

LAMOILLE VALLEY OLLI

SEPTEMBER 16–NOVEMBER 4, Wednesdays, 1–2 pm
Stowe Cinema 3Plex, 454 Mountain Road, Stowe, VT 05672

Therapy Dogs: Helping Our Community One Paw at a Time

with Evan Stainman, Board President,
 Therapy Dogs of Vermont

Wednesday, September 16, 1:00–2:00 pm

Discover how therapy dogs bring comfort, connection, and emotional support in schools, hospitals, nursing homes, libraries, and hospice settings. Learn how therapy dogs differ from service dogs, emotional support animals, and pets, while exploring the benefits for both recipients and handlers. Hear personal reflections from an experienced handler about the impact this work has had on their life, their dogs, and the many people they have visited.

Selected Reptiles and Amphibians of Lamoille County

with Ira Powsner, Assistant Herpetologist

Wednesday, September 23, 1:00–2:00 pm

Learn to identify and understand the amphibians and reptiles of Northern Vermont. This presentation introduces their natural history, habitats, distribution, and conservation, with a focus on selected local species. Discover how the Vermont Reptile and Amphibian Atlas engages citizen scientists and take a closer look at data gaps in the Lamoille County region. Participants will leave with practical ways to contribute by photographing and reporting sightings to help support ongoing conservation efforts.

Climate Science for All: Lessons from Vermont's Changing Climate

with Lesley-Ann Dupigny-Giroux, Distinguished Professor & Vermont State Climatologist

Wednesday, September 30, 1:00–2:00 pm

Explore approaches to researching and teaching climate change with an emphasis on human and geographic vulnerabilities, ensuring that diverse peoples and ways of knowing are honored and incorporated. Draw lessons from both formal classroom settings and lifelong learning environments while examining strategies for making climate change science more inclusive, accessible, and meaningful for a wide range of audiences and considering effective responses to a changing world.

History of the 10th Mountain Division

with Brian Lindner, Historian

Wednesday, October 7, 1:00–2:00 pm

Explore the origins and legacy of the 10th Mountain Division, America's only mountain troops during World War II. Learn how this unique unit was trained to fight on skis, in extreme mountain terrain, and in harsh cold-weather conditions. Trace its early roots to the Mt. Mansfield Ski Patrol in Stowe, Vermont, and discover how local mountain traditions helped shape an elite fighting force.

A Milestone in Aviation History with Beth White & WOMEN BUILD PLANES Team Members

with Beth White, Pilot in Command

Wednesday, October 14, 1:00–2:00 pm

Join Beth White, founder of Habitat for Aviation, along with members of the WOMEN BUILD PLANES team, for an inspiring conversation about aviation, mentorship, and opportunity. Learn how this multigenerational, all-female team is building a RANS S-21 aircraft while gaining hands-on skills, confidence, and community. Beth and team members, known as the Modern Rosies, will share stories of learning, resilience, and how one pink airplane is helping reshape who feels welcome in aviation.

Full Circle Farming: Closing the Loop Between Farms and Eaters through Surplus Food

with Kelly Dolan, Executive Director, Salvation Farms

Wednesday, October 21, 1:00–2:00 pm

Ever wonder what happens to that misshapen carrot? Join us for a lively look at how Salvation Farms is turning farm surplus into a powerful solution—connecting fresh, local food with Vermonters who need it most. Over the past 20 years, the organization has redirected more than 1.25 million pounds of produce through gleaning and food processing, proving that “waste” can be a resource. In a changing climate, this work is more important than ever—come learn how surplus can help build a more resilient, delicious future for all Vermont communities.



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A HEARTFELT THANK YOU...

...to our dedicated **Lamoille Valley OLLI Program Committee** for their time, energy, and vision. Your support makes lifelong learning in our community possible!

Staying Sharp & Strong: Nutrition for Healthy Aging

with Amy Nickerson, Owner,
 Your Career Transition Coaching

Wednesday, October 28, 1:00–2:00 pm

Understand how nutrition supports physical function and cognitive health as we age, key foundations of quality of life. Gain practical, research-based strategies to help you stay active, independent, and mentally sharp. Apply insights you can use every day and join a conversation focused on making healthy aging both achievable and sustainable.

Snowflake Bentley: His Life and Work

with Sue Richardson, Vice President,
 Jericho Historical Society

Wednesday, November 4, 1:00–2:00 pm

Explore the remarkable life and legacy of Willson “Snowflake” Bentley, whose pioneering photographs revealed the intricate beauty of snow crystals. Examine not only his extraordinary contributions, but also the challenges he faced in refining his process and gaining recognition from the scientific community, as well as from family and friends. Through photographs, personal stories, and Bentley's own writings, gain a deeper understanding of the man behind the images.

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Spanning seven locations across the state of Vermont, OLLI members are a part of a vibrant and dynamic community of lifelong learners who enjoy exploring new ideas, enhancing their creativity, and sharing a passion with others through in-person & online programs.

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