

Keep in Touch & Keep Learning!

A message from Bill Cole, OLLI Advisory Council Chair

Dear members,

If ever I needed something to underscore the importance of OLLI in my life, this forced hiatus achieves that. The calendar on my iPhone still alerts me to upcoming classes which I will not now be taking for some time. But it heartens me to know that OLLI will return, whenever and in whatever forms it becomes available.

Like any small business, we will have a financial struggle, but, again, I am heartened by the fact that we had accumulated a rainy-day fund to carry us through down times and that will cushion and sustain us hopefully for the duration. We will adjust as necessary, as each of us has found it necessary to adjust our lives. The staff, from home, is preparing as if there will be a Summer semester starting in June. At some point we'll know whether that will be possible.

We will get through this and recommence our next ten years of OLLI. It cannot come soon enough.

Sincerely,

Bill Cole, OLLI Advisory Council Chair

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FROM THE STAFF

We are adjusting to our "OLLI Home Offices" and one thing for sure is that we do miss our OLLI members!!!

Please know that we continue to work on serving all of you during this challenging time.

Each week you will receive our weekly email with updates and interesting ways to stay engaged while at home.

In addition, we are working with a few of our OLLI Faculty in hopes of providing a few one-time presentations which you can view online.

The summer schedule will be modified to deal with the unexpected, but we remain hopeful.

In addition, we continue to transition to our new software program which we hope to roll out to you late this spring. Our strategic OLLI member teams are busy working on their tasks, as are all our OLLI committee members. Fall 2020 course proposals are due April 3, at which time we will prepare our Fall lineup.

Behind the scenes we are working on issuing you credits for courses canceled and tending to other business operational needs.

We wish you well and remind you to stay connected with loved ones and focus on your many blessings.

Enjoy the green grass and the blooming flowers!

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GREAT DECISIONS
1918 • FOREIGN POLICY ASSOCIATION 2020 EDITION

The Foreign Policy Association has released the entire series of Great Decisions on Youtube. Check it out here:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLDHHJksdsrQFAfjQi4VehimWI_n3SnyGf

ON-LINE LEARNING

Take a virtual tour, listen to a Ted Talk, or lecture or take an on-line class.

★ Tour Yellowstone Park: [https://](https://www.nps.gov/yell/learn/photosmultimedia/virtualtours.htm)

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★ National Museum of Natural History: <https://naturalhistory.si.edu/visit/virtual-tour>

★ The Louvre: <https://www.louvre.fr/en/visites-en-ligne#tabs>

Ted Talks . ★ [What Makes a Good Life? Lessons from the Longest Study on Happiness.](#)

Talks at Google ★ [Atul Gawande: Being Moral: Medicine and What Matters in the End](#)

LECTURE

Check out this lecture: *Beyond Earth: 50 Years Since Apollo 11* presented by Dr. Scott Perry, Volunteer Instructor, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at CSU, Chico.

Brief description of content (3 sentences): In a very interactive presentation, Dr. Scott Perry explains what we knew before and after the monumental moon landing on July 20, 1969. Celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2019, he demonstrates the mysteries of our solar system and describes the Apollo 11 landing in great detail.

[Click here to view the video.](#)



Have you seen the video about how Osher Life Long Learning Institute (OLLI) at the University of Rhode Island (URI) was founded? This video was created by OLLI member and instructor, Jet Vertz. [You can see it by clicking here.](#)



URI-OLLI PHOTO FUN! Share a photo! Click the link below to join our photo album. You must have a gmail address to participate. We will publish one favorite photo per week. **Please note that when you share a photo with us on the Google site, you are giving us permission to share that photo on a public website.

Photo submitted by OLLI Member Kate Eliza Corbett - Spray Rock Rd, Weekapaug

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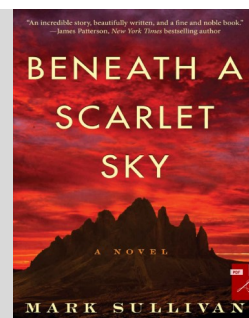
SOMETHING TO WATCH

Messiah on Netflix
Recommended by
OLLI Member
Marty Lepkowski



SOMETHING TO READ

Beneath A Scarlet Sky by Mark Sullivan
Recommended by OLLI member and instructor, Karen Stein



QUOTE TO PONDER:

Submitted by
OLLI Member
Donna
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This is the time to be slow, Lie low to the wall Until the bitter weather passes. Try, as best you can, not to let The wire brush of doubt Scrape from your heart All sense of yourself And your hesitant light. If you remain generous, Time will come good; And you will find your feet Again on fresh pastures of promise, Where the air will be kind And blushed with beginning.

John O'Donohue

STAY ACTIVE

Qi Gong for beginners on Youtube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cwlvTcWR3Gs>

Suggested by OLLI Member Mary Kelly

FYI

The Southern Rhode Island Chamber has comprised a comprehensive list restaurant members and whether they are open/in what capacity. [Click here to read the list.](#)