Welcome back to OLLI Fall 2017 session. The Renewing the Dream campaign was fulfilled this summer with major renovations to Arsht Hall. We have a new HVAC system, four new restrooms, a working elevator, water fountains with bottle filler stations, improvements in wiring for video projections, and upgrades in rooms 203 and 117. Thank you to our amazing manager Carol Bernard and our wonderful OLLI staff Tim Ward, Andrea Majewski, Joni Bero, Jenna Ford, Ellen Saienni, Pam Vari, Kathleen DiCamilla, Dorothy Hofer, Jay Higgin, and Brian Medina for making this needed renovation possible. The Renewing the Dream project was the result of the outstanding fund raising efforts of The Renewing the Dream committee headed by Neil Cullen and Pam Meitner and all the members of OLLI who donated to the campaign.

This summer, we had summer school at A.I. duPont High School. Under the leadership of Carolyn Stankiewicz and through the efforts of Andrea, Tim, Jenna, Jay, and Brian, more than 400 members went back to high school. Summer school was a lovely experience and a huge success. Carolyn’s committee of volunteers made the experience delightful.

This semester OLLI offers over 250 courses and 36 extra-curricular activities. There is something of interest for everyone. New this semester at OLLI are three Community Service Courses: “Help a Child—Be a Mentor”, “Help an Adult Learn to Read: Be a Tutor,” and “Create a Community: Aging in Place.” (See page 7 in the catalog). Returning to OLLI from October 6 to November 17, renowned Professor Ray Callahan will lecture Friday afternoons on “Setting Europe Ablaze: Britain and the European Resistance.” This will be a free series open to the public at Arsht Hall, Fridays, 12:30 p.m.–1:45 p.m.

SEW (Special Events Wednesdays) will start off on Wednesday, September 13, with a program on the new Community Service Courses and the OLLI Forum will follow on September 20. At the OLLI Forum you will have a chance to see what went on at Arsht Hall this summer, Summer Session, updates about your OLLI, and a musical program.

Have a wonderful semester, and thank you for your continued support of our OLLI.

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September 25-29: Bring A Friend and Get (Ice) Creamed!
by Linda Kellogg

That’s right! For each prospective member you bring to experience OLLI classes during the week of September 25th, you get a coupon for an ice cream at an upcoming visit by UD’s Moo Mobile. You are also automatically entered into a drawing for a $25 Wawa gift card.

Your friend(s) get to visit classes (please check with instructors first) and meet OLLI members. If your visitor joins OLLI, they get a reduced fall semester fee. They can check out the Reading Room, purchase lunch in the Café, enjoy the social on September 28 and experience members-only art exhibits, concerts and special activities that are going on that day.

Visitors who become members can also get the optional UD Student ID ($10): valuable access to UD library, fitness center (fee) and course-audit benefits as well as student discounts at a variety of participating museums and establishments.

So…help ensure that OLLI thrives and stays exciting. Bring your friends September 25-29. Everybody’s a winner.

Can’t Wait for the Moo Mobile?
You can get your ice cream fix at the original UDairy Creamery on the Agriculture Campus or at the new Wilmington location at 815 N. Market St.

The University of Delaware Women’s Club Welcomes Newcomers
The University of Delaware Women’s Club has welcomed newcomers to the University community since 1945 through its social and service opportunities for its members. Activities include special interest groups: book groups, walking groups, stitchery, movie group; field trips; fundraising for UD scholarships; an annual luncheon and welcome reception.

The UDWC is open to all women who support our purposes and want to participate in our activities. Dues are $20 per year payable to UDWC. Mail check to Peggy Sacher, 109 Meriden Drive, Newark, DE 19711 along with your contact information. Questions about UDWC? Write Peggy at Psacher@udel.edu or call 302-388-7448. The UDWC website is www.udel.edu/WomensClub.
Come lift a glass of champagne to celebrate the Renewing the Dream campaign on Friday, October 20 at 2:15 p.m. in the Lobby of Arsht Hall! All members are welcome to revel in raising over $1.78 million, exceeding the original goal of $1.5 million and obtaining a 92% participation rate. Iced tea, soda and cake will also be available as we sing praises for the success. Thanks to all who worked so hard over the past five years to make this happen—the Fundraising Committee and their helpers, the University of Delaware’s Development Office staff and, you, the donors. The updated donor plaque will also be revealed at the event listing the names of major donors. So, plan on attending and commemorating this very special event by thanking yourself and others for a job well done!
Welcome back to all from Special Events Wednesdays (SEW).

This fall, as outlined on page 15 of the new catalog, we have a varied and interesting program schedule. Most are “dessert” presentations. Of these, six are music performances, one is about music, and the rest consist of talks about subjects that we hope you will find both enjoyable and educational. However, they follow two “meat and potato” events. These, the semester’s first two programs, deserve special attention and you should not miss them.

Last year, Elliott Ketay came to us from Vermont and pioneered a new class, “Help a Child—Be a Mentor.” Mary Fox, executive director of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Delaware, came on board to help him. Their efforts turned out to be nothing short of revolutionary for our OLLI and paved the way our “Community Services Initiative”, an entirely new and rapidly developing chapter in our history, with Elliott as the coordinator. On September 13, at the first Special Events Wednesdays session of the new semester, Elliott and the directors of three public service organizations will tell us about these programs and how we can help give back to the community. Look for more information about the Community Service Courses on page 7 of the fall catalog.

The second program is the OLLI Forum on September 20. Our semi-annual Forums, as a rule, have not been as well attended as our “dessert” presentations, and this one may be the only one until next fall. It is up to us to keep our beloved OLLI running and to know what’s going on. Last year, we added a little entertainment in an effort to boost attendance, and we will continue to do so. However, we urge you to come to this particular Forum because, as Joan Miller states in her report on page 1, we will learn about the details and benefits of this summer’s renovations, as well as any concerns. I, for one, am anxious to find out whether the new HVAC system will really keep all the rooms at an even temperature and if the reduced noise level will allow me to hear better. Did we get what we bargained for with all that extra money that we contributed? There’s more —lots more.

The OLLI Outreach Program 2017-2018 by Myriam Medinilla

There are currently musical groups and speakers who go out from OLLI into the community to present entertaining and informative programs for nursing homes, retirement communities, senior citizens groups and churches. Every October this list of presenters is updated and a new listing is sent to about 70 program directors in northern Delaware and nearby venues in Pennsylvania, Maryland and New Jersey. Members who want to be part of the Outreach Program as a musical group or speaker please let us know, so you can be included in the new listing. We need the title of your group, the contact person’s phone number and e-mail address and a brief description of the composition of the group and the type of music you play. If you wish to present an interesting topic as a speaker, we need the name of your topic, the speaker’s name and contact information, and a brief description of what your talk is about. Conversely, if you no longer wish to participate in this worthwhile community endeavor, please let us know, so that you can be removed from the list. Please respond by September 23. Thank you.

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Summer Session 2017
By Carolyn A. Stankiewicz, Chair, Summer Session 2017

On July 11, 2017, the opening bell for summer session rang at A.I. duPont High School. The exciting new venue held our over 40 classes (including two art classes) along with blockbuster lectures in the auditorium with comfortable seating. Over a 12-day period four hundred students took advantage of thought provoking lectures and engaging classes.

Twenty-four volunteers (most pictured below) guided our members to their classrooms, answered questions and handled parking. The volunteers were a dedicated, smiling bunch and enabled summer session to run smoothly. A hearty thank you to all of them! The OLLI on site team headed by Andrea, Jenna and Tim were fabulous. The staff handled the equipment, logistics and made everyone feel welcome. A celebratory luncheon at A.I. duPont on the last day of classes was the perfect way to thank the volunteers and staff for a job well done! Summer Session 2018 will be held in Arsht Hall. Hope to see you there.

Pictures by Joan Miller

Advantages of registering your laptop, tablet or smartphone at Arsht Hall and a UD email account

- Access email and the web with eduroam at Arsht Hall and many academic institutions and museums.
- Amazon Prime Student rate
- New York Times digital access at academic rate

Help with registering your device will be available in the Lobby, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday during Lunch.
Spotlight on Information Technology

by Susan Arruda

Each month I will be focusing on a different area of interest at OLLI Wilmington.

Remember how big the first computers were and how computer developers promised they would change the world? Remember when you first used a computer? Remember getting one of your own? How about that first smartphone? Today, we use this technology without even thinking about it for everything from keeping in touch (Facebook), to ordering stuff, to writing this article and sending it to the Lifelong Learning News editor. My 5-year old granddaughter thinks nothing of getting on a smartphone to play games and look at pictures. Kids today will grow up with this technology. How many times have you asked your own child or grandchild to help you with your device? Information Technology classes at OLLI help us learn about our devices and become experts at their use.

Computer labs involve hands-on instruction with individual equipment. We are fortunate to have labs with up-to-date desktop PC and Mac laptops. Many students, however, prefer to bring their own computers to class. Lab classes are divided into beginner, intermediate and advanced levels, which refer to the minimum computer background needed to understand the material being presented. Some classes may have prerequisites. Beginning PC courses start at the beginning — assuming you have little or no computer knowledge. It is interesting to note that the number of these classes has decreased over the years! Classes cover the basics — from how to turn your computer on to basic applications such as word processing, spreadsheets, email and the internet. Instructors are up-to-date on the latest programs (i.e. Windows 10). Intermediate courses include topics such as Desktop Publishing (make your own letterheads, brochures, labels), OneNote (create notes from scratch and organize them in notebooks), Word Fundamentals (create, edit and format documents, add pictures and use of mail merge). Advanced PC courses cover such topics as Creating and Maintaining Web Pages and Windows 10 Touch Screen. On the Mac side, beginner courses are offered, as well as Photo Apps for Mac, which deals with digital photo editing.

A very popular course is “Smart Phones and their Applications,” which focuses on practical applications for smartphones. We have also offered “History of Digital Technology,” which chronicles the story of the men and women who have created the “greatest inventions mankind has ever known.”

New for this semester is “Your Digital Legacy.” This course helps the student plan and engage in digital estate planning. You will learn to identify important information to pass on to your descendants, document your wishes and make decisions about preserving computer data. With so much of our information stored on the computer and in the cloud, it’s important to plan and inform our heirs about how to deal with this digital legacy.

Of course, utilizing computer technology doesn’t stop in the classroom. The PC Users Group and Digital Photography Workshops are extra-curricular activities that explore all the things that can be done with your technology devices. Group members informally discuss tips, techniques, trends and difficulties (and solutions).

So, if you’ve just gotten a new device, updated your old one, want to better utilize your computer, tablet or iPad, want to know what all the apps are on your iPhone, or just want to show your grandchildren that you’re really smart, take a course in the area of Information Technology. Now, let me see how to add some graphics to this article before I email it to the editor.
Instructors' Meeting Spurs Idea for New Class  
by Cree Hovsepian

An idea originating a few years ago from the art instructors’ meeting is now a reality. Instructors commented that (mainly new) members didn't know which art class to take. Would they like watercolor, oil, or acrylics? What would they do with all the supplies if they didn't like the class? Each time we met we explored the idea of a multi-media class that would "give a sample" of each art medium. As the art area curriculum representative I always put it on the meeting agenda. In the meetings, we talked about how to develop such a class, what topics to include (remembering that this would be a class for members who knew little or had never painted), and most importantly how to handle the basic supplies needed.

We finally decided to start with drawing (basic to all media), then watercolor, acrylics and oil. Each medium will be taught for three weeks in our 12-week semester. If there is an extra week at the end, students will have a choice of what to paint. Volunteers stepped up to be the instructors and we assembled a team.

How to handle supplies was the most difficult challenge. We decided that we would buy all the supplies and charge members who registered for the class an extra $25 (really a bargain for supplies for four media). The team met and generated ideas about what basic supplies were needed. Kathy Kelk, the class coordinator, prepared/priced a list of what supplies were needed from team input. She also showed how the materials fee would eventually pay for all the supplies needed. We also decided on purchasing some items that could be shared (like large tubes of paint).

Each instructor is responsible to determine the topics that will be discussed. The instructors will get together to determine basic theory of general interest that students would need to learn (e.g., color wheel, perspective, composition, horizon line, etc.). We also wanted to ensure that at the end of three weeks, each student generated a painting that could be taken home. We discussed how to pay for the supplies with Carol Bernard and Ellen Saienni. Donations to OLLI from the art sales plus our share of the book sales go into the Gift Fund. Carol said that we could fund the initial purchase from the Gift Fund and use the first materials fee to pay for some of the supplies. The materials fee will then be used for restocking supplies.

The primary instructors are: Cynthia Miller for drawing, Patti Morse (with Kathy Albright as assistant) for watercolor, Kathy Kelk for acrylics, and Kathy Kelk (with Cree Hovsepian as assistant) for oil.

Kudos to the art instructors! An idea from the instructors’ meeting has turned into a new OLLI class. The instructors’ meeting gives a valuable opportunity to get together to review past/present concerns and plan for the future. The new course is “Art Sampler: Intro to Drawing and Painting,” B07 in the 2017 Fall Catalog.
Who’s Who on the OLLI Staff by Carol Bernard

Left to right: Brian Medina, Carol Bernard, Ellen Saienni, Joni Bero, Andrea Majewski, Jay Higgin, Jenna Ford, Tim Ward, Pam Vari.
Photo by Kathy Atkinson.

Pam Vari – 573-4486 pvari@udel.edu – Pam, Administrative Assistant, manages the busy front desk, answering questions from members and maintaining the calendar of events. She is the staff person who arranges all auditing of UD credit courses for members who make that request.

Tim Ward – 573-4486 tward@udel.edu – Tim, Classroom Technologist III, works from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tim is responsible for planning and maintaining all electronic equipment, room set-up and assisting instructors in resolving technology issues. Jay Higgin and Brian Medina work alongside Tim who is their supervisor.

Jay Higgin – 573-4417 jasonhig@udel.edu – Jay, part-time AV assistant, works Monday – Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. He sets up classroom AV equipment and resolves related technical issues for instructors. He also assists with data input. And offers an AV class for current and potential instructors.

Brian Medina – 573-4411 bmedina@udel.edu – Brian works part-time from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. supporting member requests and issues related to UDNet ID accounts. At the end of the day, Brian is very busy putting AV equipment away and staging it for the next day’s round of classes.

Ellen Saienni – 573-4415 ellensai@udel.edu – Ellen, Administrative Assistant, manages all the money and registration processes. She receives all incoming checks, cash and credit cards. She also orders all office, music and art supplies. She backs up Pam at the front desk during busy times.

Joni Bero – 573-4433 jbero@udel.edu – Joni, the new Osher Outreach Coordinator is responsible for developing partnerships in the community that result in off-site courses. She also manages the database including online registration and helps design the layout of the catalog. Joni manages the scholarship program and also schedules the Moo Mobile!

Jenna Ford – 573-4420 jaford@udel.edu – Jenna, Administrative Assistant, supports the work of 33 committees. She designs fliers and signs, manages the website and Facebook page and assists with data entry and catalog production. She also creates the PowerPoint for the electronic bulletin board in the Lobby.

Andrea Majewski – 573-4447 ajwm@udel.edu – Andrea, Program Coordinator, is responsible for recruiting instructors and course proposals for each semester. She does data entry of course proposals, creates the semester schedule, assigns rooms and works with the Curriculum Committee to ensure a high quality program.

Carol Bernard – 573-4416 cbernard@udel.edu – Carol, Manager, Osher Learning Centers, oversees the day-to-day operations of the OLLI program, working closely with Council. Carol coordinates staff efforts, manages the $1.4 million budget and interfaces with multiple University of Delaware departments to obtain services for the campus and program.

Misc. Wage Workers – In addition to the staff listed above, there are three miscellaneous wage, part-time employees who work when needed during registration and catalog production. They are Dorothy Hofer, Kathleen DiCamilla and Jeanne Kennedy.
OLLI People in the News

A Lifelong Love of Art

On June 23, WHYY interviewed Eve and Marvin Stone in their home studios as part of First Friday/First Experience. In their working lives they were graphic artists for DuPont. Since retiring from their graphics art business each has pursued the medium that they have come to love. Eve favors oils because one can always do many layers and cover up any mistakes. Marvin has always sketched as part of his affinity for architecture and nature. Eve sums up their life in art: “You never stop learning. You can always find something new” through creativity and “There is a joy, there is a wonder at everything you see, everywhere you go.”

You can watch the interview on: YouTube at www.youtube.com/watch?v=_5KzC6zduIY or at http://whyy.org/cms/first/2017/ [search the archive].
Watercolors from Marvin’s “Sketching in Watercolor” class will be displayed along the South Hallway of Arsht Hall during the week of October 30; oils from Eve’s “Contemporary Oil Painting” class will be on display the week of November 6.

OLLI Has Style

For two weeks in a row The News-Journal profiled women with OLLI connections in the Style Files of the Sunday Life section.

On June 25, the featured stylish woman was Lisa McInnis, former senior secretary at OLLI and now site coordinator for the UD Wilmington downtown campus. Lisa is also an exemplar of lifelong learning, using her employee tuition credit to obtain an associate degree and continuing towards a bachelor’s in criminal justice.

On July 2, Libby Zurkow, OLLI instructor, was singled out for her life-time of impeccable dress. Her philosophy is summed up: “Whether teaching at the Academy [OLLI], working as a consultant with clients, or lecturing to a community group or university class, I try to dress appropriately for the occasion.”

Libby (shown at the right) was also guest lecturer in the Dying in the 21st Century class at Temple University’s LKSOM Center for Bioethics, Urban Health and Policy. She spoke to health professionals and graduate students on problems of housing, loss and friendship associated with aging.

Earlier, on March 22, Pat Goodman, singer, poet, master gardener, and OLLI instructor was recognized in Style Files for her artsy, trendy style.
Travel

2017

Sat., October 14  Day in New York
Sat., October 28  Day in Washington

2018

Thurs., Jan. 4 to Sun., Jan. 14  Waikiki and Hawaii cruise
For information on these trips visit the Travel Desk in the Lobby on
Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Resident Ensemble Players

Resident Ensemble Players (REP) is a professional theatre group “located at the Roselle Center in Newark.

2017-2018 schedule:
September 14–October 8  The Mountaintop by Katori Hall
September 21–October 8  You Can't Take It with You by George S. Kaufman and Moss Hart
November 9–December 3  From the Author Of… by Chisa Hutchinson
January 18–February 4  Dial "M" For Murder by Frederick Knott
March 1–March 18  A Flea in Her Ear by Georges Feydeau
April 19–May 6  Twelfth Night by William Shakespeare

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ECO TEAM

Take advantage of the new filling stations in Arsht and avoid the energy wasted in producing, transporting and disposing of plastic bottles. Watch the bulletin board for recycling information.

This environmentally focused group is designed to support green behavior in our homes, communities and at OLLI. We welcome your ideas. Come to an ECO TEAM meeting on Fridays at 11:45 a.m. in Room 114.

Lobby Concerts by Carol Hughes, Lobby Concert Coordinator

Another semester and its Lobby Concerts is about to begin. I need request forms from ALL performers, including those that are prescheduled. I have forms and more are in my slot in the Reception area. The Lobby is unavailable for musical group performances on the following dates:

Week of October 30 (Book Sale); November 6 thru 9 (Arts and Crafts sale),

September 26 or November 16 (Socials); Wednesdays (SEW).

If your group rehearses regularly, choose a date early in the semester. The prescheduled performances fill up the last 2-3 weeks.
On Monday, May 15 at the OLLI Dover’s new facility on College Park Drive in Dover, the three councils for the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute of the University of Delaware, OLLI Wilmington, OLLI Dover and OLLI Lewes/Ocean View met for a daylong exchange of information and ideas. Anna Moshier, manager of OLLI Lewes/Ocean View and Dover, and Carol Bernard, manager, Osher Learning Centers, were the facilitators. About 30 council members from all three OLLIs were in attendance as was James Broomall, associate vice provost, Continuing Studies for UD.

The purpose was to acquaint each of the three OLLIs with each other’s programs, schedules of classes, outreach programs and resources, and explore suggestions for a stronger relationship among the three OLLIs. Catalogs, schedules and events for all three OLLIs are on line at:

www.lifelonglearning.udel.edu/wilm;
www.lifelonglearning.udel.edu/dover;
www.lifelonglearning.udel.edu/lewes.

A statewide goal for the three OLLIs is to project an image of one entity representing OLLI at UD. Among the ways that we might accomplish this goal would be to recruit instructors to teach at other venues. We can make an effort to hold special events at the various OLLI locations and invite members from all OLLIs to attend. We can also promote an initiative to develop relationships with outside entities to host classes and share resources throughout the state. We are part of something wonderful. Now is the time to get to know each other. The next statewide meeting of the three OLLIs will be in October and will be hosted by OLLI Wilmington.

Distance Viewing at Osher
by Ken Mulholland, Distance Viewing Team

Distance Viewing, where you can view classes you missed or a course that is interesting, is in full swing at OLLI. At present 14 courses are available on the web. Any member of OLLI can access the courses at http://tinyurl.com/spring2017olli.

Since the goal is to videotape 4 to 8 courses per semester, volunteers are needed. They will be trained on how to videotape a class and put the video on the web.

If you are interested, contact Kenneth Mulholland at kmulholand37@comcast.net.

Password Expiration
by Tom Keane

Be advised that your UDelnet password is not permanent. It will eventually expire. Under the current system, no warning of the expiration is issued to OLLI members.

You can check the expiration date of your password by logging in to My UD Settings (udapps.nss.udel.edu/myUDsettings) and viewing your password information in the My account settings section.

You can create a new password there or on the network page (www.udel.edu/network).
Special Events Wednesdays
12:45 to 1:45 p.m. in Room 105
Announcements at 12:40 p.m.

These programs member-only programs are a benefit of OLLI. Feel free to attend each week or select the programs that most interest you.

September 13—Community Service Courses See page 4 for more information

September 20—OLLI Forum Joan Miller, Council chair See page 1 for more information.

September 27—The Stanley Brothers and their Steam Cars Richard Bernard, OLLI member and volunteer at the Marshall Steam Museum

October 4—Jazz Concert Elmer Dill and the Swing City Band

October 11—The New Castle Frenchtown Railroad and the C&D Canal Mike Dixon, historian and writer

October 18—Fortepiano Concert Susan Duer, DMA, OLLI member and fortepiano artist

Friday Lectures
Fridays, 12:30 p.m., Room 108/109
Free and Open to the Public

Ray Callahan will lecture on “Setting Europe Ablaze: Britain and the European Resistance” starting on October 6.

Winston Churchill fostered a new approach to war: using resistance groups inside an enemy’s territory to distract and damage your opponent. This approach would make a profound impression, not only on World War II but on events down to the present day:

Details at http://www.lifelonglearning.udel.edu/wilmington/lectures/

Social on Thursday, September 28
Take a break and meet fellow members and friends for coffee, tea, conversation plus homemade cookies from our many bakers at the first Social of the semester. Gather in the Lobby at 1:30 p.m.

Later socials will be on Wednesday, October 18 and Tuesday, November 14. Leave a note in the Socials mailbox if you want to volunteer to make cookies for any Social.

Calendar 2017
Mon., Sept. 11 ......................Start of fall semester
Thurs., Nov. 23–Fri., Nov. 24 ..........Thanksgiving
Fri., Dec. 8 ........................ End of fall semester 2018
Mon., Feb. 5 ......................Start of spring semester
Mon. March 26–Fri., March 30 .........Spring break
Fri., May 11 ........................ End of spring semester