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IMPORTANT: PREPARING FOR YOUR FIRST ONLINE COURSE

This is a reminder to all members to please take advantage of the training tutorials and live "coffee chats" prior to your first class. This will allow you to be ready and comfortable to begin your online learning.

Visit our website at web.uri.edu/olli and scroll down to ONLINE RESOURCES. Watch the step by step video prepared by our OLLI member, Jet Vertz. This video will guide you through the process of downloading WebEx, which is the platform we are using for our classes. (NOTE: We are not using ZOOM currently).

There are also other links for you to become familiar with the use of WebEx.

In addition, we have been offering OLLI "Coffee Chats" during the past month. These are online meetings hosted by an OLLI staff member. Members are given the opportunity to chat with one another as well as receiving "user tips" with practical experience.

A Coffee Chat is scheduled for next week on Thursday at 2pm. Why not join us and see what it's all about! **Click here** to join the coffee chat!

We want our classes to begin on time, therefore it is important that you are ready well in advance of your scheduled class. Thanks and see you online!

VOTING: Issues that Matter to You

This Free OLLI Presentation will take place on Wednesday, August 26, from 4 to 5:30pm This virtual presentation/Q&A session will feature Rhode Island Director of Elections Rob Rock. (Limited to 60 participants). Topics will include, Voting in 2020, Voter Education and the Future of Voting.

You **MUST** register for this free lecture. Log on to your account at uriolli.augusoft.net If you have not previously logged on to your account, please visit the following link for information and instructions. https://web.uri.edu/olli/programs/summer-2020/ If you have any questions, please call the office at 874-4197 or email olli@etal.uri.edu

Home Care Assistance of Rhode Island presents Create Some Happy, a Virtual improv for Dementia and Quality of Life awareness workshop. This free workshop meets on Thursdays from 10 to 111:00am using Google Meet. Click here to read more.

HOME CARE ASSISTANCE OF RHODE ISLAND PRESENTS: Create Some Happy!

Online Experiences at Other OLLIs

OLLI George Mason, invites you to an annual book festival in Virginia called Fall for the Book. In normal times, the festival hosts 140 authors— panels, lectures and workshops over 4 days in the fall. This year the offerings are totally virtual and will occur throughout the fall semester. Everything is free & open to the public. You're invited to jump in and enjoy this unique and exciting opportunity. See https://fallforthebook.org/ to learn more.

OLLI at University of South Dakota in partnership with the Edith B. Siegrist Vermillion Public Library, is offering a free Zoom lecture: Presidential Impact on Sports. Thursday, September 17, 2020 at 7 PM – 8 PM. This fun fact-filled lecture will be presented by journalist Evan Weiner, and is sponsored by the Edith B. Siegrist Vermillion Public Library. Register at bit.ly/vplsports Please register by September 16.

Classes this week:

Monday
Russia 9:30am
Gaudi's Barcelona 1:30pm

Tuesday
Medicare for All, 1:30pm

Wednesday
The Fight for Women's Suffrage, 11:30am
Poetry, 1:30pm
Voting, Issues that Matter to You, 4pm

Friday

Fall Registration is scheduled to begin on September 1.
All classes will be online. Here are a few of the classes we will be offering.

All Aboard the Seaview: South County's Trolley to the Beach
Body Language in Writing
Comparative Electoral Systems
Computer Fundamentals
Do Our Votes Really Count?
Encore Careers: Retirement? Repurposing? Regenerating?
Garden Stories
Global Geography
Intro to Islam Part I & II
Italian I, II & Per Tutti
Lifting the Curtain on home networking
Maps and Apps (Free Mapping Resources)
New Innovations and Medical Treatment
Nucleur Proliferation and North Korea
Plagues and Epidemics
Rhode Island Voices from the Titanic
Sustainability at URI
The Conservation Photographers
Toni Morrison
Why Does Everyone Want Afghanistan?
World War Two Rhode Island
Writing Interior Monologue