

**108. What's growing in Downtown Wheeling?**

**Grow OV Farm Tour**

**Monday, September 30th 2PM**

\*This class will be held outdoors, rain or shine. Comfortable shoes recommended. Parking is available on 18th Street. Farm located on 18th street in East Wheeling, just down from the Laughlin Chapel.\*

Grow Ohio Valley has been producing food and promoting local agriculture in & around Wheeling since 2014. On this tour of Farm 18, our original urban farm, we will invite participants to learn about our regenerative farming practices, sample some fresh snacks, and join the conversation around local food.

**Hannah Hedrick** is the Education Program Manager at Grow Ohio Valley. She is a Wheeling native with a background in environmental biology and outdoor education, and spends most of her time thinking about food.

**109. What West Lib Students are up to: FBLA**

**Monday, October 7th 10AM**

Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda, Inc. is the largest career student business organization in the world with nearly 230,000 members nationwide. FBLA-PBL is dedicated to bringing business and education together to form a comprehensive learning experience for middle schoolers, high schoolers, college students, and professionals. In this class you will learn all about the FBLA-PBL experience and how it has changed the West College of Business as well as other schools across the state of West Virginia. There is a World of Opportunity and West Virginia FBLA-PBL is ready! Are you?

**Hayden Blazer** is a 2018 West Liberty University graduate of West Liberty University and is currently working on an MBA at his alma mater. He currently is working at Main Street Bank as well as a graduate assistant at WLU. Hayden is currently serving as the West Virginia Phi Beta Lambda state adviser.

**110. Payton's Pretties**

**Thursday, October 10th 11AM**

Hear from a West Liberty University graduate and her path on how she started her own business while also helping out her community.

**Shannon Payton** owns Payton Pretties LLC, is a West Liberty University alumna, and a former employee in higher education at Northern Community College.

**111. History in Pictures**

**Tuesday, October 15th 1PM**

This class on local history will feature over 100 historical photographs from the collection of Robert Schramm. Bob Schramm was a long-time professor of physics at West Liberty State College. For much of that time, Bob also served as the official photographer and archivist for the college. In addition, he collected historical photographs of things around the Wheeling and Ohio County area. During this class, we will examine some of Bob's photographs and some photos and documents from the Nicodemus collection and will discuss the stories behind them.

**Earl Nicodemus** is retired after 40 years as a professor of Instructional Technology at West Liberty University. He helped to form the West Liberty Historical Society, and he and his family maintained the historic West Liberty Cemetery from 1985 to 2016. In 2016, Earl was named as a West Virginia History Hero. His other interests include gardening and fishing.

**112. Historic Preservation in Downtown**

**Wheeling**

**Thursday, October 17th 2-4PM**

Downtown Wheeling is experiencing a revitalization. Since 2014, the downtown vacancy rate has dropped from 32% to just 15%, with only two demolitions. Since 1982, two new buildings have been constructed downtown. Clearly, the historic building stock of Wheeling is one of the City's greatest assets. Learn about how seemingly dilapidated buildings can have a second life through historic preservation.

A Pittsburgh native, **Betsy Sweeny** earned degrees in art history and anthropology from the University of Missouri and a masters in historic preservation from the Savannah College of Art and Design. Prior to relocating to Wheeling, Betsy worked as an architectural historian at James Madison's Montpelier in Orange, Virginia. As historic preservation programs manager at Wheeling Heritage, Betsy's work includes history-related projects, facilitating technical assistance for historic building owners, and overseeing the organization's historic preservation efforts.

**113. Tour the Top of the Hill**

**Monday, October 21st 10AM**

Join us for a main campus tour of West Liberty University, see some updated buildings, what dorm life is like for students, check out The Union food choices, shop for West Liberty apparel in the bookstore, and see what WLU students are up to in their majors.

Tour will be given by a West Liberty University student ambassador, ready to show you West Liberty's beautiful and ever changing campus, and a day in the life of a West Liberty student.

**114. More Adventures In Transportation**

**Thursday, October 24th 1PM**

Over the years at least three railroads served St. Clairsville, we will see the last train. Did you know over ten thousand airliners made their first trip on railcars? They're no longer Goodyear blimps, you'll learn the real story. Flying into Hong Kong the hard way and more.

**Dale Rothert** came to the Wheeling area in 1967 to start the news-talk format in radio broadcasting, he worked in local radio for 18 years. He holds advanced flight and ground instructor certifications and has taught ground school at local colleges and other schools in adult education programs. This is the eighth presentation for the WLU Community University.

**For more information:**

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**Community University - WLU Highlands Center**

Entrance is located across from the Marquee Cinemas  
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# Community University

## Fall 2019

### For Life Long Learning



# WEST LIBERTY UNIVERSITY

Enroll in Community University and join like-minded adults interested in the joy of learning! Community University is an organization with volunteer presenters and programs shaped by request. Courses and lectures are conveniently scheduled during the day at WLU Highlands Center, unless otherwise noted. There are no entrance requirements, grades or tests. Enrollment is easy! Fill out the enclosed form and return it with your tuition of \$25 entitling you to enroll in as many courses or lectures as you wish during this term. Please note: there may be an additional cost for some courses. Most courses are about 90-120 minutes in length.

**101 Anthony Salatino  
Tuesday, September 3rd 10AM**

Anthony Salatino is a 53 year old who has experienced many tragedies in his lifetime. The most proud husband to Kathi Salatino, and a father to a son named, Troy. Over the years Mr. Salatino experienced several tragedies in life that almost destroyed him. He lost his 3.5 year old daughter tragically during the holiday season in 1996, hitting bottom but leaning on his wife at the time for strength, only to have his beloved wife and his son's mother pass away unexpectedly in 2015, causing Mr. Salatino to have PTSD symptoms. He recently met his current wife Kathi, and turned his life around actually living life again, a life of hope and happiness. He owes this to his current lifestyle of plenty of sleep, meditation, good eating habits and exercise. In this session Mr. Salatino will explain how these have helped keep him off medication; helping him become the best he can be. He will discuss how this lifestyle can help one in grief or just during the everyday challenges of life.

**Anthony Salatino** is a WLU Graduate, WVU Master's Alumnus, and an employee of WLU for the last 30 years as the Health and Safety Specialist.

**102. Movies with Art: Women's Perceptions of World War II  
Wednesdays 9:30AM**

International law requires that POWs be members of the military; others are classified as "enemy aliens." Diplomats and other important aliens are quickly exchanged. This led to a large number of Western females being held as prisoners in "internment camps." We will look at the lot of these women in both the Pacific and Europe.

**Bonus: Thursday, 31 October, 9:30 AM**

A Special Look at Halloween. Even adults can appreciate the magic of Halloween but -- even when shown the Illusion -- can they understand it? The chosen film is NOT the usual teen fright night.

**Art Barbeau** is a professor Emeritus at WLU where he taught history and anthropology for 43 years. This will be his 15th time presenting in the Community University program and has taught 120 classes since the program began.

**103. Business of Sports  
Thursday, September 5th 2:00PM**

This course will examine the changing landscape of the business of sports. Particular attention will be paid to the role of athletes, fans, media, and corporate partners in driving change to the way sport organizations create demand for their product. The course is for anyone who watches an occasional game or even just has a sports fan in their life, so attendees need not be diehard sports fan to learn something new.

**Dr. Craig Crow** is an associate professor of management at West Liberty University, where he teaches courses in management and sport management. He worked in the sport industry full-time prior to becoming a college professor, and has continued to stay active in the industry through consulting and other part-time work. He has presented research at multiple sport management conferences.

**104. U.S. Census 101  
Monday, September 9th 10AM**

With the 2020 Census count approaching. Learn why the census is important to you, your community, and state. The U.S Census helps provide federal funding dollars to the state, fair representation, and quality of life. Learn more about the importance of the U.S Census and how you can get involved

**Jennifer Rohrig** is a Partnership Specialist at the U.S. Census Bureau. Jennifer received her bachelors degree in Public Relations at Bethany college, and her Masters from The American University in Strategic Communication.

**105. What Happens When the Paychecks Stop  
Tuesday, September 17th 10AM**

Explore how to budget for retirement expenses, examine potential sources of retirement income and identify ways to address potential risks.

**Outsmart the Scammers  
October 8th 10AM**

Incidents of fraud are on the rise and scammers' tactics are becoming more complex. It's important to educate yourself on fraud and learn the red flags, resources you can turn to, and steps to take to protect yourself.

**Brandon Galici** is a proud alumnus of West Liberty University where he graduated with a degree in finance. Upon graduation, he has combined his love of personal finance with his passion for serving others and is now a financial advisor with Edward Jones in the Ohio Valley.

**106. Touchstone Research Laboratories (tour)  
Wednesday, September 18th 1PM**

Over the past 37 years, Brian has built one of the most successful and inventive commercial research and development organizations in the United States. Under his direction, Touchstone has performed over \$100M in research and development for both the private sector and the Federal government. These efforts have generated a large volume of intellectual property in the development of new materials and products.

**Brian Joseph** is named on over 30 US and international patents and is recognized as a leader in R&D management. He has served on the board of the Industrial Research Institute, the country's most

prestigious R&D association and he has been the keynote speaker at multiple conferences including the Federal Laboratory Consortium's (FLC) National meeting.

Brian has received numerous awards over the years including Entrepreneur of the Year for West Virginia from Ernst and Young and the National Blue Chip Enterprise Award from the US Chamber of Commerce. As a result of his excellent leadership, Touchstone has been awarded four R&D 100 Awards from R&D Magazine for the creation of one of the most important technologies brought to market worldwide in any year. Two of the awards involve the coal-based CFOAM carbon foam technology.

After matriculating from what is now West Liberty University, Brian went on to perform graduate work in biophysics at Ohio State University. In 2015, he was conferred an honorary doctorate from West Liberty University. Brian has spun 3 businesses out of Touchstone's research business in the past three years with more spin-outs planned.

Currently, Brian serves on the boards of CFOAM, Ltd., Grow Ohio Valley, a non-profit focused on regional food security, as well as the JB Chambers Foundation -- a regional youth-oriented charitable trust.

**107. Reeling from All These Wheelings  
Tuesday, September 24th 10:00AM**

Most people know about Wheeling, Illinois, but few people realize that the name Wheeling dots the map as far west as Colorado and as far south as Alabama. Learn about the incredible impact Wheeling, West Virginia has had across the nation in this two-hour lecture, which includes origin stories of more than a dozen Wheelings from both near and far.

**Dr. Christina Fisanick** is an associate professor of English at California University of Pennsylvania, where she teaches digital storytelling, expository writing, and create non-fiction. She is a 1996 graduate of West Liberty University and a 2016 WLU Alumni Wall of Honor inductee. In addition to writing regularly for Weelunk, InWheeling, and The Intelligencer, Dr. Fisanick is the author of more than 30 books and dozens of scholarly articles. She lives in Wheeling with her family.