MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR COMING YEAR

A primary Council responsibility is to manage the budget—a task taken very seriously. The Council recently approved a budget for FY 2012, which begins July 1, 2011. We are glad to report that membership fees for Summer Session, as well as 2011 Fall and 2012 Spring semesters will not increase. The full-year membership fee remains $410 and the semester fee remains $230.

While our expenses continue to increase, income from the Osher Endowment Fund plus other endowment and accrued income funds make it possible to balance our budget without relying totally on membership fee revenue. As a self-supporting organization, however, it is expected that modest fee increases will be needed in future years.

Next year’s budget includes expenses related to funding a full-time Academic Coordinator plus beginning to fund a share of the cost to replace the heating and air conditioning system and elevator in Arsht Hall. Funds are set aside each year for these major capital expenses. In addition, Osher Lifelong Learning has the same financial challenges as any organization, including increases in utilities, salaries and benefits, supplies, and custodial and maintenance expenses.

While designing fiscally responsible plans to meet our future needs, the Council is sensitive to the concerns of our members with respect to membership fees. Members often ask, “How can I help?” Many help by their generous financial donations that help to minimize membership fee increases. Members can also help by spreading the word about our successful academic cooperative, encouraging friends and family to join, and volunteering to teach a course or join a committee.

If you have additional questions, please let me know. I would be glad to share details individually or in small groups.

Hank Maier, Finance Officer
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OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING - REP/PTTP BUS TRIP

Whoopee! Daylight Savings Time has begun. Can spring be far behind? After a winter of serious discontents, to paraphrase Burt Bacharach, “What the world needs now is laughs, sweet laughs,” and what better playwright than Neil Simon to meet that need?

The Spring 2011 Osher Lifelong Learning-REP/PTTP Bus Trip will be to see Neil Simon’s play, “The Good Doctor”. Starting with nine light short stories by Anton Chekhov, Simon adds his own wry touch to create what must be an oxymoron - a Russian Comedy. Human vanity and foolishness translate through time and space; our foibles are universal. All The Czar’s Men agree.

We will be attending the April 9th matinee of “The Good Doctor” in the Thompson Theatre of the David and Louise Roselle Center for the Arts (CFA). Curtain time is 2 p.m., and there will be a prologue at 1:15 p.m. to provide context and background for the performance. To accommodate the prologue, our bus will leave the upper parking lot of our campus at 12:30 p.m. and return immediately after the performance. For those preferring to drive, there is a parking garage contiguous to the CFA. Of course joining us on the bus will reduce your carbon footprint for the day, and that is a good thing, isn’t it?

Costs are $8.00 for the performance, and $9.00 for the bus. Tickets will be on sale in the Arsht Hall lobby starting Monday, March 21, for one week only. This should be a hot ticket item, so join us for lots of laughs at (dare we say) a laughable price.

Irv Engelson. Theatre Committee
FRIDAY SPECIAL EVENTS SERIES, 1 P.M.

This series is open to the public so bring a friend or relative.

March 18 John Jaremchuk Elsmere - First in the Nation: Illegal Immigration Legislation

March 25 Robbie Richards Battle of Midway

April 1 Spring Break – NO EVENT

April 8 Tom Treitley, Middletown, DE Artists Theatre One-Act Play

April 15 Delaware legislators including Joe Miro Immigration Reform. A Mock Delaware Assembly Debate

FYI: HANDICAP PARKING

This semester, additional handicapped parking became available here on the UD Wilmington Campus in the lot across from the front entrance to Arsht Hall and on the side of Arsht facing the golf course. The Campus has more than the minimum number of handicap spaces (2% of the total spaces) required by Federal regulations. This campus is the only UD site allowed the use of temporary handicap parking spots. Many lifelong learning members have asked that we emphasize that a valid handicapped parking permit is required to use these spaces. Any vehicle parked without a valid up-to-date handicap placard or license plate clearly displayed is subject to a $100 fine.

Investigator Dennis Anderson
UD Public Safety
JULY SUMMER SESSION

It is not too early to begin planning to attend the Summer Session from July 5 through July 28. A very exciting and diverse program is planned. More courses than any of the previous summers are being offered with over 50 from which to choose. There are 40 new courses including Football: It’s More Than Just a Pig-Skin, Ellery Queen Mysteries, Amazing Human Brain, Meet the Supreme Court, Submarine, German “As You Like It,” and Mathematics of Lewis Carroll. The Summer course listing can be picked up at Arsht Hall beginning April 11. In person initial registration is April 11 through April 22. Classes meet on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings with two class periods each day. Hope to see you there.

Carolyn Smith
Co-Chair, Summer Session
GARDEN SPEAKERS

Members are invited to attend individual programs that interest them. The class meets Tuesdays at 2 p.m. in Room 108

3/15  Roses, Bruce Moore
3/29: Spring Break - no classes
4/5: Gardening for a Hopeful Future, Dale Hendricks
4/12: My Garden, David Jackson (followed by garden tour)
4/19: Container Gardening, Pat Hodgson

COMPUTERS! COMPUTERS! SOCIAL NETWORKING SITES

Users of social networking sites such as Facebook and Twitter may encounter two potential pitfalls.

First is the chance of being misunderstood. Social interaction among people involves not only the spoken word, but also all of the other signals such as facial expressions and the stance of the body. Facebook and Twitter involve communication with no nonverbal feedback. One result is a person may reveal more than they intended and communicate about things which they would not do in a face-to-face conversation.

Another concern is that material put on the Internet is now available for everyone and anyone to find. For example, a person might share information about themselves which could be embarrassing if read by certain family members or a prospective employer. It is sometimes tempting to reveal information about yourself or family members on what appears to be an impersonal site only to regret it later.

Social networking sites need to be used with great care. Whatever is put on the internet is there forever and available to any smart hacker.

Kenneth Mulholland
Curriculum Committee

TRAVEL

Sat., March 26 – New York/Spider-Man
Sat., May 14 – Washington/Hillwood
Sat. May 21 – NewYork/Catch Me if You Can
Mon., June 6 – Thu. June 9 – NC, Outer Banks
Wed., Thu., June 22-23 – Wolf Trap
Sat., July 16 – Fri., July 29 – Scandinavia/Russia cruise
Mon., Aug. 8 - Sat., Aug. 13 – Mostly Maine
Sat., Aug. 27 – Lancaster/American Music Theatre
Sat., Oct. 15 - Gettysburg

For more information on these other travel opportunities, visit the Travel Desk in the Lobby, Monday through Thursday, 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

ENRICH YOUR LIFE WITH OPERA!

Enjoy performances at the Metropolitan Opera on a UD Studytrip. A few tickets are still available for these upcoming operas:
- Le Comte Ory - April 9, 2011
- Il Trovatore - April 30, 2011

All opera trips feature faculty leadership, advance study notes, round trip transportation and bus driver gratuity. Package prices range from $130 to $280. Buses leave from the upper parking lot on the Wilmington campus.

For more information on operas and pricing visit www.pcs.udel.edu/enrichment/opera or call 302-831-7600.

BOOK GROUP

The Lifelong Learning book group meets the first Wednesday of the month at 3:20 p.m. in Room 224 for lively discussions of current or classic books. The books we'll be reading for the rest of the spring session are:
- April 6: The Glass Room, Simon Mawer
- May 4: Room, Emma Donoghue

We'll begin the fall session in September with The Thousand Autumns of Jacob de Zoet by David Mitchell.

Come join us. Everyone is welcome!

Mary Lew Bergman
NOMINEES FOR OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING COUNCIL

The Council has nominated the five new members whose backgrounds are summarized below. They will serve three-year terms beginning with the April 12 meeting.

**Bob Brereton** A native of Milford, DE. Bob graduated from UD in 1960, and earned his MD degree from Temple U. School of Medicine. After an internal medicine residency at Wilmington Medical Center and two years as an Army physician in Texas, he returned to Delaware in 1971. He opened a private practice in internal medicine with two other physicians. He retired in 2005 and promptly became a volunteer physician at the Claymont Community Center Family Health Clinic.

Bob joined the Academy in 2005 after being told by so many of his patients how special it was. At Osher Lifelong Learning Bob is one of the instructor-coordinators of the Medical Lecture Series class, and is on the Special Events Wed. planning committee.

**Lynda Hastings** Lynda graduated from UD with a B.A. double major in sociology and education. She is retired from the State of Delaware, having worked for 30 years in a variety of social service positions including direct services in child protective work and administrative positions in prevention work. The latter included writing grants and contracts with community-based agencies, including UD. She was one of the founding members of the University-Schools Alliance, a statewide substance abuse prevention project. In the community, Lynda is a Past Commander of the Wilmington Power Squadron, a very active local safe boating group. Her hobbies include Tai Chi, sailing, knitting and following Baltimore Orioles baseball. At Osher Lifelong Learning Lynda teaches Tai Chi.

**Paul Hess** Paul achieved a B.S. in music and an M.M. from UD. His forty years of teaching reached public and private school students, and his musical performance on string bass, electric bass, and tuba included a variety of groups, genres, and venues throughout the area. He is in his third year of directing the Osher Lifelong Learning Concert Band and has served on the Band and Music committees. Personal passions include cycling, being out of doors, studying new music and learning bass clarinet.

**Karl Leck** Karl graduated from Carnegie Institute of Technology (B.S.) and Penn State (M.S.) in Chemical Engineering. He worked initially for Celanese Fibers and then the Army Chemical Corps at Aberdeen Proving Ground. Karl then went to work for the Getty Oil Company Delaware City Refinery. In 31 years there he worked in process engineering, fuels blending, as an operations supervisor and process safety coordinator. Karl was a partner in a thoroughbred horse breeding farm, started his own stock photography agency, traveled to every continent, photographed at six summer Olympic Games and won the Photographic Society of America Smith Award for Photojournalist of the Year in 1992 and 2005. He has held offices in the Baltimore and Newark Camera Clubs and the Delaware Photographic Society (DPS). Karl shares his passion for photography by teaching at Osher Lifelong Learning, Cecil College, Delaware Nature Society, and DPS. His other interests include native plant gardening, folk dancing, working for peace, environmental stewardship and energy conservation.

**Kenneth Mulholland** Ken graduated from Lehigh Univ. with a BS in Chemical Eng., served in the army and then earned a Ph.D. at Univ. of Kansas. He worked at DuPont for 30 years in the Central Engineering Function. After retiring from DuPont Ken worked as an international consultant on clean technology and wrote two books on cleaner manufacturing principles. While raising his son, Ken was a Scout Master. He was chair of the Environmental Division of AIChE. Since joining Osher Lifelong Learning Ken has taught computer courses, been a member of the Curriculum Committee and been one of the administrators for the PC computers.

Don Grimes
Chair, Nominating Committee
Announcements at 12:40 p.m.
Feel free to attend each week or select the programs that most interest you. Buy your lunch, bring your lunch, or just come and enjoy. See the catalog or Special Events bookmark for the complete schedule.

March 16 Swing City Band – Elmer Dill, leader
19 piece band with two vocalists, which plays the music of Tommy Dorsey, Glenn Miller and Benny Goodman, among others.

March 23 Mark Bowden, Black Hawk Down
Mark Bowden, visiting UD professor, journalist and author of Black Hawk Down, will discuss how the book was reported and written, and how the Battle of Mogadishu illustrates both the advantages and pitfalls of military superiority.

March 30 Spring Break - No Event

April 6 Stanley Weintraub, Remembering the Forgotten War: General MacArthur & Korea, 1950-1951.
April 2011 is the 60th anniversary of President Harry Truman's controversial firing of General Douglas MacArthur, commander of U.S. and U.N. forces in the ongoing Korean War. Their relationship, like the war itself, had been a roller-coaster of ups and downs. Stanley Weintraub, historian and author of MacArthur’s War. Korea and the Undoing of an American Hero, is a veteran of that war.

April 13 Thomas B Evans, Jr., former Congressman from Delaware, Is our Democracy failing us?

April 20 Dave Kaplan Super Colliders
David Kaplan is returning!
Two years ago, David Kaplan enthralled us with his presentation on the development of the Large Hadron Collider in Cern, Switzerland. He held the attention of those of our members who are not usually interested in science as well as those of us with advanced degrees in the field.
This young man (not yet 40) is a professor of particle physics at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore. He is personally involved with the operation of the collider and plans to share the results of the project with us.
We are assured to be on the edge of our seats as he describes what is beginning to be understood about the black holes that are being created with this awesome machine.

SOCIAL
Take a break and join with fellow members for coffee, tea, cookies and conversation at our second social of the semester on Tuesday, March 22 at 1:30 p.m. in the Lobby.

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