Olli Forum

What is a Special Event Wednesday without music? The Forum began with an adaptation of Beethoven’s piano rondo, “Rage Over a Lost Penny” for piano and tuba with Council Chair Ben Raphael on the piano and Executive Vice Chair Thom Remington on tuba.

The work was dedicated to Neil Cullen and the Fundraising Committee. Neil reported on the progress in pursuing many pennies for the renovations of Arsht Hall in the summer of 2017: $1,068,000 from 1497 individual donors (as of March 1) representing 64% of our membership with many members giving multiple gifts. He stressed the value of support from all the members in the effort to impress foundations with the level of member participation. The new HVAC system will bring a quieter environment in which to appreciate the teachers and musicians.

Carolyn Stankiewicz reported on plans for summer session 2017 when Arsht will be closed for the renovations. Summer classes will be held at A.I. duPont High school, north of Osher on Hillside Road off Kennett Pike (DE52).

John Fulgoney reported on summer session 2016. In person registration will be available during the week of April 18. The fee will be $90 for up to six courses.

Larry Peterson went over the planned program for June à la Carte. This will be held Monday to Thursday starting June 6. There will be themes of great documents, feminism, cultural diversity and food. The fee will be $10 for each day except for Thursday’s session, when participants can partake of offerings from great Newark chefs for a fee of $20. Registration on Thursday is required by June 6, participation is limited to 150 and registrants must sign up for one other session.

Eric Sallee, incoming chair of the book sale and Barbara Hart, this past year’s chair, gave notice of the fall sale, which will be from October 31 to November 4. Members were given notice to start putting aside books to bring for the sale. The Book Sale is a very important event that raises money for the support of the Art and Music Departments at Osher. Volunteers

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Financial Report— FY17 Budget by Isabelle Husbands, Finance Officer

A comparison of the FY 2017 budget which takes effect July 1, 2016, and the FY 2016 budget is shown on the right.

The income increase is anticipated largely because of a projected increase in membership enrollment. The charges for individual fees remain the same as those experienced in the fiscal years 2015 and 2016.

The increase in salaries is based on additional personnel. Other changes are based on historical knowledge.

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| **EXPENSES**          |             |             |          |
| Salaries              | $446,146    | $402,240    | 10.9%    |
| Facilities:           |             |             |          |
| Capital Reserve       | 366,198     | 366,198     | 0.0%     |
| Operating Expense     | 353,550     | 354,250     | -2.0%    |
| Other Services        | 46,618      | 69,500      | -32.9%   |
| Total Facilities      | 766,366     | 789,948     | -2.92%   |
| Special Events        | 28,000      | 24,000      | 16.6%    |
| Marketing and Catalog | 44,262      | 49,000      | -9.7%    |
| Supplies and Equipment| 89,130      | 61,000      | 46.1%    |
| **TOTAL EXPENSE**     | $1,373,904  | $1,326,188  | 3.6%     |
are needed and can sign up on the Volunteer Form included in the Fall Catalog of course listings. A side benefit of volunteering is to be able to get an advance look at the offerings and the opportunity to socialize with other volunteers.

Ken Mulholland introduced the distance viewing effort which, this semester, is videotaping four courses: Scientific Perspectives on Healthy Aging, Navajo Mysteries, Volcanoes and Sacred Places. Volunteers are sought to help in coming semesters. See the article below.

Gene McCord gave information about OLLI at the Ocean. OLLI at the Ocean is a summer enrichment program held at the Brighton Suites in Rehoboth from May 31 to June 3. The Brighton Suites are one block from the boardwalk and one block from Main Street Rehoboth. Each suite contains a bedroom, sitting room and bath. The program includes dinner and breakfast with time to visit the many restaurants in Rehoboth for lunch. The program includes eight lectures and entertainment sessions including talks by Ralph Begleiter, Ed Okonowicz and Ray Callahan. Program and registration forms are available in the Lobby and at the Reception Desk.

Ben Raphael also promoted a member-to-member activity to share rides to Osher. A coordinator is needed for this effort.

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### Distance Viewing at Osher

By Ken Mulholland and John Taylor

Osher Lifelong Learning is in the process of creating a program called “Distance Viewing.” This program involves videotaping classes and making them available on the web for viewing by the members who have missed a class or want to review the material. At present four courses are being videotaped in room 117.

The Distance Viewing Team is looking for volunteers. The volunteers will be trained to videotape classes and to prepare the videos for viewing on the web. No specialized background is needed. If you are interested, contact Kenneth Mulholland at kmulholland37@comcast.net.

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### Osher Staff Listing, February, 2016

- **Pam Vari** Pam is an administrative assistant at the front desk from 8 am to 3:30 pm. Pam also puts away all classroom equipment at the end of each day from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm.
- **Ellen Saienni** Ellen is an administrative assistant who manages all registration process. She also orders all office, music and art supplies. She backs up Pam at the front desk.
- **Joni Bero** Joni is an administrative assistant who manages the database and helps design the layout of the catalog. She manages requests for scholarships, works with outside organizations to create off-site courses and schedules the Moo Mobile.
- **Jenna Ford** Jenna is a part time administrative assistant working Monday – Friday 9 am to 2:30 pm. She supports committees, processes member requests for UDelNet ID accounts and creates the weekly presentations for the lobby electronic bulletin board.
- **Tim Ward** Tim is a classroom technologist II who works from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm. Tim is responsible for all electronic equipment and assists instructors in resolving technology issues.
- **Jason Higgin** Jay is a part time AV assistant working Monday – Thursday, 7:30 am to 12:30 pm. He assists Tim in setting up equipment and resolving related technical issues.
- **Andrea Majewski** Andrea is the program coordinator. She is responsible for recruiting instructors and course proposals, creating the semester schedule, assigning rooms and working with instructors.
- **Carol Bernard** Carol is the manager and is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the program working closely with Council. She manages staff and the $1.4 million budget.

In addition, there are three miscellaneous wage, part time employees that work when needed during registration and catalog production. They are Dorothy Hofer, Kathleen DiCamilla and Jeanne Kennedy.
Vivian Young (1915-2016)

With great sadness we report the passing of Vivian Young on January 30. Vivian was a member of Osher for over 30 years. She achieved one of her life goals of reaching 100 years of age and to be of sound mind while doing so. With her husband Joe in his job at the UN, she traveled to many countries. She was always active in children’s issues.

Classmate Margaret Wang found her “a grande dame; so intelligent, and gracious.” Susan Arruda noted, she “was never afraid to make her opinion heard.” An interview with Vivian and Joe Young by Susan Flook may be found in the September 2015 newsletter (www.lifelonglearning.udel.edu/wilmington/newsletter/).

Tribute to Cynthia Kauffman
by Suguna Patibanda

Three years ago I had been encouraged to join Osher Lifelong Learning by my friends Ken and Kathy Mulholland “Volunteers teach varied subjects,” they said. I resisted the idea for a while. Then another friend said she was taking classes in abstract art and there were no exams. That was music for my ears.

I signed up for watercolor art class, intermediate level in the middle of the summer session. The instructor, Cynthia Kauffman, asked me to draw anything I wanted. I copied a greeting card. “You can draw” she said. At the end of class, Cynthia did an odd thing. She tore off a piece of natural sponge, handed it to me and asked me to come back the next week. I learnt to do washes, [a basic technique in painting] for the next two weeks! This has helped me paint the backgrounds in my own artwork.

Each semester a list of materials for art class is given to the students in her class. She is teaching oriented, teaching basics of painting at the beginning of each class. At end of class, she demonstrates techniques for 15 to 20 minutes. “I am here to teach” is her motto. If you can take the criticism and not be discouraged you are on the way to success. Criticism is softened with humor. Her famous quotes “if you don’t like it get rid of it.” “Don’t try to explain it, just do it.”

Friday Lecture Series, April 8 to May 6
Lewis and Clark, The Voyage Of Discovery
by William Jones

In this five-week lecture series we will investigate the reasons for the Louisiana Purchase and the epochal exploration conducted by Meriwether Lewis, William Clark and the Corps of Discovery. Using lecture, the Ken Burns’ film Lewis and Clark, the Voyage of Discovery and other resources, we will look at the preparation for the exploration, the adventures and trials the exploration faced, and what happened upon their return to civilization. We will explore the myths and controversy around the untimely death of Meriwether Lewis. We will also look closely at the role of Sacajawea in the exploration and at her life through the eyes of Native American women.

Social on Wednesday, March 16

Take a break and meet fellow members and friends for coffee, tea, conversation plus homemade cookies from our many volunteer bakers at the social. Gather in the Lobby at 1:30 p.m. There will be one more social this semester on Thursday, April 14.
Introducing Olli and Meme!
By Andrea Majewski

Olli and Meme Fox are new members of the Osher Lifelong Learning community. They’ve been living out in the fields surrounding Arsht Hall, and are very excited to join us. Olli wants to make a good impression on fellow members, and always tries to do the right thing; Meme, on the other hand, forgets that the other members are out there, and that inconsiderate actions can have a negative impact on everybody. We’re hoping that Olli’s good influence will rub off on Meme, and serve as a gentle reminder to us all that things run more smoothly when we treat others with courtesy and respect. Keep an eye out for their further adventures as the semester progresses.

Cartoon by Samantha Ford

Sat., May 21 Grounds for Sculpture, NJ
Thurs., June 2 9/11 Memorial, New York
Sun., June 5 to Sun., June 12 Bermuda Cruise, Celebrity from Port Liberty, NJ
Sat., June 18 Baltimore Inner Harbor
Sat., June 25 to Thurs., July 7 French River Cruise
Tues., July 19 to Tues., July 26 Niagara Falls, Toronto, Shaw Festival
Mon., August 1 to Thursday, August 11 America’s Southwest, National Park Adventure
Visit the Travel Desk in the Lobby, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

SAVING MONEY ON YOUR HOME AND CHURCH ENERGY COSTS
MARCH 16
ROOM 105 12:40 TO 1:05 P.M.

Please welcome Kerry Hollenbeck, Energy Advisor from Energize Delaware, who will discuss the benefits of creating an energy-saving environment in your home and community.

THIS EVENT IS SPONSORED BY THE OLLI ECO TEAM
Special Events Wednesdays
12:45 to 1:45 p.m. in Room 105
Announcements at 12:40 p.m.

These programs are a benefit for members only of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Delaware in Wilmington. Feel free to attend each week or select the programs that most interest you.

March 16—Saving Money on Your Home and Church Energy Costs
Kerry Hollenbeck, energy advisor, Energize Delaware

March 23—Odyssey of a Bombardier: The POW Log of Richard M. Mason
John J. Hurt, author and professor emeritus of history, University of Delaware

March 30—No program. Spring break.

April 6—Selections from Gilbert and Sullivan Productions
The Ardensingers

April 13—Gossip, Memoirs and History
Ray Callahan, professor emeritus of history, University of Delaware

April 20—Jazz Nonet
The Usual Suspects

Friday Lecture Series
12:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m., Room 108/109

All lectures are free and open to the public. Feel free to invite your friends.

March 11—Be Your Own Patient Advocate
Marie-Joséphine Royall-Schreck, R.N.
Royall-Schreck has been a patient advocate for 32 years in a clinical and corporate environment. As individuals become more knowledgeable and confident and assume more responsibilities for their personal health outcomes, it becomes important for them to understand not only the options available to them when making decisions but also how to better advocate for themselves to ensure that they are heard.

March 18—Amateur Radio – Spark to Space!
Talk and radio demonstration by the licensed student radio operators of K3DTS, The DelTech Stanton Campus Amateur Radio Club. They will give a brief history of ham radio up to today and tell us what “Hams” do. Texting without cell phones?

March 25—Global Warming: Science and Politics
Dick Cornelia, PhD chemist and DuPont retiree will present a comprehensive analysis of the science of global warming and the politics that influence the issue.

April 8, 15, 22, 29, May 6—Lewis and Clark, The Voyage Of Discovery
William Jones
(See description on page 4).