



# The Tides...

Breaking News from Lifelong Learning

Fall 2015

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Delaware in Lewes/Ocean View

## 17th Annual Homecoming Picnic — Good Food, Fun, Music & Dance

### Salty Brine's Seaside Chat



AHOY, Osher shipmates! After the June, 2015, summer session the OLLI Queen went into to dry dock for some spiffing up including bright work polishing, especially the ship's bell, new sails, and new paint in the Udel color scheme of blue and gold; bottom line it was ship shape and ready to weigh anchor and set sail for Cape Henlopen State Park to attend the Osher 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Homecoming Picnic on Tuesday, October 13, 2015... we had just lowered the gangway at 0800 for members to come aboard when we received ...---... (SOS) radio gram that our picnic supplier had

**NO** Portobello mushrooms, what to do? Salty immediately dispatched a 3rd class boatswain's mate to head down coastal highway in search of the Portobello mushrooms; about an hour later the mate arrived, smiling, and members cheering, he had secured 50 Portobello mushrooms...day saved; we continued boarding, after the cheering stop, of about 125 OLLI members and weighed anchor at 0930, right on schedule, with a mixture of sun and clouds, a light breeze, fairly calm seas, and the temp about 60 degrees; dropped anchor at 1000, lowered the gangway and disembarked the members for their trek to the pavilion knowing the 50 Portobello mushrooms would be delivered to the all-hands working party for prepping...

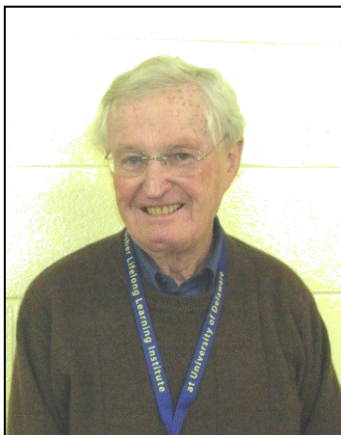


Before we go any further let's give a tip of Salty's cap to Udel personnel who moved the heavy tables into place as directed; those manning the registration table; Dolores and Joan's crew who covered tables, cut orange/red/yellow peppers into four-sides square, sliced onions, zucchini, tomatoes, and painstakingly removed the gills from the

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Photos by Jay Wheeler

## From the Chair and the Council



The Homecoming Picnic, always fun, was blessed this year with absolutely delightful weather. Salty Brine has a full report in this issue. Thanks to those who volunteered their time to make the event a success.

Always on the look-out to add another plastic card to my wallet, I was thrilled to learn from Anna that UD ID cards are now available to Osher members for \$5.00 and the time it takes for a photograph. It developed that I went to visit a patient at Beebe Medical Center (Remember when it was a hospital?) and the receptionist asked me for a picture ID. Yes, I gave her the UD card and, without hesitation, she gave me a pass. I'm told that it can be used for discounts at the bookstore and campus events. See Anna to see if you too can be ID'ed.

The October issue of *Delaware Beach Life* has two articles that feature Osher Lewes members. Page 81 starts an article about members Joan and Jack Gordon at their beautiful Bethany Beach home which has a panoramic view of gorgeous wetlands and a waterway observable from some invitingly colorful rooms and decks. Turning to page 84 you will see the smiling Dolores Fiegel in action at a Kitchen Kapers class-held that week at Ron and Ann Reese's house. Turn the page and you will find Bernie hard at work. The article was a fine tribute to the many contributions the Fiegels have made, year after year, at Osher and throughout the coastal community. I must say that the author, Mary Ann Benyo nailed the distinct differences between Bernie and Dolores in their approach to getting the job done. She also limned their great partnership accurately.

On Sunday, October 11, the Seaside Jewish Community held a forum at the Virden Center on the campus of the UD College of Earth, Ocean & Environment on the subject of immigration. This event was in memory of our late member Dorothy Brecher, a longtime advocate for the needy and oppressed and a founder of the Seaside Jewish Community. It was a privilege to attend and listen to some very insightful discussions. It was great to see Sy Brecher who now resides at a continuing care community near Silver Spring, MD.

The good news is that with 550 members, we are at an all-time high. This brings with it a downside—parking problems. We have a letter from Mayor Ted Becker of Lewes saying that the town has received numerous complaints about cars blocking driveways, crosswalks and hydrants. Anna has met with the Mayor about this. We must take these complaints and our relationship with our neighbors seriously. Please be mindful and act as you would like others to act if this were your neighborhood.

Enjoy the rest of the semester and attend the end of semester luncheon on December 3.

*Bill*



### Calendar of Events

- Nov 11 – No classes - Veteran's Day
- Nov 15 – Trip to REP, Heartbreak House
- Nov 18 – Last day of classes
- Nov 25 - 27 – Thanksgiving holiday -  
office closed
- Dec 3 – Instructor Recognition Luncheon -  
Atlantic Sands, Rehoboth Beach
- Dec 24 - Jan 1, 2016 – Winter Break - office  
closed

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Portobello mushrooms now in-hand, directing members where to place their food, and setting up the condiments; on to the grill where grill masters were putting up with smoke, the heat, the rush of members barking out what they wanted, “one not too done burger,” “one well-done burger,” “two zucchini,” “one red, one orange, no make that two yellow peppers,” “two dogs, no buns,” and so on and so on, and never once complaining; the clean-up crew, and last but not least to the twofigs (aka Bernie and Dolores) who have orchestrated all 17 Homecoming picnics from 1998 to 2015, a job well done by all, because we couldn’t put on a fun-loving, member friendly, organized, and sometimes dis-organized picnic without all your help...**thank you, thank you, thank you!**

The groaning boards were loaded with soo many delicious goodies too numerous to name and OLLI members, all but guaranteed, that two tables of desserts would satisfy the “sweet tooth” of everyone in attendance; any leftover desserts go back to school for the next morning “sugar fix,” the other leftovers go to needy areas...by noon the weather Gods were smiling down on us and the temp was in the low 70s, lots of sun, and a light breeze...

...fun and animated conversations going on everywhere, members catching up with each other, all enjoying the many delicious foods, having a fun time, and kibitzing with fellow members throughout the picnic festivities...

The picnic started to wind down with choral director Roo Brown and the “Elder Moments” entertaining all – what can be said about them that hasn’t already been said...maybe just continue on, and on!...to close out the fun-loving festivities the English Country Dance class members did a dance demo – “Zephyrs and Flora” called by Carol West...a great way to end the 17th...

>>>Salty says...shipmates mark your calendar for the OLLI Holiday Luncheon, Instructors’ Recognition, on Thursday, December 3, 2015, at the Atlantic Sands in Rehoboth Beach...and arts and crafts members start thinking about what you’re going to display?

Contributing writer – Cera Belum



Photos by: Ptery Iris & Jay Wheeler

**See more photos on pages 8 & 9**

## Travel to REP Plays Offered



Again this year OSHER travel committee has booked tickets for the Resident Ensemble Players (REP) season at the University of Delaware. The REP is made up of Actors Equity professionals who teach theatre courses at UD as well as staging six productions this season. The selected plays run the gamut of theatrical periods and types. All plays are presented in the Roselle Center for the Arts where every seat has a clear view of the stage.

Join us on:

- November 15 for *Heartbreak House*, based on Charles Dickens' novel;
- January 24 for *Wait Until Dark*, a suspenseful drama of a blind heroine;
- March 6 or 13 for *To Kill a Mockingbird*, the American classic story of justice in the South.

Travel will be by motor coach, leaving from Lewes and returning at the conclusion of the show. Reservation and payment information will be sent by email as well as being posted on the bulletin board.

Submitted by Mary Folan, Travel Co-Chair

## OPERA LOVERS ... STAY TUNED

Joan Sciorra, Osher travel chair, is planning two trips to Opera Delaware's spring festival 2016 at The Grand Opera House in Wilmington.

### FALSTAFF

Adapted from two of Shakespeare's greats, *The Merry Wives of Windsor* and *Henry IV*, Verdi's Falstaff sparkles with freshness and originality...an opera of comedic genius.

Performance Date: [May 15, 2016 | 2:00pm](#)

### HAMLET

OperaDelaware presents the East Coast Premiere of Franco Faccio's setting of *Hamlet* that was 150 years ahead of its time. Lost, forgotten, and now rediscovered, opera critics are calling it "a remarkable achievement."

Performance Date: [May 22, 2016 | 2:00pm](#)

If you are interested contact

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## Learn How to Create a Gift Using Your Favorite Photo

Thursday, **October 29**, 1:30-3:30PM, Barbee Kiker will offer **Create a Photo Magnet or Key Chain** — using the Shutterfly app on your iPad to create a fridge magnet or key chain with your favorite photo. These make great holiday gifts. You will use the latest iPad operating system, IOS 8.4.1 as of August 2015. Instructions for downloading the Shutterfly app will be emailed before class. Bring your personal iPad or use one of Osher's iPads.

This course is offered on a first come-first served basis. You can register in the office.

### Suggestions Requested

In response to the June program, **Shifting Perspectives After 60**, I've submitted a proposal for a follow-up program for Spring 2016. The follow-up will include brain fitness exercises, cognitive aging research, development across the lifespan and *focused discussions on aging*. I'd appreciate your feedback, regardless of whether you attended the initial program, on specific topics or areas of adaptive aging you would like to see covered or addressed. Please send your suggestions by the end of the month to me, Jo-Ann Vega, at: [athomevega@gmail.com](mailto:athomevega@gmail.com). This will help me identify priority topics for discussions.

Submitted by Jo-Ann Vega

### Osher Members in the News



Osher Instructor Dean Hoover was the subject of the "Saltwater Portrait" in the July 14 issue of the *Cape Gazette*.

OLLI member Patty Bennett is now the writer of the Talk of the Town, Lewes Socials column in the weekly *Coast Press*.

Members, instructors and Council members Dolores and Bernie Fiegel are featured in the October issue of *Delaware Beach Life*.

The beautiful home of members Joan and Jack Gordon is also featured in this month's issue of *Delaware Beach Life*

*Delaware Beach Life* also published some of John Hoyt's photos.

We like to toot a horn for any of our members or instructors who get recognized by the local press so let us know by telling Renee in the office or send an email.

### UD Photo ID's Available

We will hold a photo makeup day if you would like to purchase a UD ID card on Thursday, November 5, 2-4PM in room 104. Please bring your drivers license/photo ID and a \$5 check made payable to the University of Delaware.

If you previously purchased a UD ID card, please pick it up in Anna's office. If you would like to pick up your card in Ocean View, please contact Anna to make those arrangements.



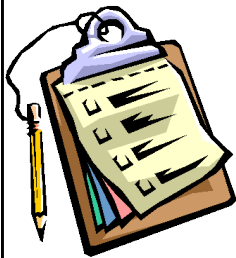
## Members Medal at the Athletes to End Alzheimer's Run/Walk

On August 2nd Osher members participated in the first annual Athletes to End Alzheimer's. Two members of the Osher Team( Jacob Lapidès and Jay Wheeler) finished the 5K run/walk and earned second place medals. Osher was happy to be a partner in this event to support Alzheimer's research! This was a great opportunity to promote the Osher program. Do you see our fearless leader???



Photo by SmugMug

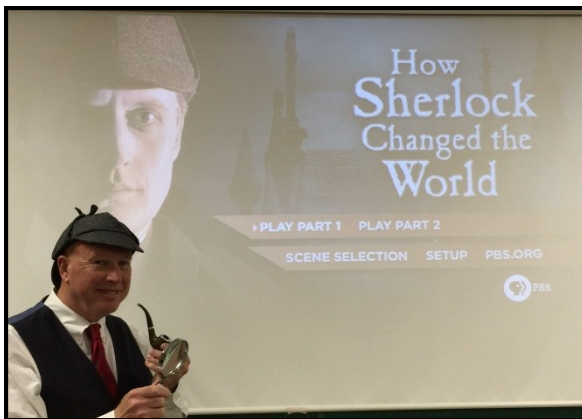
### We Need Your Feedback



Please assist us in offering the highest quality programs by providing feedback. You will be sent an online feedback form. Please complete this form for each course you attended this Fall session including courses you may have stopped attending. If you prefer a paper copy please stop by the office. Your feedback is helpful to the instructor, the Academic Affairs committee and Anna for keeping our program relevant and exciting.

**Please complete only one evaluation per course (either paper or online).**

### Fall Semester Instructors at Their Best

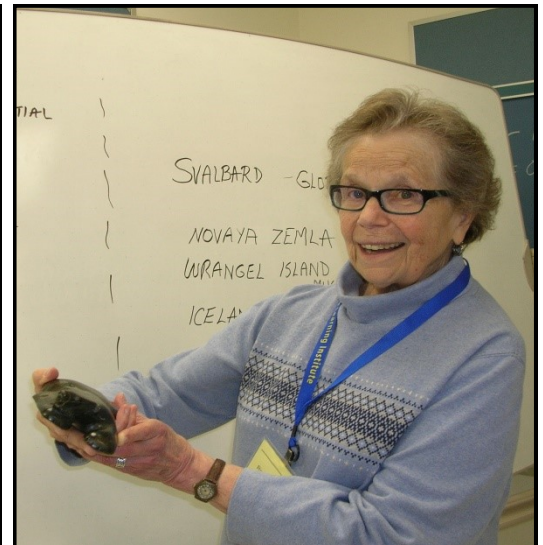


Above: Paul Collins, Science and the Detective

Photo by Denise Bridgens

Left below: Tom Lord, Mushrooming 101 — Photo by Yuan Lin

Right : Roz Troupin, Polar Explorations — Photo by Lynn Kroesen



# Fall 2015 Semester Off To A Great Start



*Ocean View Open House September 2, 2015.*



*Travel Chair Joan Sciorra welcomes new member in Ocean View.*

*Photos by:  
Maureen  
Sherlock, Carol  
West, Anna  
Moshier & Lynn  
Kroesen*

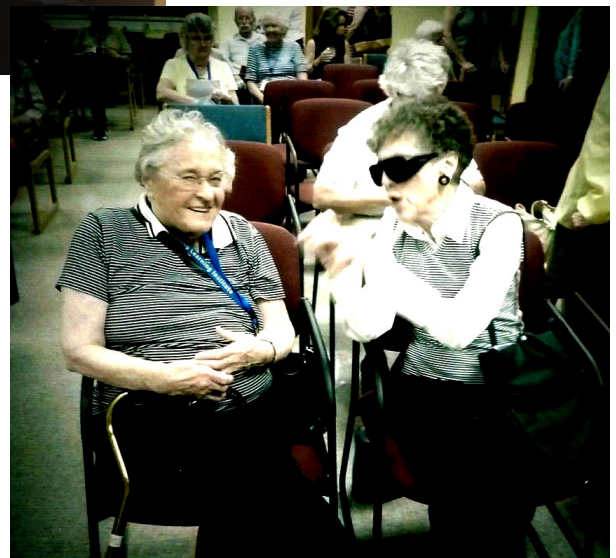


*Bernie Fiegel (second from left) with Kitchen Kapers in Ocean View.*



*Guest speaker Rosalie Walls from the Marvel Museum in Georgetown for Historical Societies class.*

*Below: Amy Sloan & Catherine Stewart enjoy between class conversation.*



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*Check in with Renee & Anna.*



*Tom & Irene Safrit*



*Bill & Tom cook burgers & dogs!!*



*Photos by: Ptery Iris, Carol West,  
Jay Wheeler & Lynn Kroesen*



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*Never enough deviled eggs!!*



*Entertainment provided by Carol West's English Country Dance class and Roo Brown 's Elder Moments.*

