



The Tides...

Breaking News from
Lifelong Learning



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

From the Chair



Imagine! We are already on the down-hill side of the Fall Semester. Hope you have been enjoying it as much as I have. I *kvell* (According to my Yiddish tutor, this means to swell with happiness and pride.) whenever I overhear folks discuss what a great class they had just attended.

Paul Collins will update you on the real estate situation later in this issue (See page 2). I have been very encouraged by the support we have received from the University Provost and the Dean of the College of Earth, Ocean and Environment. To be able to build on the Lewes campus is our goal and the focus of our efforts.

The Homecoming Picnic, held each year around Columbus Day at Cape Henlopen State Park, is one of my favorite events. We have held 20 of these events. I'm usually one of the grill guys, but whew! Thanks to the great helpers that stepped in and did a great job. Boy, the grates are heavier, the fire is hotter and the sun is stronger than was the case even 10-15 years ago. No more for me. I'll eat, but not cook in the future. Thanks to Connie Benko and her team of volunteers who assured that the 120 attendees had a great time.

Jim Broomall, Associate Vice Provost, Professional and Continuing Studies has announced that he plans to retire at the end of November. He has been with the University some 32 years, of which 31 have involved helping to create, nurture, guide and grow the organization now known as OLLI Lewes/Ocean View. I know our upcoming 30th Anniversary has special meaning to him.

Jim hired me as Program Coordinator in November 1995. We were renting space at the Virden center and had 155 members. Two part-time (or "miscellaneous wage") employees- Renee and I- were the whole staff. Then, as now, there were terrific volunteers serving in all sorts of vital roles. Jim's first direction to me was, "Bill, if you should find you need to work more than 10 hours in a week, clear it with me." 13 years later a ten hour week was a distant memory, in fact, this had become a real job. We needed someone who was energetic, tech savvy and dedicated. Enter Anna!

Anna, Renee (who is now Program Coordinator) and I all wanted to be given a job and allowed to run with it. Jim is a boss ideal for the likes of us. Mind you, Jim's desk is 80 miles to the north, and that would help with micro-managing. But it would be no different if he was just down the hall. He gives us room, and advice and support. This doesn't mean he is a push-over. He keeps his ear to the ground and watches the financials like a hawk.

Jim has been a great boss and supporter. His arena, all these years has been high level University deliberations and give and take- less genteelly referred to as palace politics and jockeying for position. I sense that Jim was pretty good at the game. But, after a career of fairly high-level Pentagon pirouetting, I can tell you, it gets to you. And that's why I have no doubt that Jim will savor all aspects of his retirement. Thanks and best wishes, Jim.

Bill

Update from Our Development Chairman

In September we met with the new University of Delaware Provost Robin Morgan and Estella Atekwana, Dean of the College of Earth, Ocean, and Environment, and they were both very supportive of the idea of OLLI building on the Sharp Campus here in Lewes. We showed them a proof of concept drawing of a new facility created by John Lester. This facility would be between 11,000 to 12,000 square feet. They were planning to present this idea to President Assanis. Last week we submitted a space request form to UD which included a copy of the drawing. We are still restricted by the University Development group from initiating a capital campaign until we have approvals from the Facilities VP. In the mean time we want to

kick off our fund raising by selling ads for our 30th anniversary catalog. You will receive an email soon with the details. We will want to approach all of our local stores, restaurants, builders, and professional organizations to solicit ads. We appreciate everyone's support.

Submitted by Paul Collins

Calendar of Events

- Oct. 25 -- Happy Hour - Irish Eyes Pub,
Lewes, 3 -6 p.m.
- Nov. 6 -- Election Day - No classes
- Nov. 12 -- Veterans Day - No classes
- Nov. 14 -- Happy Hour - Big Fish Grill, Ocean
View, 4-6 p.m.
- Nov. 19 -- Last day of classes
- Nov. 21-23 -- Office closed - Thanksgiving
holiday
- Nov. 27 -- Fall Luncheon - Atlantic Sands
Hotel, Rehoboth Beach
- Nov. 28 -- Happy Hour - Irish Eyes Pub,
Lewes, 3 -6 p.m.

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 OLLI Lewes office.

Greet Our Intern



Gregory Allen Leeds is a Master's of Science Candidate in Administration of Human Services. He has a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Psychology from Wilmington University with Certificate in Conflict Resolution, an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) in Human Services and Direct Support Professional (D.S.P.) Certification from Delaware Technical and Community College (DTCC). He also is a Certified Cognitive Support Specialist (C.D.A.T.) and Certified Cognitive Behavioral Group Facilitator (C.B.G.F.). He is divorced, has three sons and a daughter, two grandchildren and a great granddaughter. He lived in Lewes for twelve years while going to college and worked part-time for five years at Peachtree Acres in Harbeson as an Art Facilitator for a residential setting for persons with Traumatic Brain Injuries. He interned for DTCC at Easter Seals of Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore. Greg commented, "I am looking forward to working with OLLI for a demographic/ethnographic research component for OLLI's possible expansion and outreach to western Sussex County/Bridgeville at Heritage Shores."

LIBRARY NOTES

Whether you are a "newbie" or an "old-timer" I invite you to visit the small but interesting library we have at OLLI. It is a non-fiction collection of materials donated by students and instructors. The fiction collection is located in the hallway across from the library. Most of our collection reflects the courses that have been taught each year, such as music, nature, literature, arts and crafts, plant based eating, history, and tai-chi. There is also a collection of contemporary magazines titled 'Foreign Affairs' which were recently donated and are placed in the magazine rack above the digital card catalog. They contain interesting essays and articles about current events. On the Instructor's Resource shelf are materials on temporary loan from teachers who wish to share their personal items.



Please come and browse the shelves, and sign out something that interests you. All we ask is that you return it in a reasonably timely manner. It could not be easier!

Submitted by Ruth Barnett, Librarian

Ellis Island Immigrants Class Will be Offered in the Spring

To the 68 members who registered for the **Ellis Island Immigrants** program I extend my heartfelt thanks. I am thrilled so many are interested in the history of immigration and the parallels between then and now. I am sorry more than half of you were placed on a wait list. To accommodate your interest I'm going to offer the program again next semester on Tuesday mornings from 10:45AM-12:15PM. Hope to see you then.

Submitted by Jo-Ann Vega, Instructor

OLLI Fall Luncheon

Tuesday, November 27, 2018

11:15 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

The Fall 2018 semester will conclude with the **OLLI Luncheon on Tuesday, November 27, 2018**, at the Atlantic Sands Hotel located in Rehoboth Beach on Baltimore Avenue at the Boardwalk and Atlantic Ocean.

Thank You Volunteers!!

A BIG SHOUT OUT to our volunteers for a great job at these two events. Thank you so much.



Delaware Symphony Orchestra

- Maud Banks
- Harry Banks
- Diana Beebe
- Craig Haggerty
- Phil Fretz
- Gail McDermott
- Kathy Osterholm



Coast Day

- Nancy Ashburn
- Charlie Ashburn
- Sally Fintel
- Bill Fintel
- Tom Lord
- Craig Haggerty
- Bud Zimmerman



OLLI Garden Crew

A big thank you to Jenny Waters and crew for beautifying the OLLI garden, just in time for the beginning of our fall semester!

There are two more events this year. Always looking for volunteers

2018 55 PLUS EXPO

Saturday, November 3, 2018 9:00 - 5:00 (divided into shifts)
Cape Henlopen High School

2018 Lewes Historical Society Christmas House Tour (information to follow)
Saturday, December 1st 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (three shifts).

If you are available and interested in helping out, please call or e-mail. Gerri Stephenson 302-227-2651 or gerristephenson23@comcast.net



Much to Interest Members This Fall Semester



Plant-Based Eating for Personal and Community Health class wasted no time in getting to the heart of the matter by tasting the samples provided by instructor Dorothy Greet. For a taste treat she whipped up a Basil Pesto using white beans and roasted red pepper with nutritional yeast and a handful of toasted walnuts minus the classic parmigiana and olive oil.



Author Jack Clemons (left) spoke to Tom Devaney's (pictured right) class **Footprints in the Dust: Homesteading in Space**

Jack Clemons joined Project Apollo in 1968, a young engineer inspired by science fiction and electrified by John F. Kennedy's challenge to the nation to put a man on the moon. In his book, *Safely to Earth: The Men and Women who Brought the Astronauts Home*, he described his experiences supporting the NASA engineering team at what is now the Johnson Space Center in Houston, where he played a pivotal role in designing the reentry and landing procedures for Apollo astronauts and provided live support as part of the Mission Control Center's backroom team. He went on to work on Skylab and the Space Shuttle Program, eventually assumed leadership for the entire integrated software system on board the Space Shuttle.

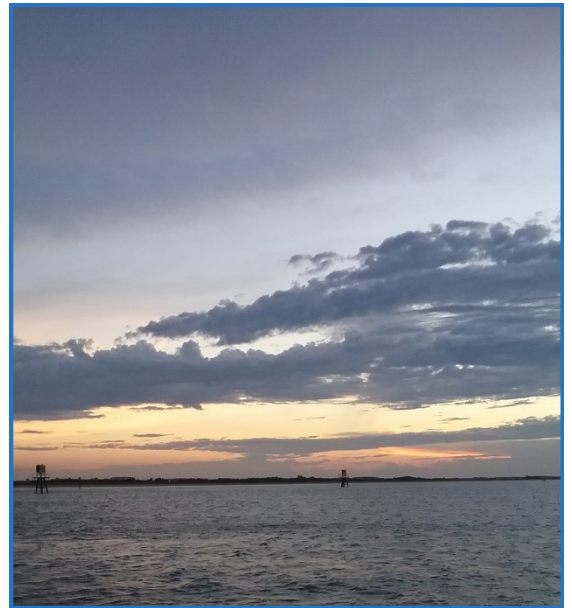


Admiral Michael Mullen spoke to the **Issues in U.S. Foreign Policy** class September 26.
L-R: Michael Burkhart, Leland Stanford, Admiral Michael Mullen, Sergei Boboshko

Photos by Dorothy Greet, Anna Moshier, Jay Wheeler

Summer Activities

A boatload of OLLI members and guests boarded the Cape Water Taxi the evening of August 1st for a twilight cruise on the Delaware Bay to the East End Lighthouse and to view a gorgeous sunset. The calm water, light breeze and good conversation added up to a not-to-be-missed experience.



OLLI members and guests who accepted an invitation from the Freeman Foundation to attend a performance of the First State Ballet on August 23rd were treated to an exceptional performance. With free tickets and VIP seating, a good time was had by all who attended.



OLLI members who play with the Slow Jam group played to packed houses at Irish Eyes in Milton during August.

Photos by Craig Haggerty, Nikki Roberson, Jay Wheeler

Special Speaker Thursdays

On Thursdays, during the lunch break this September members were privileged to listen to and interact with three interesting speakers who discussed a wide array of topics. Additional speakers were planned but due to the growth of our student population, some OLLI classes were relocated off campus. This reduced the number of students available at the Lewes campus for the Thursday luncheon speaker series.

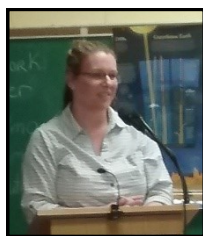
On September 6 -- Wayne Kirklin, retired college professor with an interest in maritime history spoke about *"Maritime Bits" – Sailing vessels over the past 350 years*



On September 13 -- Dennis Reardon, from the Lewes City Council discussed Annexation and Zoning in Lewes



On September 20 -- Lea Rosell, Executive Director of the Lewes Library, showed us the many ways to use the Library catalog to find information.



OLLI OLLI IN FREE

Holidays Then and Now!

Remember when we used to celebrate holidays on the actual, meaningful days? Like Columbus Day on October 12th, not on the Monday closest to the 12th. Like Lincoln's birthday on February 12th? And Washington's Birthday on February 22nd? Instead of the generic "President's Day" whenever that is??

Memorial Day was always May 30th, no matter what day of the week that was. As a Girl Scout Brownie many years ago, I remember "marching" in the local parade on Memorial Day. My father was a policeman back then in 1957, and he would also march, near the front because the police contingent always lead the rest of us. My mother was my Brownie leader, so of course she was in the parade, too.

My favorite part was when some lucky trumpet player from the Tiger Marching Hundred South Hadley High School Band got to play taps all by himself. While the rest of the band played taps all together, he would run to the other side of the cemetery and stand behind a big monument to play the echo version of taps. I still get goose bumps remembering that rendition of the song.

Then came the part I hated...the three-gun salute for all the dead veterans we were remembering and honoring that special day. Those gunshots would make me jump every time, even though I knew they were coming. We had three big cemeteries in my little Massachusetts hometown, so we went through that music and shooting routine three different times.

I guess nostalgia for my childhood days is making me long for those days again, when holidays really meant something special to the people celebrating them!

Submitted by Patty Perreault Bennett



English Country Dancers Perform at Many Venues in the Area



Our English Country dancers have taken part in several demonstrations and festivals late this summer and have continued into this fall. On Wednesday August 22, the Osher English Country dancers did a dance demo for the Lewes Historical Society Children's Colonial Camp held at the Burton Ingram House. This included involving the children in some of the dances, including the Virginia Reel.



On September 7 the group gave an evening performance at the Lewes Historical Society.

On September 20 they were the highlight of the Shakespeare Festival at the Lewes library and were featured in a photo spread in the *Cape Gazette*.

And they really charmed audiences at the Celtic Festival in Snow Hill, MD on Saturday and Sunday, October 6 and 7.



Submitted by Carol West, Instructor, **English Country Dance**

Photos by John Lafferty, Anna Moshier, Carol West, *Cape Gazette*



**We are planning a trip to Opera Delaware's
2019 Spring Festival**

Sunday, April 28, 2019- 2 PM performance

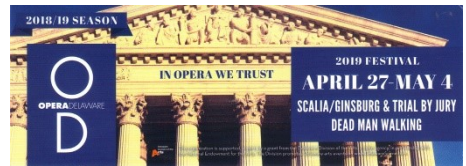
Scalia & Ginsburg and Trail by Jury

Saturday, May 4, 2019 - 2 PM Performance-

Dead Man Walking

If you are interested in either or both of these travel opportunities contact Joan Sciorra or Dolores Fiegel or the OLLI office as soon as possible so we can make final arrangements for ticket ordering and motor coach.

Joan Sciorra-donrick@udel.edu or Dolores Fiegel-twofigs@udel.edu



More Social Activities Planned

The Social Committee has been busy this fall. We hosted a two-day Walk-In Registration at the Lewes campus and the Instructor Orientations at Ocean View and Lewes in August.

There have been three Happy Hours -- two at Big Fish in Ocean View and one at Irish Eyes in Lewes. Three more are planned. See below for details.

The 20th Annual Picnic at Cape Henlopen State Park on October 10th was attended by 125. Many of our members are wonderful cooks, judging by the many dishes that were brought to share. Special thank you to all the members who helped arrange and cover tables, set-up the buffet, prepare vegetables, grill, and clean-up. You made the picnic a success!

The last event of this semester will be the **Fall Luncheon on November 27th** at the Atlantic Sands in Rehoboth Beach. The arts and craft groups will be displaying their creations, and the Elder Moments will be entertaining. Mark your calendar and watch for more information in your email and posted in the hall. The Social Committee is looking forward to seeing you at the luncheon.

Submitted by *Connie Benko, Social Chairman*

Join Us For Happy Hour!



Do you want to get to know some of the other people in your classes? Meet new friends and renew old friendships. Come to the Happy Hour at Irish Eyes Pub & Restaurant on the Lewes Canal, 213 Anglers Rd, Lewes, DE. on , Thursday, October 25, and Wednesday, November 28, 3 to 6 p.m. Or meet us in Ocean View at Big Fish Grill, 30415 Cedar Neck Road on Wednesday, November 14, 4 to 6 p.m. There will be a Cash Bar.

Submitted by Connie Benko, Social Chair

OLLI Celebrated its 20th “Picnicversary”



Salty Brine's Seaside Chat

WOW!!! The Southern Delaware Academy of Lifelong Learning (SDALL)/Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) Homecoming Picnic just celebrated its 20th Picnicversary (we'll coin this a word)...So let's stroll/sail down the picnic trail and some picnic memories...

It was 1997 when it was suggested that SDALL have a fall picnic – the Council thought this was a good idea, so on Columbus Day Monday, October 12, 1998, the first SDALL Picnic was born (later to be called Homecoming Picnic)...it was vittles hot off the grill with all the fixins, soft drinks and water...we had music with Roo Brown and the SDALL chorus, later renamed the “Elder Moments and jazz with the “jazz man” John Nammack; we also had a Grand March and an English Country dance by the dance class led by Alex and Edith; admission was \$3.00 and bring a dish to serve eight (8)...we also listed non-meat eaters may bring a main dish casserole instead of a side dish or dessert...Thus the picnic became an annual event. Twenty years later it was \$5.00 and bring a dish to serve eight (8); and plant-based food was a standard part of the picnic fare, off the grill and at the food tables. Dessert tables (2) each overloaded with sweet-tooth goodies...

The 2nd annual picnic October 11, 1999, a heat wave moved into the Lewes area, and the temp by 1 p.m. reached the low 90s; Renee took her, not quite two year old, daughter Rebecca to the ocean and stripped her to her birthday suit and into the ocean she went to cool off; she did not want to leave...

Over the years we lucked out with mostly decent weather; also there came a time when the Park replaced the tables that were soo heavy and could no longer be moved by the membership; Renee contacted Udel maintenance personnel who came each and every- year after that to move the tables for us; we always invited them to come back for lunch, but they never did come...also a big “THANKS” to our many volunteers over the 20 years (too many to name, lest we miss someone) to set tables, direct placement of the food, grill masters male and female, vegetable cutters and cleaners, clean-up crew, those who delivered leftover, unopened, packaged food to Casa San Francisco in Milton, etc.

As Snoopy would say “it was a dark and stormy night” only for our picnic it was the beginning of a fall nor'easter with plenty of strong winds and accompanying rain to attend the 15th Homecoming Picnic on Wednesday, October 9, 2013...it was the first time since the first picnic that it “rained on our parade.” There has to be a first for everything, right,? but on the bright side though, No Bugs! Before we go any further let's give a tip of Salty's cap to all those who helped make the beginning of a fall nor'easter picnic day a “windy, rain-driven” success including every one of the “hale and hearty” who attended and a double tip of Salty's cap to those grill masters who braved the elements to grill burgers, dogs, Portobello mushrooms ... it was a challenge to put cheese on the burgers because of the gusting winds, you remember the “Flying Nun” well we had “flying cheese” on the grill, on the ground, and we think some of it might have made it to the ferry slip, but some did make it on the burgers ...someone wondered aloud while the Elder Moments were performing if they knew *Signing in the Rain or Stormy Weather*... guess we'll have to ask Roo Brown, Elder Moments choral director about those...?

The 17th picnic October 13, 2015...at 0800 the OLLI Queen received an ...---... (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...

The 18th picnic October 11, 2016, was the last picnic the twofigs (aka Bernie & Dolores) would orchestrate, retiring from 18 picnics, and turning the duties over to the new picnic gurus who began their term orchestrating the 19th (October 2017) event...Again, the groaning boards were end to end with food and desserts, plus plenty of burgers, dogs, onions, zucchini, green/red/yellow peppers, Portobello mushrooms, off the grill, with all the fixins...it was a wonderful and enjoyable ride orchestrating 18 picnics and during the course of 18 picnics we had the support of many volunteers, some with us for all 18; and no picnic can be successful without the support of its members...

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The OLLI Queen weighed anchor and set sail, October 10, 2018, on an overcast morning with 121 members and



guests on its way to Cape Henlopen State Park for the celebration of the **20th Homecoming Picnic...**we dropped anchor and while the members and guests were disembarking, a cheer arose from the group as the sun was seen breaking through; the usual picnic fare from the grill, the groaning and dessert tables sagging with goodies, the singing by the Elder Moments under the direction of their choral leader, Roo Brown; Carol [West] and Ted [Mason] English Country dance class doing several demo dances and one where they encouraged people to get up and try it for a little fun – quite a few did...and the icing on the cake, or should we

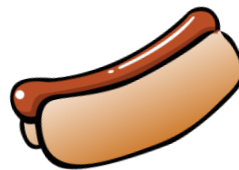


say the cherry on the top of the scoop – the Udel Creamery ice cream truck made the trek from Newark so us picnickers could enjoy Udel ice cream...it was a day of sunshine, fun, smoke, friendship, conversation, good food and sweets, music, dancing, and ice cream, what more could you ask for...looking ahead to many more successful picnics...

From Salty and the gang hope we see you at the November luncheon, anchors aweigh...

Contributing writers – Cera Belum, Clams Casino

Photos by Jay Wheeler



OLLI in Lewes/Ocean View is a vital and vibrant part of our members' lives. Consider promoting lifelong learning with a charitable gift to OLLI. Checks can be made payable to **University of Delaware** with a note that the contribution should be directed to Osher Lifelong Learning Institute in Lewes/Ocean View.

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You may also give online at www.udel.edu/makeagift or by calling the Development Office at [302-831-2104](tel:302-831-2104).

When you give back to OLLI, you make members' dreams possible, the University of Delaware stronger and our community stronger. No matter how big or small, every gift truly matters.

In Remembrance of



Patricia Ann Paletsky Carlton, 76, of Rehoboth Beach passed away Friday, July 20, 2018, at her home. She was born Sept. 29, 1941, in Harrisburg, Pa. Pat graduated from St. Aloysius High School in Jersey City, N.J., with the class of 1959. She attended Douglass College in New Jersey and graduated with a bachelor's degree in mathe-

matics in 1963. While there, she was inspired by her professor, Roy Lichtenstein, to follow her passion for art. This led to her becoming a docent for the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C.

Following college, her first job was in data entry for the National Cash Register Co. Pat was proud to have authored the protocol that allows email exchanges.

She served as a board member, as well as president, over her decades-long involvement with the American Association of University Women, from which she received a Gold Lifelong Member Pin in 2017. She loved attending classes at Osher Lifelong Learning (OLLI), as well as being a member of the Village Improvement Association and the Rehoboth Beach Historical Society, where she volunteered at the museum.

A passionate artist, Pat enjoyed pottery and needlework, and was very involved with the Rehoboth Art League. A lifelong lover of the beach, she moved from Rockville, Md., in 2000 to make Rehoboth her permanent home. Mrs. Carlton was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 36 years, Robert Elsworth Carlton, in 2016. She is survived by her daughter, her son, and 5 grandchildren.

Catherine "Kay" Loysen

Kay Loysen, 88, of Ocean View, DE, passed away peacefully while surrounded by family at Beebe Hospital on August 26.

Hers was an active life, filled with world travel, tennis, lifelong learning, family and friends. Kay was a patron and avid supporter of the local arts community to include the Rehoboth Beach Film Society and Clear Space Theatre Company. She was a Mah Jongg player and mentor, a NYT crossword aficionado, and a long suffering Caps fan.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a contribution to one of Kay's favorite passions: Fierberg Student Film Award through the Rehoboth Beach Film Society, **Osher Life Long Learning at the University of Delaware** in Lewes or the Delaware SPCA.

"All one can really leave one's children is what's inside their heads. Education, in other words, and not earthly possessions, is the ultimate legacy, the only thing that cannot be taken away."



*Dr. Wernher von Braun
Aerospace Engineer*

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