



NOTE FROM THE DIRECTORS

Thank you for your support during our first three months on the job and welcome back to another enjoyable and enlightening session of classes at OLLII!

Our first Fall session is well underway and we are so excited to have all of you back and in your seats once again. If you haven't signed up for a membership, please consider doing so. By taking the equivalent of just two four week classes, you pay for the value of a membership and all that it has to offer.

OLLII gift certificates make great gifts at any time during the year, but especially as the holiday season slowly approaches. Buying someone an OLLII membership as a gift opens them up to a whole world of learning and growth. Who could ask for anything better?

See you soon!

Rick Steketee and Sheila Pantlind

Rick Steketee

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Get your OLLI Gift certificates for classes and memberships today!

MEMBER EVENTS

America's Greatest Architect: Exploring Frank Lloyd Wright

October 30, 9:30am – 11:30am

Join us as we explore the wonderful mind of Frank Lloyd Wright through one of his works. The DM Amberg house had an uncertain history for many years until its roots were discovered. The house, originally contracted for David and Hattie Amberg by Wright was designed by Marion Mahoney, an architect in his office who took on many of his commissions after he abandoned them to leave for Europe. Tour the house and hear a piece of historical American culture as Tom and Anne Logan graciously welcome us into their home and share their favorite Frank Lloyd Wright facts and tales.

Free to Members

Location: 505 College Ave. SE Grand Rapids, MI 49503

(Please Note: we will meet at this address)



A Trip to the Henry Ford Museum!

November 7, 9:00am – 7:00pm

We'll take off from the Browne Center and go to one of Michigan's treasures: The Henry Ford Museum. Tucked away in Dearborn, this museum hosts a spectrum of American History within its walls. See the chair that Lincoln was sitting in the night of his assassination, the bus that Rosa Parks was in the day she refused to move her seat, and of course, an array of cars spanning the lifetime of the automobile. This is not a day to be missed!

M: \$50 NM: \$60



OLLI TUITION COURSES

MONDAY

Troubled Times: The Current Economic Crisis

Mondays, October 26,
November 2, 9, & 16

1:30pm – 3:30pm

Gary Robertson

started teaching at Aquinas College in 1969, and is currently chair of the Economic Department. He received his B.A. in Mathematics and M.A. in Economics from the University of Detroit.



What if you were told that right now, despite our current economic slump, there was the opportunity to make huge sums of money? Intrigued? Well, learn how to analyze the economy

from a macro perspective and a minority theory known as the "Elliot Wave." Listen to Gary Robertson's view of the major economic issues as he explains how to understand exactly what is going on, and the best way to protect your financial well-being through these tough times.

M: \$63 NM: \$75

Location: Browne Center

Inside the Judicial System: Is it a Search for Truth, or Just for Financial Gain?

Mondays, October 26,
November 2, 9, & 16

7:00pm – 9:00pm

Bill Jack is a graduate of Denison University and the National Law Center of George Washington

University. He is now President of the firm of Smith Haughey Rice & Roegge, P.C., and past President of the GR Bar and Michigan Defense Trial Council. He now serves on the State Bar of Michigan Judicial Qualifications Committee, and facilitates seminars across the country.



Put all of those episodes of "Law & Order" you've seen to use. Students will step into the court room scene as they take part in this class that will teach the basic skills of preparing for and actually trying a case. You will learn how to present an opening statement, do direct and cross examination of witnesses, and even end with closing arguments. Students will have the opportunity to participate in and determine

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the outcome of a sexual harassment and reverse discrimination case. Be the jury and decide the outcome of OLLI's own mock trial!

M: \$63 NM: \$75

Location: Browne Center

TUESDAY

Writings Inspired by Famous Artwork: A Writing Workshop

Tuesdays, October 27, November 3, 10, & 17

9:30am – 11:30am

Miriam Pederson has taught in the Aquinas College English department for over 25 years on a spectrum of subjects. She serves as advisor to Lambda Iota Tau and is co-manager of Sampler, the student literary and art magazine. Her work has been publicized in many reviews, and her own book of poems, This Brief Light was published in 2005.



Have you been struck speechless when viewing a marvelous piece of art? As a spectator, when you have been moved and inspired, you probably have wanted to put into words what you were experiencing. Participants in this workshop will respond to famous works of art from four historical art periods, offering impressions and interpretations in poetry and creative prose. Excellent examples of writing about visual art will serve as models.

M: \$63 NM: \$75

Location: Browne Center

Marlon Brando, Elia Kazan, Gwenth Paltrow are As Good As it Gets: Take a Close Look with Jefchak at Two Amazing Movie Classics

Tuesdays, October 27, November 3, 10 & 17

10:00am – 12:00pm

Andrew Jefchak, Ph.D., is Professor Emeritus at Aquinas College and award winning Film Critic at the Grand Rapids Press.



Join us at the movies for a course devoted to a close examination of two very different cinema masterpieces: Elia Kazan's dramatic *On the Waterfront* (1954), and a more recent brilliant comic screenplay by British playwright Tom Stoppard and director John Madden, *Shakespeare in Love*. Each film will first be presented in an overview, then analyzed scene by scene with instructor commentary and open discussion. Through such close viewing, we will gain insight into the elements of great film creation.

M: \$63 NM: \$75

Location: Browne Center

Climate Change: Should We be Worried?

Tuesdays, October 27 & November 3

1:30pm – 3:30pm

Deborah Steketee, Ph.D. currently serves as Associate Professor of Sustainable Business at Aquinas College where she teaches courses



related to sustainable energy, social capital and innovation. She also serves as Executive Director of the Center for Sustainability at Aquinas. She received her Ph.D. in Environmental Policy and Comparative Politics from Indiana University.

The threat of our planet's changing ecological system due to climate change is real and worth this exploration. Discover the path-breaking approaches and innovations in lifestyle, business, government, and community-building that are leading us toward thinking and acting in ways that will better connect nature's wisdom and human aspiration. We will discuss the impact on individuals and societies as we look at the implications of the changing climate.

M: \$35 NM: \$42

Location: Browne Center

Vatican II and Catholicism: Myth and Reality

Tuesdays, October 27, November 3, 10, & 17

7:00pm – 9:00pm

Robert Marko, Ph.D. is Professor and Chair of Theology at Aquinas College. A Fulbright Scholar, Dr. Marko has been visiting professor in Eastern Christian social teaching at Ukrainian Catholic University in L'viv, Ukraine. A product of Catholic education, he brings a perspective that recognizes both continuity and change in the Church.



Increasingly, some faithful Catholics who lived during the 1950's hope to go back to "the

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good days" of Catholicism, in the name of an elusive "spirit of Vatican II." Our discussion here will hopefully move us beyond the labels of "restorationist" and "progressive" to see Vatican II as a renewal that is grounded in the on-going tradition of the Church. Particular attention will be given to selected texts on the Church, engagement with the world, and ecumenism.

M: \$63 NM: \$75

Location: The Dominican Center at Marywood

Pakistan. In addition, Professor Durham will address questions concerning the legitimacy and viability of outside forces in helping to restrain violence in that part of the world.

M: \$35 NM: \$42

Location: Browne Center

Hemingway: An Intimate View of the Man, the Writer, and the Myth

Wednesdays, October 28, November 4, 11, & 28

9:30am – 11:30am

Gary Eberle

National and local award winning author, Gary Eberle, MA, is a favorite professor of English on the Aquinas College campus. He has twice been selected by the Student Senate as Outstanding Faculty Member, and in 1994 received an award from the Aquinas faculty for outstanding scholarship. His newest book is Danger Talking About God in Age of Fundamentalism.



Of all the 20th Century writers, Nobel Prize winner, Ernest Hemmingway was one of the most complex. This lion of literature was a tough, loud outdoorsman, while at the same time, a sensitive, tortured man who wore his heart on his sleeve. This class will examine Hemingway's life and writings from Michigan to Paris to Key West and Cuba to his sudden, untimely death.

M: \$63 NM: \$75

Location: Browne Center

Medieval and Early Modern China: From the Song to the Qing

Wednesdays, October 28, November 4, 11 & 18

1:30pm – 3:30pm

Craig Benjamin,

Ph.D., is an associate professor in the History Department at Grand Valley State University in Michigan. He is the author of numerous published articles, chapters and books on ancient Central Asian history and world history historiography.



This course is a continuation of a series on ancient China presented last Spring, but students need not have taken the previous course to feel in the loop! This series of lectures covers roughly nine hundred years of Chinese history and culture. From c.1000 CE to the early twentieth century, from the time of the Song Dynasty, who nearly staged an industrial revolution several centuries before Europe, to the time of the Qing Dynasty when China was forced to accept foreign domination.

M: \$63 NM: \$75

Location: Browne Center

WEDNESDAY

On the Brink: Afghanistan and Pakistan

Wednesdays, October 28 & November 4

9:30am – 11:30am

Dr. Roger Durham

joined the Aquinas faculty in the fall of 1996, and is currently chair of the Political Science Department. He teaches international relations and comparative politics courses and coordinates the International Studies Degree.



This timely two week session will study the dynamics of domestic and international forces at work in one of the most dangerous areas in the world. Included is a brief examination of the history, schisms, actors and potential outcomes in Afghanistan and

THURSDAY

The Spirituality of Aging

Thursdays, October 29, November 5, 12 & 19

9:30am – 11:30am

Rabbi Al Lewis is a noted author and speaker on issues of spirituality and aging. He is the

former director of the Aquinas Emeritus College (now OLLI) and was this year's Emeritus Award recipient along with his wife Shirley. His most recent published book is titled *Soul Sounds*.



For many years researchers have suggested we move through many "stages" as we move from birth to old age. While much is written about such "stage development," little attention has been paid to "spiritual development," which is at least as important. In this course Rabbi Lewis will examine stage and spiritual development and the often unasked important questions and unarticulated inner struggles. He will help us understand the paradox-"Who changed... me or God?"

M: \$63 NM: \$75

Location: Browne Center

Controversies, Courage, and Rebellions: Christianity in East Asia

Thursdays, October 29, November 5, 12 & 19

1:30pm – 3:30pm

Dennis Donahue

A lecturer in East Asian history at Aquinas and Calvin College since 2007 and a retired Foreign Service Officer and Journalist, Dennis Donahue brings 30 years of expert experience and knowledge to the classroom. He holds an MA in International Communication from American University, and a BA in English from Marian College.



Follow the road of Christianity in East Asia beginning with the Nestorians as they first walked off the Silk Road into the T'ang Dynasty. This OLLI expedition is a survey of Catholic and Protestant encounters in China, Korea, and Japan through current times. The course will address issues and events including the Rites Controversy, the Taiping, Boxer Rebellions, and the underground churches in China.

M: \$63 NM: \$75

Location: Browne Center

The Fall Migration: What Birds are Going Where and Why?

Thursdays, November 12 & 19

1:30pm – 3:30pm

Dr. Jeffrey McKelvey joined the Aquinas College Biology Department in 1986. A Pennsylvania native, he earned his Ph. D. at Bowling Green State University and his B.S. in Biology at West Virginia Wesleyan College. He teaches zoology, comparative anatomy and physiology, as well as courses in his specific areas of interest, parasitology and ornithology.



Many of our most common birds spend only part of the year with us here in Michigan. In the fall, they undertake ambitious journeys to more hospitable locations, sometimes thousands of miles away. Some species fly non-stop five hundred miles across the Gulf of Mexico, most doing so during the night. How do they sustain themselves on these long flights and how do they find their way in the

dark? What are their lives like on their wintering territories? We'll explore the lives of our feathered friends and their times of flight during this exploratory course.

M: \$35 NM: \$42

Location: Browne Center

Modern Prophets: The Moral Outcries of Popular Musicians

Thursdays, November 12 & 19

4:00pm – 6:00pm

Henry Idema is an ordained Episcopal clergyman and has two degrees from U of M, did his theological training in Cambridge, MA., and has a Ph.D. in Religion and Psychological Studies from the University of Chicago. He is also the author of two books along with numerous published articles.



Artists are our modern prophets, and they speak out when organized religion is too often silent. Artists, for instance, called out against Nazism in Germany and the war in Vietnam when academics, clergy, and politicians had their heads in the sand. This course will focus on musical artists and the music that made profound strides in the conversation between what was happening in the world around us and the majority of those who chose to initially say nothing.

M: \$35 NM: \$42

Location: Browne Center

FREE MEMBER COURSES (Fridays)

Two Men in One: An Actor and the Great Man He Portrays

October 30, 1:30pm – 3:00pm

Rodney TeSlaa

Did you ever think that you would meet John Adams in person? Well, maybe it's not an actual possibility, but we can come close! Join local theatre actor and improvisational comic Rodney TeSlaa as he steps into shoes far older than his own and does a dramatic portrayal of one of our nation's founding fathers. After his presentation, you'll get an inside look into what it's really like to be an actor and some humorous stories and takes on his many shows and appearances.



Finding Roots in the Farmer's Market

November 13, 1:30 pm – 3:00pm

Melissa Harrington

A Grand Rapids institution since 1922, the Fulton Street Farmers Market is the city's largest and oldest farmers market. Learn the history of one of our city's great local institutions by Melissa Harrington, the Midtown Neighborhood Association's director of the market, as well as what one can expect when visiting the market, and focusing on the importance of eating local. The Fulton Street Farmers Market plays a big role in supporting local farmers, keeping food dollars in the local economy and giving customers a chance to meet and talk with the people who grow their food.



Reading Into the Civil War

November 20, 1:30pm – 3:00pm

Dr. Michael J. Deeb

Come join Dr. Michael J. Deeb, author and Civil War enthusiast, as he takes students through his latest novel in the Drieborg Chronicles, "Honor Restored". Travel through the life of Michael Drieborg, a fictional character in Deeb's novels, as he lives out his life during the final phase of the Civil War, and gain an interesting perspective on the actual chaotic time in American history, while learning about the conflicts that shaped the nature of the Union.



HEALTHCARE FORUM SERIES

HOT TOPIC

Come join us for discussions on healthcare in America, one of the hottest issues of our time. Whether you wish for change, or believe that things should stay as they are, it is important to stay informed. OLLI has brought in the top health professionals in West Michigan to share their unique perspective on the healthcare industry. Come and listen to all of the speakers, or just one, but either way, you won't want to miss this great opportunity to hear many sides of the healthcare debate.

M: \$15 per session NM: \$20 per session

Insurance Perspective

October 6, 10:00am – 11:30am

Denise Christy has had a brilliant twenty five year career in the healthcare industry since graduating from Aquinas College. She began in sales for Blue Cross Blue Shield, then created a new health plan called Butterworth HMO, and since 2003 has been the President of Humana Michigan, leading their multi-product offerings for the entire state.



Hospitals Perspective

October 13, 10:30am – 12:00pm

Philip H. McCorkle, Jr., has been a leader in three major Grand Rapids health care organizations since he came to Grand Rapids nearly 35 years ago. Since 200, he has been the President and CEO of Saint Mary's Health Care, leading the institution in the creation of The Lacks Cancer Center and The Hauenstein Center as well as directing the strategic leadership and management oversight of the hospital system.



Doctor Perspective

November 23, 1:30pm – 3:00pm

Dr. John MacKeigan Dr. John MacKeigan was a founding member of Hospice of West Michigan. In 2005, he was inducted into the Grand Rapids Medical Hall of Fame. In 2007, he received the Presidential Award for service from the Michigan State Medical Society. Doctor MacKeigan, from 2005-2009, served as Chair of the Board and Chief Medical Officer for MMPC, and in 2008, he was named MMPC physician of the year. He recently became Executive Vice President and Chief Medical Officer of Spectrum Health Service.



Registration Form (Fall II 2009)

Phone Registration: 632-2430
(For Credit Card Payment Only)

Name _____

Home # _____ Cell # _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Currently a Member? (Member #) _____

Sign me up for an OLLI at Aquinas Membership (2009-2010 Academic year)! \$25 (Bronze) \$35 (Silver) \$350 (Gold)

Please indicate your course selection(s):

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HEALTHCARE FORUM SERIES

<p>Insurance Perspective 10:00am – 11:30am (October 6) <input type="checkbox"/> \$15 (members) <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 (non members)</p>	<p>Hospitals Perspective 10:30am – 12:00pm (October 13) <input type="checkbox"/> \$15 (members) <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 (non members)</p>	<p>Doctor Perspective 1:30pm – 3:00pm (November 23) <input type="checkbox"/> \$15 (members) <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 (non members)</p>
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MEMBER EVENTS

- America's Greatest Architect: Exploring Frank Lloyd Wright**
Friday, 9:30am – 11:30am (October 30)
Free to Members
- A Trip to the Henry Ford Museum!**
Saturday, 9:00am – 7:00pm (November 7)
 \$50 (members)
 \$60 (non members)

A check for \$ _____ payable to OLLI at Aquinas College is enclosed.

Charge my credit card: Mastercard Visa Amount \$ _____

Number _____ Exp. Date ____/____ 3-digit code ____

Name (as it appears on the card) _____

Please mail form with check or credit card information to:

OLLI at Aquinas 1607 Robinson Road SE Grand Rapids, MI 49506-1799

Registration Deadline: October 19, 2009





Look for a sampling of these exciting offerings
in our upcoming January Catalog:

Reflections on Your Life

Theological Vision of the Andy Griffith Show

A Taste of Grand Rapids: Local Soups and Beyond

Great Lakes Shipwrecks

The Unheard Interviews with Gerald R. Ford

Secret Files of a Medical Examiner

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Osher Lifelong Learning Institute

Fall II 2009 Course Schedule

Classes begin: October 26
Registration deadline: October 19
Phone: 616.632.2430
Fax: 616.732.4480
aquinas.edu/olli

Welcome.

MISSION STATEMENT
The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at Aquinas College is a community of adults joining together to achieve personal transformation of mind, body, and spirit through lifelong learning and community service.