

Dear Members,

It has now been over month since we have been learning in our classrooms and enjoying the company of all lifelong learners. However, the good news is that we have been working hard to continue offering you opportunities to keep you busy over the next few months.

The Tech Committee and staff have been working tirelessly to move us into a new way of learning through online presentations. We are now introducing this to some of our faculty members and beginning within the next two weeks we will start to introduce all of you to online learning from home.

We will begin by reaching out to you in small groups by invitation to join in an easy tutorial and hands on practice. Our OLLI friends throughout the country have been doing the same with interest and success.

I will continue to reach out to all of you having credits on our books with OLLI. I am closing in on these calls and am happy to report that so many of you have been most understanding and have waived your credits in support of OLLI. THANK YOU! Every little bit will have us return strong.

Just as a reminder we will be extending all your memberships by **three months.**

Please watch for your weekly emails from us as we now will be working on a part time basis. Our focus will be on the new software system, online learning, and financial reforecast and controls.

We miss you and we are here for you!

Be well,
Beth Leconte, Executive Director



Something to Watch

Recommended by The OLLI Movie Group

47 Classic Movie Musicals to watch while quarantined
<https://www.playbill.com/article/47-classic-movie-musicals-to-watch-while-quarantined>.

On Netflix: Peaky Blinders Set in the aftermath of World War I, Peaky Blinders is a crime drama about a British crime family, the Shelbys. After Tommy Shelby (Cillian Murphy) returns from the war, he sets about trying to expand the family’s control of Birmingham, stealing a shipment of guns to give his gang an edge in the world of crime. The show follows Tommy and his family as they move up in the world, butting heads with other crime families and the British government. Peaky Blinders is gorgeously shot, and the story it tells is one of complicated people and muddy morality.

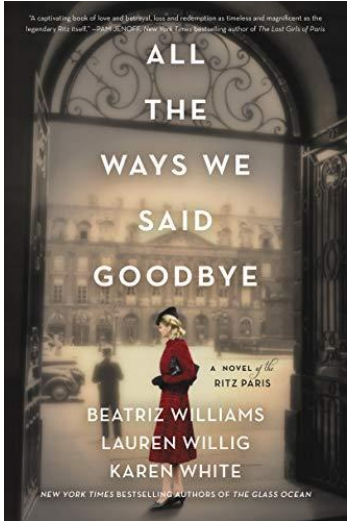
On-Line Education

Ken Burns has been creating historical documentary films for more than forty years. Check out all this great info: <https://ri.pbslearningmedia.org/collection/kenburnsclassroom/home/>

Explore Google Arts and Culture. You can take a 360 degree tour of artwork or landmarks, find museums and exhibits near you and learn about historical events and figures. And there are some things to make you laugh too. Check out 8 Memes to Make You "Scream" With Laughter! <https://artsandculture.google.com/>

[Check out Open Culture's list of 1500 Free Online courses](#) from Top Universities. Please note: Note: This page includes a lot of Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs). If you want to enroll in a free version of a MOOC, please select the "Full Course, No Certificate" (edX) or "[Audit](#)" (Coursera) option. If you opt to take the course for a certificate/credential, you will be charged.

Something to Read
Recommended by OLLI Executive Director Beth Leconte.



All the Ways We Said Goodbye, A novel of the Ritz Paris
Authors: Beatriz Williams, Lauren Willig, and Karen White

"I thoroughly was immersed in this book spanning from 1914 - 1964. Each chapter kept me going as I began to see the connection to all three characters. When I finished the book I wanted to go back and read the first few chapters. I would love to see this made into a movie!"

The New York Times bestselling authors of The Glass Ocean and The Forgotten Room return with a glorious historical adventure that moves from the dark days of two World Wars to the turbulent years of the 1960s, in which three women with bruised hearts find refuge at Paris' legendary Ritz hotel.

Read the latest information on Alzheimer's research in the Memory Matters newsletter. <https://mailchi.mp/butler/memory-matters-april-2020?e=4056edde09>

Listen



Check out the Podcast This American Life hosted by Ira Glass. Each week covers a new story and the topics are usually ones that most people can relate to. The storytelling and production is incredible. There are many fantastic episodes. The most recent if entitled One Last Thing Before I Go. [Click here to listen.](#) Or you can start with [Staff picks and Recommendations.](#)

Wellness

Watch this lecture from OLLI at Chico State University on [Maintaining Optimum Brain Health and Fitness.](#) Dr. Len Matheson presents the five key ingredients to brain health and fitness based on the latest scientific research.

Music

May 4: The New York Guitar Festival kicks off its daily shows with live performances and appearances at 4:00 p.m. EST each day, streaming on its [YouTube channel.](#) The event will begin with Rosanne Cash and John Leventhal on May 4. The festival continues daily, and ends May 15. Donations will benefit MusiCares COVID-19 Relief Fund.

	<p>May 2: Garth Brooks and Trisha Yearwood will be livestreaming a performance from the Grand Ole Opry at 7:30 p.m. EST. The event will be viewable on Brooks' Facebook page.</p>
<p>OLLI ENTERTAINS</p> 	<p>Check out OLLI member and instructor Burl Dawson as he shares some Pandemic Origami! Do you have a talent to share? Maybe you play an instrument, sing a song or have a talent you'd like to share with members? Let us know. Email olli@etal.uri.edu.</p>
<p>OLLI Photo Fun Submitted by OLLI Member Carmen Lysaght</p>	 <p>You can also 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. Click here to submit your photo for publication! If you don't have a gmail account, email your photo to OLLI@etal.uri.edu. Make sure you provide your name and where you took the photo!</p>
<p>Ways to Help</p>	<p>LOOKING FOR A WAY TO HELP OTHERS: If you looking for a way to help those in need during these difficult times, purchase a few extra items (see below) for them the next time you are shopping. OLLI member Jan Armor, is collecting items at his house. (You can leave them at his door while keeping your social distance.) Email or call Jan (janthephotoman@gmail.com) for more information. 401-783-8232. Check out this video and When you're shopping, think of those lunch bags: https://youtu.be/Tw2Z06JduJ8</p>
<p>OTHER</p>	<p>Here's a great way to unleash your creativity! COVID-19 Creative Calls for Submission. Visit: https://discover.submittable.com/blog/covid-19-creative-calls-for-submission/ The list continues to grow with ways you can share your writing, poetry, and art. Let us know if you get involved in any of these projects!</p>
<p>Do you have a book, quote or idea to share with OLLI? Click here and share your ideas with OLLI!</p>	