Non-Members: $40/session

FOOD, WINE & CULINARY ARTS

Wine Appreciation — Winter Whites and Reds (317A)
It's time to gather round the table for hearty meals and cozy up to the fire to beguile the long winter evenings. We'll taste both white and red wines that pair wonderfully with dining and fellowship during cold weather months.

Instructor: Ann Puszykowski
Date & Time: Monday, 1/26 • 4–6 p.m.
Location: River Rock Cafe | 614 E. Midland Street, Bay City
Price: Members: $65 • Non-Members: $85

Wine Appreciation — Tropical Escape (317B)
With or without snow, winter in Michigan can be long and dreary. If you're longing for a break, join us to taste wines that breathe of warm breezes and sundrenched destinations.

Instructor: Ann Puszykowski
Date & Time: Monday, 2/23 • 4–6 p.m.
Location: River Rock Cafe | 614 E. Midland Street, Bay City
Price: Members: $65 • Non-Members: $85

Wine Appreciation — Exploring Lesser-Known Wines of Italy (317C)
There is so much more to Italian wine than just Pinot Grigio and Chianti. We'll enjoy popular varietals as well as less familiar grapes and blends from throughout Italy and learn a bit about the regions they come from.

Instructor: Ann Puszykowski
Date & Time: Monday, 3/30 • 4–6 p.m.
Location: River Rock Cafe | 614 E. Midland Street, Bay City
Price: Members: $65 • Non-Members: $85

Wine Appreciation — Estate Wines of Michigan (317D)

Michigan has earned a well-deserved reputation for producing outstanding cool-climate wines. We will taste selections from a few different estates and learn about the varietals that do best here.

Instructor: Ann Puszykowski
Date & Time: Monday, 4/27 • 4–6 p.m.
Location: River Rock Cafe | 614 E. Midland Street, Bay City
Price: Members: $65 • Non-Members: $85

Wine Appreciation — Rare and Unusual Grapes (317E)

If you enjoy exploring the unusual, this class will present you with wines you've likely not heard of before. Join us to discover obscure grapes from wine regions around the world.

Instructor: Ann Puszykowski
Date & Time: Monday, 5/18 • 4–6 p.m.
Location: River Rock Cafe | 614 E. Midland Street, Bay City
Price: Members: $65 • Non-Members: $85

Spirits & Stories: A Tasting Tour at St. Julian Winery (321)

Join OLLI for a flavorful visit to Michigan's oldest and most awarded winery — St. Julian! Enjoy a guided tasting of their premium spirits, learn expert tips for savoring them at home and take home creative cocktail recipes.

Instructor: St. Julian Staff
Date & Time: Monday, 5/4 • 5–6 p.m.
Location: 127 S. Main St., Frankenmuth
Price: Members: $15 • Non-Members: $25

OLLI in The Kitchen: Let's Make a Celebration Brunch (322)

Brunch can be a great option for celebrations of any size. Join OLLI in the Kitchen to discuss planning considerations while crafting a variety of brunch dishes. This is a hands-on class. We will be on our feet and moving around the kitchen. Brunch is included.

Instructor: Linda Phillips
Date & Time: Monday, 2/2 • 10 a.m.–1 p.m.
Location: Tittabawassee Twp. Memorial Park Building, 150 Park St, Freeland
Price: Members: $50 • Non-Members: $70

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Mixology Magic with Lindsay Merbaum: Stirring Stories & Shaking Mocktails (323)
Join author and mixologist Lindsay Merbaum for a lively blend of storytelling, mixology and hands-on creativity. Learn how narrative and flavor come together as you explore drink-crafting techniques using engaging visuals, trivia and props. All materials are included, and you'll make your own mocktail using a take-home shaker. A fun, interactive class for beginners and enthusiasts alike.
Instructor: Lindsay Merbaum
Date & Time: Tuesday, 5/26 • 5–6:30 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $25 • Non-Members: $45

GAMES & HOBBIES

A Fun and Simple Approach to Solving the Rubik's Cube (341)
Learn a step-by-step method to solve the classic Rubik's Cube puzzle. The method focuses on solving one layer at a time, making the puzzle approachable for almost everyone. Practice hands-on with provided cubes while strengthening memory and problem-solving skills. Enjoy learning in a relaxed, supportive environment with fellow puzzle enthusiasts.
Instructor: Al Evangelista
Date & Time: Wednesday, 2/4 • 1–4 p.m.
Location: C128
Price: Members: $25 • Non-Members: $45

GEOGRAPHY

The Geography and History of Scotland (342)
Explore Scotland's landscapes, viking influence, clan system and castle era. Learn about the Jacobite uprisings and compare Edinburgh and Glasgow. A comprehensive introduction to Scottish geography and culture.
Instructor: Evelyn Ravuri, SVSU Professor of Geography
Date & Time: Wednesday, 3/18 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Dementia and the Senses (371)
Memory loss is the first thing we consider when we think about dementia however, the changes also affect the five senses. Join a discussion to learn more about how dementia changes our sense of vision, taste, touch, smell and hearing.
Instructor: Kristal Corrion
Date & Time: Thursday, 1/22 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Kick the Sugar Habit (372)

Take control of your sugar cravings with certified health coach Alina Warner. In this class, you'll uncover the root causes of your cravings and learn effective strategies to break free from the sugar cycle — all while still enjoying life's sweetness.

Instructor: Alina Warner, Certified Health Coach
Date & Time: Thursday, 2/5 • 2–3:30 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Communication Changes, Challenges and Tips for Caregivers (373)

Even the strongest family relationships change over time additional challenges come into play when you add caregiving to the picture. Come for a discussion on navigating these challenges.

Instructor: Kristal Corrion
Date & Time: Thursday, 2/26 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Common Medical Problems, Their Diagnosis and Treatment — Part 2 (374)

Drs. Louis Constan and Louis Byrne continue their informative and entertaining look at common medical conditions affecting adults today. Drawing from trusted medical sources such as the Mayo Clinic Health Guide and other authoritative publications, they explain symptoms, diagnostic steps and effective treatment options. The instructors enrich the session with engaging and often witty stories from their combined 101 years of medical practice. Plenty of time is allotted for questions and answers, making this course both practical and highly interactive.

Instructor: Louis Constan, MD & Louis Byrne, MD
Dates & Times: Tuesdays, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $20 • Non-Members: $40

Simple Meal Planning (375)

Say goodbye to hunger-driven snacking with our Simple Meal Prep Workshop. Learn how to prepare delicious, nutrient-rich meals filled with balanced protein, healthy fats and carbs. Master the art of meal prep, create wholesome snacks and take control of your kitchen for healthier eating habits.

Instructor: Alina Warner, Certified Health Coach
Date & Time: Thursday, 3/5 • 2–3:30 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Crucial Conversations and Planning for the Future (376)

It's never too early to begin having conversations about end-of-life with your aging loved ones and/or your adult children. Statistics show that 1 in 3 seniors over the age of 65 dies with dementia. Do your loved ones know what your wishes are? Do you know how to start the conversation?

Instructor: Kristal Corrion
Date & Time: Thursday, 3/19 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Headaches and Vertigo (377)
People who experience headaches or vertigo often say that these issues impact their quality of life and keep them from enjoying their favorite activities. Join us to hear Dr. Kimberly Barcalow explain what causes different types of headaches and vertigo, and treatment options that may help.

Instructor: Dr. Kimberly Barcalow
Date & Time: Tuesday, 3/3 • 10–11 a.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Marvelous Movement (378)
Learn practical ways to incorporate more movement into your day, whether at work, home or while traveling, along with strategies to make your new routine stick. The class includes gentle stretching and hands-on exercises, and participants will receive handouts to help continue their movement practice at home.

Instructor: Alina Warner, Certified Health Coach
Date & Time: Monday, 5/18 • 10–11:30 a.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Neck Pain Relief for Seniors: Practical Strategies for Everyday Comfort (379)
Dr. Mindy Bierlein, PT, DPT, offers a clear and engaging overview of why neck pain develops and how it impacts daily activities, mobility and overall well-being. Learn safe, effective strategies — including gentle exercises, posture corrections and lifestyle adjustments — to reduce stiffness and discomfort. The class emphasizes senior-friendly approaches that can be practiced at home to improve long-term comfort and movement. Ideal for those experiencing chronic or occasional neck pain who want tools for a more active, independent life.

Instructor: Dr. Mindy Bierlein, PT, DPT
Date & Time: Tuesday, 5/19 • 11 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

HISTORY

A History of the Ottoman Empire (380)
This sweeping course traces the rise and fall of the Ottoman Empire, from its beginnings in 1300 through its dissolution in 1918. This is a three-part class offering a comprehensive overview of more than six centuries of political, cultural and military history that shaped the modern world.

Instructor: Jason Szilagyi
Dates & Times: Mondays, 2/2, 2/9, 2/16, 2/23 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C222
Price: Members: $40 • Non-Members: $60

Detroit and the World's Fairs: 1851–1965 (381)
Join author, photographer and historian Dale A. Carlson as he explores metro Detroit's significant contributions to seven major World's Fairs, from London's Crystal Palace Exhibition (1851) to New York's 1964–1965 Fair. Discover the stories of influential figures including pioneer sculptor Julius Melchers, renowned architect Albert Kahn, World Trade Center architect Minoru Yamasaki, Spirit of Detroit sculptor Marshall Fredericks and one obscure artist with unique ties to the Saginaw Bay City Midland area. Carlson's presentation features professional photography, historical images and era-specific newspaper clippings that bring these fascinating stories to life.

Instructor: Dale Carlson, Michigan Historian
Date & Time: Thursday, 2/12 • 2–3:30 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Airborne Operations in World War II (382)
Explore the daring airborne missions of World War II, from paratrooper drops to glider assaults. This class examines strategy, key operations and the brave men and women who shaped the outcome of the war through airborne warfare.

Instructor: Jason Szilagyi
Dates & Times: Fridays, 2/27, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $40 • Non-Members: $60

The Korean War: The Forgotten Conflict (383)
Often called the "Forgotten War," the Korean War (1950–1953) was a pivotal conflict that shaped the course of the Cold War and set the stage for tensions that remain on the Korean Peninsula today. This course will examine the war's origins, key battles and major players, as well as its lasting impact on global politics and U.S. foreign policy. Participants will also explore the human stories behind the headlines — how soldiers, civilians and nations were affected by a war that ended without a peace treaty and continues to influence international relations.

Instructor: Jason Szilagyi
Dates & Times: Mondays, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $40 • Non-Members: $60

Rome: From Kings to Caesars (384)
Join Christina De Clerck-Szilagyi for an engaging journey through Rome's early history — from its humble beginnings as a village on the Tiber, through its rise as a Republic to its dramatic collapse under the Caesars.

Instructor: Christina De Clerck-Szilagyi
Dates & Times: Wednesdays, 3/25, 4/1, 4/8, 4/15 • 3:30–5:30 p.m.
Location: C127
Price: Members: $40 • Non-Members: $60

Before Jerry & Betty, There was Another Prominent Ford Couple in Michigan (385)

Joseph C. Ford, enslaved as a youth in Virginia, came to Grand Rapids about 1872 and soon became a porter on the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad. He also spent over 50 years as the attendant of the Michigan Senate cloak room, earning him the nickname "Senator" Joe Ford. Joe met Emma S. Warren, and they were married in 1881. Emma Ford became a trailblazing African-American woman who defied the odds and emerged as a prominent leader, restauranteur, socialite, public servant, lecturer, wife and mother. Emma and Joe left lasting marks on both the local and national stages, their achievements would be remarkable today; but considering the times in which they lived, their accomplishments were extraordinary.

Instructors: M. Christine Byron & Sophia Ward Brewer
Date & Time: Tuesday, 3/31 • 1–2:30 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

A Look Back at 1913 Automobiles and Some of Their Owners (386)

Tom Wilson, a Michigan history and automotive history buff, has had several vintage cars over the years. Wilson will showcase the variety of automobiles from the period and their unusual features, using illustrations and advertising. Tom discovered a rare booklet, "Automobile Guide and List of Registered Cars 1913 in Central Western Michigan," organized by license plate numbers, auto owners, their addresses, and the manufacturer of their cars. Not surprisingly, the majority were owned by wealthy men, but a number of women also owned autos, many of them electric vehicles. He is an avid collector of Michigan postcards, and has co-authored with his wife, M. Christine Byron, six books on Michigan history focusing on tourism. Tom operates a business creating prints from old Michigan and Great Lakes tourist and travel ephemera.

Instructor: Tom Wilson
Date & Time: Tuesday, 3/31 • 3–4:30 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

The Modern Middle East: Gaza and the West Bank (387)

Gain a deeper understanding of one of the world's most complex and contested regions. This course will focus on the modern history and current realities of Gaza and the West Bank, examining social and cultural dynamics that continue to shape the lives of people there. Through discussion and analysis, we will explore the historical roots of conflict, contemporary developments and the challenges and possibilities for the future.

Instructor: Jason Szilagyi
Dates & Times: Tuesdays, 4/7, 4/21, 4/28, 5/5 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $40 • Non-Members: $60

DISCOVER MICHIGAN

CELEBRATING AMERICA250MI (25)

Wednesday, February 11, 2026

SVSU, Curtiss Hall, 2nd Floor, 9 a.m.–4:30 pm. $10 for a day of expert-led lectures | $30 for keynote lunch

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Join the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute for a day exploring Michigan's rich history. Together with history enthusiasts, educators, families, and travelers, discover how our state's heritage shape dour past, influences our present and inspires our future.

Event Highlights & Key Note Speakers

9–10 a.m.	**Robert Doran Brockway, Director, America250MI** *Michigan's Journey to the Semiquincentennial*
12:10–1:30 p.m.	**Jamie Mankiewicz, Adam Miedema, Stefanie Mills and Chris Ogozaly** *Discover Michigan with WCMU Public Media's locally produced television series, Destination Michigan. Telling Michigan's stories, one destination at a time.* **Please note that there is an additional $30 fee for this lunch & lecture*
3:30–4:30 p.m.	**Craig Wilson, Chief Curator** *Mackinac State Historic Parks since 1895*

Breakout Session Presenters & Topics

Ric Mixter	History of Great Lakes Coast Guard Cutters Offshore Outposts: Living in a Remote Lighthouse
Lori Taylor-Blitz	History of Beaver Island
Craig McDonald	Midland, Michigan: A Mid-Century Modern Mecca
MFSM Staff	America's Public Sculptor: Marshall M. Fredericks
Deborah Meadows	AACHM — Journey to Freedom Underground Railroad
Adam Oster	Michigan Carnegie Libraries, Michigan Cemetery Research
Dale Carlson	Detroit's Michigan Central Station Art & Architecture of Detroit's Belle Isle
Michelle Briggs	History of the Soo Locks
Brian W. Page	Designing Democracy: The Architectural Design & Preservation of the Michigan State Capital
Mike Skinner	History of the Piquette Plant, Detroit
Cambray Baylis	Save the Flags: History of Michigan's Civil War Flags
Christina & Jason Szilagyi	The Annotated Declaration of Independence

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TRAVEL WITH OLLI

New Year's Eve in Paris: The City Experience

December 28, 2026–January 3, 2027 Whether for romance, history, indulgence or artistic inspiration, Paris is the destination for experiences you'll never forget. Explore soaring landmarks like the Eiffel Tower, stroll along the iconic Champs-Élysées, browse some of the world's richest collections of art, then ring in the New Year as you watch the city light up around you. ***Travel Preview:*** *Thursday, November 13, 1–1:45 p.m.* ***Travel Registration Opens:*** *November 13, at 3 p.m.*
https://groups.goaheadtours.com/tours/nye-paris-olli-svsu

Hawaii: Oahu, the Big Island & Maui

February 18–February 28, 2027

From the pristine beaches to the towering volcanoes, Hawaii's natural beauty is spellbinding. Set foot on the shores of Oahu to pay tribute to those lost in Pearl Harbor, sip local coffee near historic craters in Kona, and discover Maui's colorful aquatic life.
Travel Preview: *Thursday, November 13, 9–9:45 a.m.*
Travel Registration Opens: *November 18, at 9 a.m.*
https://groups.goaheadtours.com/tours/2027-hawaii-olli-svsu

Scotland: Glasgow, the Highlands & Edinburgh

May 4–May 16, 2027

On a tour that takes you from city lights to velvet green hillsides, you'll discover the storied past and architectural marvels of Glasgow and Edinburgh and spot timeworn castles against the panorama of the Scottish Highlands. Along the way, let the romance and intrigue swirling through the country's lochs and glens embrace you.
Travel Preview: *Thursday, November 13, Time: TBD* ***Travel Registration Opens:*** *November 19, at 9 a.m.*
https://groups.goaheadtours.com/tours/2027-scotland-olli-svsu

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Egypt, Jordan & Nile River Cruise

November 4–November 19, 2027

Walk past towering stone icons, through sphinx-lined avenues and into royal desert valleys. Cruise the Nile, anchoring at remote islands beneath the Theban Hills. In Cairo, hear prayer calls echo through the modern city. Then, cross the Sinai into Jordan to explore Petra's umber-colored ruins and float in the Dead Sea.
Travel Preview: *Thursday, November 13Time: TBD*
Travel Registration Opens: *November 14, at 9 a.m.*
https://groups.goaheadtours.com/tours/2027-egypt-jordan-olli-svsu

Food & Wine of Sicily
April 1–11, 2027

Start in Palermo, where golden sunlight filters through busy markets and cathedral windows. Continue to Syracuse, the enchanting muse of poets and philosophers, and end in Taormina, where the shimmering sea meets the imposing stature of Mount Etna.

https://groups.goaheadtours.com/tours/2027-italy-olli-svsu

Travel Preview: *Thursday, March 12, 2026, 9–10 a.m.*

Travel Registration Opens: *March 12, at 1 p.m.*

https://groups.goaheadtours.com/tours/2027-italy-olli-svsu

Highlights of Central Europe: Switzerland, Germany, Austria & Czechia
September 21–October 1, 2027

From Lucerne's riverside charm to Bavaria's natural beauty, Vienna's refined cafés and Prague's whimsical spires, this itinerary highlights the best of four sensational countries. Discover the castle that inspired Sleeping Beauty, 19th-century capitals that inspired classical masterpieces,
and fairytale-worthy architecture.

https://groups.goaheadtours.com/tours/2027-central-europe-olli-svsu

Travel Preview: *Thursday, March 12, 2026, 10:15–11:15 a.m.*

Travel Registration Opens: *March 17, at 9 a.m.*

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New Year's Eve in London *December 27, 2027–January 2, 2028*

London was once the world's capital — and it shows. With 2,000 years of history and a culture spanning pubs to premier museums, it's a city of rich contrasts. Ring in the New Year with millions of revelers, then explore at your own pace — from Kensington Gardens to Big Ben.

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Travel Preview: *Thursday, March 12, 2026, 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.*

Travel Registration Opens: *March 18, at 9 a.m.*

https://groups.goaheadtours.com/tours/nye-london-olli-svsu/

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Collaboration and Resistance in World War II (388)
Explore the dramatic stories of resistance movements and collaboration across Europe during World War II. This two-part course examines events region by region: a four-week session on France and the Low Countries followed by a four-week session focusing on Poland and Russia. This in-depth series brings new insight into the complex choices people made under occupation.

Instructor: Jason Szilagyi
Dates & Times: Thursdays • 1–3 p.m.
(388A) France and the Low Countries • 3/26, 4/2, 4/9, 4/16
(388B) Poland and Russia • 4/23, 4/30, 5/7, 5/21
Location: C129
Price: Members: $40/session • Non-Members: $60/session

Living Behind the Iron Curtain (389)
Alina Warner shares her personal experiences growing up in communist Romania, where she witnessed the isolation and hardships of life under a totalitarian regime. She recalls her teenage years during the Revolution that ultimately freed the country from Nicolae Ceausescu's dictatorship. The session will conclude with a Q&A.

Instructor: Alina Warner
Date & Time: Thursday, 4/30 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Age of the American Revolution (390)
Join Jason and Christina Szilagyi for an engaging exploration of the birth of the United States. Trace the journey from European colonization through the struggles for independence, culminating in the adoption of the Constitution. Discover the pivotal events, ideas and figures that shaped a nation.

Instructors: Jason Szilagyi & Christina De Clerck-Szilagyi
Dates & Times: Wednesdays, 5/20, 5/27, 6/3, 6/10 • 3–5 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $40 • Non-Members: $60

The Villains of World War II (391)
In this class we, will look at those who were responsible for the crimes against humanity. These are the individuals and groups who contributed in their own ways to the atrocities and mass murders that took place during the most brutal and devastating war in history.

Instructor: Jim Reha
Dates & Times: Tuesdays, 6/2, 6/9, 6/16, 6/23 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $25 • Non-Members: $45

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LANGUAGE

German Language and Culture (461)

Whether you're planning a trip to Germany, exploring your heritage, or simply want to connect with German speakers, this course offers a welcoming introduction to the German language and culture. Instructor Pat Shelley brings nearly 20 years of teaching experience at SVSU and authentic language immersion from his time living with a German family and studying at Philipps-Universität Marburg an der Lahn. Using the accessible and beautifully illustrated text 15-Minute German: Learn in Just 12 Weeks, students will focus on: Correct pronunciation of Standard German (Hochdeutsch), Geography and culture along the Rhine River, Practical conversation skills and Sharing personal connections to German language, culture, and heritage. This course creates a supportive environment for learners of all backgrounds to discover the German language together.

Instructor: Pat Shelley, International Student Advisor, Retired
Dates & Times: Mondays, 2/2, 2/9, 2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30, 4/6, 4/13, 4/20 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $30 • Non-Members: $50

Introduction to Swahili for Travelers (462)

Planning a trip to Tanzania or East Africa? Join us for this practical introduction to Swahili, the region's most widely spoken language. Led by Richard Kiiza, a Tanzania native and current SVSU nursing student, this session will equip you with essential travel phrases, greetings, and numbers, while emphasizing the importance of proper pronunciation. Beyond language basics, Richard will share insights into Tanzanian cultural etiquette, including the significance of politeness and respectful greetings in daily interactions. Drawing from his personal experiences growing up in Tanzania, he'll also discuss the region's remarkable wildlife, adding depth to your understanding of this vibrant destination. Whether you're planning your first safari or simply want to connect more meaningfully with local communities, this class will help you travel with confidence and cultural awareness.

Instructor: Richard Kiiza
Date & Time: Wednesday, 2/4 & Thursday, 2/5 • 2 - 3:30 p.m.
Location: C222
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

LOCAL EXPLORATION & COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Behind the Scenes at Duro-Last Roofing (463)

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Take a fascinating look inside one of Saginaw's mo successful manufacturing companies! Founded in 1978, Duro-Last Roofing has grown into a leading national manufacturer of custom-fabricated, single-ply roofing systems. On this exclusive tour, you'll see firsthand how roofing systems are designed, fabricated and tested for quality. Learn about the company's history, its impact on the community and how innovation has shaped its growth over the years. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended, as this is an active tour of a working facility.

Date & Time: Tuesday, 2/17 • 10 a.m.–1 p.m.
Location: Duro-Last | 525 W Morley Dr, Saginaw, MI 48601
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Weiss Centennial Farm Tour & Pretzel-Making Experience (464)

Enjoy a delicious outing at Weiss Farm in Frankenmuth! This experience begins with a guided tour of the working dairy farm. You will also learn how wheat is grown, harvested and turned into flour. Then, step into the cozy kitchen for a hands-on pretzel-making session. Learn the "twisted" history of this ancient German snack while rolling, shaping and baking your own batch of traditional pretzels. Enjoy fresh pretzels and cheese during the class and take some home afterward. (Please note that outdoor portions of the tour are weather dependent.)

Instructor: Weiss Centennial Farm
Date & Time: Tuesday, 3/24 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: Centennial Farm | 5450 Weiss Rd, Frankenmuth
Price: Members: $30 • Non-Members: $50

A Tour of Abele's Greenhouse (465)

Enjoy a behind-the-scenes tour of Abele's Greenhouse, where you'll learn about plant care, seasonal growing techniques and the daily operations of a working greenhouse. As you explore the vibrant spaces filled with flowers, herbs and greenery, you'll gain insights from the experts who keep everything thriving.

Instructor: Abele Greenhouse
Date & Time: Thursday, 3/26 • 10–11:30 a.m.
Location: 3500 Wadsworth Rd, Saginaw
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Tour of Saginaw County Animal Care & Control Resource Center (466)

Join OLLI for a behind-the-scenes look at the Saginaw County Animal Care & Control Resource Center, a state-of-the-art facility dedicated to animal welfare and community support. On this guided tour, you'll learn about the center's programs and services, including pet adoption, animal health and safety, and community education initiatives. Meet some of the animals currently in care, see how the staff and volunteers work together to provide a safe and nurturing environment and discover the many ways the center partners with the community. If you're an animal lover or simply curious about how the center operates, this tour is both heartwarming and informative.

Date & Time: Tuesday, 3/31 • 10–11:30 a.m.
Location: 5615 Bay Rd, Saginaw
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Forest Lawn Cemetery Walking Tour (467)

Join OLLI for a guided walk through Forest Lawn Cemetery in Saginaw. We'll explore the grounds, visit notable graves and take a closer look at the artistic design styles used throughout the cemetery. Along the way, you'll have opportunities for photography and for identifying some of the plants and trees we encounter. Think of this as a relaxed "freestyle walkabout" that offers a bit of exercise while discovering one of Saginaw's hidden gems.

Instructor: Al Evangelista
Date & Time: Tuesday, 5/19 • 1–2:30 p.m.
Location: 3210 S Washington Ave., Saginaw
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Tour of the Underground Railroad: Supporting Safety and Hope in Saginaw (468)

Join OLLI for a guided tour of Underground Railroad, Inc., Saginaw County's only provider of emergency shelter and services for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and human trafficking. Since 1977, this United Way partner agency has provided safety, advocacy and hope to thousands of individuals and families each year. Learn how the organization continues its vital mission to end violence and empower survivors in our community.

Date & Time: Tuesday, 6/2 • 1–2:30 p.m.
Location: Underground Railroad | 5647 State St., Suite A., Saginaw
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Stories from Riverside Cemetery (469)

Take a step back in time with a guided walk through Vassar's historic Riverside Cemetery. Along the way, a few presenters will share the fascinating stories of the people laid to rest there, community leaders, local pioneers and other notable figures who helped shape the town's history. This unique tour offers a blend of storytelling and local heritage, bringing Vassar's past vividly to life among the peaceful surroundings of Riverside Cemetery.

Instructor: Vassar Historical Society

Location: 5855 Frankenmuth Rd., Vassar
Price: Members: $20 • Non-Members: $40

Behind the Scenes at WSGW Radio (470)

Go behind the mic with a guided tour of WSGW Radio! As you explore the studio, the morning show will be in full swing, giving you a unique opportunity to see live radio in action. Learn how local news, talk shows, and broadcasts come together, meet station staff and get an insider's look at one of the region's most better-known stations. A great experience for anyone curious about the world of broadcasting!

Instructor: WSGW Staff
Date & Time: Tuesday, 6/16 • 10–11 a.m.
Location: 1795 Tittabawassee Rd, Saginaw
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Tour of Pine Ridge Cemetery (471)

Join us for a fascinating guided tour of Pine Ridge Cemetery, one of the area's oldest and most historic burial grounds. Learn about the stories of notable local figures, the symbolism behind gravestone art and the cemetery's connection to the community's past. This peaceful walk offers a unique blend of history, architecture and reflection. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended.

Instructor: Friends of Pine Ridge Cemetery
Date & Time: Wednesday, 6/24 • 10–11:30 a.m.
Location: Pine Ridge Cemetery | 198 Ridge Rd, Bay City
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

LITERATURE & WRITING

Rome vs. Clusium through the Eyes of Macaulay (472)
Step into the world of ancient Rome with a deep dive into Thomas Babington Macaulay's poem *Horatius at the Bridge*. This work recounts the quasi–mythical story of the heroic attempt of three Roman soldiers to defend the city five hundred years before the Christian era. In this session, we will explore some of the geographic and cultural references embedded in the poem, unravel the etymology of key words and explore the rhythm and rhyme structure that gives the work its memorable cadence. Suited for participants who have complementary interests in storytelling, Etruscan and Roman history, the geography of central Italy, etymology and poetry. The presenter's goal is for you to end the session with more questions than you came with.

Instructor: Al Evangelista
Date & Time: Monday, 4/6 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS

The Evolution of How We Listen to Music (491)
From vinyl records and cassette tapes to CDs and digital streaming, the way we experience music has changed dramatically over the decades. Join us for a fascinating look at the history of listening formats — how each innovation shaped the music industry, influenced culture and impacted the way we enjoy our favorite songs.

Instructor: Dr. Robert Drew, SVSU
Date & Time: Wednesday, 4/1 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

NOTABLE PEOPLE & BIOGRAPHIES

Bay City Heroes and a Few Scoundrels (521)
Behind every town's beginning lies a tale of risk and imagination. Join us as we delve into Bay County's frontier past, meeting trailblazers — and a few mischief-makers along the way.

Instructor: Chris Eckerle
Date & Time: Tuesday, 2/24 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

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OLLI BOOK CLUB

Winter OLLI Book Club
Explore captivating reads, connect with fellow book lovers and dive into themes, characters and ideas. We've made a few changes! Participants will now get their own books, whether in print, on Kindle or tablet, through Audible or borrowed from the library. Then enjoy meaningful discussion and great company with fellow OLLI readers.

(551A) *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge
Inspired by true events, this story follows a young drifter on a 1938 journey to deliver two giraffes to the San Diego Zoo. Along the way, he discovers how animals, strangers, and adventure can change a life.

(551B) *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt
A grieving widow finds an unexpected friend in a clever octopus who just might hold the key to her long-lost son's disappearance in this heartwarming, imaginative debut novel.

(551C) *Michael Without Apology* by Catherine Ryan Hyde
A young man scarred by childhood trauma creates a film on body image, uncovering shared struggles, healing and the power of self-acceptance.

(551D) *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles
In 1954, teen Emmett Watson plans to start anew in California with his younger brother, but a surprise twist sends them on a ten-day journey to New York, filled with unforgettable characters, adventure and self-discovery.

(551E) *Spare* by Prince Harry the Duke of Sussex
Prince Harry tells his own story, chronicling his journey with raw, unflinching honesty. A landmark publication, *Spare* is full of insight, revelation, self-examination and hard-won wisdom about the eternal power of love over grief.

(551F) *The Widow* by John Grisham
A small-town lawyer lands his richest client yet — an elderly widow with secrets — but when she's found dead, he must uncover the truth to prove his innocence.

Instructor: Group-led discussion
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10/session • Non-Members: $30/session

(551A) *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge
Date & Time: Monday, 1/26 • 2–3 p.m.

(551B) *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt
Date & Time: Monday, 2/23 • 2–3 p.m.

(551C) *Michael Without Apology* by Catherine Ryan Hyde
Date & Time: Monday, 3/30 • 2–3 p.m.

(551D) *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles
Date & Time: Monday, 4/27 • 2–3 p.m.

(551E) *Spare* by Prince Harry the Duke of Sussex
Date & Time: Monday, 5/18 • 2–3 p.m.

(551F) *The Widow* by John Grisham
Date & Time: Monday, 6/22 • 2–3 p.m.

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More than Parks: A History of American Conservation (552)

Explore the evolution of American conservation from the 19th century to today. This course goes beyond national parks to examine how urban reformers, scientists, women activists and Native communities shaped the movement. Through diverse stories and landscapes, we will gain a deeper understanding of how Americans have fought to preserve — and define — the natural world.

Instructor: Fraser Livingston, PhD
Dates & Times: Tuesdays, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/17, 2/24 • 1–2:30 p.m.
Location: Zoom
Price: Members: $55 • Members only

Using Google Workspace Tools with Confidence (553)

This beginner-friendly course introduces Google Workspace tools like Drive, Gmail, Calendar, Docs, Sheets and Slides. We will learn core features, basic navigation and practical applications for personal and professional use. With guided instruction and real-world examples, the course builds confidence and foundational skills to boost productivity and collaboration.

Instructor: Chelsea King
Dates & Times: Wednesdays, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 2/25 • 7–8:30 p.m.
Location: Zoom
Price: Members: $55 • Members only

History of Sicily (554)

Sicily has been a mythic crossroads of heroes, conquerors, and culture for over 3,000 years. From Odysseus and the Arabo-Norman Golden Age to the Mafia and modern mythmakers like Garibaldi and Coppola, Sicily's story is rich, complex and central to Western history. This course explores its pivotal role in shaping civilization — and why Goethe famously said, "To have seen Italy without having seen Sicily is not to have seen Italy at all."

Instructor: Douglas Kenning, PhD
Dates & Times: Mondays, 1/26, 2/2, 2/9, 2/16, 2/23, 3/2 • 1–2:30 p.m.
Location: Zoom
Price: Members: $55 • Members only

The History of American Television (555)

This engaging, video-rich course tells the story of American television — from its 1920s origins to today's streaming era. We will explore decades of iconic shows, genres and cultural moments that shaped the medium and its audiences. From sitcoms and dramas to news and sports, we will rediscover how TV evolved, adapted and transformed American culture — one broadcast, cable channel and streaming service at a time.

Instructor: Jim McKairnes
Dates & Times: Mondays, 1/26, 2/2, 2/9, 2/16, 2/23, 3/2 • 3–4:30 p.m.
Location: Zoom
Price: Members: $55 • Members only

PHILOSOPHY & RELIGION

Life Discussions: Mysteries of Human Behavior – Part II (581)
This course continues where our fall session left off, completing our exploration of the fascinating Mysteries of Human Behavior. Together, we'll dive deeper into the complexities of human nature and personal development, guided by thought-provoking questions, such as: How did human nature evolve? Why do we experience emotions? What drives our need for self-esteem? Why is self-control so difficult? And what causes us to fall in and out of love? Using selected lectures from the Great Courses series by Professor Mark Leary of Duke University, we'll spark meaningful discussion, exchange perspectives and reflect on shared life experiences. Join us for lively conversations and fresh insights in a warm, welcoming environment.

Instructor: Ron Taylor
Dates & Times: Thursdays, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/19 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $30 • Non-Members: $50

SCIENCE

Weather 101: Part 2 with Chris Easlick (601)
Continue your weather education with WNEM TV5 meteorologist Chris Easlick as he takes a deeper dive into the science of forecasting. In this follow-up session, Chris will explore advanced topics such as radar interpretation, storm tracking and the role of climate trends in local weather. He'll also share behind-the-scenes insights into how meteorologists handle breaking weather events and communicate critical information to the public. Whether you attended the first session or are joining for the first time, you'll enjoy another informative and entertaining look at the ever-changing world of weather!

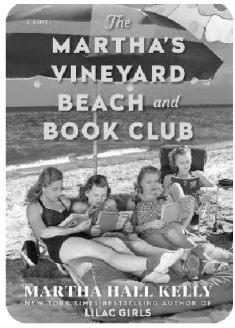
Instructor: Chris Easlick, Chief Meteorologist, WNEM TV5 and SVSU Professor
Date & Time: Wednesday, 6/17 • 10–11:30 a.m.
Location: C 100
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

SPORTS & RECREATION

Golf Clinic: Improve Your Swing (602)
Perfect your golf game with this hands-on clinic designed for players of all skill levels! This workshop will focus on key techniques, including putting, chipping and driving, to help you improve accuracy, consistency and confidence on the course. Led by an experienced instructor, you'll receive personalized tips and practice time to refine your skills. Whether you're a beginner looking to learn the fundamentals or an experienced golfer hoping to fine-tune your game, this clinic is a great way to enjoy the sport in a fun and supportive environment.

Instructor: Dave Dufort
Date & Time: TBA
Location: Maple Leaf Golf Course | 158 N Mackinaw Rd, Linwood
Price: Members: $50 • Non-Members: $70

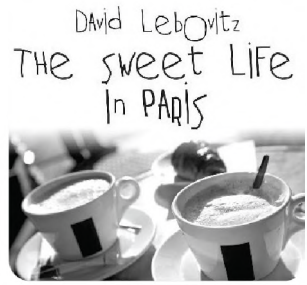
TRAVEL BOOK DISCUSSIONS



The Martha's Vineyard Beach and Book Club **by Martha Hall Kelly (631)**

Discover Martha's Vineyard beyond its beaches and summer charm in this dual-timeline novel that reveals the island's hidden WWII history. Set against the Vineyard's dramatic wartime landscape, the sisters create a women's book club that becomes a lifeline for their tight-knit island community facing unprecedented challenges: military occupation, forbidden romance and whispers of enemy spies among them. This discussion explores how Martha's Vineyard's unique geography and isolated community shaped both wartime resilience and long-held secrets, examining themes of island identity, the power of storytelling and how one small book club on this storied Massachusetts island may have influenced the war effort itself.

Instructors: Matthew Buckley, Head of Research and Instruction Service, & colleague Michelle Strasz, Research & Online Course Support Librarian at Zanhow Library
Date & Time: Wednesday, 2/18 • 1–2:30 p.m.
Location: Z111
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30



The Sweet Life in Paris **by David Lebovitz (632)**

What happens when an acclaimed American pastry chef trades his successful career for three suitcases and a dream apartment in Paris's Bastille neighborhood? Through witty observations and misadventures, Lebovitz explores what it really means to live in Paris beyond the romanticized fantasy. Interwoven with more than 50 recipes ranging from savory to sweet, this memoir asks: What do we sacrifice and gain when we pursue our dreams abroad? How does a city transform us, and when do we finally become part of it? Perfect for Francophiles, food lovers and anyone who's ever dreamed of reinventing their life in a foreign city.

Instructors: Matthew Buckley, Head of Research and Instruction Services, & colleague Michelle Strasz, Research & Online Course Support Librarian at Zanhow Library
Date & Time: Wednesday, 4/15 • 1–2:30 p.m.
Location: Z111
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

TRAVELOGUES & EXPLORATION

Hiking the Camino Santiago Littoral Way in Portugal and Spain (633)

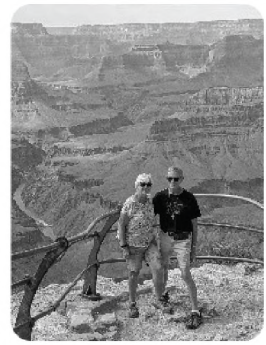
Join OLLI as the presenters share their recent experience on the Camino de Santiago in Portugal and Spain. Use your imagination to travel along with the presenters as they make their way from Porto, north via rail to Caminha, then onward by foot and ferry to Santiago de Compostella. Special attention will be given to the culinary experiences, geographic features, interesting personalities and logistical challenges encountered along the way. Trip preparation and a starting point travel plan will round out the session. Bring your imagination and a fully charged sense of adventure!

Instructor: Al Evangelista & Alec Laorr
Date & Time: Friday, 2/6 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Appalachian Trail Wanderings (634)
Join us for an engaging presentation that explores the presenter's personal experiences hiking the Appalachian Trail in Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia. This session will delve into the geography, history and social aspects of the region while providing insights into the development of the Appalachian Trail. Participants will learn about the role of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) and discover a little-known prisoner-of-war camp in central Pennsylvania through images and narrative. The session will introduce map and compass navigation and cover the ten essential items recommended for backpacking. **This is a hands-on session and will cover knot tying and basic map and compass skills.** Bring your imagination and a sharpened sense of wonder for foot travel beneath the pines.

Instructor: Al Evangelista
Date & Time: Monday, 4/6 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: C220
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Exploring the American West: A 5th-Wheel Journey Through Colorado and Utah's National Parks (635)



Join us for an inspiring travelogue of a 46-day adventure across the American West! Follow along as we share our experience traveling 6,400-plus miles through 12 states and 11 National Parks in our 5th-wheel. Whether you're an experienced RVer, dreaming of life on the road or simply love the beauty of America's national parks, this presentation will transport you to some of the most breathtaking landscapes our country has to offer.

Instructors: Gloria & Lee Hubbell
Date & Time: Thursday, 4/2 • 10 - 11:30 a.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Week-Long Hiking Trips In the UK: Hadrian's Wall and St. Oswald's Way/Holy Island (636)

Join Rob and Beth Kelch for a photographic and historical journey along two national trails in Northern England. Explore Hadrian's Wall Path, an 84-mile UNESCO World Heritage trail built by the Roman Legion, and St. Oswald's Way, an ancient pilgrimage route through Northumberland's countryside, quaint villages and castles built in the 11th–14th centuries, ending at Holy Island (Lindisfarne). This presentation highlights two 7–8 day inn-to-inn hiking trips, with luggage transported by an outfitter, and offers tips for planning similar adventures.

Instructor: Dr. Robert Kelch, Family Nurse Practitioner & SVSU Nursing Instructor
Date & Time: Thursday, 4/23 • 3–4:30 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Canadian Rockies Presented by Beacher Pearce (636)
For the past 65 years, Beacher has combined his love of travel with his photography hobby. Marvel at the beautiful scenery of the Canadian Rockies, including, Banff, Jasper, Lake Louise and the Columbia Ice Field. Also included are excursions to Glacier NP (Canadian side) and to Prince Rupert on the British Columbia coast.

Instructor: Beacher Pearce
Date & Time: Tuesday, 7/14 • 1–2:30 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

TRAVEL

Motion Sickness...Don't Let It Spoil Your Trip (638)
If you understand the "scourge of travelers," you will find it easier to prevent and simpler to treat. Drs. Louis Byrne and Louis Constan will explain how and why motion sickness happens, review specific strategies to prevent it and cover the range of treatments with the pros and cons of each of these remedies.

Instructor: Dr. Louis Constan and Dr. Louis Byrne
Date & Time: Monday, 3/16 • 2–3 p.m.
Location: C128
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Pack Your Bags (639)
This class will discuss everything from packing lists, packing cubes, luggage, carry-ons, tech gear, travel documents, travel apps, roll vs. fold, as well as a variety of travel tips. Packing accessories available for sale.

Instructor: Susan Zazo, Travel Expert
Date & Time: Tuesday, 5/14 • 4–6 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

TECHNOLOGY

Tech Tuesday — Enhance Your Home Security with Ring Doorbell (640)
Join Larry Emmons, retired SVSU Technology Director, as he shares expert tips on maximizing your Ring Doorbell's capabilities. Learn how to integrate it with your smartphone, optimize its features and understand key privacy considerations to keep your home secure.

Instructor: Larry Emmons
Date & Time: Tuesday, 1/20 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: FREE • Non-Members: $20

Password Manager and Security (641)
Everything we use today has a username and password, but how are you supposed to remember them for all those accounts? This class will provide an overview of password managers available to manage all those pesky accounts. We will cover how to create, change and make passwords as secure as possible, and how to secure your accounts with two-factor au**ltnhsetnrtuicatotiro:**nK. elley Gray

Date & Time: Wednesday, 2/25 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Apple Devices: iPhone & iPad Basics (642)
Apple devices are among the most popular and powerful smart tools available today. In this three-hour class, you'll learn how to navigate and customize your iPhone and iPad for everyday use. Discover tips and tricks to manage settings, apps, photos and more. Whether you're new to Apple products or looking to sharpen your skills, this session will help you use your devices with confidence and ease.

Instructor: Gary Holik
Date & Time: Monday, 3/9 • 6–9 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $15 • Non-Members: $35

Exploring AI (643)
Dive into the world of artificial intelligence! This introductory class will explore AI concepts and tools. Discover how AI can assist with finding information, enhancing writing and supporting hobbies. Perfect for beginners, this class will demystify AI and show you practical ways to incorporate it into your everyday life!

Instructor: Kelley Gray
Date & Time: Wednesday, 3/18 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Buying & Selling Online: eBay, Craigslist and Facebook (644)
Discover how to navigate the world of online marketplaces with confidence. This class will teach you how to safely buy both new and used items on eBay, Craigslist and Facebook. You'll also learn practical tips for creating listings, setting prices and successfully selling your own items. Perfect for anyone interested in saving money, finding deals or turning clutter into cash.

Instructor: Gary Holik
Date & Time: Wednesdays, 3/18, 3/25 • 6–9 p.m.
Location: C 221
Price: Members: $30 • Non-Members: $50

Do I Need an Upgrade? (Windows 10/11, New Phone & More) (645)
Technology changes fast — do you really need the latest version? In this class, we'll look at when it makes sense to upgrade your computer, phone or software, and when you can keep what you have. Learn the pros and cons of upgrading, what to watch for in terms of security and performance and how to make informed choices that fit your needs and budget.

Instructor: Kelley Gray
Date & Time: Wednesday, 5/13 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

How to Buy Technology: Smart Phones, Computers, Tablets, Smart Watches, Smart TVs (646)
Feeling overwhelmed by all the technology options available today? You're not alone. In this practical and easy-to-follow session, we'll break down different types of technology — from smartphones and tablets to smart home devices and beyond. Learn the pros and cons of each and get guidance on how to choose what's useful for your lifestyle — and what you can skip. Whether you're looking to upgrade or just make the best use of what you already have, this class will help you feel more confident navigating today's tech landscape.

Instructor: Gary Holik
Date & Time: Monday, 4/29 • 6–9 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $15 • Non-Members: $35

Viruses and How to Maintain Your Computer (647)
Computer viruses can destroy computer data and hard drives and make your computer completely unusable. Knowing how to prevent them and what to do if you get one is essential. In the first half of this class, you will learn about viruses, malware, spyware, and adware. We will discuss various software applications that can help prevent viruses and how to remove them once they are in the computer. In the second half of the class, you will learn how to keep your computer running at top speed by clearing excess files and data. Learn how to remove unwanted programs and how to find and delete old files, temp files or the garbage left over when downloading programs.

Instructor: Gary Holik
Date & Time: Monday, 5/11 • 6–9 p.m.
Location: C141
Price: Members: $15 • Non-Members: $35

Introduction to AI: A Hands-On Workshop (648)

Learn the basics of artificial intelligence in this simple, user-friendly class designed for beginners. Participants will bring their own laptops and get comfortable using AI tools through guided, hands-on practice. We'll explore what AI can do, how to interact with it effectively, and ways it can support everyday tasks. No previous experience required.

Instructor: Phillip Hanson
Date & Time: Tuesday, 3/17 • 1–3 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

UNDERSTANDING SOCIETY

The Impact of Mobile Technology on Interpersonal Relationships (661)

Cell phones, social media and the internet have changed the world and our relationships with others whom we know well. class will examine evidence-based research on the benefits a drawbacks of mobile technology as it pertains to relationship with family, friends, and those we care most about. Learn to identify warning signs of problematic use and learn about the most productive uses from the perspective of interpersonal relationship management.

Instructor: Dr. David Schneider, Professor of Communication at SVSU
Date & Time: Wednesday, 2/4 • 1–4 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

How Language Shapes the Way We Think — TED Talk Discussion (662)

Join OLLI for an engaging exploration of the power of language! We'll watch the TED Talk "How Language Shapes the Way We Think" by cognitive scientist Lera Boroditsky, in which she examines how the languages we speak influence the way we perceive and understand the world. After viewing the talk, we'll discuss its ideas, share insights and consider how language shapes thought in everyday life.

Instructor: Cal Mott
Date & Time: Wednesday, 3/4 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

Time for Infectious Generosity – TED Talk Discussion (663)

Join us for an inspiring session centered on the TED Talk "Time for Infectious Generosity" by Chris Anderson. In this talk, Anderson explores how acts of generosity can create meaningful impact and inspire others to give in turn. After watching the presentation, we'll discuss its ideas, share reflections,and explore how generosity can influence our personal and community lives. This session offers a chance to learn, reflect and engage in meaningful conversation with fellow OLLI members.

Instructor: Cal Mott
Date & Time: Wednesday, 4/22 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $10 • Non-Members: $30

ZEN & MINDFUL LIVING

Centering Prayer Workshop (664)
Centering Prayer is a method to open ourselves to God, consenting to His presence and action within. It deepens our relationship with the Divine in-dwelling Spirit at our core, drawing on ancient Christian teachings in a modern context. Nan Spence, a psychotherapist and meditation teacher with master's degrees in counseling and theology, brings her expertise from studying under Fr. Thomas Keating, the monk who developed this prayer form.

Instructor: Nan Spence
Date & Time: Thursday, 3/19 • 9 a.m.–1 p.m.
Location: C129
Price: Members: $20 • Non-Members: $40

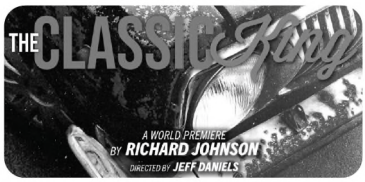
DAY TRIPS

OLLI day trips are a great way to explore exciting destinations, enjoy unique experiences and connect with fellow lifelong learners. Whether it's museums, historic sites, theater performances or local attractions, each trip is carefully planned for fun, learning and convenience. A delicious meal is included, so you can simply hop on the bus, relax and enjoy the adventure — we'll take care of the details! ***Day Trips are non-refundable. Any ticket transfer must be made at least one week before the trip.***

Discover Detroit at the DIA: Art, History, and Innovation (10)
Explore one of the nation's premier museums with a guided tour once the guided tour concludes, guests will be able to visit seasonal exhibitions at their own pace.

Date & Time: Wednesday, 2/18, 2026 • TBA
Price: Members: $185 • Non-Members: $205

***The Classic King* at the Purple Rose Theatre (11)**



In paying tribute to timeless automobiles, *The Classic King* paints a comic and heartbreaking portrait of three veteran used-car salesmen at a Metro Detroit dealership, struggling to cope with a changing industry and modern customers. When a sharp Gen Z salesman joins the team, he proposes a daring scheme to save the dealership — and its "dinosaur" salesmen — from extinction.

Date & Time: Thursday, 2/26, 2026 • TBA
Price: Members: $145 • Non-Members: $165

NHL Red Wings Hockey vs Philadelphia (12)
Join OLLI for an exciting day of NHL action as the Detroit Red Wings face off against the Philadelphia Flyers! Whether you're a lifelong fan or new to the sport, this high-energy matchup promises a memorable outing.

Date & Time: Thursday, April 9 • 6:40 p.m. game start time
Location: Little Caesars Arena | Detroit, Michigan
Price: Members: $200 • Non-Members: $220

***Murder on the Links* at the Purple Rose Theatre Co. (13)**
Something's afoul on the private golf course at Merlinville-Sur-Mer — namely the body of Hercule Poirot's newest client. Acclaimed playwright Steven Dietz brings the famed Belgian detective to life to solve one of Agatha Christie's most intricate whodunits.

Date & Time: Wednesday, 4/22, 2026 • TBA
Price: Members: $145 • Non-Members: $165

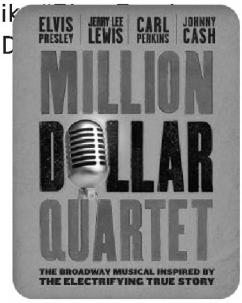
***Suffs the Musical*, Fisher Theatre: Broadway in the City (14)**

Tony Award-winning musical about American women fighting for the right to vote, exploring their triumphs and failures in the struggle for equality.

Date & Time: Saturday, 4/25, 2026 • TBA
Price: Members: $265 • Non-Members: $285

***Million Dollar Quartet* at Meadow Brook Theatre/Trader Joe's (15)**

On December 4, 1956, a chance meeting brought Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and Elvis Presley together at Sun Records for one of history's greatest jam sessions — filled with broken promises, secrets, betrayal and humor. Relive the era through this smash-hit show featuring classics lik
Shoes," "Fever," "Walk the Line," "Great Balls of Fire," "Hound D



Date & Time: Wednesday, 4/29, 2026 • TBA
Price: Members: $150 • Non-Members: $170

Experience Detroit: A Learning Journey Through the Motor City (16)

Experience Detroit's innovation and culture at Newlab at Michigan Central, stroll the award-winning Riverwalk and its architecture, shop the vibrant Canfield District and explore the lively energy of Campus Martius and historic Corktown.

Date & Time: Tuesday, 5/5, 2026 • TBA
Price: Members: $215 • Non-Members: $235

***Run For Your Wife* at Cornwell's Dinner Theatre/Horrocks Farm Market (17)**

One of the great British farces! John Smith, a London cab driver, has two wives, two lives and a very precisely planned schedule for juggling them both. When Smith is mugged and ends up in hospital, both of his addresses surface, causing both Streatham and Wimbledon police to investigate. His careful schedule upset, Smith hopelessly attempts to explain himself to his two wives and two suspicious police officers.

Date & Time: Wednesday, 6/17, 2026 • TBA
Price: Members: $130 • Non-Members: $150

Edsel & Eleanor Ford House: Detroit's Lakeside Legacy (18)

Experience Detroit's heritage at Edsel and Eleanor Ford's lakeside estate. Explore the preserved 1928 Tudor-style mansion, art-filled interiors and gardens overlooking Lake St. Clair. Guided tours reveal the Ford family's legacy of design, innovation, and elegance.

Date & Time: Thursday, 6/25, 2026 • TBA
Price: Members: $175 • Non-Members: $195

Sun, Surf, and Summer Love: Victoria's Playhouse (19)

Ride the wave with The Beach Boys, The Mamas & The Papas, The Turtles, Jan & Dean, and more for a feel-good celebration of surf, sunshine and classic hits like Surfin' U.S.A., California Dreamin', Get Around and Happy Together. Pure endless good vibrations!

Date & Time: Tuesday, 7/14, 2026 • TBA
Price: Members: $175 • Non-Members: $195

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TRAVEL PREVIEWS

MARCH 12, 2026

9 am - 10am	**Food and Wine of Sicily Preview (20)** *Traveling: April 1-11, 2027* ***Registration Opens March 12 at 1pm*** **Curtiss Hall Seminar Rooms D & E** *Presented by Josh Coraci, Go Ahead Tours*
10:15am - 11:15am	**Highlights of Central Europe: Preview (21) Switzerland, Germany, Austria & Czechia** *Traveling: September 21-October 1, 2027* ***Registration Opens March 17, at 9am*** **Curtiss Hall Seminar Rooms D & E** *Presented by Josh Coraci, Go Ahead Tours*
11:30am - 12:30pm	**New Year's Eve in London Preview (22)** *Traveling: December 27, 2027 - January 2, 2028* ***Registration Opens March 18, at 9am*** **Curtiss Hall Seminar Rooms D & E** *Presented by Josh Coraci, Go Ahead Tours*
12:30pm - 1:30pm	***Lunch - On your own***
1:30pm - 2:30pm	**Topic TBD Curtiss Hall Seminar Rooms D & E** *Presented by Josh Coraci, Go Ahead Tours*
2:30pm - 3:30pm	*Travel Social Hour & Roommate Finder* ***(23)*** ***Curtiss Hall Room 129 (OLLI Classroom)***

Call Go Ahead tours to Register (800) 438-7672

SVSU OLLI TRAVEL DAY

Thursday, March 12, 2026

Join SVSU-OLLI to learn more about upcoming 2027 learning adventures. Enjoy engaging presentations from Go Ahead Tours featuring exciting destinations including Hawaii, Scotland, Central Europe, Sicily and Egypt — complete with a scenic Nile River cruise. Whether you're dreaming of your next adventure or simply curious about these regions, this event is the perfect opportunity to explore new horizons, ask questions and connect with fellow travelers who share your passion for exploration.

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