



Building Durable Communities: Lessons for a Livable Planet.

Carl McDaniel, Professor Emeritus of Biology, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and Visiting Professor of Environmental Studies, Oberlin College will be leading a 5-week series entitled: Building Durable Communities: Lessons for a Livable Planet.

“Building Durable Communities combines two concepts: Durable: continuing to exist, stable; Communities: groups of organisms—animals (including humans), microbes, plants—living together in the same environment. These concepts frame the fundamental challenge before humanity: Can we create and sustain durable communities in which humans can fulfill their highest ethical aspirations as articulated by humanity’s world religions?”

Oct. 3rd: Creating a 21st century house

Oct. 10th: Creating a 21st landscape

Oct. 17th: Replicating 21st century homes: new and rehabilitated

Oct. 24th: Creating durable communities, watersheds, and regions

Oct. 31st: Creating a durable future: messages from survival of Shackleton's Endurance Party and history of changing cultural beliefs in Western civilization.

Each session will be held at First Church in Oberlin UCC (106 N. Main St) in the JFO Room from 6:45pm-7:45pm. All are welcome!