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Course Catalog: Spring Term 4 2016

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HISTORY, CULTURE AND CHANGE
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• Mythology of Immigration Reform
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Look for this icon denoting courses themed “The Face of Lincoln: History, Culture and Change”
How to Drop a Course?
Call the OLLI office at 402-472-6265 if you’d like to drop a course. You must call before the second class and let us know if you’d like to enroll in an alternative course or place your paid fee in escrow for use at a later date.

Registering for Courses by Phone?
Before calling, please be sure to have your credit card handy. OLLI accepts payment by VISA and MasterCard. If you register by phone, call the OLLI office at 472-6265 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

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COURSE LOCATION KEY
AARP Lincoln Office 301 S. 13th St., Suite 200
ANSC Animal Science Building, 3940 Fair St., UNL
Bryan Health West, 2300 S. 16th St.
Burkholder Project 719 P St.
Carriage Glen, 7005 Shamrock Rd.
Doane Lincoln, Doane College Lincoln Campus, 303 N. 52nd St.
ECU — East Campus Union, 1705 Arbor Drive, UNL
First Lutheran Church, 1551 S. 70th St.
First United Methodist Church, 2723 N. 50th St.
Hardin Hall, 3310 Holdrege St., UNL
American Historical Society of Germans from Russia, 631 D Street
Grand Lodge at the Preserve, 4400 S. 80th St.
Jorgensen Hall, 855 N. 16th St., UNL
Leverton Hall (College of Education & Human Sciences), 1700 N. 35th St., UNL
Lincoln Duplicate Bridge Club, 237 S 70th St., 2nd Floor
Lincoln Firefighters’ Reception Hall, 241 Victory Ln.
Nebraska History Museum, 131 Centennial Mall N.
SCC-CEC Southeast Community College, Continuing Education Center, 301 S. 68th St. Place St.
Sheldon Museum of Art 12th and R streets, UNL
The Landing at Williamsburg Village, 3500 Faulkner Dr.
The Parthenon, 5500 S. 56th St.
Union College, Lang Amphitheater-Krueger Science and Math Building, 49th and Bancroft Sts.
Unitarian Church, 6300 A St.
UNL Extension in Lancaster County, 444 Cherrycreek Rd., Suite A
UNL Rec & Wellness Center, 1717 N. 35th St., UNL
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Thirty Years of Community Organizing in Lincoln

16457CL

Join Coleen Seng as she focuses on her experiences and stories from thirty years of community organizing in Lincoln. A few invited guests will be available to help participants remember and enjoy the successes as positive changes have occurred. Learn some of the principles of organizing, how to build a base of people power and spend time exploring the concept of self-interest.

Instructor: Coleen Seng, former mayor of Lincoln, trained community organizer and retired director, Community Ministries at First United Methodist Church of Lincoln

Day/Date: Mon, Apr 25
Time: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.
Location: First United Methodist Church
Cost: $5

How the Earth Was Made

16401CR

From a once seething, hellish mass of molten rock to the world that life inhabits today, take a rollercoaster ride through the History Channel’s documentary series “Planet Earth.” We will choose topics from DVDs of the series. It is a 4.5 billion-year epic, a story of unimaginable timescales, earth-shattering forces, changing climates and mass extinctions. Discover how the continents were formed, canyons were carved and volcanoes were created. In each class, we will watch a 45-minute lecture followed by guided discussion.

Instructors: Duane Eversoll, retired research geologist, School of Natural Resources, UNL, OLLI member; and Dave Thomssen, retired geologist, OLLI member

Days/Dates: Mar 28, Apr 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2
Time: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Location: Hardin Hall
Cost: $30

Lunch and Learn: Senior Living Beyond the Marigold Hotel

16402CR

We will again tour six senior living communities in Lincoln. Learn what an active, carefree lifestyle looks like. A complimentary lunch will be served at each facility. Facilities on the tour include: The Grand Lodge, Gateway Vista Senior Living, The Landing at Williamsburg Village, Eastmont Towers, Savannah Pines, and The Legacy Estates. A complete schedule will be provided at the first class.

Instructors: Representatives from each of the sites

Days/Dates: Mon, Mar 28, Apr 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2
Time: 11 a.m.-1 p.m
Location: The first class will meet at the Grand Lodge at the Preserve.
Cost: $30

Mythology of Immigration Reform

16403CR

For years, the U.S. has struggled with an immigration system that needs major overhaul. Politicians from each party have agreed on the need for reform but nothing has happened. We will look at the history of U.S. immigration policy and the major pieces of legislation that have defined the current system. We will hear from people that deal with these issues on a daily basis and from differing viewpoints on what is needed to reform the present situation.

Instructors: Marvin Almy, OLLI member, and community members involved with immigrants and refugees

Days/Dates: Mon, Mar 28, Apr 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2
Time: 1-2:30 p.m.
Location: Lincoln Firefighters’ Reception Hall
Cost: $30
**Beef: From Grass to Steak**

**16404CR**

Nebraska is a major manufacturer of agriculture’s most valuable product—beef. Every step of the process, from the readily available raw materials of rangeland grass, other forages and grain, to high quality products for the dinner table, is located here in Nebraska. The course will give you insights into the history and massive changes that have occurred in the industry from its inception on the plains of our state in the 19th century to the present, with likely predictions for future research-based innovations.

This is an opportunity to learn about our state’s beef production and processing systems from experts in all phases of the industry. The last class includes a tour of UNL’s research feedlot facility near Ithaca. Transportation will be provided.

**Instructors:** From UNL, Animal Science—Merlyn Nielsen, professor emeritus; Matthew Spangler, associate professor; Dennis Burson, professor; Larry Berger, department head; and Lavon Sumption, professor emeritus, OLLI member. Dennis Bauer, extension educator, UNL. Alan Svajgr, feedlot manager and bank director. Sallie Atkins, rancher owner/partner.

**Days/Dates:** Mon, Mar 28, Apr 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2

**Time:** 1-2:30 p.m.

**Location:** ANSC, Room 110 A parking permit is required. See page 25 for details. Round trip bus transportation to Ithaca is included.

**Cost:** $40

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**Saving a Life with CPR**

**16405CL**

Learn about the latest developments in CPR, how to use an AED to shock the heart when necessary and practice doing chest compressions. Also, learn what to do when someone is choking. This class involves active participation. Offered in partnership with Bryan Health Care System.

**Instructor:** Mindi Jo Boettcher, coordinator, Training Center, Bryan Medical Center

**Day/Date:** Mon, May 2

**Time:** 1-4 p.m.

**Location:** Bryan Health West

**Cost:** $10

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**The Exonerated—Preface and Performance**

**16454CL**

The Off-Broadway hit, “The Actors’ Gang: The Exonerated,” tells the story of six wrongfully convicted death row inmates. In a stand-alone lecture, attorney Robert F. Bartle will discuss the judicial processes that allow the occurrence of such convictions. Students may register for his lecture only, or for his lecture and purchase a discounted ticket for the Saturday, Apr. 9, Lied Center performance of the play.

OLLI members are also invited to attend two community outreach activities stemming from the production. On Wednesday, Mar. 30, a panel of lawyers will speak about wrongful convictions, and on Thursday, Apr. 7, actors from the touring company will perform highlights from the play. Both activities are free to the public and are scheduled at the Law College from noon to 1:30 p.m.

**Instructor:** Robert F. Bartle, attorney

**Day/Date:** Mon, Mar 28

**Time:** 3-4:30 p.m.

**Location:** Lincoln Firefighters’ Reception Hall

**Cost:** $5 for the class and $32.40 for an optional show ticket. A block of 20 tickets has been reserved and will be available to class participants to purchase for the Saturday, Apr. 9, performance. Tickets can be purchased from the OLLI office at the time of registration.
Astounding Developments in Physics since Einstein

16406CR
This course will introduce you to some of the most intriguing topics in modern physics, ranging from Einstein’s ideas about relativity, to amazing and mysterious quantum mechanical phenomena; from strange and useful optical phenomena to high-performance lasers; from the largest and most complex machine in the world, to control of matter on the nanoscale. No background in physics or mathematics is necessary, only an inquisitive mind.

Instructors: From UNL's Department of Physics and Astronomy - Brad Shadwick, associate professor; Martin Centurion, associate professor; Ken Bloom, associate professor; Herman Batelaan, professor; Kees Uiterwaal, associate professor; and Axel Enders, associate professor

Days/Dates: Mon, Mar 28, Apr 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2
Time: 3:30-5 p.m.
Location: Jorgensen Hall, City Campus, Room 136. A parking permit is required. See page 25 for details.
Cost: $30

RX for Optimal Health

16407CR
Whether you need health information for you or for a loved one, this course will help you better understand health-related issues to actively manage your own health or support the health needs of someone else. Experts in their fields will cover topics in nutrition, diabetes and thyroid disorders, joint and bone health, heart health, tremors, stroke, memory, vertigo and more. Join us to learn how to maintain a healthy body.

Instructors: Alice Henneman, R.D, extension educator, UNL; Shannon Wakley, M.D., endocrinologist; Vern Garwood, M.D., rheumatologist; Andy Merliss, M.D., cardiologist; Ryan Whitney, M.D., cardiologist; George Wolcott, M.D., neurologist; Kent Eakins, M.D., otolaryngologist

Days/Dates: Mon, Mar 28, April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2
Time: 6:30-8 pm
Location: Lincoln Firefighters’ Reception Hall
Cost: $30

Birding: An Activity for All to Enjoy

16408CR
Birding and bird feeding are the fastest growing hobbies in the U.S. and are popular all over the world. This course provides participants with the opportunity to see various aspects of birding with an emphasis on identification and experience in the field. Now, included in this course is the opportunity to capture these remarkable creatures with a digital camera with suggestions and tips on getting the best possible images. A telephoto lens and tripod or monopod are highly recommended.

Instructors: Dan Wheeler, professor emeritus, Ag Leadership, Education and Communication, UNL, OLLI member; Dave Titterington, owner, Wild Bird Habitat Store; John Keller, adjust professor, Photography, Doane College, OLLI member and instructor

Days/Dates: Tue, Mar 29; Apr 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3
Time: 8:30-10 a.m.
Location: ECU. A parking permit is required. See page 25 for details.
Cost: $30

Following the Silk Road

16409CR
China’s historic Silk Road was instrumental in exposing Eastern and Western cultures to each other in multiple ways. The two cultures brushed shoulders in art, economics, religion, politics and more. This course will look at the historic trade route over the centuries and give us a perspective on China’s rise. We will explore Buddhist approaches to enlightenment, the economic legacies of the Silk Road, the migration of artistic ideas, quilting fueled by the Silk Road and examine the complexities of the region.

Instructors: From UNL - Parks Coble, professor, History; James Sellers, professor, History; Yaroslav Komarovski, associate professor, History; John Anderson, Baird Family professor, Economics; Pete Pinnell, professor, Art and Art History; Patricia Crews, professor emeritus, Textiles, Merchandising and Fashion Design; Wayne Drummond, dean emeritus, Architecture.

Days/Dates: Tue, Mar 29, Apr 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3
Time: 9-10:30 a.m.
Location: Lincoln Firefighters’ Reception Hall
Cost: $30
**Raking Muck and Raising Hell: From Muckraking to Investigative Journalism**

**16411CR**

How, why and when did American journalism begin to dig into the conduct and misconduct of big business and government? How did the practice that Teddy Roosevelt labeled “muckraking” become “investigative journalism?” How did journalism’s goals remain the same throughout the decades? How did its tools change?

This course will examine the historic roots and development of investigative journalism. The last session will include an interview with some of today’s practitioners from ESPN, Politifact.com and the Omaha World-Herald.

**Instructors:** Thomas H. Berg, lecturer, History, UNL; Charlyne Berens, professor emeritus, Journalism, UNL, OLLI member

**Days/Dates:** Tue, Mar 29, Apr 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3

**Time:** 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**Location:** Lincoln Firefighters’ Reception Hall

**Cost:** $30

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**They Called Us Roosians!**

**16413CR**

German-speaking immigrants from Russia settled in Lincoln in the last part of the 19th and early years of the 20th century. They lived primarily in the Lincoln neighborhoods known as the North and South Bottoms. If you walked around these areas from 1900 through the 1930s you were apt to hear more German than English being spoken. At one time, one quarter of Lancaster County residents were of German-Russian descent. The German-Russians had a profound influence on the City of Lincoln due to their excellent work ethic, frugality and love for their new country. The German-Russians brought with them a rich cultural heritage. This course will focus on some of the important aspects of these immigrants’ lives including their faith, families and folklore.

**Instructors:** From the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia – Sherry Pawelko, executive director and Norma Sommerheiser, OLLI member

**Days/Dates:** Tue, Apr 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3

**Time:** 1:30 p.m.

**Location:** American Historical Society of Germans from Russia

**Cost:** $15

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**Classical Romantics: Composers of the 1800s and their Music**

**16412CR**

The 19th century was an incredible time, marked by a war, an industrial revolution, growing social awareness and high art. This was a time of the romantic hero, the main character of writings by Goethe, Lord Byron, Pushkin and many others. The musical world was not far behind in expressing these tendencies of society. In this class we will take a closer look at composers like Franz Schubert, Robert Schumann, Hector Berlioz, Peter Tchaikovsky, Frederick Chopin and Sergei Rachmaninoff, becoming more acquainted with their lives and compositions to fully understand a century that has left behind an incredible wealth of beauty.

**Instructor:** Elizabeth Grunin, D.M.A.

**Days/Dates:** Tue, Apr 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3, 10

**Time:** 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**Location:** Unitarian Church

**Cost:** $30

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**Gardening on the Plains**

**16414CR**

The Great Plains is a beautiful place to live, but it can be a challenging place to garden. Weather extremes, such as hot, dry summer conditions, fluctuating warm, then cold winter temperatures and high winds make it hard for plants to thrive. During this program series, we will discuss several important ways to make your landscape beautiful and healthy, while reducing your landscape inputs and protecting the environment.

**Instructor:** Sarah Browning, extension educator, Horticulture, UNL

**Days/Dates:** Tue, Mar 29, Apr 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3

**Time:** 1:30 p.m.

**Location:** UNL Extension in Lancaster County

**Cost:** $30
Reading George Eliot’s “Middlemarch”

16415CR

One of the greatest 19th century novels, “Middlemarch” by George Eliot, the pen name of Mary Ann Evans, is a realistic account of a number of interrelated families living in a midlands English town. It is acclaimed both for its style and its honesty in representing class, politics and marriage. Henry James described it as “crowded with episodes, with vivid images, with lurking masterstrokes, with brilliant passages of expression.” Virginia Woolf considered it “one of the few English novels written for grown-up people.” Our discussion-oriented class will be a journey through this masterpiece.

Instructor: P. Scott Stanfield, professor, English, Nebraska Wesleyan University
Days/Dates: Tue, Mar 29, Apr 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3
Time: 1-2:30 pm
Location: SCC-CEC
Cost: $30

Is a Revolution Coming? Economic Inequality and Its Consequences

16416CR

The U.S. has been described as the most unequal country in the developed world and, according to U.S. census data, a large portion of our country’s population lives in poverty or is low income. Income inequality has been described as “the defining challenge of our time.” This course explores the widening gaps in income and wealth in the United States. The course will provide a factual foundation for understanding the dimensions of increased inequality over the past half century. Are there workable solutions that might be both acceptable and practical in modifying those gaps?

Instructors: Jerry Petr, professor emeritus, Economics, UNL, OLLI member
Days/Dates: Tue, Mar 29, Apr 5, 12
Time: 3-4:30 p.m.
Location: Lincoln Firefighters’ Reception Hall
Cost: $15

Tours of Artists’ Studios

16417CR

Have you ever wondered where and how some artists create their work? Join us for a behind the scenes look at six different Lincoln artists in their studios. You will have a chance to see their creative environment and study some of their finished pieces or works in progress. You will hear them describe their creative process and perhaps see a demonstration of their techniques. This is our ninth year of tours and, once again, we will visit all new and different studios. Space is limited. A complete schedule will be provided at the first class.

Days/Dates: Tue, Mar 29, Apr 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3
Time: 3-4:30 p.m.
Location: The first week we will visit the studio of Richard Terrell at The Burkholder Project. Parking is on your own.
Cost: $30

Savvy Seniors and Facebook

Register for only one class
16418CL (Mar 29)
16419CL (Apr 12)

Have you ever wanted to share photos and fun thoughts about your life with friends and family? Or have you wished that you knew how to interact with other loved ones via Facebook? This class might be the answer for you and other seniors who want to know the very basics about setting up a Facebook account, selecting your privacy settings, connecting with friends and family and finding other pages of interest.

You should know how to navigate the internet and be an email user with an active email address. You will be working on a PC in a computer lab. Facebook is a web-based application. If you use a Mac, it will look very much the same as what we will be learning in class.

Instructor: Jennifer Van Winkle, adjunct instructor, SCC
Day/Date: Tue, Mar 29 (16418CL) OR Tue, Apr 12 (16419CL)
Time: 6-7:30 p.m.
Location: SCC-CEC
Cost: $22
Prehistoric Human Migrations and Ancestry 16420CR
If you would like to understand what having your DNA analyzed might tell you about your ancestry, this is the class for you. You will get an explanation of what such an analysis might tell you. Handouts will include maps showing prehistoric migration paths for mitochondrial DNA haplogroups and for Y-chromosomal haplogroups. The course utilizes an extensive selection of videos from the PBS series titled “First Peoples.”

Instructor: Le Etta Sprackling, Ph.D., retired science teacher, OLLI member
Days/Dates: Wed, Mar 30, Apr 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4
Time: 9-10:30 a.m.
Location: SCC-CEC
Cost: $30

The Medicis 16421CR
From the 14th through the 18th centuries, the Medicis of Florence and Tuscany were a powerful, influential and fascinating family. They included highly successful bankers, art patrons, popes and two queens of France. Learn about them from watching the PBS video titled “Medici: Godfathers of the Renaissance” and from additional supplemental materials.

Instructor: Le Etta Sprackling, Ph.D., retired science teacher, OLLI member
Days/Dates: Wed, March 30, Apr 6, 13, 20
Time: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Location: SCC-CEC
Cost: $20

Grab Bag of Lincoln History Illustrated Talks 16422CR
Ed Zimmer will present a series of illustrated talks drawn from his three decades of work as Lincoln’s historic preservation planner. Topics will include: Lincoln’s original plat, focusing on the planning that gave the Capital City its physical form in 1867; boom town Lincoln in the 1880s; towns that became neighborhoods in Lincoln’s eastern suburban area of the late 19th century; Lincoln’s Haymarket, then and now; and more.

Instructor: Ed Zimmer, historic preservation planner, City of Lincoln
Days/Dates: Wed, Mar 30, Apr 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4
Time: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Location: Unitarian Church
Cost: $30

Photography Using Your Mobile Device 16423CR
Are you interested in focusing on photography using your mobile devices – smart phones and tablets (not limited to Apple products) – and doing some limited post-processing of these photographs? The small class size provides for personalized assistance. In preparation for the course, please download Snapseed for photo processing to your device.

Instructor: John Keller, adjunct professor, Photography, Doane College
Days/Dates: Wed, Mar 30, Apr 6, 13
Time: 11 a.m.-12:30 pm.
Location: Doane Lincoln. Park east of the main entrance.
Cost: $15
Digital Photography
16424CR
Want to gain a greater proficiency in digital photography while using an SLR (single-lens reflex) camera? This course is designed to provide you with these fundamentals as you practice with your own personal camera. Basic principles of photography will be reviewed and then more sophisticated digital camera operations, such as controls, function and purpose, lighting, composition, hardware options and software will be discussed. Recommended equipment is a digital SLR camera with or without interchangeable lenses.

Instructor: John Keller, adjunct professor, Photography, Doane College
Days/Dates: Wed, Mar 30, Apr 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4
Time: 1:30-3 p.m.
Location: Doane Lincoln. Park east of the main entrance.
Cost: $30

Environmental Issues and Us
16425CR
We hear and read a lot about environmental problems, such as climate change, water and air pollution and overpopulation. In this course, we will use sociological and psychological perspectives to understand the human-environment relationship and its connection to some of the most serious problems. This examination will include looking at the origins of these problems, their consequences and especially their solutions through thinking globally and acting locally. While many problems are of global concern, we will emphasize regional and local issues with a focus on the Great Plains and Nebraska. In addition to our class discussion, we will read Mary Pipher’s book “The Green Boat: Reviving Ourselves in Our Capsized Culture.”

Instructors: Al Williams, professor emeritus, Sociology, UNL; Steph Kennedy, graduate student, Human Dimensions, School of Natural Resources, UNL
Days/Dates: Wed, Mar 30, Apr 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4
Time: 1:30-3 p.m.
Location: Unitarian Church
Cost: $30

Slavery at Monticello
16426CL
Thomas Jefferson helped to create a new nation based on individual freedom and self-government. His words in the Declaration of Independence expressed the aspirations of the new nation. But the Declaration did not extend “Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness” to African-Americans. Thomas Jefferson drafted the Declaration and called slavery an “abominable crime,” yet he was a lifelong slaveholder. How could the author of the Declaration of the Independence own slaves? This is the paradox of Thomas Jefferson and other founding fathers. Brandon Dillard from Monticello, the home of Thomas Jefferson, leads a discussion about Thomas Jefferson and slavery, including stories of the enslaved people who lived and worked on Jefferson’s “little mountain.”

The class will be delivered “live” through Adobe Connect. This is an OLLI pilot project with the Thomas Jefferson Foundation.

Instructor: Brandon Dillard, historic interpreter, Thomas Jefferson’s Monticello
Day/Date: Wed, Apr 20
Time: 1:30-3 p.m.
Location: ECU – The Cottonwood Room
Cost: $5
Introduction to Facebook

**16428CR**
People are now, more than ever, using the Internet to connect and socialize with others. Without a doubt, the biggest player in social networking is Facebook. In this two-part class, we take you through the basics of setting up a Facebook account, with a special emphasis on privacy and how to keep your information safe. We then show you how to use Facebook to make friends, share your thoughts and pictures and even add in “extras” that can make using Facebook a lot of fun.

Although we will focus on students who are brand-new to Facebook, even experienced Facebook users will learn some new tricks and tips. You should know how to navigate the internet and be an email user with an active email address. You will be working on a PC in a computer lab. Facebook is a web-based application. If you use a Mac, it will look very much the same as what we will be learning in class.

**Instructor:** John Lortz, founder, DiscoverSkills

**Days/Dates:** Wed, Apr 6 and Apr 13

**Time:** 1-3 p.m.

**Location:** AgeWell Computer Education Center, The Landing at Williamsburg Village

**Cost:** $40

Intermediate Bridge II

**16427CR**
If you have completed the Intermediate Bridge I course or played some bridge and want to improve your understanding of the game, enroll in this course. We will build upon your existing skills and learn about the modern bidding systems. You will be able to accept any bridge invitation with the confidence that you can play the game and win. This course is not for the beginner.

**Instructor:** Bruce Burns

**Days/Dates:** Wed, Mar 30, Apr 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4

**Time:** 3-4:30 p.m.

**Location:** Lincoln Duplicate Bridge Club

**Cost:** $30

The Magic of the Metropolitan Opera

**16429CR**
Opera is the art form that comes closest to expressing pure emotion. It is storytelling at its most vivid and manipulative. The big moments in opera are usually the ones that deal most directly in the big human themes: life, love, death, loss, passion, joy and anger. Operas have real stories, real characters and great music—some of the most beautiful music ever written for the stage.

The course will focus on three “Live from the MET” operas to be shown at the Ross Film Theatre this spring. The operas are Puccini’s “Madame Butterfly,” Donizetti’s “Roberto Devereaux” and Strauss’s “Elektra.”

**Instructor:** Marina Fabrikant, professor, Piano and Music Theory, Union College

**Days/Dates:** Wed, Mar 30, Apr 13, 27

**Time:** 3-4:30 p.m.

**Location:** Union College, Lang Amphitheatre. Free parking.

**Cost:** $15
Events that Changed the Course of World History, Part III

16430CR
If you are interested in the origins of things, then this continuing course in a series may be just right for you. In this DVD course, we will watch and listen in each class to two-half hour lectures by J. Rufus Fears, professor of Classics at the University of Oklahoma, followed by 30-minutes of discussion. We deal with the last third of the 36 lectures. You do not need to have attended the first and second courses of this series to enjoy this course.

In this term, we confront germs as seen by Louis Pasteur; take flight with the Wright brothers; observe how Germany sends Lenin to destabilize Russia; examine the stock market crash of 1929; and witness Hitler become Chancellor in 1933. Other topics include: FDR’s presidency; the first atomic bomb; Mao’s long march in 1934; John Kennedy’s assassination in 1963; and Martin Luther King Jr. and the era of civil rights. We will end with the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, on New York City.

Instructor: Richard Dienstbier, professor emeritus, Psychology, UNL, OLLI member
Days/Dates: Thu, Mar 31, Apr 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5
Time: 9-10:30 a.m.
Location: Unitarian Church
Cost: $30

Lincoln’s Refugees and Immigrants: A History

16432CR
Lincoln, Neb., has been described as a refugee friendly city and a welcoming environment for immigrants. How did a landlocked city in a land far from the country of origin of those seeking a new home come to be described in this way? New community members have come to Lincoln from over fifty different countries, bringing new ethnicities, cultures and religions. Lincoln has become home to Vietnamese, Bosnian, Mexican, Russian, Ukrainian, Karen, Sudanese, Yazidi and many other refugees and immigrants. We will hear from agencies and volunteers who provide support for new families upon their arrival as well as representatives from some of these refugee communities.

Instructors: Marvin Almy, OLLI member; Tim Anderson, associate professor emeritus, practice, Journalism, UNL; and Seth Odgaard, Catholic Social Service
Days/Dates: Thu, Mar 31, Apr 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5
Time: 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Location: Unitarian Church
Cost: $30
Three More Stories of American Modernists

**16433CR**
The reading list for this course includes Willa Cather’s “Neighbor Rosicky,” William Faulkner’s “Barn Burning,” Ernest Hemingway’s “Indian Camp” and an excerpt from “In Our Time.”

These stories speak of the complex relationships of human beings and the world around them. Cather explores the intimate relationship between people and the place they inhabit. Faulkner deals with class conflicts and the influence of fathers and family. Hemingway’s story deals with violence and suffering, with birth and death, sexism and racism.

A common theme might be “generations.” That word may conjure up a positive image of generative or regenerative power, or it might suggest “generation gap.” It might raise the issues that perennially separate old and young, or may just as easily speak to how groups stay together across the generations.

All reading materials will be supplied in class, but you are welcome to read ahead.

**Instructor:** Charles A. Peek, professor emeritus, English, UNK

**Days/Dates:** Thu, Mar 31, Apr 7, 14, 21

**Time:** 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

**Location:** SCC-CEC

**Cost:** $20

Nebraska Unwrapped: Selections from the Collections

**16434CR**
The Nebraska State Historical Society (NSHS) has over one million artifacts, papers, maps, books, films, photographs, etc. in their collections. Due to space and preservation considerations, less than 5% of the NSHS collections can be on display for the public at any one time. The exhibit “Nebraska Unwrapped: Selections from the Collections” showcases some of the interesting and unusual objects in the collections. You will hear about the process of putting the exhibit together, tour the exhibit and the newly renovated Nebraska History Museum.

**Instructors:** From the Nebraska State Historical Society - Paul Eisloeffel, curator of media; Laura Mooney, senior museum curator; Tina Koepp, exhibits coordinator; and Judy Keetle, museum educator

**Days/Dates:** Thu, Apr 21, 28, May 5

**Time:** 1-2:30 p.m.

**Location:** Nebraska History Museum. Parking is on your own.

**Cost:** $15

OLLI / LLCP Radio Active Players Presents: **Fiddler on the Roof, Senior**

In April, “Fiddler on the Roof, Senior” will make its appearance on the Mainstage Theater of the Lincoln Community Playhouse with the OLLI/LCP Radio Active Players. The show’s musical score, with songs like “ Tradition,” “Sunrise, Sunset,” “ If I Were a Rich Man,” and “Matchmaker, Matchmaker,” is familiar to audiences and are now popular standards.

“Fiddler” is directed by Morrie Enders, executive director, Lincoln Community Playhouse, with Karen Howland, music director and Leta Powell Drake, OLLI facilitator.

The Lincoln Community Playhouse handles all tickets sales for Radio Active Players performances. Tickets will go on sale March 28. Special seating assistance is available upon request.

**Show dates:** Wednesday, April 13, 2 p.m. Thursday, April 14, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

**Tickets:** $5 Open to the public. Visit the LCP Box Office, 2500 South 56th Street, between 11 a.m.-5 p.m., call 402-489-7529, or order your tickets online at www.lincolnplayhouse.com.
Data, Data, Everywhere!

16435CR

Data is being generated and collected at an unprecedented rate in science, medicine, education, climate, finance, social media, transportation, politics, and in many other areas that you encounter on a daily basis. But is any of this data being put to good use to yield new scientific discoveries, to improve student success, to identify financial investments that best suit you, or to improve our lives? Often data is just used to generate reports utilizing just some of the data that was collected. Rarely is the data analyzed to reveal new insights that lead to better decisions, scientific discoveries and improvements that impact our daily lives.

In this course, we will look at the data deluge and then move to some specific examples in the areas of student recruiting and performance, university operational effectiveness, investments that meet specific criteria, real-time water analysis, scientific discoveries from data produced by the Large Hadron Collider and bioinformatics and health discoveries.

Instructor: Richard Sincovec, professor emeritus, Computer Science and Engineering, UNL, OLLI member

Days/Dates: Thu, Mar 31, Apr 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5

Time: 1-2:30 p.m.

Location: SCC-CEC

Cost: $30

Not Your Mother’s Pork Chop

16436CR

In our lifetime, the production of pork has undergone dramatic changes. Not only has the pork we eat changed for the better, the structure of the industry has been overhauled. Raising pigs, which were once known as the mortgage lifters on Nebraska farms, has been transformed into a structured, technology intense business. Marketing has been standardized, processing streamlined and new products have appeared in the meat cases of grocery stores and on menus. Today’s industry is not your mother’s pork chop, nor your father’s pigpen.

This course will deal with pork as it is consumed today, its production and the changes experienced during our lifetimes. Fat has been dramatically reduced. New products are available in groceries and restaurants. Production has shifted from small units on diversified farms to large multi-site enterprises.

Instructors: From Animal Science, UNL - Benny Mote, assistant professor; Dennis Burson, professor; Roger Mandigo, professor emeritus. Tim Chancellor, finishing manager, Thomas Livestock Company, Broken Bow, Neb.

Days/Dates: Thu, Mar 31, Apr 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5

Time: 1-2:30 p.m.

Location: ANSC, Room 110. A parking permit is required. See page 25 for details.

Cost: $30

Tea and Tour: More Senior Living Sites

16437CR

Come learn more about Lincoln’s senior living communities as we tour six additional retirement facilities. Enjoy a relaxing afternoon tea followed by observing the rooms and amenities available to seniors. We will visit Carriage Glen, Grammercy Hill, Brentwood Estates, Chatelaine, Cotner Center and Legacy Terrace. A complete schedule will be provided at the first class.

Instructors: Representatives from each site

Days/Dates: Thu. Mar 31, Apr 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5

Time: 2-4 p.m.

Locations: Various. The first class will meet at Carriage Glen.

Cost: $30
Museum Classroom: Art at the Sheldon Museum of Art

**16438CR**

“Museum Classroom” is a course for people with an interest in learning about art while in the presence of actual works of art. This is a conversation-based class, where participants will learn about a different exhibition on view at the museum each week. No prior reading or knowledge necessary. The participants in this course will build visual literacy skills through observation, conversation and associating works of art to personal experiences. This course is based on the idea that art is for everyone. If you have ever been intimidated by a museum, or would like to learn how to unlock the rich layers of meanings within a work of art, this class is designed for you.

**Instructor:** Erin Poor, assistant curator of education, Sheldon Museum of Art

**Days/Dates:** Thu, Mar 31, Apr 7, 14, 21, 28, May 5

**Time:** 3-4:30 p.m.

**Location:** Sheldon Museum of Art. A parking permit is required for the Stadium Parking Garage. See page 25 for details.

**Cost:** $30

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Out of Africa 1985-2016

**16442CR**

Learn about the history of East Africa and current political issues. Explore cultural norms impacting traditional family relationships. Hear about the challenges in moving farmers beyond subsistence livelihoods. Find out how faith-based religion is living out in families and communities. Learn about the health and welfare of those living in Kitui, Kenya, as well as those traveling to Kitui. View slides of wildlife of the Marsi Mara National Reserve and Bwindi National Park. We will conclude by sampling organic African and Kamba cuisine.

**Instructors:** Shadrack Matuku Musyoka, deputy director of culture, gender and social services, County Government of Kitui, Kenya; Lee Rockwell, CEO, Valden Tours, OLLI member; Kay Rockwell, USAID/USDA Volunteer for the Farmer-to-Farmer Program, OLLI member; Marilyn and John Bernthal, OLLI members; Martha Mamo, professor, Agronomy and Horticulture, UNL

**Days/Dates:** Fri, Apr 1, 8, 22, 29, 6

**Time:** 9-10:30 a.m.

**Location:** First Lutheran Church

**Cost:** $25

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The History and Politics of East Africa

The Mayor’s Committee for International Relations and The Friendship Force of Lincoln invite you to attend this special presentation from the Governor’s Office in Kitui, Kenya. How has East Africa emerged from its turbulent past under ruthless dictators? Is governmental corruption a concern? If so, what is being done about it? Uganda and Kenya share borders with The Congo, South Sudan, Somalia and Ethiopia. Are these countries working together and supporting each other? Is there strife among them? Do you anticipate that Kenya might become a major African leader in the next couple of decades? Get one perspective on how these topics are viewed from within the African community.

**Lecturer:** Shadrack Matuku Musyoka, deputy director of culture, gender and social services, County Government of Kitui, Kenya

**Day/Date:** Fri, Apr 15

**Time:** 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

**Location:** First Lutheran Church

**Cost:** Free. Open to the Public
Turn Friday into “Fri-Yay” with Friday Fitness Club

16441CR
Enjoy the “golden years” with a healthy and strong body. Join this exclusive physical activity club, open to OLLI members only. Each Friday, meet with a medical exercise specialist to discover ways to incorporate physical activity and fitness into your everyday life. All sessions will be broken into two main components: education and activity. Topics will include functional fitness, cardio training, strength training, flexibility training, balance exercises and core work. Modifications will be provided for all activities. Copies of the workouts will be provided to all participants so that exercises can be done at home. Please wear comfortable work out attire and tennis shoes.

All participants must submit the Health Questionnaire and signed medical clearance form before beginning the workouts. The OLLI office will email a PDF of these forms, to print out and sign, then bring to the first class.

Instructor: Kimberly Barrett, assistant director, wellness and fitness programs, Campus Recreation, UNL
Days/Dates: Fri, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and May 6.
Time: 9-10:30 a.m.
Location: Recreation and Wellness Center
Cost: $30

Circling the Globe for Soup and Sandwiches

16445CR
Here’s your chance to make a variety of soups such as potato leek bacon from Germany, a cream based soup from France, or Gazpacho, a Spanish variation. We will also make sandwiches such panini, reuben, tea sandwiches and soup accompaniments.

Instructor: Chef Christopher Leon, staff chef, Lincoln Art and Soul and Trader Joe, outreach employee.
Day/Date: Fri, Apr 1, 15
Time: 1-3 pm
Location: Leverton Hall, Room 206
Cost: $30 includes cost of supplies. A UNL parking permit is required. See page 25 for details.

Life Reimagined: An Interactive Workshop

16440CL
Life Reimagined is a new way of thinking about dreaming, exploring and deciding what’s next in your life. Backed by decades of research, Life Reimagined introduces a powerful step-by-step approach to help you discover possibilities, prepare for change and make your ideas real – whether you’re focused on work, health, relationships or pursuing your passion. Life Reimagined is there to help you with guidance, inspiration and motivation, tools and connections, both online and in person, to help you plan your next move. Offered in partnership with AARP Nebraska.

Instructors: June Ryan and Kathy Ward, volunteer guides, OLLI members
Day/Date: Fri, Apr 29
Time: 9-11 a.m.
Location: AARP Lincoln Office
Cost: Free. Registration is required. Open to OLLI members and a guest.

Great Decisions 2016

16444CR
Great Decisions 2016 will discuss major foreign policy issues facing the United States. Each year the Foreign Policy Association (FPA) selects eight topics for discussion. In conjunction with the Public Broadcasting System (PBS), FPA produces 30-minute videos on a variety topics and selects foreign policy experts to write an article on each topic. Class members are expected to read the articles prior to watching the video on the day of the class. Topics to be discussed include: The Koreas; The United Nations; Climate Change; and Cuba and the U.S.

Required Materials: Class members may purchase the “Great Decisions Briefing Book” from the UNL bookstores, online at www.fpa.org or at the first class session.

Instructor: Marvin Almy, OLLI member
Days/Dates: Fri, Apr 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Time: 1-2:30 p.m.
Location: SCC-CEC
Cost: $25
Let’s Talk: Understanding and Embracing Individuals from the Middle East

Take another step with OLLI to understand and address issues of multiculturalism and social justice, focusing especially on people and cultures from the Middle East. Dr. Helen Fagan will help us learn how to be more developmentally ready to understand and engage with people from a variety of backgrounds. Dr. Fagan is passionate about developing and expanding cultural competence in individuals and communities – like ours. She will also moderate a panel of Lincoln residents with Middle Eastern heritage as we learn more about their cultures.

Day/Date: Thu, Mar 17
Time: 1-4 p.m.
Location: Unitarian Church
Cost: Free. Open to the public. Registration is required.

Instructors:

Dr. Helen Abdali Soosan Fagan, Ph.D., is a leadership and diversity scholar and consultant with over 25 years experience in the human resource field. She is a lecturer at UNL and the president of Global Leadership Group.

Amir Azimi, a native of Iran, has been involved with diversity and cross-cultural communication training since 1982. He is the administrator of Support Service for the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

Farida Ebrahim was born and raised in Kabul, Afghanistan. Her family was forced to leave the country and take temporary refuge in India before moving to Lincoln in 1991. She is a safety specialist at UNL. She established the Afghan Renascent Youth Association in 2001 to help educate residents of Lincoln about the plight of Afghan women and children.

James D. Le Sueur is professor of history at UNL and is a specialist in world history. He is the author of several works, most recently “Algeria Since 1989: Between Democracy and Terror.”

Abla Hasan is an assistant professor of practice of Arabic at UNL and an undergraduate advisor. Her current teaching and research interests include feminism, religious studies, translation, and Arabic literature.

Thank You to Our Facilitators!

A sincere thank you to all our Term 3 course facilitators, the unsung heroes of OLLI’s varied and in-depth schedule of classes. These are the folks who take a course idea, find instructors and coordinate everything that make an OLLI course run smooth.

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Along the Silk Road

A whiff of spice, a faint tinkle of camel and horse bells, the riches of East and West-silks, jades, ivory, wine, jewels and more, a great expanse crossed by plains and studded by peaks, these images come to mind when thinking of the Silk Road. What was this route really like in centuries past and what is it like now? Join Nancy Hope, guest lecturer from OLLI at the University of Kansas, as we journey along the Silk Road through its storied yesterdays into contemporary times.

Get an overview of the rich history and tradition, arts and culture, and even personalities from Marco Polo to Chairman Mao to be found along this fabled route linking China with the Mediterranean for more than two thousand years. Contemporary geo-political issues from the regions that concern Americans today will also be introduced. With Nancy as our guide, the journey will be one that inspires and informs you.

Day/Date: Thu, Mar 24
Time: 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Location: SCC-CEC
Cost: $20 includes lunch

Nancy Hope is the Associate Director of the Kansas Consortium for Teaching about Asia and Associate Director for Special Projects, Confucius Institute at the University of Kansas.

Spring Lecture Series

Native Peoples

Susan La Flesche was born in a buffalo hide tipi at the tail end of the Civil War and 24 years later graduated as the valedictorian of her medical school class in Philadelphia, thereby becoming the first Indian doctor - male or female - in U.S history. She did this at a time when Harvard medical faculty believed that attending college could make women infertile and Indians were viciously discriminated against. This talk will focus on how one Omaha Indian woman managed to crash through thick walls of gender, racial and ethnic prejudices to become a doctor and then returned to her Omaha people and literally worked herself to death on their behalf for 26 years.

Instructor: Joe Starita, professor, Journalism and Mass Communications, UNL
Day/Date: Fri, Apr 1
Time: 11:12:30 p.m.
Location: Unitarian Church
Cost: $5

On the Menu in Small Town Nebraska

There is more to Nebraska’s dining scene than Lincoln or Omaha restaurants. Jeff Korbelik will present a brown-bag seminar on small-town dining. Korbelik is the features editor at the Lincoln Journal Star and covers dining, theater, television and local media. He will provide a brief overview of what Nebraska’s small towns have to offer, and then yield the floor to you for a question-and-answer session.

Day/Date: Fri, Apr 22
Time: 11:12:30 p.m.
Location: Unitarian Church
Cost: $5
The Taste of Lincoln: Exploring Cultural Cuisines

What we cook and eat is a function of our cultural experiences. For example, the baguette is representative of French cuisine, bagels and lox are associated with Jewish fare and jambalaya is often served as part of a Cajun meal. We present “The Taste of Lincoln: Exploring Cultural Cuisines,” which provides you with an opportunity to visit Lincoln restaurants that draw on cultural cuisines for a variety of taste experiences. In order to illuminate these dining experiences, we are also offering an informational seminar prior to the dinner, where you will learn about the cuisine, culture and personal experiences of the chefs and/or restaurant owners who brought the food of their homeland to Lincoln. The informational classes are independent of the dinners. You may register for any or all as your interest and time allows.

Greek Food and Culture
16453CL
Would you like tzatziki with your kolokythakia, or would you prefer to start with a bowl of avgolemono? Many Greek dishes may not be easy to pronounce but they certainly taste delicious on the tongue! Join George Kazas, one two brothers who own The Parthenon restaurant, as he whets your appetite with a discussion of Greek cuisine and culture. He will also talk about his experience as a first generation Greek-American and Lincoln restaurateur.
Day/Date: Tue, Apr 5
Time: 3-4:30 p.m.
Location: Unitarian Church
Cost: $5

A Taste of Lincoln: Greece
16455SE
Kefi is the Greek word for “a sense of high spirits and relaxation that arises when one is happily transported by the moment and the company.” Traditional Greek foods combine the freshest of ingredients to create a highly appetizing and healthy cuisine. Join us for dinner as George and Mike Kazas invite us to experience kefi at their restaurant, The Parthenon. Experience a bit of Greece here in Lincoln while dining on traditional Greek dishes such as moussaka and baklava.
Day/Date: Tue, Apr 19
Registration Deadline: Mon, Apr 11
Time: 6 p.m. social hour; 6:30 dinner
Location: The Parthenon Restaurant
Cost: $40 includes dinner and non-alcoholic beverages. Wine and other alcoholic beverages will be available at an additional cost. Please contact the OLLI office if you have special dietary concerns.
These tours are being offered by Valden Tours, Inc., our travel partner.
Get complete details and registration forms in two ways:

- Download documents for trips and travel at http://olli.unl.edu/travel-opportunities
- Contact Lee Rockwell at Valden Tours, Inc., 2101 South 66th Street, Lincoln, NE 68506, 402-486-0900, or by email at lrockwell@windstream.net

There are a number of tour opportunities scheduled for 2016 and several that are in the planning process. Watch for more information in the Friday OLLI Happenings email newsletter.

The Phantom of the Opera
Join your OLLI friends for this special evening at the Omaha Orpheum Theatre for the Broadway tour production of Andrew Lloyd Webber’s classic musical. This theatre excursion includes a group dinner at one of the Omaha’s classic restaurants, Johnny’s Café, a favorite since the 1920s. Keep your eyes open – it’s rumored to be Warren Buffett’s favorite.

The production features brilliant new scenic design, lighting design by Tony Award winner Paule Constable, new choreography and new staging. The production boasts many exciting special effects. The beloved story and thrilling score— with songs like “Music of the Night,” “All I Ask of You,” and “Masquerade” – will be performed by a cast and orchestra of 52, making this one of the largest productions now on tour.

Show Date: Wed, Apr 27
Registration Deadline: Tue, March 15
Includes: Motor coach transportation, dinner and premium theatre seating
Cost: $215

Pella Tulip Festival and Des Moines Adventure
This promises to be a grand two-day Iowa excursion. The trip first takes us to Des Moines for a tour of the Iowa State Capitol and the spectacular setting of the World Food Prize Hall of Laureates. In the evening, enjoy an included dinner at the Roca Restaurant in Des Moines, plus a performance of the touring Broadway musical “The Book of Mormon” at the Des Moines Civic Center. Great seats have been reserved.

Following an overnight stay at the Des Moines Holiday Inn Express, we will travel to Pella for the community’s annual “Tulip Days Festival.” Enjoy the street booths, informal entertainment and good food, plus a tour of the Pella Historical Village and the Vermeer Mill. A special Dutch meal is included at noon, followed by reserved seats for the afternoon grandstand show and the traditional Volks Parade.

Trip Dates: Wed, May 4 and Thur, May 5
Registration Deadline: Tue, Mar 15
Cost: $364 Double; $430 Single Includes motor coach and transportation.
special interest groups

A Special Interest Group (SIG) is a group of OLLI members who have a hobby or special interest in a particular topic and want to share experiences with others. There are several SIGs in place and new ones are encouraged to form at any time. You do not need to register and there is no fee. However, you must be an OLLI member to participate. Information about starting a new SIG is available at the OLLI office.

Questions? Contact Dick Vautravers at dvautravers@neb.rr.com or 402-489-4744.

The following SIGs are already in place and ready to welcome interested OLLI members.

**Climate Conversation**
Join OLLI members in an open discussion – one free of agendas related to political parties or special interests – to explore the truth, the fiction and the data surrounding climate change.

**Contact:** Gaye Mason, ngmason@windstream.net, 402-488-3228, or Joe Seewald, wseewald@aol.com, 402-430-2028
**Day:** Second Wednesday of each month
**Time:** 3-4:30 p.m.
**Location:** Gere Branch Public Library, Room 2, 2400 So. 56th St.

**International Affairs Discussion Group**
This group offers engaging conversations on topics of current international importance. The leaders introduce the topics and raise stimulating questions for the participants to discuss.

**Discussion Leaders:** Dave Forsythe, professor emeritus, Political Science, UNL; Peter Levitov, associate dean emeritus, International Affairs, UNL; and Jerry Petr, professor emeritus, Economics, UNL

**Contact:** Peter Levitov, plevitov1@unl.edu
**Day:** First Wednesday of each month, September through May
**Time:** 3-4:30 p.m.
**Location:** Stauffer’s Café and Pie Shoppe, 5600 S. 48th St.

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**OLLI Member Discounts**
OLLI partners with several community and UNL groups to add benefits to your membership.

- **Abendmusik:** Offers a ticket discount. Call 402-476-9933 for more information on concerts or visit abendmusik.org
- **AgeWell Computer Education Center:** Discounted computer/tech education courses. Call 402-328-2202 or email jlortz@discoverskills.com or online at discoverskills.com
- **Angel Theatre Company:** Offers a ticket discount. Call 402-474-2206 or go to angelscompany.org
- **Arts for the Soul:** Offers a ticket discount. Call First Presbyterian at 402-477-6037. fpclincoln.org/music-home/arts-for-the-soul/
- **Friends of the Ross:** Discount for a new, first-time membership. Contact the Ross Theatre at 402-472-9100. theros.org
- **Lincoln Community Playhouse:** Offers a ticket discount for some performances. Call the box office at 402-489-7529 for details. lincolnplayhouse.com
- **Lincoln Friends of Chamber Music:** Offers a ticket discount ticket for some performances. Call the box office 402-435-8946 for details. ifcm.us, info@ifcm.us
- **Nebraska Chamber Players:** Offers a ticket discount. For tickets, call 402-429-8227 or show your OLLI membership card at the door. nebraskachamberplayers.org
- **TADA Theatre:** Offers a ticket discount for selected performances. Call 402-438-8232 for details. tadaproductions.info, showinfo@tadaproductions.info
- **University Bookstore:** Ten percent discount on all in-stock general reading books except discounted bestseller list.
**OLLI’s Ping Pong Players (OPPPs)**

Join our table tennis interest group. Everybody plays. No pressure. Simply show up and bring your favorite paddle. Some paddles are available. This group is for OLLI members of any ability. Come meet others who share your passion for ping pong.

**Contact:** Larry McClure, lmerkmclure@yahoo.com  
**Days:** Tuesdays and Thursdays  
**Time:** 1-2:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Calvert Recreation Center, 4500 Stockwell St.

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**Politics Interest Group**

Passionate about politics? This group is open to all regardless of political persuasion – the more viewpoints the better. Just remember the admonition from the great American, Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, “Everyone is entitled to his or her own opinion, but not his or her own facts.”

**Contacts:** Marvin Almy, hmalmy@aol.com; John Comer, jcomer1@unl.edu; Randy Moody, randallmoody44@gmail.com  
**Day:** Third Thursday of each month  
**Time:** 3-4:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Stauffer’s Café and Pie Shoppe, 5600 S. 48th St.

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**Practice Meditation**

The group is open to any OLLI member who has an interest in meditation. The focus is to talk about the practice of meditation and some of the challenges that arise with a meditative time. Each meeting includes a 15 to 20 minute guided meditation. You do not need experience in meditation to participate. Participants sit in chairs.

**Contact:** Margaret Rickers, frickers@neb.rr.com  
**Day:** Second Thursday of each month  
**Time:** 1:30 p.m.  
**Location:** First Plymouth Church, 20th and D Sts., Calvert Parlor

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**Reading Groups**

Are you in a book club or would you like to be? Membership is open to women and men who are OLLI members. If you are interesting in joining a reading group contact Kay Rockwell, krockwell1@unl.edu, 402-484-5431.

**Existing Reading Groups**

**Reading with OLLI Friends**  
Contact: Kay Rockwell, krockwell1@unl.edu, 402-484-5431

**Insights**  
Contact: Lucy Lien, lucyklien@yahoo.com, 402-327-2510 or 402-699-7231

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**Sketching**

This group is open to anyone interested in drawing at any skill level. It will be helpful to those hungry for sketching, someone to sketch or sketch with or subjects to sketch. All mediums welcome.

**Contact:** Stan Riggle, archaeogastropoda@hotmail.com, 402-435-0900  
**Day:** Second Monday of each month  
**Time:** 3 p.m.  
**Location:** May vary. Contact Stan Riggle.

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**Science and Technology in the News**

This is a group for people who are interested in exploring science and technology from current news and technology sources, and understanding the application and its impact of new science and technology to society. We will use popular and primary scientific publications and current new media sources. All science and technology is eligible for consideration.

**Contact:** Stan Riggle, archaeogastropoda@hotmail.com, 402-435-0900  
**Day:** Second Tuesday of each month  
**Time:** 2-3:30 p.m.  
**Location:** Scooter’s Conference Room, 2901 S. 84th St.
Talking Baseball
The OLLI Talking Baseball Special Interest Group is an opportunity for all OLLI baseball fans to get together once a month and discuss all things baseball. Topics may include current and past major league baseball, University of Nebraska Huskers baseball, baseball themed movies and literature and member’s experiences playing and enjoying the game. The group may assist in developing OLLI special events or travel programs involving baseball games or events.

Contact: Marvin Almy, 402-786-7856, hmalmly@aol.com; Bill Fagler, 402-489-7450, bfagler@lps.org; Jon Hamilton, 402-261-5979, playingwiththepossibilities@gmail.com
Day: Second Tuesday of each month
Time: 3-4:30 p.m.
Location: Northside Café, corner of N. 48th St and St. Paul Ave.

Walking Group
Enjoy invigorating weather and improve your health at the same time. The group gathers at Holmes Lake, rain or shine. Make sure to dress for the day. We divide into faster and slower walkers so there is sure to be someone who walks at your pace.

Contact: Karen Harris, kharris555@gmail.com
Day: Mondays from September to May
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Holmes Lake parking lot at the northwest corner of the park near the dam

Woodworking Interest Group
Whether you are new to woodworking, an avid builder or consummate craftsman, and you want to share, talk shop or find useful solutions to your woodworking questions, come join our conversation. Our goal is to share a mutual enjoyment of woodworking, educate and perhaps even inspire, but most of all have fun. Participants are encouraged to bring plans, ideas, wood, tools and their questions.

Contact: Stan Riggle, archaeogastropoda@hotmail.com, 402-435-0900
Day/Date: Last Thursday each month
Time: 3- 4:30 p.m.
Location: Stauffer’s Café & Pie Shoppe, 5600 S. 48th St.

Welcome to our newest members
The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UNL would like to welcome the following new members who joined the OLLI community from November 30, 2015, to January 20, 2016. We look forward to getting to know you at our courses and special events.

Judith Amber
Darla Atkinson
Audrey Bakula
John Bakula
Barb Beall
Nancy Brandt
Robert Brandt
Anne Bremer
Jim Budde
Jane Buethe
Diane Burton
Sandra Caradori
Larry Chopp
Colleen Christensen
Nancy Coniglio
Sharon Cunning
Carol Curran
Thomas Curran
Kathy Dombrowski
William Dombrowski
Earl Dyer
Bob Egan
James Fasen
Yolanda Fasen
George Gibson
Linda Glantz
Glen R Gobber
Mary Gobber
Richard Halvorsen
Bruce Hammond
Scott Harrison
Kenneth Hassler
Wanda Hein
Barb Herman
Denis Herman
Debra Hicks
Kate High
Maurine Johnson
Kristene Kastens
Debra Keefe
Roger Keetle
Neil Kolder
Sherry Kolder
Elaine Lantz
Mary Lentini
Janet Lepard
Jerry Lippincott
Mary Ann Losh
Ann Lundy
Arlene Lynn
William Lyon
Susan Major
Carol Marshall
James McGrath
Pat McGrath
Helen Meeks
Tom Morrison
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Linda Nelson
Dan Neumeister
Enid Newman
Claudia Pankoke
Deborah Petersen
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Robert Peterson
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Sharon Roberts-Yuen
Tom Ryan
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Schmeeckle
Kathi Schroeder
Deborah Sesow
Tim Show
Dennis Simonds
Wayne Stephens
Gail Stoklasa
Patricia Taft
Ronald ten Bensel
Carolyn Tipton
Edward Tricker
Sue Van Horn
Alma Vlasak
Linda Walker
Conney Waltke
Lavona Waltke
Barbara Washburn
Tom Weber
Denise Weimer
Dennis Wertz
Christine Wilhelm

If we have inadvertently excluded your name from the list, please call us immediately so we can correct the mistake and recognize you in the next catalog.
What Is OLLI?
The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln is a unique organization designed specifically for those 50 years or older who love learning new things. Our courses provide stimulating, congenial and varied opportunities to explore many unusual and rare areas of interest. OLLI courses are non-credit and have no tests or grades.

OLLI at UNL is one of 119 lifelong learning programs supported by the Bernard Osher Foundation (osherfoundation.org) on university and college campuses across the country. Each state and the District of Columbia has at least one OLLI. The OLLI National Resource Center is located at Northwestern University.

What Courses Do OLLI Offer?
OLLI at UNL offers dozens of courses, special events, tours and member-only opportunities. Most courses meet for 90 minutes weekly during a six-week term. Five terms are offered each year.

Who Are the Instructors?
OLLI volunteer instructors are active and retired professors, experts from the community, peers and OLLI members who want to share their personal passion for a subject.

General Information

Canceled, Full or Postponed Courses and Events
OLLI does not send class confirmations. If a course is canceled or full, you will receive notice as soon as possible. You will be given the following options:

• Add your name to a wait list.
• Register for an alternate course.
• Place your paid fee in escrow for future use.
• Request a refund.

Drop a Course
Call the OLLI office at 402-472-6265 if you’d like to drop a course. Please call before the second class and let us know if you’d like to enroll in an alternative course or place your paid fee in escrow for use at a later date.

Parking Permits for Courses and Events on Campus
Courses meeting on East Campus Monday through Friday require a parking permit. Keep your parking permit convenient and safe. OLLI pays for each permit issued and you will be charged for replacement permits. For special parking accommodations (i.e. handicapped spaces), contact the OLLI office at 402-472-6265.

Parking permits are:

• Included in the course fee unless otherwise indicated
• Available in the OLLI office one week prior to the course or event start date
• Valid only on the day/dates/time/lot indicated on the permit
• Issued for each course
• Not valid for metered parking, visitor parking or reserved parking spaces
• To be displayed on the vehicle rearview mirror, printed side out.

Participant Accommodations
It is the policy of OLLI at UNL to provide flexible and individualized accommodations to participants in our many courses to allow them to fully share in course activities. To receive accommodation services such as interpreters, large print, etc., please contact the OLLI office at 402-472-6265 or olli@unl.edu when you register to allow time to make arrangements for these services.

Guest Policy
Members may bring a guest to a single class if space is available. Please contact the OLLI office at 402-472-6265 or olli@unl.edu beforehand so we can notify the instructor.

Weather Closings
If Lincoln Public Schools or UNL is closed or starts late due to weather conditions, OLLI courses and events are also canceled. OLLI weekend courses and events are canceled if UNL cancels courses or closes. Call the OLLI office at 402-472-6265 after 7 a.m. or check the OLLI website (olli.unl.edu) for information.

Email Notifications
Make sure we have your correct email address. Occasionally instructors or course facilitators want to contact students regarding class information. Also, the OLLI office periodically sends emails to notify members of upcoming events. Your information is always confidential.

Scholarships
OLLI offers financial assistance to individuals who find it a hardship to pay the full membership fee. Contact the office for an application. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Volunteers
OLLI is a member-driven organization with robust volunteer leadership and committees that keep OLLI functioning efficiently. Members are invited to join committees, become classroom assistants or help with special events and projects. To inquire about volunteering, just call the office or email us at olli@unl.edu.
REGISTRATION

Complete one form for EACH person.
New Members must complete the entire Registration Form when registering for the first time.
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Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, 125 Home Economics Building/P.O. Box 830800, Lincoln, NE 68583-0880

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“I have enjoyed all my classes for the fun of learning and meeting interesting classmates. Each class has broadened my knowledge about my topics of interest.”

Joe Seewald, OLLI Member