

LIFELONG LEARNING NEWS

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Delaware in Wilmington

March 17, 2014

MEET JAY HIGGIN

Jay joined the University Delaware Osher team to assist with audiovisuals this semester. A native Delawarean, he is majoring in Organizational Management and Community Leadership at UD and he has volunteer experience with nonprofits. He is also a musician on keyboard. Jay's motto is: "Be good to people and people will be good to you."

SUMMER IS A-COMING IN

OLLI at the Ocean is now filled.

The June Lecture Series goes on sale this month (see program information on page 3).

The summer course catalog will be out in mid-April. (see page 5 for details on summer courses).

OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING FINANCES

Revenues and Expenses. See page 4.

UD OSHER STAFF HONORED

Every year, over 2,000 people enjoy this enriching, life-saving place we call Osher Lifelong Leaning Institute, Wilmington campus! And, day in, day out, a core of loyal employees keep the facilities maintained, organize instructors/rooms/course catalogues, etc, relate us to the University, manage safety issues and all technical equipment, serve fresh foods, and so on. This is our structural core, our paid staff.

On February 19 these dedicated staff members were honored at Special Events Wednesday with certificates of appreciation and distinguished service to all staff (present and absent), along with gift cards for their enjoyment.

Janet Yabroff



hoto by Ron Yabroff

Top: Mark Lowman, Chef, Garden Café; Albert Hughes, Garden Cafe; Roberta Twyman, Garden Café; Ellen Saienni, Office; Tedd Null, Custodial; Rikki Twyman, Garden Café; Pat Miller, Custodial; Tim Ward, AV; John Syva, Set-Up.

Bottom: Joan McMahon, Office; Georgette Lolley, Garden Café; Robert Joyner, Set-Up; Jay Higgin, AV; Ivan Garcia, Set-Up; Kathleen DiCamilla, Offfice; Lee Cannon, Set-Up; Joni Bero, Office; Carol Bernard, Program Coordinator; Dennis Anderson, Public Safety.

Not pictured: Basil Maas, Manager, Osher; Andy Bradford, Catering Manager; Val Kuhlman, Custodial manager; John Pullella, Facilities.

For online catalogs, weather information and more www.lifelonglearning.udel.edu/wilm

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Submit articles to rehrlich@udel.edu, or place in the newsletter mailbox in the Reception Area.

A MESSAGE FROM PUBLIC SAFETY

I would like to remind members that they need to be out of Arsht Hall by 4:30 p.m., which is when the OLLI office closes. This is especially important on Mondays and Fridays, because there are no



scheduled UD classes in Arsht Hall, but it does apply to every night of the week. Activity leaders, please be mindful of the time and allow your participants enough time to pack up at the end of the day.

On another note, PLEASE, do NOT take unnecessary risks when driving to class. I have observed a number of incidents where members continue to make a left turn from Pennsylvania Ave. after they have lost the green turn arrow and are trying to beat the oncoming traffic that now has a green light. Please, be patient, and wait until it is safe to turn.

Your UD constable, Dennis

FRESHPAINT: AFRICAN AMERICAN ART @ UD

With a focus on painting, this exhibition at Mechanical Hall in Newark showcases works from the Paul R. Jones Collection of African American Art. The most recent bequests on view are two streetscapes by renowned Delaware artist, Edward L. Loper Sr. (1916–2011).

VOLUNTEER WEEK

It seems most unlikely, as I sit in my kitchen watching the birds forage in the snow outside, that spring will ever arrive. But judging from past experience, I do feel hopeful that warmer weather is in our future.

Along with that warm weather will come a big week of celebration at OLLI. April 7 marks the beginning of VOLUNTEER WEEK, and there will be big doings as we celebrate the over 500 wonderful men and women who give of their time and talents. Everyone knows that OLLI is a "cooperative." The fact that we function as an organization is due to these people, our volunteers. From cookies to newsletters, from art shows to special lectures, classes and Reception Area ... all are staffed and run for us, and by us!!

Won't you consider joining in? Become a volunteer by signing up at the reception area. It's a great way to meet people and become involved in an organization that truly makes a difference in so many lives.

Lucie Shader, Mary Ann Dowd Volunteer Development

A CHOREOGRAPHER OF LIFE

Years ago a little girl felt
The magic of the dance.
She'd twirl and stretch to
Reach the stars
Whene'er she had the chance.
Imagination, energy, and a
Desire to succeed
Proved to be the key that
Helped her
In her greatest need.

Through the years—a lady now-She's cared for Special Needs. Called an angel by her friends, They try to follow where she leads. From Clinic to Theatre her talents Are much in demand. Whene'er the need arises She holds out a helping hand.

Choreographer, dancer, mother, wife, That little girl, all grown up now, Adds much to everyone's life.

Mary Ann Dowd

18TH ANNUAL JUNE LECTURE SERIES TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

The 2014 June Lecture Series (JLS) will be held the week of June 2–6. There will be two lectures each morning and lots of music in between. And of course, it would not be JLS without great beverages and snacks available on arrival each morning and on the breaks. All this for only \$55! The lineup this year is another great one:

- Sam Lemheney, Director and Designer of the Philadelphia Flower Show for last eight years What it takes to put on the show.
- **John Flynn, folk singer** recently honored for his contribution of a song included in the compilation CD, "All About Bullies, Big and Small," which won the Grammy as Best Children's Album of 2012.
- Gail Dillman and Jeremy Hebbel, Gable Music Ventures Partners "There's Music in the Air": This multi-generational partnership is bringing amazing musical acts to Wilmington to enrich the community and to create the flavor of Austin, Texas, East.
- William Ayery, Quality Laboratory Manager and Company Historian of ILC in Dover The Delaware business that served the nation: going from undergarments to astronaut suits.
- Jeanne Murray Walker, award-winning poet, UD professor and author The Geography of Memory: A Pilgrimage through Alzheimer's.
- Ranger Vince Vaise, Fort McHenry, National Park Service 2014 is the 200th anniversary of the British bombardment of Fort McHenry and America's victory.
- Lisa Chieffo, UD Study Abroad Program Celebrating 90 years of international education
- Delaware Supreme Court Justice Randy Holland Discussing his latest book, Delaware's Destiny Determined by Lewes.
- **Gene Castellano** *Wilmington: Preservation and Progress*; Wilmington in the middle of the 20th century and now, a photographic walking tour of our architecture.
- **Dr. Holly Roadfeldt, internationally renowned pianist** Playing the Chopin Prelude Set. Our many (and very friendly) June Lecture volunteers will be at the front tables the week of March 17 to 22 to answer any questions and to sell you JLS tickets for yourself, your family members and your friends. This event is open to the public, so you can bring as many paying guests (of any adult age) as you want! If you miss us at the tables, tickets can be purchased anytime in the Office from Ellen Saienni.

CANDIDATES FOR COUNCIL

The five candidates selected by the Osher Lifelong Learning Council nominating committee will be voted on by the Council in March. Capsule biographies appeared in the February 2014 newsletter and are posted in the Lobby. (Photos by Lee Kaser)



Susan Arruda



Roseanne Cholewinski



Karen Foster



Jeff Ostroff



Thom Remington

FINANCIAL REPORT — FY15 BUDGET

Below is the FY15 budget, which takes effect on July 1, 2014, indicating an overall increase in expenses of 6.2% and a corresponding increase in revenue required. The FY14 budget equaled \$1.19 million compared to FY15 budget at \$1.27 million.

Facilities Expense equals 59% of the budget and has increased by 7.8% year over year. The primary components are the Operating Expenses and the Capital Reserve. Operating Expenses consist of utilities, grounds contracts, and salaries and benefits plus supplies and expense for the operations and maintenance department and the custodial crew. The Capital Reserve is where we are accumulating funds for the replacement of the 25-year-old Arsht Hall HVAC system in FY18 at an estimated cost of \$3 million.

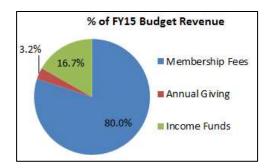
In FY15 membership fees will increase \$10 per semester from \$250 to \$260, or 4.0%. The full-year fee will increase \$15 from \$430 to \$445, or 3.5%. The Summer Session fee will increase by \$5 to \$90. The proposed fee increases are absolutely necessary to operate and maintain Arsht Hall and to fund the proposed capital improvements to the elevator, the restrooms, and the HVAC system.

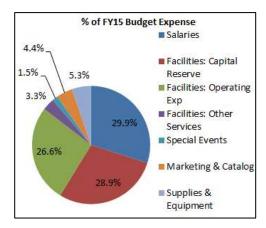
Membership fees as a percentage of revenue have decreased from a budgeted 81.7% in FY14 to 80.0% in FY15. The FY15 budget forecasts that investment income primarily from our endowments will contribute \$212,000 to revenue compared to \$191,000 in FY14. We will also be seeking Annual Giving donations to the Gift Fund and the Future Fund. You will soon be hearing more about fund raising initiatives.

Our fund balances remain strong. We began FY14 with \$3,911,317 in endowments, and \$754,336 in total liquid funds.

Jeanne Short Finance Chair

	FY14	FY15	%
	Budget	Budget	Change
Revenue			
Membership Fees	975,660	1,015,332	4.1%
Annual Giving	27,637	40,903	48.0%
Income Funds	191,114	212,411	11.1%
Total	1,194,411	1,268,646	6.2%
Expense			
Salaries	364,661	379,563	4.1%
Facilities:	340,747	366,198	7.5%
Capital Reserve			
Facilities:	310,086	338,000	9.0%
Operating Expense			
Facilities: Other Services	41,778	42,367	1.4%
Special Events	18,937	19,316	2.0%
Marketing & Catalog	56,382	56,382	0.0%
Supplies & Equipment	61,820	66,820	8.1%
Total	1,194,411	1,268,646	6.2%





A SPECTACULAR SUMMER SESSION LINEUP AWAITS YOU!

The 2014 Summer Session is teeming with an exceptionally broad array of courses to suit any area of interest. Together with a collection of superb afternoon lectures, this year's Summer Session is not to be missed!

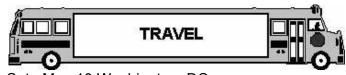
This summer's course offerings include art courses in mixed media, polymer clay, acrylics and photography or language courses in German, Spanish, French and Italian. Want to learn more about the history of food, the art, science and history of printing, the Berlin Wall, the Shroud of Turin, trade and empires of the Sahara, social change stemming from World War II? Or perhaps you'd enjoy learning about chocolate, the magic of stories, the poetry of D.H. Lawrence, Shakespeare's contemporaries, shamanism, or you'd like to take an introductory course on iPad iOS 7. Whatever your interests there are 52 courses from which to choose.

Inspiring afternoon lectures will also be offered to all registered Summer Session students every school day at 12:15 p.m. Lecture topics include local history, Picasso: his art and his women, astronomy, the first black socialite, memoir writing, hearing loss, Winterthur textiles and more.

Most summer courses are offered each Tuesday through Thursday from 9 a.m. until noon and from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. for the month of July beginning Tuesday, July 8. Summer Session catalogs that include registration forms will be available in mid-April.

IN-PERSON REGISTRATION for the Summer Session will be held in Arsht Hall from Monday through Friday, April 21 to April 25 from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Mail-in registrations will be accepted any time.

For more details contact one of the Summer Session Chairs: Rosanne Cholewinski, Karen Foster or Carolyn Stankiewicz.



Sat., May 10 Washington, DC
Tues., May 20 Grounds for Sculpture, NJ
Sat., June 7 New York *Bullets Over Broadway*Wed., Aug. 6–Tues., Aug. 19 Spain and Portugal
Mon., Aug. 11–Sat., Aug 16 Mostly Maine
Fri., Sept. 19–Sun., Sept. 21 Laurel Highlands,
PA/ Frank Lloyd Wright

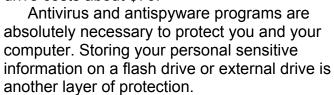
Sat., Sept. 27 Lancaster, PA Music of the Night Visit the Travel Desk in the Lobby, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. オオオオオオオオオオオオオオオ

COMPUTERS! COMPUTERS! SECURING PERSONAL INFORMATION

Each of us has personal information on our computers that is vulnerable to unauthorized access through spyware. The information could be Quicken financial data, spreadsheet stock or investment records, income tax files, etc. Even if you encrypt your computer, this information could be stolen.

The easiest, quickest and cheapest method to prevent the theft is to not store the data on the computer. A USB (Universal Serial Bus) flash drive is an external data storage device that can be easily attached to your computer through a USB interface. A 16 gigabyte (GB) flash drive costs \$10 and has the capacity to store a vast amount of data: for example 2300 pictures or 250 ten-minute videos. A typical tax file is less than 0.001 GB.

A second external storage device is an external portable drive. A terabyte (1,000 GB) drive costs about \$70.



Kenneth Mulholland Curriculum Committee

SPECIAL EVENTS WEDNESDAYS 12:45–1:45 P.M. IN ROOM 105 ANNOUNCEMENTS AT 12:40 P.M.

Join us each Wednesday for Special Events that are open to all members. Feel free to attend each week or select the programs that most interest you. You can buy your lunch, bring your lunch or just come and enjoy.

March 19 – Recent Findings from the Large Hadron Collider David Kaplan, professor, Department of Physics and Astronomy, Johns Hopkins University

March 26 – Brendon Cooke, Opera Delaware Note: Change from catalog and bookmark

April 2 - No Program/Spring Break

April 9 – **Gilbert and Sullivan, Selected Pieces** The Ardensingers, Martha Smylie, gildmaster

April 16 – Current Issues on the American
Political Scene Ralph Begleiter, director,
Center for Political Communication,
University of Delaware

April 23 – **Operation Pastorius** Lt. Col. Carl Witte, U.S. Army (Ret.)

MEMORIES OF WINTER

THE BRASS YEARS by Betty Marroni



So this is the "dusting" you predicted?

SOCIAL ON TUESDAY, MARCH 25

Meet fellow members before spring break at the second social of the semester with coffee, tea and conversation. The cookies are yummy with or without fat, gluten and sugar.

Gather in the Lobby at 1:30.

REP THEATRE

Apr. 24-May 10 Wit by Margaret Edson

Performance by the Resident Ensemble Players of UD at the Thompson Theatre at the Roselle Arts Center in Newark. Single tickets for Osher members are \$2 off the regular price. More information and purchases are available online at:

http://www.rep.udel.edu/ or call 302-831-2204.

METROPOLITAN OPERA STUDY TRIP

This trip, sponsored by the UD Department of Music, offers transportation, study notes and faculty leadership. The bus leaves from the first parking lot on the Wilmington campus and Clayton Hall in Newark.

May 10 La Cenerentola

Prices vary by seat. Pick up a brochure in the Lobby, call 302-831-2578 for more information or register online at www.music.udel.edu/metopera.

CALENDAR 2014

Mon., March 31-Fri., April 4Spring Break No classes, lifelong learning closed
Fri., May 16End of spring semester
Tues., July 8-Thurs. July 31 Summer classes
Tues., Sep. 2 Fall semester begins
Tues., Nov 4 Election Day
No classes, lifelong learning closed
Thurs., Fri., Nov. 27-28 Thanksgiving Break
No classes
Fri., Dec. 5End of fall semester