

Fall 2017

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Intellectual Fun for People Over 50



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history, science, the arts, and current events

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SAGE FALL 2017 — *Intellectual Fun for People Over 50*

Each fall and spring, SAGE presents a series of Tuesday morning lectures that cover a wide array of topics of current interest. Our speakers are recognized experts from the arts, government, non-profit, education, business, and civic communities in Maine.

REGISTRATION

OLLI membership is required: \$25 per year; may be paid with SAGE registration.

Series registration: \$50. This guarantees admission to all seven lectures in Wishcamper room 102 – as long as you are seated by 9:20 a.m. – and to the two lectures in Hannaford Hall.

Walk-in admission: \$10 fee at the door for individual lectures. In Wishcamper 102, admission will be on a first-come basis **beginning at 9:20**. Walk-in seating is always available in Hannaford Hall.

STARTING AUGUST 14, you can register online at www.usm.maine.edu/olli. This is immediate and the best way to ensure seating in Wishcamper.

STARTING AUGUST 16, register by mail (use form on last page): OLLI/SAGE, USM, P.O. Box 9300, Portland, ME 04104; **in person** at the OLLI office: 210 Wishcamper Center, USM Portland Campus; or **by phone:** (207) 780-4406

PARKING: OLLI pays for members to park in the USM garage on Bedford St. Simply push the button at the entrance to gain access to the garage.

WEATHER EMERGENCY: In hazardous weather, the decision to cancel classes at USM will apply to SAGE programs as well. For up-to-date cancellation information, **call the USM Storm Cancellation Line at (207) 780-4800;** please do not call the OLLI office.

PROGRAM PLANNING COMMITTEE

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FALL 2017 SAGE SCHEDULE

Eight Tuesdays | Sept. 12-Oct. 31 | 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Lectures will be held on the Portland campus of the University of Southern Maine in Room 102 of the Wishcamper Center or in Hannaford Hall at the Abromson Center. Locations are noted for each lecture.

September 12, Hannaford Hall
**American Character: Understanding and
Overcoming America's Political Polarization**

Presenter: Colin Woodard, Author, Historian, and Journalist

We've never been one America but several Americas, and these Americas have never seen eye to eye on the important issues in our political conversation. Colin will explore the staggering 400-year backstory that helps explain today's political and cultural polarization and discuss how one could build a super-majority consensus that would allow the country's shared institutions to function again.

September 19, Wishcamper Room 102
**Mother Earth Has a Fever:
What's New on the Climate Watch?**

*Presenter: Dr. Paul Mayewski, Director/Professor,
University of Maine Climate Change Institute*

Paul has led more than 55 expeditions into the remotest reaches of the planet to research how the climate system operates and how humans have been involved. He and his colleagues are applying their scientific findings and newly developed software tools to allow transparent public access to climate data, resulting in a new framework for climate prediction, the latest innovation in a series of approaches to climate change.

Due to the popularity of our lectures, ONLINE registration is STRONGLY recommended.

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September 26, Wishcamper Room 102
Strengthen Voices in the Land of Crazy Horse

Presenter: Kevin Hancock, President, Hancock Lumber Company

Discover how Kevin's rare voice disorder led him to a remote Lakota Sioux reservation in the Northern Plains. Learn how the profound effect of encountering a community that felt it too had no voice helped Kevin create a fresh vision for leadership in the modern age.

October 3, Wishcamper Room 102
Legal Challenges to the State of Maine

Presenter: Janet T. Mills, Maine Attorney General

Janet Mills is Maine's chief law enforcement officer. In 1980 she was elected District Attorney for Androscoggin, Franklin, and Oxford Counties, the first woman serving in that capacity in New England. She has been elected to four terms as Attorney General and will speak about Maine's current legal challenges.

October 10, Wishcamper Room 102
The Rise and Fall of Jefferson's Empire

Presenter: Peter S. Onuf, Thomas Jefferson Foundation Professor of History, Emeritus, University of Virginia

Professor Onuf is a leading historian, author, and editor. He is the Mellon Distinguished Scholar in Research of the American Antiquarian Society and is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

October 17, Wishcamper Room 102
Walking Can Change the World

Presenter: Kara Wooldrik, Executive Director, Portland Trails

Consider what happens when a community begins to recognize that our original form of transportation — our feet(!) — can be valued and promoted. Take a virtual walk around Greater Portland with Kara and explore Portland Trails at the crossroads of health, economy, environment, and transportation.

*In the highly unusual event of an emergency,
we reserve the right to substitute one of our speakers for another.*

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October 24, Wishcamper Room 102
**Fake News and “Alternative Facts”:
Is American Journalism Dead?***

*Presenter: Chet Lunner, Deputy Undersecretary (ret.),
U.S. Department of Homeland Security*

As a former Maine newspaper editor and national news correspondent, Chet knows the challenges of “fake news.” As a former press secretary and 9/11 veteran, he’s dealt with the temptation of “alternative facts.” Have we gone too far? Is journalism dead? And what are the implications for our democracy?

October 31, Wishcamper Room 102
Not Your Kukla, Fran, and Ollie

*Presenters: John and Carol Farrell, Founders and Co-Directors,
Figures of Speech Theatre*

John and Carol will demolish your preconceptions about the puppet theater and share their evolution from childhood buddies to international touring artists. Hear their story and experience their unique performance, which melds puppetry with dance, sculpture, poetry, and music in a theatrical form that defies categorization and celebrates the metaphorical power of puppets.



**SPECIAL
20th ANNIVERSARY
OFFERING:**

FREE TO ALL OLLI MEMBERS!

November 14, Hannaford Hall
America’s Position in World Affairs

Presenter: The Honorable George J. Mitchell

A most distinguished son of Maine, George Mitchell served as United States Senator (1980–95), achieved the Good Friday Agreement (1995–2001), served in the Middle East peace negotiations (2009–11), and tirelessly serves the educational aspirations of Maine’s youth through the Mitchell Institute.

We can say with confidence that each lecture will be entertaining and informative. So even if you think that one of them might not be your “cup of tea,” we bet you’ll still be delighted that you came. Consider a full subscription!

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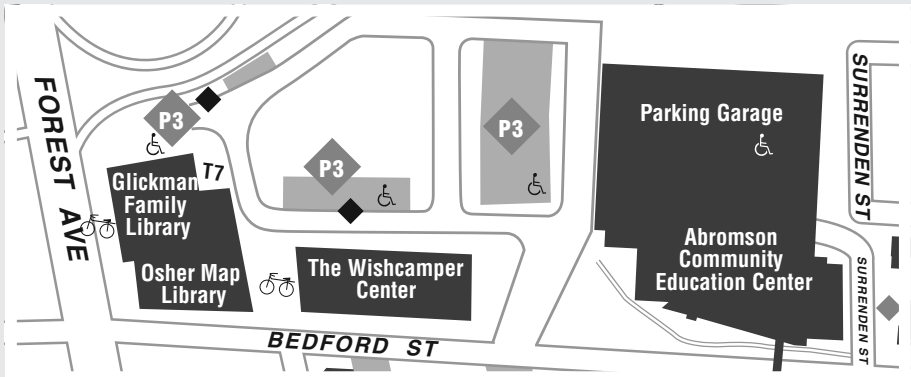
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As part of OLLI's 20th anniversary celebration this fall, the SAGE Committee is presenting a special, ninth lecture on Nov. 14. This session, featuring The Hon. George Mitchell of Maine, is **FREE to all OLLI members. No registration required for this special event.**

FALL 2017 LECTURE SCHEDULE

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| Sept. 12 | Colin Woodard | Author, Historian, and Journalist |
| Sept. 19 | Paul Mayewski | Director, Climate Change Institute, University of Maine |
| Sept. 26 | Kevin Hancock | CEO, Hancock Lumber |
| Oct. 3 | Janet Mills | Attorney General, State of Maine |
| Oct. 10 | Peter Onuf | Thomas Jefferson Professor Emeritus, University of Virginia |
| Oct. 17 | Kara Wooldrik | Executive Director, Portland Trails |
| Oct. 24 | Chet Lunner | Deputy Undersecretary (ret.), U.S. Department of Homeland Security |
| Oct. 31 | The Farrells | Figures of Speech Theatre |
| Nov. 14 | The Honorable George J. Mitchell | Former U.S Senator |

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FALL 2017 SAGE Mail-in Registration

Save Time - Register Online!

OLLI will be pre-registering for the entire SAGE series (all eight lectures) **ONLY**. Online registration begins August 14. All other registration options (phone, mail, or in person) start August 16.

- We will not pre-register for individual lectures.
- **IN HANNAFORD HALL ONLY, walk-in seating** will be available for \$10 at the door on a first-come, first-served basis.

Name 1 _____

Name 2 _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

E-mail address _____

REGISTER ME FOR THE WHOLE SAGE PROGRAM FOR \$50

**NOTE: YOU MUST BE AN OLLI MEMBER TO ATTEND SAGE
(Membership is \$25 and runs from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018)**

I AM A CURRENT (2017-2018) OLLI MEMBER

SIGN ME UP AS AN OLLI MEMBER for \$25 (DOB: dd/mm/yyyy) _____

\$50 enclosed for entire SAGE program

\$75 enclosed for entire SAGE program plus OLLI membership

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