



The Tides...

Breaking News from Lifelong Learning



Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Delaware in Lewes

Summer 2013

From the Chair and the Council



Well, folks, my prediction for an orderly mid-summer move to our new home was a bit off – but it all worked out, and 218 of you enjoyed the June session in the “work in progress” Fred Thomas Building and again at Cadbury and “out and about.” As our May 10 email noted, we scrambled to let the School District move the Sussex Consortium to our old space in the Lewes School, although our lease there didn’t end until June 30 – proving that we seniors can be flexible and resourceful!

Sorry I couldn’t have been there for the June session, but we were at a reunion in Hawaii; tough duty, but somebody has to do it.

In the last issue of **The Tides**, I was unsure of our membership numbers. Since then, Bo French has done some calculation and it appears that in 2012-13, our full-year, fall, spring and June enrollments came to a total of 879, nearly a 22% increase over the previous year! As you might expect, that almost exactly tracks the percentage increase in our course offerings. And we remain on that upward slope for this fall, with 73 different courses, three offered twice.

By now, you’ve seen an email alert about the Rehoboth Film Society's exciting new venture to bring live HD simulcasts of ten Metropolitan Opera Saturday matinees to the Cape Henlopen High School each year from October through May. Please complete the short survey so the RFS can see if the community will support this. We think it's a winner!

Remember, for the fall semester – at long last – you can register in person, by mail, or online, and you can pay by check or credit card! If the online system gets confusing, our office staff will help you negotiate your way through the process. Once you’ve done it, it’s like riding a bike; you won’t forget.

See you in class!

Bob Comeau



Your Council for 2013-2014



Front row L-R: Jack Boettger, Finance Chair; Ruth Barnett, Librarian/Archivist; Carrie Townsend, Southern Delaware Outreach Coordinator; Robert (Bo) French, Long Range Planning; Anna Moshier, Program Coordinator. Back row L-R: Donna Beecher, Academic Affairs Co-Chair; Bernard Fiegel, Social Committee Chair; Carol West, Academic Affairs Co-Chair; Frank Meredith, Community Relations Chair; Renee Moy, Administrative Assistant; Lynn Kroesen, Communications Chair; Robert Comeau, Chairman. Not pictured: Joan Sciorra, Travel Co-Chair; Mary Folan, Travel Co-Chair, Rob Morgan, Secretary.

Calendar of Events

July 22 — Fall catalogs mailed this week
 Aug 6 — Work party
 Aug 22 — Priority registration for fall classes closes
 Sept 5 — New Member/Instructor Orientation
 10 -10:30 Coffee Social
 10:30 -11:30 Orientation Program
 Sept 9 — Fall classes begin
 Oct 9 — Homecoming picnic - No classes
 Oct 14 — Second session begins
 Nov 11 — No classes - Veterans Day

Calling All Worker Bees.

We will be having a work party at the Fred Thomas building Tuesday, August 6th 9-2. Some of the tasks we need to complete are general cleaning of our equipment, tables & chairs, resetting and arranging the classrooms, light painting of 2 cork boards, hanging pictures and maps and maybe some landscaping. Please come in work clothes and bring any supplies you think might be helpful.

Thanks so much!
 Anna Moshier
 Lewes Program Coordinator
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Library News

Welcome to the Library in Room 111 at the Fred Thompson building. Books were packed up, moved and unpacked with the assistance of many helpful hands, especially Anna and Renee, Ellie Menser, Sally Fintel, Pat and George Brown, and most of all my husband Ted. Because the room is small, the magazine rack and Book Swap shelf have been relocated to the hallway for your convenience.

We received a generous gift from the University of Delaware to update our most useful videotapes to the more compact DVD format. The older tapes will still be available for members who own VCRs. A collection of DVDs issued by The Teaching Company on a diverse array of subjects has been added to the library, donated by Bo French.

Among the books that have been cataloged recently are titles that focus on the brain, memory, and multiple intelligences. These books should be of interest to those of us who think we are "losing it" now and then!

There is a large bulletin board on the wall just outside the library where you will find postings of additions to the collection made during the summer months. Please come by during the fall semester and browse.

Ruth Barnett, Librarian



Salty Brine's Seaside Chat

AHOY, Osher shipmates!

The OLLI Queen has a shiny new bottom, shiny new main deck, new blue and gold sails, polished bright work and a sparkling ship's bell. We're now ready to set sail for Lewes and make ready for the New Member/New Instructor Orientation set for **Thursday, September 5, 2013** at our new digs... the Frederick D Thomas Building, or more commonly known as the Fred Thomas Building, 520 Dupont Avenue, Lewes! Social begins at 10 am with pastries and coffee from Café Azafran in Lewes and orientation for new members and new instructors begins at 10:30 am. So, mark your calendar and mosey over from the OLLI Queen to our new digs...everyone is invited new members, new instructors, current members, current instructors, long-time members, long-time instructors, OLLI council and committee members; mix and mingle with the new, the current, and may I dare say it – the older members. So, come one, come all to the New Member/New Instructor Orientation day.....see you in the hallways!

Contributing writer---Cera Belum

Remembering Richard Sciorra



Richard Sciorra, age 83, of Lewes passed away peacefully on Friday, July 26 at his residence. Richard was born in North Bergen, New Jersey. He retired from a management position after 37 years of service with the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company. He was a US Navy Veteran, a member of the VFW in New Jersey and a member of the Power Squadron.

Richard served as Council Chair of the Osher Lifelong Learning Council from 2008 to 2010, was Travel Committee Chair and also taught several classes.

Surviving is his wife of 59 years, Joan (currently Council Travel Chair), his daughter Donna Ingals and her husband John of Hanahan, SC, two granddaughters, and one great grandchild.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Tuesday, July 30 at St Edmond Catholic Church in Rehoboth Beach.

What's New, Academically Speaking?

The new co-chairs of the Academic Affairs Committee are Carol West and Donna Beecher. Carrie Townsend, who was instrumental in launching OLLI programming in Bethany, is now working on academic affairs and marketing. Together, they work with the Academic Subcommittee chairs to develop curriculum and support instructors. Subcommittee chairs are: Jack Boettger [Finance & Economics], Jim DeCatur [Humanities/Psychology/Social Studies/Language], Barbara Duch and Karen McKinnon [Art], Bernard Fiegel [Life Skills/Recreation], Bill Fintel [Health/Science], Mary Folan [History/International Studies] Barbee Kiker [Computers/Technology] Jon Newsom [Performing Arts/Music].

A new role has been created – the teaching assistant. The teaching assistant will help the instructor take attendance, distribute handouts, and operate classroom technology. Depending on the instructor's wishes, the teaching assistant may also monitor lighting, ventilation, break times, etc. Before the start of each semester, we will recruit a teaching assistant from among those registered for each course. If you are interested in serving as a teaching assistant, please let Anna or Renee know.

Our new facility--the Fred Thomas Building--has better space and an additional classroom! Instructors and members tested out the new digs in June – with 34 courses offered on site. The new “art room” and “computer room” make for smoother set-up. The course feedback was overwhelmingly favorable with members saying they want more sessions, more handouts, MORE, MORE, MORE!

The additional classroom means the Fall Catalog offers more courses than ever! You can choose from among 76 courses offered in various locations in Lewes and in Bethany Beach. New courses include, but are not limited to: Civil War Conversations; Touring the Greek Islands and Turkey; Model Train Basics; the MELT method; Godel Escher Bach; Fixing Flats [paintings, not tires!].

As September approaches, let's prepare to welcome new members, make new friends, and learn more about new and interesting topics.

Submitted by Donna Beecher

Register online at:

www.lifelonglearning.udel.edu/lewes/



Turn Off Those Cell Phones

PLEASE turn **off** your cell phones while in classes as a courtesy to your fellow students and the instructor.



YOUR NEWSLETTER

The Tides is published quarterly, with special editions as appropriate. If anyone has information, news, pictures or items of interest to share, the Council wants to hear from you. Please contact Lynn Kroesen at Lkroesen2@gmail.com or the Lifelong Learning in Lewes office.

2013 Cottage Tour



On July 9 and 10, Osher Lifelong Learning at Lewes hosted the home of Ken Sugarman and Tommy Llewellyn as one of eight homes featured in this year's Rehoboth Art League Cottage Tour. The home, at 2 Wade's Court in Canal Corcoran, was built in 2004 after the 1998 Life Magazine Dream House designed by the renowned architect Hugh Newell Jacobson.

Twenty-eight Osher docents guided the tour participants through the house and grounds, and we again received many, many compliments for their courtesy and informative comments. We sincerely thank all of the volunteers for their gracious help.

Though the home is a one-story house, it appears tall from the exterior, with a central chimney, dormers, and two wings forming an H, that combine to effect a deceptive two-story appearance. The interior is all white on white, with lots of windows that bring the outdoors into the

living space and vice versa.

The central foyer's cool floors of slate lead to either the Great Room straight ahead or to the three bedrooms to the left, past simple bookcases, a signature of the architect. The bookcases are highlighted by house collections of white porcelain by Jonathon Adler.

In the Great Room, white is everywhere. The fireplace is sleek, with a unique, massive mirror above it and tastefully designed storage on either side.

The dining room and kitchen feature a white and gray marble center work island, and below the counters there are no cabinets, only drawers. In addition, the garage is uniquely fitted out with a catering kitchen to accommodate large scale entertaining.

In the rear of the house a patio and pool are surrounded by amesonias, horsetails and bamboo; a picnic setting is delightfully shaded by manicured crepe myrtle trees; and an outdoor shower the size of a small bungalow drew constant oohs and aahs.

It was a privilege to host this unique home and, as always, a source of great pride for the courteous and informative work of our numerous Osher docents. Monumental thanks and congratulations again to all of the volunteers.

John and Carmela Coleman

Members Visit Hagley Museum



We traveled to Wilmington on May 1 for our guided tour of the Hagley Museum, the site of the gunpowder works founded by E. I. du Pont in 1801. Our docent led us on a very informative tour of the facility as we learned just where the du Pont story began and the birth of the du Pont Company. Indoor and outdoor exhibits displayed examples of early American industry. We also toured Eleutherian Mills, the du Pont family home named for Eleutherian Irene du Pont, which contained furnishings that belonged to his family and later generations. A delicious lunch was served in a private room.

Photo thanks to Sandy Moore

NEW YORK- NEW YORK



One hundred and thirty-one of us embarked on April 23 for our 10th annual trip to New York City. We experienced many various and new attractions, theatre performances, museum exhibits, concerts, and as always savored ethnic foods. "People watching" in the Big Apple is always fun! We returned to Lewes on April 26th filled with lots of memories. We look forward to next year's trip on April 29th 2014. Information to follow when fall semester resumes.

Thanks to Sandy Moore and Bernie Fiegel for photos.

Thank You! ...Thank You!... Thank You!

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The Great Move of 2013



Anna and Renee, with help from many volunteers, had most of the stuff packed in boxes when the word came that moving day would be May 17. Tensions and voices rose as boxes, chairs and equipment traded spaces. May 20th brought more volunteers in to sweep, clean black boards, remove tape, move chairs (lots of chairs) and tables and equipment to classrooms. By June 3rd and the beginning of our June Session, classrooms, computers and AV equipment was ready for the instructors and students. While the June session proceeded, Anna, Renee, and more volunteers continued to work at making our new space clean, efficient, accessible and comfortable for our members.

For more "moving stories", ask Anna and Renee about what fell out of the ceiling when the projectors were installed or ask about bathroom doors!!!

June Session for 2013



“Out and About” with Tom Lord



“Kitchen Kapers XXI
— Summer Delights
Fresh and Simple”
with Bernard &
Dolores Fiegel



“Charlemagne — His Life and Times”
with Winfried Mroz



“America In Cultural Decline?” with Mary E. Boyd

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