

the Adventurer



Continuing this *Adventure called Life!*

Monthly Highlights

■ Eric R. Gilbertson, SVSU's retired president and current executive-in-residence, will give the James E. O'Neill Memorial Lecture Wednesday, October 19, at 7 p.m. in the Malcolm Field Theatre for Performing Arts. His topic is "The Empty Ninth Chair: Politics and the Supreme Court."

■ OLLI New Member Orientation is Tuesday, November 8 from 1:30-3:30 in C129. Please register by October 28.

■ Since we do not have a monthly meeting in December, we will not have a December newsletter, however we will continue to send informational emails to members.

■ Please note that if you don't renew your 2016-17 membership by the end of November, this will be your last newsletter. Your membership offers unique learning and social opportunities — **Renew Today!**

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November Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, November 9, 2016

8:45 a.m. Registration & Continental Breakfast

9:30 a.m. Welcome & Announcements

Autonomous Cars: Past Present & Future

Presenter: Ali Maleki, Executive Director of Innovations & New Ventures, Nexteer



The automotive industry is undergoing significant changes. These changes will provide vastly new and different mobility options that will impact every aspect of our lives. With the improvements is the speed and performance of advanced electronics and processing units coupled with advancements in artificial intelligence, sensing and computer vision, self-driving vehicles are becoming a reality. Autonomous cars will span many areas of technology and will have fundamental societal impacts. Car ownership models, licensing, regulations, insurance, legal and liability aspects, communication and data security requirements, infrastructure and road-side equipment needs are anticipated to create a one trillion dollar market by 2025.

This talk is an introduction to autonomous vehicles and reviews the history of the self-driving vehicles, the important factors in the evolution of these systems, near term configuration of vehicles and a few alternative scenarios for the future of mobility and the long-term effects of autonomous cars.

Ali Maleki has been in the automotive and truck electronics industry since 1988. He has developed software and hardware in nearly all automotive and heavy-duty truck electronics areas. Ali has led engineering teams in large corporations and small startups, and has been on international assignments in Germany, France and China, leading multinational teams in developing common global platforms.

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Upcoming Events & Monthly Meetings

Tuesday, November 1

Technology Tuesday, 2-3 p.m., C129
Digital Assistant Technologies

Tuesday, November 8

New Member Orientation, 1:30-3:30, C129
Please register by October 28

December

No Monthly Meeting

January 11

WinterFest: Laugh . . . and Let It Go
Presented by Michael Kiefer

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Hello OLLI friends,

Small moments of delight are important in these days.

So the other day I was searching on the Internet for an explanation of the phenomenon many of us have seen on our ponds and lakes: in a hard rain with no wind, patches of the water are like clear glass, and others are opaque. Why?

I found a detailed analysis, with pictures, at <http://blog.kootenay-lake.ca/>, which turns out to be a blog by a meteorologist retired from faculty at Penn State University. It seems he wanders the shores and hills around Kootenay Lake in British Columbia, taking the most astonishing photographs and posting them. The detail of birds and insects and the sheer awareness of bear, deer, and rainbows is remarkable. My personal favorite is at <http://blog.kootenay-lake.ca/?p=17802>, where a white tail buck meditates.



And about that lake pattern: here is the discussion: <http://blog.kootenay-lake.ca/?p=272> My takeaway is that upwelling is the probable cause of the glassy areas, but that the presence of surfactants might also be a factor.

But forget surfactants and upwelling and revel in the lovely photographs by this wonderful blogger. I did.

Leslie Sanders, OLLI Advisory Board Chair

Welcome New Members

(Since September 2016)

Donna Alcock	Hemlock	Peggy Golomb	Saginaw	Butchi Paidipaty	Saginaw
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Connie Glave	Freeland	Richard Nielsen	Saginaw	Victoria Vansteenhouse	Unionville
Sherri Glover	Midland	Gloria Orozco	Saginaw		

4th Annual Saginaw Valley Student Speaker Series

Thursday, November 10

4 - 5 p.m., C-129

The SVSU History Club would like to invite OLLI members to hear student presentations on the following history topics in November. The purpose of the history club is to promote the study of history at SVSU and throughout the Great Lakes Bay Region through the encouragement of historical research and open intellectual exchange among students and professors, as well as student body engagement. You do not have to pre-register for this event.

Jewish Garment Workers' Experience in The Great American Urban Centers

Presented by Ingrid G. Hoskins

Addressing the ideological changes that shifted within European societies that led Jewish citizens to uproot their lives and cross the sea entering the United States. Also evaluating the experiences of Jewish ghetto communities in urban cities. Jewish immigrants composed a large percentage of the American Garment industry workers. The immigrants worked for low wages in adverse conditions yet were able to hold on to a sense of community. Immigrants have had a profound impact on American culture and heritage. What role did anti-Semitism play in urban Jewish society?



The Significance of the Second Hague Conference: An American Perspective of Optimism

Mathew J. Ray

Heavily grounded in primary source research, this presentation primarily examines how writers of *The Advocate of Peace* publication perceived the Second Hague Conference as a movement toward a peaceful world, despite the intense rivalries and tension among the European nations. Ultimately, observers today have little trouble understanding that the peace movements in the buildup to World War One failed, but historians often overlook the optimism many people felt as they saw the conferences happen.



Current OLLI Interest Groups

- Board Games:** Ted McLaughlin, (989)790-9587, tshorty@chartermi.net
- Bridge:** Matt Skowronski, (989) 684-6402, Marilyn Bechtel (989)894-1089
- Buddhist Psychology:** Eric Devos, (989)964-4329, devos@svsu.edu
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- Stamp & Coin Collecting:** Robert Bula (989)781-1126
- Theatre:** Bonnie Rowell, (989)799-3102, bjrowell43@yahoo.com
- Walking:** Mike Michaels, (989)799-5090, mikem24108@live.com

Technology Tuesday

Digital Assistant Technologies

Tuesday, November 1, 2-3 p.m.

How would you like to have a digital personal assistant that will help you get traffic reports, set alarms, answer trivia questions, make to-do lists, get news information or sports scores, and much more? There are voice-enabled wireless applications capable of voice interaction, music playback, streaming podcasts, and other real time information. The presentation will focus on Amazon Echo, Alexa, Siri, and Cortana. You will learn how you can simplify your life through technology. Our presenter is Mike Erdody with Home Depot.



This program is free for members and \$10 for non-members, there is no need to pre-register.

Tuesday: November 1 • 2 - 3 p.m.
Room: C129



Forty-two SVSU OLLI members traveled to New York in September for the "Big Apple Experience". Some of the educational excursions on this trip included trips to the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Radio City Music Hall at Rockefeller Center, a stroll along the High Line and a climb up the Empire State Building!

Added Class Pen & Ink with Oil Rouging

Here's your chance to try something different, pen and ink with oil rouging! Over the course of two class sessions, you will create a beautiful piece of art under the direction of Barbara Waybrant, owner of Barbara Waybrant's Artistic Creations in Birch Run. She has taught seven to 93-year-olds how to draw and paint at her home studio and at Clio's Center for the Arts. She will supply all the supplies and provide step-by-step instruction.



Barbara is a certified Mary Owens Pen & Ink/Oil Rouging Instructor. The piece you will create is shown above.

Wednesdays: November 30 & December 7

from 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Price: \$65 Members; \$95 Non-Members

Room: A107



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