



OLLI NEEDS YOUR INVOLVEMENT

Osher Lifelong Learning is managed by its members working in over 30 committees. The committees and teams listed on page 3 of the catalogue need volunteers and leaders. Before you joined OLLI you had many life experiences including those of commitment and leadership. Those life experiences are a valuable resource for OLLI's operation.

Excellent programs such as **OLLI at the Ocean, June Lecture Series** and **Summer Courses** urgently need co-chairs and volunteers. Please consider becoming involved.

Kenneth Mulholland
Council Chair

YOUR IRAS AND BENEFIT PLANS WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT REQUIRED DISTRIBUTIONS AND SMART GIFTS TO CHARITIES

Join us on Friday, November 1, at 2 p.m. in Room 108-109 to hear from Beverly J. Wik, Esq. Managing Partner, Old Capital Law Firm, Ginger Ward, SVP, UBS Wealth Management and Martha Mitchell, UD Director of Planned Giving, to learn about required mandatory distributions, how to make a charitable gift from your IRA, creating lifetime gifting plans, planning for remainder gifting and how to choose a charity. Since many of us plan to give money to charity, take this opportunity to learn how to make the most of your donations for you and your favorite charities.

Pam Meitner



MEET JEFFREY SHERIDAN

Jeffrey Sheridan joined the University staff as audio visual assistant in September. He is all Delawarean in spite of being born in Long Island, New York. Jeff grew up in Dover, earned a two-year degree in communications at Delaware Tech in Georgetown and now lives in Newark. He attends Wilmington University, majoring in communications and marketing and minoring in history.



Jeff grew up with computers and has always enjoyed working with electronics. His work at Osher with AV fits well with what he has learned in college. However it is not all about equipment. At the end of a busy few weeks, he affirms, "I like the people I work with."

AND WE'RE OFF!

Where did the summer go? Here we are back at OLLI in the midst of a wonderful semester.

This is a **BIG SHOUT OUT** to the over 200 volunteers for committees and 265 instructors who have made the decision to give back to Osher Lifelong Learning by volunteering your time and talents to make this semester a better experience for all of us!

From the folks who run the reception area, to the traffic guides who help direct us at the beginning of each semester; you are making this "Learning Cooperative" of ours a truly magical place

Thank you all so much for everything you do.

Lucie Shader, Mary Ann Dowd
Co-Chairs Volunteer Development

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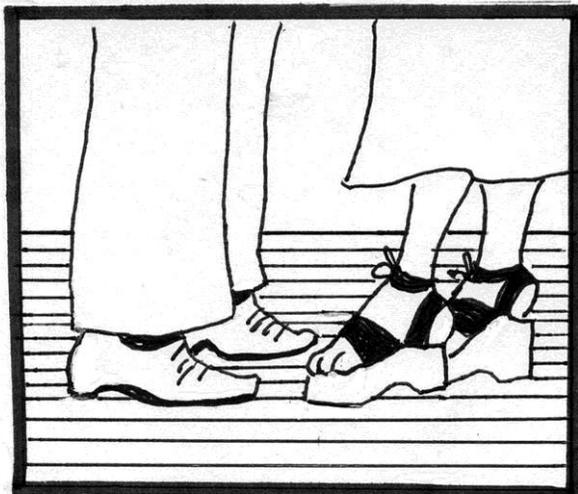
CONSTABLE'S NOTES

A golden rule for all drivers and pedestrians: Please remember that Right-of-Way is given, not taken. Please DO NOT assume that the other driver sees you before you enter the Main Campus Drive.

Please remember that the 10 MPH speed limit applies to cars **exiting** the campus, as well as cars **entering**. Recently, I have seen OLLI members racing to beat the light, or even running the red light and putting themselves and other motorists at great risk of a collision. Please slow down.

Dennis Anderson
Your friendly constable
UD Public Safety

THE BRASS YEARS by betty marroni



Do I like your new platform heels?
Sure, they'll come in handy when
you're dusting the ceiling fans!



Since Colonial days the pineapple has been a symbol of hospitality. The custom of displaying a pineapple began with sea captains returning to port bearing a cargo of fruit, spices, and rum. The captain would spear a pineapple on a fence post outside his home. This was the invitation for the townspeople to visit, share his food, and listen to tales of his voyage.

Here at OLLI we pride ourselves in the hospitality extended by our Reception committee to both new and returning members. Please consider becoming a Volunteer at the Reception Desk so that we can continue to carry on this tradition of welcoming people (without the speared pineapple).

Come to the Reception Desk and sign up. We value your willingness and your input.

Mary Ann Dowd, Chair
Carol Derosier, Co-chair



SOCIAL ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15

Take a mid-semester break and meet fellow members and friends for coffee, tea, cookies and conversation at our mid-semester social. The next social will take place Tuesday, October 15, at 1:30 p.m. in the Lobby

SPRING 2014 COURSE PROPOSALS

Solicitation of course and extracurricular proposals has begun. Forms are in the Office or online at www.lifelonglearning.udel.edu/wilm. Seeking instructors to take over the Travel Adventures course. If interested, contact Carol Bernard at 573-4416 or cbernard@udel.edu.

Carol Bernard

CHEF LOWMAN AND HIS CREW

Last month Susan Arruda profiled Mark Lowman, chef of the Garden Café. (www.lifelonglearning.udel.edu/wilmington/newsletter). Here is Mark and his crew. All the hot food and sandwiches are made freshly each day in the kitchens at the Goodstay Center.



Albert Hughes, Mark Lowman, Roberta Twyman



Rikki Twyman and Georgette Lolley at the checkout in the Garden Cafe

BOOK CLUB

The Osher book group met in September and selected books for the semester. On November 6, we'll discuss *The Orphan Master's Son* by Adam Johnson. We'll end December 4, with *Bring Up the Bodies* by Hilary Mantel. The group will start the spring session in February 2014 with *Blood and Beauty: The Borgias* by Sarah Dunant. Please join us the first Wednesday of each month at 3:20 p.m. in room 213 for interesting discussions.

Mary Lew Bergman

REP/PTTP THEATRE

The Theatre Department is disappointed that they do not have the funding to select and admit a new Professional Theater Training Program (PTTP) class. Director Sanford ('Sandy') Robbins notes, "We had very much hoped that the University would raise sufficient funds to enable us to start a new class in 2014 or would provide the funding to do so if fundraising efforts fell short of the amount needed (as was the case.) Fortunately, the administration has honored its commitment to continue funding our professional company, the Resident Ensemble Players (REP), so that we are able to continue offering a full season of plays to the community." This program is:

Sept. 26 - Oct. 13 *The Night of the Iguana* by Tennessee Williams
Nov. 14 - Dec. 8 *The Servant of Two Masters* by Carlo Goldoni
Jan. 23 - Feb. 9 *The Mousetrap* by Agatha Christie
Mar. 6 - Mar. 23 *Faust* by Johann Wolfgang von Goethe
Apr. 24 - May 10 *Wit* by Margaret Edson

All performances are in the Thompson Theatre at the Roselle Arts Center in Newark. Reduced subscription rates for Osher members are the Premiere 5 Show Package for \$90.00 and the Patron Choice 3 Flexible Voucher Package at \$60.00. More information and purchases are available online at: <http://www.rep.udel.edu/> or call 302-831-2204.



BOOK SALE

Gather your books to donate to the OLLI annual book sale. Collection begins October 28, and lasts the next two weeks. The book sale runs from November 11-15. Proceeds benefit art and music programs at OLLI.

Susan Dods



COMMON COURTESIES

As the first weeks of classes wind down, it's time to gently remind everyone of a few common courtesies that all Osher Lifelong Learning members need to remember. The first concerns cell phone usage. It's disturbing to instructors and class members when a cell phone goes off during class; more annoying is when the cell phone owner has a conversation with the person calling. We really don't care what you're having for dinner. If you're expecting an important call, put your phone on vibrate and sit near the door. If you don't know how to turn off the ringer, ask someone!

A second issue concerns disruption from members leaving class early. Remember that all instructors are volunteers and paying members who devote effort and time to prepare for class. Instructors are not paid for doing this, but rely on the attention and interest of class members to keep them motivated. It is especially upsetting when guest speakers are interrupted by members exiting the room. Guest lecturers give up their time to come and speak to us without compensation. If you know you must leave before the end of class, inform the instructor, sit close to the door and exit quietly.

The issue of name tags comes up every year. EVERYONE should wear his or her current nametag. There are several reasons for this: so that others know who you are; so that we may readily identify you in a medical emergency; and so that we know that everyone who is there is a lifelong learning member. Believe it or not, some people attend and when asked about their name tags, they say that they "left it at home". We do have scholarship monies available for those who need assistance so that they may attend Osher Lifelong Learning. This is why you are issued a parking tag, and that the UD Public Safety officer checks our lots. People outside of OSHER try to use our lot as a convenient "park and ride" to get into Wilmington.

The last issue concerns attendance and class size. Many of our rooms are small with a set number of available seats. Many of our classes are discussions, and instructors limit class numbers in order to facilitate discussion.

Our instructors prepare enough handouts for the registered members in their classes. There is great disappointment when people are put on wait-lists. It becomes frustrating to instructors and scheduled class members when people decide to just walk in and take a seat. That's why staff and volunteers take roll in some classes. We are limited by the size and number of rooms, and the number of courses that can be offered at specific times during the day.

Please be courteous and follow these guidelines to ensure that Osher Lifelong Learning at UD continues to thrive!!

Susan Arruda

OLLI AT THE OCEAN

OLLI at the Ocean is an OLLI sponsored intellectually stimulating activity for members, a spouse or a friend. It takes place each year in the week following Memorial Day at the Brighton Suites in Rehoboth, one block from the boardwalk and one block from Rehoboth's main street. All suites are two rooms: living room with TV, sleeping couch, refrigerator, microwave, etc; a separate bedroom with king or two double beds, TV and a bathroom. The hotel has a conference room for lectures, meals and cocktail/social hours.

The program provides eight lectures with topics ranging from serious discussions on science, finance, history, art and medical innovations to musical entertainment. Dinners and breakfast are provided at Brighton Suites. Lunch time provides opportunity to visit the many fine eateries in Rehoboth. Ample free time is available to walk the boardwalk, sun on the beach, visit the outlets or just hang out.

Last summer's program was a great success with 113 attendees. The program included talks on the Middle East, Jerome Kern and his Music, Meet the First Ladies, Women Who Spied, U S Economy, an Evening of Music, Global Warming and a ride on the Kalmar Nyckel.

We are looking forward to another successful program in 2014. Applications for the 2014 program should be available after Thanksgiving.

Gene McCord



Schedule of Events



SPECIAL EVENTS WEDNESDAYS

12:45-1:45 P.M. IN ROOM 105

Join us each Wednesday for Special Events. We welcome all members. Feel free to attend each week or select the programs that most interest you. You can buy your lunch, bring your lunch or just come and enjoy.

- October 2 - **Music Performance** Doug McNames, cellist
- October 9 - **Civil War Postal Service at the Front**, Florence Williams, Ph.D.
- October 16 - **Broadway Showstoppers** A Broad's Way, musical ensemble
- October 23 - **Covering Films and Stars for WHYY** Patrick Stoner, film critic, WHYY
- October 30 - **Riverview Cemetery—Reading the Stones** Lee Anderson, Ph.D.
- November 6 **Jailing the Johnston Gang** Bruce Mowday, journalist and author
- November 13 - **UD Lifelong Learning Orchestra** Allen Twedde, Conductor

OPERA LECTURES

Free and Open to the Public

Larry Peterson, UD professor emeritus, will present a series of lectures covering operas that will be broadcast at Glasgow Peoples Plaza and Regal Brandywine cinema complexes.

The lectures provide background information on the operas, the composers, the performers and the lavish productions. They are free and open to the public on selected Fridays at 12:30 p.m. in Room 124.

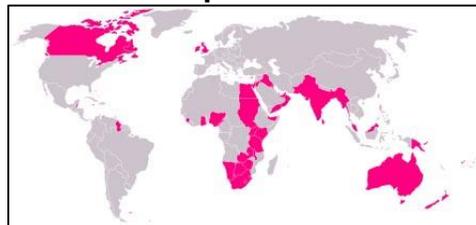
- November 8 – **Puccini's Tosca**
(Broadcasts November 9 and 14)
 - November 22 – **Verdi's Falstaff**
(Broadcasts December 14 and 19)
- Check the film schedule with the theater you wish to attend.

FRIDAY LECTURES

12:30-1:45 P.M, ROOM 108

WHAT WAS THE BRITISH EMPIRE? RAY CALLAHAN

Free and Open to the Public



At its height the British Empire comprised about a quarter of both the earth's land surface and the global population. Then in the twinkling of an eye it vanished, leaving behind some of today's most intractable problems. How did it come into existence, how was it run, and why did it unravel so quickly? These are the issues that will be addressed in this series of nine lectures by UD professor emeritus Raymond Callahan. Upcoming lectures are:

- October 11 – **How it grew: Losing America; gaining India.**
- October 18 – **The Indian Empire and its progeny.**
- October 25 – **How it worked: Administrators, soldiers, policeman—and spies.**
- November 1 — **The Caribbean**, Howard Johnson, professor emeritus, History
- November 8 – **Why it declined I: The challenge of war.**

CALENDAR 2013-2014

Fri., Oct. 11.. Spring 2014 course proposals due
 Thurs., Fri., Nov. 28, 29 Thanksgiving
 No classes, lifelong learning closed
 Fri., Dec. 6..... Fall semester ends
 Mon., Feb.10 Spring semester begins
 Mon., March 31-Fri., April 4 Spring Break
 No classes. lifelong learning closed
 Fri., May 16 Spring semester ends