



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



The end of the fall semester was punctuated by a fun luncheon at the Atlantic Sands Hotel in Rehoboth. The exhibit of our members' arts and crafts was as impressive as ever, though humbling to ten thumbed clods like me. Our chorus, the "Elder Moments" was in great voice and the adaptation of the lyrics to "Poor Poppa" that Roo Brown wrote to honor Jim Broomall was hilarious. Thanks to all who worked to make this happy occasion a reality.

There is bad news and good news about our moving/building plans. On balance, I think, developments will work out in our favor. On the one hand, while the Provost supports our decision to build on the Sharp Campus on Pilottown Road, she has learned that, in addition to OLLI and the College of Earth, Ocean and Environment, there are desires by other schools to create hospitality and nursing programs on that campus. She needs time to sort it all out. Paul Collins, in his column (See page 2) will explain more about this and other snags that inevitably arise in large institutions. Bureaucracy can be maddening, but has the frustrating advantage of slowing things down, resulting in better choices. As a 28 year Pentagon veteran I know that is true. Sometimes?

Balancing this off, there have been developments that make our relocation less urgent. Full funding of the Consortium building makes it less likely the Fred Thomas Building will be needed as swing space for the pre-school program. Paul and Anna have found additional opportunities to rent additional space.

A colleague of mine had a sign in his office that read "Truth is time dependent." Perhaps this situation is what it refers to. We still need to move. But the urgency we felt -- until recently, we had no assurance of remaining here past next semester-- has gone away. Now we have time to really think the future through much more carefully. We intend to use this time wisely.

You should have your spring catalog very soon. It's always fun to think ahead to spring even while enjoying holiday festivities.

Happy Holidays. See you non-snow birds in late January.

Updates from the Development Committee

The committee has been meeting monthly to work on plans for a new facility, alternative locations, and fund-raising plans for a capital campaign. At our last meeting Martha Mitchell and Nathana Jackson of UD's Planned Giving Office presented to us the programs they have created to encourage including OLLI in your wills. We will be sending out more details on this soon.

Calendar of Events

- Dec. 24 - Jan. 1 -- Office closed - winter break
- Jan . 9 -- Open House & In-person Registration,, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Jan. 10 -- Trip to The Barnes, Philadelphia
- Jan. 17 -- Priority Registration deadline
- Jan. 21 -- Martin Luther King Day - Office closed
- Jan. 23 -- Ocean View Instructor Orientation, Ocean View Town Hall, 10 - 11:30 a.m.
- Jan. 24 -- Instructor/new member orientation, Lewes, Fred Thomas Bldg., 10-10:30 a.m. coffee social, 10:30-11:30 a.m. orientation
- Jan. 28 -- First day of classes
- Feb. 13 -- Happy Hour, Irish Eyes Pub, Lewes, 3-7 p.m.
- Feb. 18 -- Presidents Day, no classes
- Mar. 5 -- Second session begins
- Mar. 13 -- Happy Hour, Irish Eyes Pub, Lewes, 3-7 p.m.
- Apr. 8 -- Last day of classes
- Apr. 22-26 -- Office closed - spring break
- Apr. 23 -- Spring Luncheon - Atlantic Sands Hotel, Rehoboth Beach

Our initiative to sell advertising in our spring catalog raised \$4,000 even though we had a very brief window. We thank all those who participated, and we will be pursuing more ads for the 2019 summer and fall catalogs. We are still restricted from mounting a major fund-raising campaign until the university officially recognizes our capital campaign. In the meantime, if you wish to donate please designate it for the OLLI Lewes Future Fund.

Our lease at the Fred Thomas Building has been extended until June of 2020. One of the reasons the school district has been reluctant to give us a longer lease was the possibility that our building could be used as temporary space for the Consortium build out. As of last month, the Consortium has been fully funded for the new construction, so it is now unlikely they will need our space in the near future.

Anna Moshier submitted a space request form to UD Facilities back in October for a standalone building for OLLI on the Sharp Campus here in Lewes. In subsequent meetings with a variety of university departments this project has morphed into a shared use facility that could be 40,000 sq. ft. The university proposed hiring a consultant to interview each of the interested groups and then develop a proposed building plan. We are still waiting for this consultant to be approved and hired. The positive side of this is the new facility could provide us with lots more features and space than in our original request. Our biggest issue is getting the university to sign off on the building and include us in the existing 10 year building plan.

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We are lobbying with several members of the board of trustees to advocate for us.

The university recognizing that we need space, has proposed that we might be able to use the Virden Center as a location for our program once all existing commitments are completed. Anna and I will visit there soon and evaluate the space. We have also visited Trinity Church on New Road that has a building they were using as a day school. This is a very nice setup with 5 classrooms that are in great shape. This could be part of a plan to provide us space over the next few years.

Paul Collins

Chairman, Development Committee

OLLI Volunteers at Community Events

Expo 55+ was held at Cape Henlopen High School on November 3rd. We had 207 people who indicated an interest in the OLLI program and requested a catalog.

Volunteers for this event were:

Paul Collins, Lynn Kroesen, Eileen Redden, Ann Reese, Ron Reese, Joan Sciorra, Gerri Stephenson

Lewes Historical Society House Tour was held Saturday, December 1st. A big **THANK YOU** to the 15 volunteers from OLLI. Cindy Foster, with the Lewes Historical Society was very pleased.

The volunteers were:

Connie Benko, Paulette Criaris, Bernie Fiegel, Dolores Fiegel, Amy Hiller, Barbara Mullins, Lee Mussoff, Jerry Pillari, Rosemarie Pillari, Valerie Reber, Joan Sciorra, Karen Schaub, Bill Sharkey, Gerri Stephenson, Phil Stephenson

Submitted by Gerri Stephenson, Community Relations

Anna Promotes OLLI in Millsboro



Anna gave a presentation promoting the OLLI program at Independence Retirement community in Millsboro on Nov. 7.

**Save the date
for the Spring Luncheon on
Tuesday, April 23rd at the
Atlantic Sands Hotel Ballroom
in Rehoboth Beach**



UD ID CARDHOLDER BENEFITS FOR OLLI MEMBERS

Here are some benefits that our members report with their UD ID card and/or UD email address.

- **Eduroam:** if you have a limited data plan on your smartphone or tablet, you'll want to use the Eduroam WiFi network at universities and museums around the world. That way you won't be using up your monthly data quota when you go to a website, check email or otherwise access the Internet.
- **Amazon Prime** for \$6.49/month – half the cost of a regular subscription;
- **The NY Times** digital subscription at \$4.00/month;
- **The Wall Street Journal** for \$100/year;
- **Apple Store**
- **Academic Superstore**
- **Barnes & Noble UD Bookstore**
- **A.C. Moore** Arts and Crafts Stores
- **JourneyED**
- Online access to the **UD Library's** hundreds of databases
- **Value Line** database of stocks and bonds would cost you at least \$695 a year to subscribe on your own
- **Ancestry.com**
- **Oxford World Art** database
- **Google Apps**
- **Off Broadway Shows**
- **Many attractions and museums nationwide and abroad**

Weather Closings

Lewes – When Cape Henlopen School District classes are canceled, OLLI classes are canceled. When the school district has a delayed opening, OLLI activities will begin on time.

Ocean View – When Indian River School District classes are canceled, OLLI classes are canceled. When the school district has a delayed opening, OLLI activities will begin on time.

For all other locations, contact the instructor.

Check for information:

Phone: 302-645-4111 (recorded message)

Web: www.oli.udel.edu

TV: WBOC or www.wboc.com, weather closings

Even when OLLI is open, members should come to classes only if they personally judge it is safe to do so.


OLLI Artists Display Work at Lewes Library



Intermediate Painting Workshop class, Ellen Watkins and Carol Halloran (front row), instructors



Remember
Priority Registration
Deadline is Thursday,
January 17, 2019



Member Contacts Provide Insight into Issues in U.S. Foreign Policy

This fall, OLLI members in Lewes interested in politics and U.S. Foreign policy, registered for **Issues in U.S. Foreign Policy** with Instructors Sergei Boboshko and Lee Stanford. The course consisted of discussions of international affairs issues currently facing the U.S. presented by invited specialists with backgrounds in Foreign Service, academia and the US military. Each class consisted of a presentation by a speaker with specific knowledge and experience with the issues and time allotted for questions and discussion.

Sergei and Lee had worked together leading the spring edition of *Great Decisions*, the seminar on international affairs issues included in the *Great Decisions* textbook but did not have a similar guide for a fall class. Conversations with other members lead them to get volunteers among class members to bring personal experiences, community resources and friends to make interesting presentations to the class.

"It was amazing the richness of the network of backgrounds among our OLLI members," said Sergei. Among the topics discussed this fall was Terrorism, Chemical Weapons in War and Diplomacy, U.S., NATO and Russia relations and Venezuela. Presentors included a retired senior Military Advisor to NATO, a retired U.S. Ambassador to Russia and Ukraine, retired senior U.S. Foreign Service officers and a CNN world affairs correspondent. "The 10 week class grew out of the interest and connections of the OLLI members." Lee reported.

Sergei suggested that OLLI members look to their personal connections and contacts list for other knowledgeable, interesting speakers for the coming fall semester. "We all have different backgrounds, experiences and interests that could be of interest to others in your OLLI community. Share your interests."



L-R: Michael Burkhart, Leland Stanford, Admiral Michael Mullen, Sergei Boboshko

Mark Your Calendar for 2019 OLLI Activities

The Social Committee is planning a number of activities for 2019. Beginning on Tuesday, January 8th, there will be an information table with OLLI Spring Registration information in the lobby of the Lewes Library. **Walk-In Registration in the Fred Thomas Building will be January 9th from 10am -1 pm.**

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 , Wednesday, February 13, 3 to 6 p.m. and Wednesday, March 13, 3 to 6 p.m.** There will be a Cash Bar.

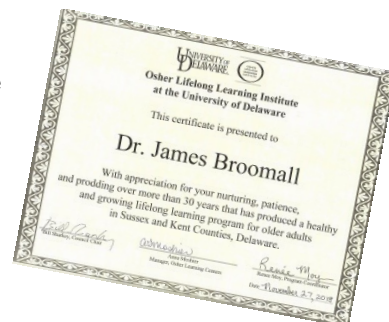
Stay tuned for more information about *UD at the Sea*, a four-day conference, for OLLI participants from all three counties to be held May 21-24 at the Atlantic Sands Hotel and off-site locations.



Submitted by Connie Benko

Fall Luncheon, A Special Thank You

The Fall Luncheon at the Atlantic Sands Hotel in Rehoboth Beach on November 27th was enjoyed by all. Members of the Traditional Music Slow Jam class under the direction of Oliver Hansen entertained us before the luncheon, and the Elder Moments directed by Roo Brown performed to the delight of all after the luncheon. A certificate of appreciation was presented to Dr. James Broomall retiring Associate Vice Provost, Professional and Continuing Studies for his more than 30 years of support of the lifelong learning program. Thank you to all who shared their arts and crafts in the displays in the Sandpiper Room.



L-R: John Lafferty, reading certificate, Bob Comeau, Bill Sharkey, Dr. James Broomall, Dolores Fiegel, Anna Moshier, Renee Moy



Photos by Jay Wheeler & Lynn Kroesen



Above: Johanna Barbati with her handmade quilt



Right: Carol Halloran

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A Trip Down Memory Lane

Since Christmas is just around the corner, I thought I would take you on a small trip down memory lane, specifically recalling some toys from our childhood. Those weren't very "politically correct" times, so there were gender-specific toys. And that's the way I'm going to write my column.

Let's start with some of the girl toys I remember getting. I had a lovely Shirley Temple doll wearing a gold and white dress and black patent leather Mary Jane shoes. I was jealous of the mountains of curls in her hair. My mother never let me in the kitchen when she was cooking, so I could care less about an Easy Bake Oven, but my friends asked Santa every year until they got one. I remember getting a Betsy Wetsy doll, which peed out the water that you fed her from a miniature baby bottle. Was it made of glass? Was it made of plastic? Who remembers? I also got a Howdy Doody doll. I loved Howdy Doody. And Buffalo Bob. What a great show that was.

I have no brothers, so I'm basing these next toys on my husband's memories. He had all kinds of soldiers from all the different wars. And they were made out of metal. His favorites were the Union and Confederate soldiers from the Civil War. He also had metal cowboys and Indians, with hard plastic horses to ride. He had a Remember the Alamo set, complete with metal pieces that snapped together to form the perimeter of upright-standing logs. He also had a Lionel train set that he got when he was 7-years-old, and he still sets it up every Christmas under our tree. The smaller gage railroad goes into his Christmas village.

My sister is three years younger than I am, so she remembers getting one of the original Barbie dolls. She still has her, and her daughter, and her granddaughters have enjoyed that Barbie doll as much as she did.

We all remember hula hoops, roller skates with keys, and Slinkys, too. Merry Christmas! I hope you get all the toys you ask for this year.

Submitted by Patty Perreault Bennett



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

Sunday, April 28, 2019- 2 PM performance

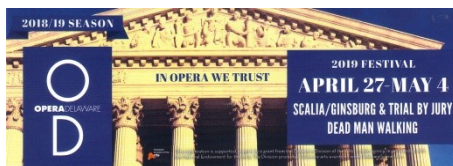
Scalia & Ginsburg and Trail by Jury

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



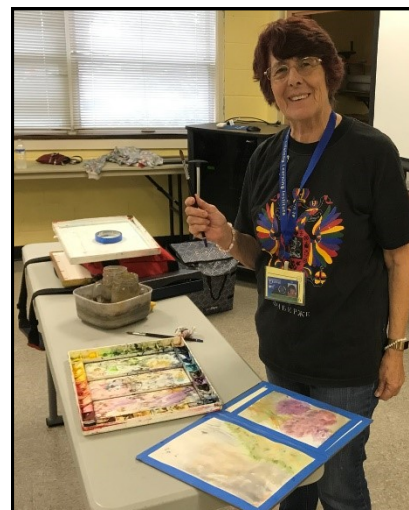
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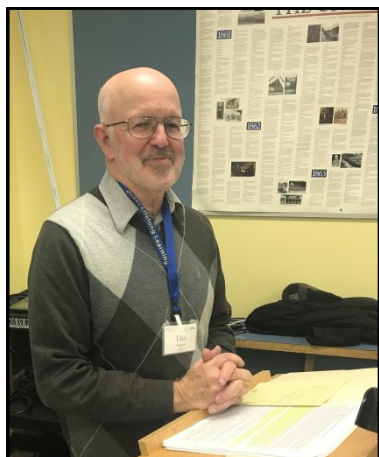
Walk and Talk class visited the Delaware Botanical Garden.

Photo by Sandy Sullivan co-instructor

Photos by John Lafferty and Lynn Kroesen



*Instructor Cade Gibson,
Watercolor 101*



*Instructor Dan Pritchett,
RFK: The Life of Robert Kennedy*

“The Instructor was very knowledgeable and personable, easy to understand and completely approachable, this instructor made me look forward to every class.”



Author Walter Curran (L) was guest speaker at **Write Now-Like a Pro** with instructor Rae Tyson (R).



L-R: Guest speaker, Goran Lindsjo, world renown expert on artificial intelligence with Paul Collins, instructor **The Age of Artificial Intelligence**

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Rosanne Smith, instructor **Modern Wisdom From the East**

Instructors Yuan Lin & Barbara Donelan, **Manage Your Own Health:: A Practical Guide from Chinese Medicine**

“The instructors clearly devote a great deal of time and effort to preparing their classes”

Photos by John Lafferty



Elizabeth Rives, instructor **Fall Tree Identification**

Options for Year-End Giving to OLLI

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 created different tax scenarios that may impact your charitable giving. As we approach the end of the calendar year, we encourage you to have a conversation with your advisor to determine what is best for your personal situation.

For members over the age of 70 ½ who are required to take a required minimum distribution (RMD), you have the opportunity to donate pre-tax income to OLLI, thereby reducing your 2018 taxable income. To transfer appreciated stock or make a gift from your IRA to benefit your preferred OLLI location, please consult your financial advisor and call the University of Delaware Development Office at 1-866-535-4504.

To make your annual gift or pledge payment to your preferred OLLI location, you can:

[Give online.](#)

Send a check to 83 E. Main Street, 3rd Floor, Newark, DE 19716 (with your preferred OLLI location in the memo line).

Call 302-831-2104 / 1-866-535-4504.

Checks and envelopes must be postmarked no later than December 31, 2018 to process in calendar year 2018.

If you have any questions, please call 1-866-535-4504 or contact annualgiving@udel.edu.

In Remembrance of



Maureen Patricia (Neubelt) Chu, 89, of Lewes died Monday, Oct. 22, 2018, at home. She was the beloved wife of 51 years to Robert Chu. She was born Sept. 2, 1929, in Jersey City, N.J. She graduated from St. Elizabeth's College in Convent Station, N.J., with a degree in fashion design. After graduating, she

worked in the textile industry buying fabrics internationally. For most of her life, she designed and made all of her own clothing. In 1967, she married Bob.

She and Bob enjoyed traveling, here and internationally and visiting cultural centers in European cities. They also discovered the pleasures of ocean and river cruises. After retiring, she and Bob moved to Lewes, where she became active in a variety of pursuits. Among those was conducting tours of historic houses, assisting the Lewes library in the selection of new books, and participating in classes at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Delaware in Lewes.

Maureen is survived, in addition to her husband, by 3 sisters-in-law, a brother-in-law and many nieces and nephews. She will also be missed by her many cousins, and cherished neighbors and friends.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Saturday, Nov. 3. Memorial contributions may be made to the University of Delaware Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Development and Alumni Relations, Gifts Receiving and Processing Office, 83 East Main St., 3rd floor, Newark, DE 19716. In the Memo section be sure to state: OLLI Program - In memory of Maureen Chu; website: www.udel.edu/makeagift.



Jan Barrett Woodman, 83, of Lewes passed away Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2018, at home, surrounded by his family. He was born April 7, 1935; in Kansas City, Mo. Jan traveled in Europe as a child since his father was an Army officer.

After attending the Hill School in Pottstown,

Pa., Jan graduated from the Virginia Military Institute in 1958, and never let anyone forget it. His love and respect for his father led him to serve in the Army, from 1960-63, stationed in Hawaii and Laos, where he was aide-de-camp to Gen. A.J. Boyle. He finished his time in the service with the 13th Artillery 28th Division.

Jan started his career as a structural engineer and project manager in an architectural firm in Richmond, Va. He spent a great part of his professional life working in civil engineering and real estate development in Northern Virginia. He married Jean Androus Woodman from Alexandria, Va.

Jan loved gardening, spending time with his 11 grandchildren and great-grandchild. Jan moved back to Alexandria to spend his last days with his family, Jean and their girls.

A celebration of life was held Saturday, Dec. 1, at Epworth United Methodist Church in Rehoboth Beach. Burial will be at Arlington National Cemetery at a later date.

Happy
Holidays!

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