These entertaining and informative lectures are open to all OLLI Members without the need to register. Some lectures are “Member-Only” while others are open to the general public. All programs are held at 10 a.m.; please note location of each program under program title.

January 29
Brain Fitness
Cheezem Education Center; OLLI Members Only
Good news for brain health! Recent research has revealed that the aging brain can create new connections which are important to maintaining and improving cognitive function. Dr. Cheryl Dye hosts this conversation about the latest research findings on what you can do to enhance brain health.

February 5
The Joys of Language
Chickasaw Point Clubhouse; OLLI Members Only
What company in the SC Upstate is jokingly known as “Bubba’s Makin’ Wheels?” What word is “magically” re-ectd in “X88B88”? And, as the pun goes, what happens to chemists when they die? If the answers to these random questions pique, peek, or peak your interest, join OLLI instructor Skip Eisiminger for an entertaining and informative presentation.

February 19
Developing Your Plan for Aging in Place
Cheezem Education Center; Open to the Public
Exciting news! You can age in place in the home you love. Bonnie Holmes, educator and president of Loving Health Care, leads this discussion exploring proven methods from around the country that have worked and can work right here in the Upstate of South Carolina. She gives both a community plan and a highly beneficial personal plan.

February 26
The Iby’lwacu Cultural Village and Volcanoes National Park
Cheezem Education Center; OLLI Members Only
Clemson doctoral student Edwin Sabuhoro presents his work establishing ways to provide a new economy for local communities that also provides new protection for the endangered species of Mountain Gorillas in the Virunga – a source of inspiration for local communities and conservation. Sabuhoro was recognized as a CNN Hero for his work as well as the Ian Redmond Conservation Award from the Great Apes Survival Partnership.

March 4
The National D-Day Memorial: Why It Is Where It Is
Cheezem Education Center; OLLI Members Only
On June 6, 1944, 33 boys, “The Bedford Boys,” landed in the first wave to storm Omaha Beach and face a wall of withering machinegun fire. Nineteen would die; their sacrifice constituted the highest per capita loss on D-Day of any American community. The National D-Day Memorial is located in Bedford, Virginia because of the community’s great loss, but it commemorates the 4,413 Allied soldiers that perished. Join us for a presentation on the memorial, some of the stories of the boys, and a video entitled The Town They Left Behind, presented by Gene W. Wood, Bedford native.

March 18
Developing Your Plan for Aging in Place
Chickasaw Point Clubhouse; Open to the Public
Bonnie Holmes, educator and president of Loving Health Care, presents this subject again in a second location.

March 25
Celebrating Clemson’s Musical Heritage
Cheezem Education Center; OLLI Member Only
Did you know that James Brown got his start in the music business at Clemson’s Littlejohn’s Grill and was frequently found dancing and singing in clubs and churches in the area? Vince Jackson, founder of the Greater Clemson Music Festival leads this exploration of the people, places and events central to the musical culture of Clemson. Jazz entertainers such as Duke Ellington, Harry Belafonte, Louis Armstrong, Ruth Brown, Erskine Hawkins, Gene Krupa and Lionel Hampton performed to crowds at the Grill and at Clemson College in the late 1940s and throughout the 1950s.

April 1
The Joys of Language
Cheezem Education Center; OLLI Members Only
OLLI instructor Skip Eisiminger presents this subject again in a second location; stop by to learn what company in the SC Upstate is jokingly known as “Bubba’s Makin’ Wheels” and what word is “magically” re-ectd in “X88B88.”

Winter/Spring Lecture Series
Clemson University’s Emeritus College again joins with the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute to present a joint series of lectures highlighting current University research and community outreach. Look for the schedule to be announced in mid-January for lectures at 10 a.m. February 12, March 11 and April 8.

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