

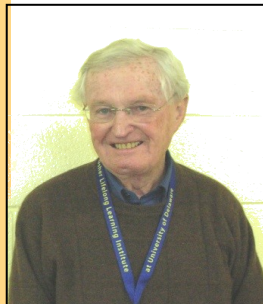


The Tides...

Breaking News from Lifelong Learning

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

Annual Report From the Chair and the Council



The Council year runs from May to April because this suits the planning and management of our academic year of two semesters that begins in September and ends in March. In April we say thanks and farewell to those leaving the Council. In May we seat new members and select officers and committee chairs for the upcoming year. So a big thanks to:

Lynn Kroesen has served as Vice Chair and as Communications Chair. She has sent out countless items about Osher happenings to the media and has done a wonderful job editing and publishing this newsletter. She asked if she could continue this work as a non-council chair. We were delighted to agree.

Rob Morgan has served as Secretary, preparing minutes of council meetings. I commend him for handling this difficult and, frankly, thankless, job with grace and a sense of humor. Rob has recently won reelection to the Lewes City Council and will be focusing his efforts there.

Carol West has been Co-Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, a very key job that is pivotal to building and coordinating our program of courses. She has also been very active in promoting our program in Ocean View, including organizing a few very successful Happy Hours. She will continue to promote our program south of the inlet and lead English Country Dancing.

A warm welcome to the new Council members:

Kathy Henn has a Ph.D. and has taught undergraduate and graduate courses in history, philosophy, world religions and scripture. This Renaissance woman has, with Howard, her husband, lived in many places in Europe, Asia & South America.

Jane McGann's career has included stints in the communications, banking and health care industries. Her most recent experience was as a career coach, working for an outplacement company.

Bud Zimmerman practiced physical therapy for 12 years, got an MBA and spent 32 years as COO or CEO of hospitals and long term care organizations. Bud has been very active on the Community Relations Committee to spread the word about the Ocean View program.

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From the Chair continued

A big congratulations to Cape Henlopen School District Superintendent Bob Fulton, Director of Facilities, Brian Bassett, and all the others involved in successful passage of the recent bond referendum. The monies approved in the referendum, which was approved by a decisive 3-1 margin, will allow the construction of two new and the renovation of two additional elementary schools. The Cape is a textbook case of good planning. Beginning years ago, with a UD projection of school population growth, which has proven remarkably accurate, Cape began a process of facilities planning, with wide community participation. Osher Lewes/Ocean View has had a seat at the table all along. This process has produced referendum approvals for a gorgeous new high school, two new middle schools, a new elementary school now under construction on Rte. 24, and now the most recent approval. Cape should be commended for its forward, proactive approach.

Where, you might ask, is this growth coming from? Just look in the mirror. We seniors have been flocking to eastern Sussex County at ever accelerating rates for years. We create demands for new housing, home modernization and maintenance, not to mention medical diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation services. We like to eat out and shop. Our cars, lawns, etc., need care. Who does all these things for us? Young people who either stay in the area because there is work, or new residents seeking opportunity. These folks have children and they need good schools. That is why we seniors need to support our schools whether it's Cape or one of the other districts.

The last subject for this article is to prepare you to expect an increase in fees next year. Our objective in developing the budget is to break even. Unfortunately, we will have a deficit of about \$10,000. We have money we can transfer from other accounts to cover this and we will do that. But this needs to be addressed. We have always run a lean operation, wanting to keep our fees low. Compared to other, similar programs, our fees are modest:

Osher Lewes-OV \$225/year, \$145/semester-unlimited courses.

Osher Wilmington-\$445/year, \$260/semester- limit of 5 courses.

Osher George Mason Univ. -\$375/year, \$150/ semester- unlimited courses.

Osher Temple Univ.- \$290/year, \$195/semester – unlimited.

Osher Johns Hopkins- \$525/year – unlimited.

Your Council will be looking at its options at the May meeting so that the new fees can be listed in the fall catalog.

Enjoy the spring and summer. If you can, take a course in June, the catalog is out. You will enjoy, and your \$50 will help!

See pages 14 to 17 for annual reports from the Council chairs

Web Address:

www.lifelonglearning.udel.edu/lewes

Member 'Mix and Mingle' at Spring Luncheon



Salty Brine's Seaside Chat

AHOY, Osher shipmates! It's hard to believe that we had just gotten the OLLI Queen ship shape for the fall luncheon when the next thing we knew we had to make ready for the OLLI Mix and Mingle – A Noon Time Party held on Thursday, April 14, 2016, at Irish Eyes in Lewes; it was a crisp, bright morning and a short sail for the OLLI Queen, whose home port is Lewes, to disembark the 125 plus members and guests; as the name implies everyone is encouraged to mix and mingle amongst your fellow instructors and members; it's finger food and buffet, so you fill your plate, find a table, and strike up a conversation with those around you – mix and mingle mates...

Speaking of food there were the likes of baked primavera with zucchini, carrots, peppers, etc., shrimp poppers, sweet and sour meatballs, stuffed mushrooms, chicken marsala sans mushrooms, fresh fruit and cheese board, deviled eggs to name a few and a decadent array of desserts, and you know from the annual picnic we have a lot of members with a sweet tooth...for whatever your reason for not making this affair, you missed a good one...



Members, even though it was a little chilly on the veranda, deck, or whatever Irish Eyes call it with

its impressive view of the canal and the UDel windmill, went out to view the beautiful arts and crafts created by our many talented members...one member was heard to say "it's just over whelming and awesome." And so one positive comment after another for the arts and crafts...a "job well done" for all those who exhibited their favorite piece, or pieces of art...! An OLLI thanks to all who participated...

And let us not forget entertainment...as we were entertained by Andy Montano's class members from his International Dancing for Fun and Fitness, they performed several quick dances and the Elder Moments under the direction of the incomparable Roo Brown sang several American folk songs and concluded the program with "take out that union label, and replace it with one from" your choice...

By the time you read this you should have your June 2016, catalog with its beautiful cover, "Crew Boat 2016" by member and artist Jeff Stephanic and a selection of some great summer courses. Don't forget, look for us on our web site at www.lifelonglearning.udel.edu/lewes and join Salty and the gang for a fun-filled June session ... anchors aweigh!

Contributing writers -
Cera Belum & Clams Casino....

Calendar of Events

- April 23 — Poets Laureate at Sussex Academy in Georgetown
- Apr 26 - 29 — New York City trip
- May 4 — Instructor breakfast
- May 10 — Fall course proposals due
- May 12 — Priority registration for June session closes
- May 15 — Falstaff trip
- May 16— Taste of Osher - South Coastal Library
- May 22 — Hamlet trip
- May 26 — Instructor orientation
- May 30 — Memorial Day—office closed
- June 6 — First day of classes
- June 30 — Last day of classes
- July 12-13 — RAL Cottage Tour
- July 18 — Fall catalogs mailed

Mix and Mingle — Spring 2016



Photos by Lynn Kroesen

Instructor Andy Montano & the International Dance class



Valerie Reber & Elaine Masterson exhibit their work from the Heraldry class.



Trip to the Library Of Congress

March 4, 2016



Photos by: Johanna Barbati



We drove off at 8:30 AM from Lowes' parking lot on a snowy, slushing morning and arrived in Washington, DC, where to our delight, there was no SNOW. Along the way, Jon Newsom gave us an interesting history of the Library of Congress, a copy of a detailed map of the building, so we would not get lost, and our itinerary for the day. Upon arrival we were warmly welcomed by staff members who embellished on his information. The tour of the beautiful building and a lecture in the music room was well received by all. Lunch selections in the newly renovated cafeteria satisfied all appetites. A most enjoyable day was had by all and many want to return in the near future.

Submitted by Joan Sciorra

Trip to the Phillips Museum

December 11, 2015

Gauguin to Picasso — Masterworks from Switzerland

On Friday, December 11th, an unusually warm day for this time of year, OLLI members traveled to the Phillips Museum in Washington, D.C. to view the Staechelin and Im Obersteg collections on loan from the Kuastmuseum, in Basel, Switzerland, now being renovated. In addition to works of Gauguin (*When Will You Marry?*) and Picasso, paintings of Soutine, von Jewlensk, Hodler, Rouault, Chagall, and Van Gogh to name a few of the twenty-two artists, were seen. Also works from the Phillips collection that were related to the main display were in this exhibition. It was a worthwhile experience for us to view the only American venue for this show. Lunch was enjoyed in the museum's cafe or restaurants in the area.

Submitted by Joan Sciorra

Dance Class Members Dance at Ball in Dover

English Country Dance class members attended the Spring Ball at Ehinger Hall in Dover. This annual event which includes live music and guest callers is sponsored by the Dover English Country dancers. Fifteen from our class in Lewes attended.

Information and Photos Submitted by Carol West





OSHER Supports RAL's Cottage Tour, July 12th and 13th

Volunteer to be a docent at this year's Rehoboth Art League (RAL) "Cottage Tour," which is July 12th and 13th. Being a docent is a great opportunity to meet nice people, see an incredible cottage (photo, below), help RAL, and

promote OSHER to the community.

OSHER and RAL have collaborated for the past 8 years. RAL offers their pottery studio to OSHER for our classes. OSHER sponsors a "Cottage" during their tour. Win – Win!

Join the 18 OSHER students who signed up to be docents at last week's Mix and Mingle OLLI Luncheon. **Fourteen more volunteers are needed to cover the shifts.**



To join the fun and support this worthy cause, simply call OSHER and let Renee know which of the following shifts you prefer:

1. July 12, AM (9:45 AM– 12:30 PM)
2. July 12, PM (12:15 - 3:00 PM)
3. July 13, AM (9:45 AM– 12:30 PM)
4. July 13, PM (12:15 - 3:00 PM)

Sign up today!

Be a Docent for one or more shifts. Contact Renee Moy at:

Phone: 302-645-4111

Email: rmoy@udel.edu

George Dellinger and Suzanne Hain, who are coordinating this year, will call to get acquainted, answer questions, provide details, and confirm scheduling.

Being a docent is fun. And this year's "cottage" is absolutely stunning – inside and out.

Invitation To A Taste Of Osher

SOUTH COASTAL LIBRARY — MAY 16



Please join us and bring a friend to the second Taste of Osher program at South Coastal Library on May 16 at 1:30 pm. Historian Amy Hiller is the featured speaker and her topic is Governor Russell Peterson who signed the Delaware Coastal Zone Act June 28, 1971. The law is designed to protect Delaware's coastal area from destructive impacts of heavy industrialization and offshore bulk product transfer facilities. The immediate victim of Governor Peterson's [Coastal Zone Act](#) was the Shell Oil Company, which was stopped from building a \$200 million refinery. Governor Peterson rallied environmentalists by wearing a lapel button saying "To hell with Shell." The Act is intended to protect the natural environment of the coastal areas and safeguard their use primarily for recreation and tourism. The program will include a video and discussion.

Historian Amy Hiller with plaque honoring Fred Thomas

Submitted by Dolores Fiegel, Community Relations

In Remembrance



Alexander Apostolina, 90, passed away Saturday January 23, 2016 at Kent General Hospital. He retired from General Foods in 1986 as Production Manager at the Dover Plant. Mr. Apostolina served in the United States Navy during WWII. He graduated from the New Jersey Institute of Tech-

nology in Chemical Engineering via the GI Bill. Mr. Apostolina was a classically trained violinist. After moving to Dover in 1964 from Monroe, New York, he co-founded the Dover Symphony Orchestra in 1968 where he served for many years as concert master. In 1979 he co-founded with his wife and another couple the Dover English Country Dancers. He loved to play for the dancers, and he also became a dance caller. Alex taught at Lifelong Learning since it was formed 1989. He was on the original council for the start-up and brought his love of English Country dance to Lifelong Learning in the early 1990's. He also enjoyed making, repairing and playing musical stringed instruments.



James (Jim) Morrison, 74, passed away Friday, April 8, at his home in Rehoboth Beach. Jim grew up in Tulsa, Oklahoma and graduated from Oklahoma State University with a B.S. in engineering. After graduation, Jim moved to

Los Angeles to work for North American Aviation on projects for the Apollo program. Later he moved to Fort Worth, Texas where he earned a M.S. in systems engineering and took a job with IBM. After retiring from IBM, Jim developed a deep passion for the astrolabe, an ancient device used to solve astronomical problems. His research led to making the astrolabe popular again and his book about their design and construction is highly praised and very popular. Jim taught an Osher class about the device and the transit of Venus in 2014.

Jim is survived by his wife, Lynne, of 37 years, 2 sons, a daughter and 5 grandchildren. Funeral services were held Thursday, April 14.

Joan M. Jennings, 83, of Lewes, DE, passed away on Thursday, December 17, 2015 at Cadbury in Lewes. Joan was a long time member of Osher Lifelong Learning, enjoying courses in literature and opera. A music lover, Joan held season tickets to the Delaware Symphony Orchestra's classical series, Opera Delaware and Lewes' Coastal concerts. Joan also volunteered for the Lewes Public Library, Rehoboth Art League and Coastal Concerts.



Register Now for summer classes
Recharge your mind
Make new friends
Intellectual and cultural exploration
Classes designed by members for members
Locations in Lewes
 Priority registration deadline
Thursday, May 12
 Instructor and New Member Orientation,
 Fred Thomas Building, Lewes:
Thursday, May 26, 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Instructor Donates Framed U.S. Constitution



Instructor Mary Boyd, (center) **Interesting Issues in Constitutional Law**, with her students Don and Peggy Lewis admire the framed Constitution displayed at the Fred Thomas Bldg.

This 1933 version of the U.S. Constitution is donated by Mary E. Boyd, Esq., Instructor, Constitutional Law, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, University of Delaware, 2016.

OLLI Dover to Relocate

After spending its first six years at the Modern Maturity Center, the Dover program will be relocating to an independent facility this summer. The building is at 1201 College Park Drive, just off of College Road, next to North Dover Elementary School and across the street from Westminster Village.

This expansion is part of the Division of Professional and Continuing Studies' initiative to better serve Delawareans in Kent and Sussex Counties. The Dover program has experienced rapid membership growth since this time in 2014 and will be the anchor for the University's expanded outreach in Kent County. The facility will enable educational enrichment opportunities for Kent County residents of all ages, through professional development courses such as Project Management and SAT/ACT prep for high school students. It will also make possible new community partnerships for OLLI and for the University of Delaware in Kent County.

Delaware Poets Laureate Coming to Georgetown



*Nnamdi Chukwuocha and Albert Mills
Photo Credit: Cylinda McCloud-Keal*

Sussex Academy and Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Delaware have announced an afternoon with the Delaware Poets Laureate. This free event, open to the public, will be held at Sussex Academy, 21150 Airport Road, Georgetown Saturday, April 23. The doors open at 12:30 p.m. and the program begins promptly at 1 p.m.

Identical twin brothers Al Mills and Nnamdi Chukwuocha share the title of 17th Poets Laureate of Delaware. According to the Library of Congress, this appointment marks the first time in history that Delaware will have co-laureates, and the first time in the U.S. state poets laureate that such a position will be shared by siblings.

The brothers, both veterans, vegetarians, and fathers, who have appeared on the HBO series "Def Poetry,"

recently launched a community-based mentoring program called Art for Life Delaware. They want to take their work throughout the state and provide the experience of spoken-word performances. Their live performances are unique presentations of their written words. Onstage, their voices will mesh - one will start a line and the other will finish the thought. The audience will be entertained not only with their poetry and stories, but also their witty asides.

The event is family friendly and is appropriate for all ages. Light refreshments will be available before the program, which is scheduled for 1 to 2:30 p.m. While registration is not required, it is encouraged; go to www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084aa8a62ea2f58-oshersussex.

Delaware Poets Laureate events and activities are promoted and coordinated by the Delaware Division of the Arts. The poets laureate is an honorary position appointed by, and serving at the pleasure of, the governor. For more information, visit artsdel.org/poetlaureate.

For more information, call [302-645-4111](tel:302-645-4111) or go to www.lifelonglearning.udel.edu/lewes. The University of Delaware also sponsors Osher Lifelong Learning programs in Dover and Wilmington.

Sussex Academy, a public charter, tuition-free school, centrally located in Georgetown, currently serves grades 6-11. Grade 12 will be added in fall 2016. For more information about the school contact Gina Derrickson at [302-856-3636](tel:302-856-3636) or gina.derrickson@saas.k12.de.us.

Sussex Academy Students Help in OLLI Garden

Sussex Academy students Riley McCoy and Ross Moshier spend some time during spring break earning community service hours.

Photo by Anna Moshier



Class Members Start Beekeeping Club



Instructors Dean Hoover and Tom Lord started something when they introduced OLLI members to **Beekeeping 101** this semester. During the semester the class learned about the life cycle of the bee, how they communicate, how they benefit us by pollinating our

flowers, gardens and crops and how beekeepers extract honey from the bee hives. The students got the opportunity to view a working hive built by Mr. Hoover at Cadbury, a retirement community and taste the honey collected from that hive.



As a result of the class 13 members started a club (called the Lewes Beekeeping Club). The club members under the mentoring of Dean and Tom have ordered, assembled and painted 6 hives, have ordered 6 pounds of bees and have a plan to install the bees in their hives on a 40 acre farm in Georgetown. The club plans to hold monthly meetings that will cover the status of their current hives, beekeeping education, further their understanding of bees and the global environment and potentially include honey related fun facts, recipes, etc. "Occasionally we'll have honey tastings, ideally supplied by members who picked up some exotic honey in their travels and brought a jar for the club to taste and discuss. We will try to compare the new exotic honey to a baseline, perhaps the Cadbury honey, until we have some of our own production. We intend to make these meetings both interesting and social." stated founding member Denise Bridgens.

Photos by Denise Bridgens

Retired Labor Leader is Guest Speaker



Instructor William Rodgers, (left) **Organized Labor**, introduced his uncle Donald F. Rodgers as a guest speaker. Don Rodgers was Director of Energy and Government Relations for the Teamsters in 1980 and responsible for the formation of a Labor-Management Board in New York. He was named Labor Advisor for the Regan-Bush campaign in 1980

Photo by John Lafferty

Spring Semester in Review



Graduation day for members of **The Fundamentals of Floral Design** class.
Photo by John Lafferty



Above left: Class members of **Discover Slower Lower Delaware** visit the Ocean View Historical Complex

Above right: **Beekeeping 101** students taste honey from different sources.

Left: Pilates Mat Class with instructor Kathy Jackson (back row, middle).

Photos by Lynn Kroesen



Classes Inspire Poetry

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

By Louise Archdeacon

Even if you have all the money you will ever need, live simply and contentedly.

Even if you have the best of health, eat food that is close to basic.

Even if your body functions perfectly, labor in natural ways of walking, running, climbing and stretching.

Even if you are brilliant, use your brain strenuously by focusing on issues, memorizing, and practicing recall.

Even if work is not a necessity, do what you have always enjoyed doing.

Even if you have all the friends you think you need, be involved with a social group and make more friends.

Even if you are content with your happiness level, throw yourself into spreading that joy to others.

Even if you know what things look like, take the time and really look at something, taste it, smell it, listen to it, and memorize it. Savor the joy of doing this.

Even if you feel life is full enough, go outside of yourself and find a new project you can be curious about.

Even if you are old, do not allow yourself to think of the number of years.

Even if you think your mind is slipping, be confident in what you can still do.

Even if you are falling apart, live independently and remember the secret is to take care of yourself!

With best wishes and contentment to all.

Wednesday Mornings

Craft Circle is an Osher class.
The instructor: Diana Beebe.
Mostly knitting and crocheting.
No charge to us. It is a freebie.

We sit around the tables
Sharing thoughts, and stories, too.
Bob is making airplanes.
I make cards with bows and glue.

Sometimes we have cookies
Or some other yummy snack.
I've tried to use those needles,
But I don't think I have the knack.

One lady is so talented
She makes yarn animals for kids.
Another's making pillows
With bright designs, that's what she did.

Diana makes long necklaces
With cloth and cardboard dots.
But she can also knit the clothes she wears.
The kind that we love lots.

So think about this class of folks
Who share their hobbies just for fun.
Craft Circle is the place for you
To get your special project done.

By Patty Perreault Bennett
January 23, 2016

T'ai Chi Chih Lunch Enthusiasts

T'ai Chi Chih enthusiasts meet Tuesdays from 12:30 – 1 p.m.
in the Fred Thomas Building throughout the year.

Open to all members.



Osher in Wilmington Announces Summer Programs

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute in Wilmington is the place to be this summer! OLLI Wilmington has three summer programs to beat the heat and continue the love of learning!

OLLI at the Ocean is a summer enrichment program held at the Brighton Suites in Rehoboth from May 31 – June 3. This extremely popular program, in its 30th year, includes eight lectures and entertainment sessions including talks by Ralph Begleiter, Ed Okonowicz and Ray Callahan. Accommodations for three nights, breakfast and dinner daily, snacks, soft drinks and mixers at pre-dinner gatherings are all included in the program fee. This program is currently sold out for this season, but a waiting list is available in the event that space opens.

The 20th annual June Lecture Series at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Delaware in Wilmington will be held June 6-9. Titled “June a la Carte,” each day's program will feature a special cultural or food theme. The program takes place 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. each morning for four consecutive days at UD's Arsht Hall, 2700 Pennsylvania Ave., Wilmington. Participants of all ages are invited. Registration for this program is open to the public; membership in the Osher Lifelong Learning program is not required. This year's featured presenters and topics include: **Monday, June 6 — Great Political Documents: U.S. Constitution:** James Magee, *Judge Hugh M. Morris Professor Emeritus of Political Science and International Relations, UD*. And **Magna Carta:** Randy Holland, *Justice, Delaware Supreme Court*; **Tuesday, June 7 — Feminism: Modern U.S. Feminism:** Anne Boylan, *UD professor emerita, history* and **Feminism Today:** Pascha Bueno-Hansen, *UD assistant professor, women and gender studies*; **Wednesday, June 8 — Multicultural Day: From an Empire to a State: China's Recent Transformation and its Problems:** Yuanhong Wang, *UD assistant professor, history* and **Islam and Geopolitics in the Middle East: The failure of Arab Spring and Beyond:** Muqtedar Khan, *UD associate professor, political science & international relations*; **Thursday, June 9 — Newark Cuisine Sampler:** Enjoy food and stories from some of Delaware's award-winning and renowned chefs, Robbie Jester, *chef, Stone Balloon*; Ryan German, *owner, Caffe Gelato*, Dana Herbert, *owner, Dessert by Dana*

Registration has just begun for our summer session! Classes meet weekly on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 9 and 10:30 a.m. from July 7-30 at Arsht Hall in Wilmington. Members can register for up to six classes and unlimited extracurricular activities during summer session and there are nearly 50 stimulating and educational courses range in topic from financial management and fine arts to history and literature. A sampling of this summer's course titles includes The Legacy of Justice Scalia (with noted constitutional scholar Mary Brigid McManamon), three cooking-related courses - Science of Delicious Flavors, Indian Cooking Made Easy and Canning Farm-Fresh Foods, as well as two that focus on government agencies - Sicilian Mafia (taught by 2 retired FBI agents) and The Intelligence Community - The Facts (taught by a former CIA operative).

Summertime is always a great time to try a new class and see what Osher Wilmington is all about!

Annual Report from the Council Continued

COMMUNITY RELATIONS ANNUAL REPORT

Dolores Fiegel– Chair



The objective of the committee is to promote lifelong learning and to recruit new members to Osher.

Committee Members

Dolores Fiegel, Chair
 Stephanie Scales, Milton
 Gerri Stephenson, Rehoboth
 Valerie Reber, Ocean View
 Bud Zimmerman, Millville

Displays. Displays are designed each semester to highlight course offerings and promote the Osher program. Committee members mounted displays at Lewes, Milton, Rehoboth, and South Coastal libraries. Displays were also exhibited at the Milton Historical Society, Lewes Homeowner Owner Association's volunteer fair and at the grand opening of Beach Plum Dune Apartment Complex.

Library Catalog Distribution. With the cooperation of Lewes Library, the committee used the inter-library courier system to distribute 560 spring, summer, and fall catalogs to nine libraries.

Brochure Distribution. Brochures serve as a snapshot of the Osher program; include members' testimonials and maps to Osher locations in Lewes and Ocean View. Brochures were hand delivered to 10 organizations: Lewes, Milton, Rehoboth, and South Coastal Libraries; the Rehoboth Art League, Active Adult Realty, Plum Beach Dunes Apartment Complex, Lewes Historical Christmas House Tour, Selbyville Christmas Parade, and Milton Historical Society.



Osher Presentations. Volunteers make presentations, answer questions and distribute handouts to organizations who want to learn more about the Osher program. Presentations were delivered to five organizations.

Ocean View Kiwanis – Bud Zimmerman
 Long Neck Sunrise Rotary – Bernie and Dolores Fiegel
 South Coastal Library – Dolores Fiegel
 Women's Networking Group at Ocean View – Carol West
 Rehoboth Rotary – Phil Fretz

Community Events Participation.

Osher provided docents for the Lewes Historical Society Christmas House Tour at the home of Dorothy Greet.

Roz Troupin presented a program on Antarctica at South Coastal Library.

Bud Zimmerman, Martha Redman, and Carol West represented Osher at the Selbyville Christmas Parade.

Gerri Stephenson and Valerie Reber represented Osher Lifelong Learning at the Delaware Poets Laureate event sponsored by Osher and Sussex Academy and promoted and coordinated by the Delaware Division of the Arts.

Annual Report Continued

Finances 2015-2016

Phil Fretz – Chair



The budgeted expenses for the fiscal year are on target. The budgeted revenue will be short of the actual receivables. Depending on the revenue from enrollment for the summer session of 2016, the shortfall could approach \$10,000. This will need to be addressed for the next budget cycle. The Council will have to consider an increase in membership fees, as we are expected to operate on a break even basis.

The Scholarship Fund was utilized for both fall and spring semesters. The Equipment Fund was utilized for replacement and new equipment for both classrooms and the office staff. The Gift Fund received contributions. The Reserve Fund, the Future Fund, and the Endowment Fund are all remaining with healthy balances. The Activities Fund is self-fulfilling as the activities that are sponsored pay for themselves by the participating members.

Long Range Planning

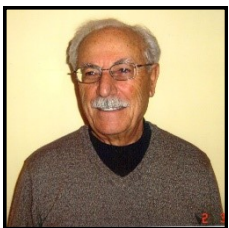
Pete Feeney – Chair



We had a very successful year and had the opportunity to rewrite both Mission and Vision statements. In addition, we were able to update the bylaws. Thanks to the board members for all their help. This past year the Lewes campus had over 700 students and the Ocean View campus with over 100 and growing.

All ideas and suggestions are welcome so we can present the latest and most interesting classes for your enjoyment. We must have new ideas for continued growth.

Scholarship Committee Sabatino Maglione—Chair



During the academic year 2015/2016 fourteen students were awarded partial scholarships from the The George Kirilla Jr. Scholarship Fund. These partial scholarships were awarded as follows: nine students in Fall 2015; and five students in Spring 2016. The scholarship process adhered to the requirements of Osher Bylaws.

Communications

Lynn Kroesen — Chair



The Tides continues to fulfill its purpose to highlight the activities of our members and inform members of future activities. I appreciate the all complimentary comments, suggestions and submissions. Thanks to Rae Tyson for his help writing some of our press releases. Our press releases have been published in both the local and state media.

Annual Report Continued

Library Report

Ruth Barnett, Librarian

During the summer of 2015 additional shelving was added to the inside wall of the library. This space enabled us to pull together all the biographies that were in the collection, and arrange them by the last name of the person in the biography. New labels and catalog cards were adjusted, and volunteer Betty McGrath assisted with this project.

With the help of Dean Hoover, one of our instructors, a shelf was installed above the checkout station, and labelled "Instructor's Reserve". Here we place materials that instructors would like their students to use for a short time while the class is in session. These materials are returned to the instructor unless they choose to donate them to the collection.

The librarian met with instructors at the three orientation sessions held this year to describe the services of the library. One resource is the computer in the library, which contains the catalog of our materials, and additional icons that provide access to the Delaware Public Libraries and the University of Delaware Morris Library.

This year 60 books, 10 DVD's and CD's, and several literary monographs were added to the non-fiction collection, and over 100 fiction books and video tapes were placed in the Swap Shelf that is in the hallway. The total inventory is about 1400 items.

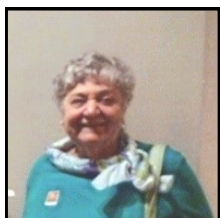
The archives have been updated with newspaper and magazine articles that feature our classes, the instructors or students in the news, and other Osher Lifelong Learning news. Photographs are now kept digitally with the online newsletter.

Circulation of library materials has increased since the move to the Fred Thomas building, and we are pleased that students and instructors continue to support this resource.



Travel Report – September 2015 to June 2016

Joan Sciorra – Chair



October 11, 2015 – REP, The Patsy, 21 participants

October 23 – Battleship New Jersey, canceled

November 15 – REP, Heartbreak House, 25 participants

December 11 – Gauguin & Picasso, The Phillips, 37 participants

January 24, 2016 – REP, Wait Until Dark, canceled

March 3 – Library of Congress, 33 participants

March 13 – REP, To Kill a Mocking Bird, canceled

April 26-29 – New York City, Hotel Edison, 103 participants

May 15 – Opera Delaware, Falstaff, 38 participants

May 22 – Opera Delaware, Hamlet, 37 participants

Social Annual Report
Subset...Academic Affairs and Catalogs
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Social Chair/Committees are charged with arranging special events, receptions, new member/new instructor orientation social, luncheons, and Homecoming Picnic. Engage and assign volunteers for social functions.

Members who express interest verbally or on the registration application form are invited to participate in social events as needed.

New Member/New Instructor Orientation. Osher schedules an orientation for new members/new instructors the Thursday prior to the start of the fall and the spring semesters; this event begins with a coffee social and is followed by an orientation program for new members and a separate program for new instructors; all instructors. Selected, ordered and delivered food and coffee to the event. Recruited volunteers to greet guests, lay out table with plates, napkins, pastries, fruits, and water, clean-up, and return platters and coffee urns. The average attendance for the past six orientations was about 75 per orientation.



17th Annual Homecoming Picnic was held on Tuesday, October 13, 2015, at the Cape Henlopen State park pavilion...the first picnic, called the SDALL Picnic was held on Monday, October 12, 1998 at Cape Henlopen State Park pavilion; somewhere downstream it became known as the Homecoming Picnic which continues to enjoy success year after year, admission in 1998 was \$3.00 per person and accompanied by a dish; 17 picnics later admission is \$5.00 per person and a dish. In addition to burgers and dogs, around 2011/12, Portobello mushrooms, bell peppers, zucchini, and sweet onions were added to the grill menu; the picnic has been a very popular outing averaging about 130 to 140 members per picnic. The picnic required the highest number of volunteers to accomplish set-up, covering tables, food preparation for the grill, grilling, and clean-up. Dolores and I have orchestrated all 17 picnics. Sidebar: a special thanks to Renee for coordinating with the UDel maintenance personnel to provide help in moving and arranging the picnic tables.

The OLLI Holiday/Instructors' Recognition Luncheon was held on Thursday, December 3, 2015, we dropped anchor at the Sands Hotel at the Boardwalk and Baltimore Avenue, Rehoboth Beach, Del. We lowered the gangway, and the 175 plus members and guests disembarked. A tradition was born many fall luncheons ago when I would purchase poinsettias at Home Depot's "Black Friday" sale for 99 cents each as center pieces for the luncheon. One lucky person at each table wins the poinsettia and one is given to each of the volunteers who worked that day. Coordination with hotel staff, menu selection, - especially developing a plant-based recipe with the Sands chef - and room set up are all part of this task.

Mix and Mingle – A Noon Time Party – was held on Thursday, April 14, 2016, at Irish Eyes in Lewes; it was a short sail for the OLLI Queen, whose home port is Lewes, to disembark the 125 plus members and guests; as the name implies everyone is encouraged to mix and mingle amongst fellow instructors and members while enjoying finger food and a buffet, fill your plate, find a table, and strike up a conversation with those around you – mix and mingle. Coordinated menu and room set up with the chef and personnel from Irish Eyes.

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Academic Affairs Departments – Serves as department coordinator for life skills/recreation. Contacted and invited potential and previous instructors to teach a course.

Osher Catalogs – Wrote, edited, and proofread spring, summer (1st summer catalog issue, June 2006), and fall catalogs.