July 8, 10 am-12 pm
PhRMA and the FDA: Dance Partners or Double-Edged Swords?

Ever wonder how the medications you take make their way to the pharmacy or supermarket shelf? We will review the regulatory history of the FDA (Food and Drug Administration) and PhRMA (Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America) and discuss the importance of FDA standards and compliance for ethical pharmaceutical clinical research methodologies. You’ll learn about standardized processes for Rx to OTC switches, brand to generic switches, management of drug information, drug safety, drug availability, recalls, lobbyists, clinical science liaisons, marketing, pricing, and more.

Moderator: Cathy Rosenbaum is a holistic clinical pharmacist, certified health coach, certified fitness nutrition coach, and Founder/CEO of Rx Integrative Solutions, a consulting practice in integrative health and medicine in Blue Ash. She is an international speaker, award-winning author, and educator and has experience in the pharmaceutical industry, academia, hospital-based practice, and holistic health consulting.

July 15, 10 am-12 pm
Broads of Broadway

Women have been key drivers in the success of Broadway—both financially and artistically. Through discussion and video clips, we’ll explore the extraordinary talent and charisma exuded by such superstars as Ethel Merman, Ethel Waters, Mary Martin, Bernadette Peters, Angela Lansbury, Kristin Chenoweth, and Idina Menzel in some of their most significant roles. We’ll also note how these women helped transform Broadway from musical comedy to musical theater.

Moderator: Doug Iden is a big fan of movies and theatrical musicals with an extensive collection of films and original Broadway scores. He has taught classes on Broadway and film at OLLI for several years.

July 22, 10 am-12 pm
Tales of a Former Shipwreck Diver and Whatever Happened to Jack (and Other Titanic Victims)

Barbara Barnes has led a colorful life including her years indulging her passion for scuba diving on shipwrecks, particularly in the Great Lakes. Before the break, she’ll talk about her years as one of the few female scuba divers of her day; her varied, unique, and adrenaline-charged experiences; and even her near-death experience. After the break, she’ll talk about perhaps the most famous shipwreck of them all. Have you ever wondered what happened to the survivors and fatalities of Titanic's sinking? Come hear some new details about this famous shipwreck.

Moderator: Barb Barnes devoted more than 20 years to exploring nearly every aspect of recreational scuba diving—settling on Great Lakes shipwreck diving as a favorite. She will regale us with stories of her crazy antics. Stay for the second hour when she explores the most famous shipwreck, the Titanic.
July 29, 10 am-12 pm

*Dinosaurs*

Let's go back to between 245 and 66 million years ago to learn about some of dinosaurs that lived during the Triassic, Jurassic, and Cretaceous periods, when all the different species lived on land, flew in the sky, and swam in the oceans. What were the land, oceans, and climate like then? Find out about herbivores and carnivores, the range of shapes and sizes, how dinosaurs are classified, and who their living relatives are today.

Moderator: Howie Baum is a mechanical engineer with wide-ranging interests in all the sciences and a particular interest in dinosaurs. He has taught many OLLI courses on new technologies, materials science, computers, and outer space.

August 5, 10 am-12 pm

*The Lincoln’s: Their Love and Tragedies*

Let’s browse through the pages of imaginary Lincoln family scrapbooks and photo albums for a look at the highlights and lowlights of the lives of Abraham and Mary Todd Lincoln. Even while the nation faced and experienced the ravages of the Civil War, they faced many personal obstacles, loves, and tragedies.

Moderator: Deb Price has presented many popular programs at OLLI. A former teacher at many places, including Wilmington College and Lebanon Correctional Institution, she also has managed restaurants, climbed poles for Cincinnati Bell, and taught swimming for 49 years. She loves researching historical topics, gardening, and enjoying her dogs, cats, and chickens.

August 12

*Learning to Think More Effectively in the Brave (or Cowardly) New World*

Can you learn to think more effectively? John Briggs will offer information to help you do the following: define problems, recognize and gather knowledge, assess knowledge sources and reliability, come to terms with what people now mean by “facts,” understand our own biases, and learn to accept and assess results.

Moderator: John Briggs has been an OLLI moderator for three years, mainly courses on literature and creative writing. He spent his professional career working with agencies that helped homeless veterans, helping to set up programs and, especially, analyzing information on needs, possibilities, programs, and results. He’s a lover of math, science, and literature and has used all three in his career.