

# The Tides...

Breaking News from



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

Lifelong Learning

# From the Chair



I am writing this soon after the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary luncheon, so forgive me if the after-glow is too obvious. It was great to have the honor of presenting Certificates of Appreciation to our centurion and pottery program founder Amelie Sloan, and long-time basketry instructor, Elaine Stanhope. Sen. Ernie Lopez read a proclamation of recognition from the Delaware Senate and Lewes Mayor Ted Becker read a similar document which declared April 23<sup>rd</sup> OLLI Day in Lewes. Dr. George Irvine, who is our guy in Newark, spoke very positively about our program. Both the Slow Jam group and the Elder Moments made the music that made a happy day even better.

Thanks to Connie Benko and her Committee for the creativity and hard work that gave us wonderful centerpieces and pearl (30<sup>th</sup> anniversary gem) themed tables. Pictures of this event are elsewhere in this issue. Pictures were also snapped by Dennis Forney, Publisher of the *Cape Gazette*. I am eager to get my copy to see.

There may (fingers crossed) be good news soon about our move. We are told that by June there could be a decision to turn the Virden Conference Center on the Sharp Campus on Pilottown Rd. over to us. There are details yet to be worked out. If this happens, we will need to make some modifications to the building. These modifications will cost us-but only a fraction of the cost of building a new building. This will require some fundraising. Stay tuned.

Catalogs for the summer session are now in hand. Looks to be a good one. Offerings range from American Indian Wars to Yoga and from Astronomy to Writing Poetry. Hope to see you there.

Election results are in! Kathy Henn and Bud Zimmerman were elected to a second term and Connie Benko will join Council. Connie already attends Council meetings as Social Committee Chair but now will have a vote. Congratulations all and a big thank you to Jane McGann who served as Co-Chair of the Academic Committee and is stepping down. Please read the annual reports from our committee chairs in this issue. (See pages 12 - 18)

Have a great summer.



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## **Osher at UD Included in Membership Survey**

The Osher National Research Center of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes at Northwestern University did a membership survey in 2018 and Osher at the University of Delaware was included. The following are a few highlights of the results of the survey. (If you are interested in the full results, contact Anna)

Did you know?

- 52.4 % of us are between 65 and 74 years old
- 62.6% are female
- 71.5% are married or partnered
- 94.2% are white
- 28.2% of us have a Bachelor's degree or equivalent and 41.5% have a Master's degree or equivalent
- We are tech savvy: 94.8% have a laptop or desktop computer and 84.2% have a smart phone.
- 62% of us use social media sites.
- 62.1 % have been retired more than 5 years
- History classes are the most popular, followed by Fine Arts and Current affairs

## **Calendar of Events**

May 4 -- Opera Delaware trip

- May 7 -- Open House, Walk-in Registration, Lewes, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- May 15 -- Instructor Breakfast
- May 16 -- Priority registration deadline
- May 21-24 -- OLLI UD By The Sea
- May 27 -- Memorial Day, Office closed
- May 30 -- Instructor Orientation, 10-11 a.m.
- June 3 -- First day of classes
- June 21 -- Chanticleer Gardens trip
- June 28 -- Last day of classes
- July 4 -- Holiday, Office closed
- July 9-10 -- RAL Cottage Tour
- July 18 -- Trip to Clear space

Please return any books or research materials you borrowed from the OLLI Library

## Summer 2019 Classes

**In Lewes** 

June 3 -- 28

Priority Registration Deadline May 16

**Register Now** 

## OLLI Supports RAL's 70<sup>th</sup> Cottage Tour July 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>

Join the OLLI students who have signed up to be docents for the Rehoboth Art League (RAL) "Cottage Tour." The 2019 tour, on July 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, is a great opportunity to meet nice people, show off an incredible cottage,

support RAL, and promote OLLI to the community.

OLLI and RAL have collaborated for the past 11 years. RAL offers their studio to OLLI for our pottery classes. OLLI sponsors a "cottage" during their fundraising tour. Win – Win!

We have a pretty full slate of docents, but if you call now, you can still join the fun. Contact Renee Moy at the OLLI office (302-645-4111). The shifts are as follows:

July 9, AM Shift (9:45 AM-12:30 PM) July 9, PM Shift (12:15 - 3:00 PM) July 10, AM Shift (9:45 AM – 12:30 PM) July 10, PM (Shift 12:15 - 3:00 PM) OLLI Docents will host this lovely cottage on

Henlopen Avenue.

If you have a day or shift preference, be sure to let Renee know.



George Dellinger signs up Cathy McNeill, Lynne Cardwell, and Loretta Feeney at the OLLI Anniversary Luncheon on April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

George Dellinger and Suzanne Hain are the coordinators. They will call to get acquainted, answer questions, provide details, and confirm scheduling.

Being a docent is fun and only takes 3 hours from your summer activities. Join us to support this worthy collaboration!

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## OLLI Art Students Win at Millsboro Show



OLLI art student's showed their art at both the Millsboro Art League and the Lewes Library. Linda Towers, Diane Reed (pictured above) and Marie Isola (right) won first, second, and third place ribbons respectively at the Millsboro show.



## OLLI Volunteers Usher at Delaware Symphony

A Big Thank You to our volunteers for a great job ushering for the Delaware Symphony Orchestra Concert on Sunday, March 24, 2019.



From left to right Gerri Stephenson, Gail McDermott, Valerie Reber, Cynthia Whitacre, Kathy Osterholm, Caren Cotoc-Ortiz (Cape Henlopen High School) Joan Sciorra, Lynn Kroesen, Connie Benko Submitted by Gerri Stephenson



## **Comforting Threads from OLLI**

The students at Osher Craft Circle have begun a project to provide comfort in times of need to our students or their families. "Comforting Threads from OLLI" are making a collection of heartfelt creations for our students to choose from. The collection will include items like prayer shawls, lap blankets,

wraps, scarves, hats, etc. All this will be done with our sincere wishes for the best of outcomes. If you know of someone who would benefit from a "Comforting Thread" please contact Karen McKinnon, <u>karenmckinnon46@gmail.com</u>.

The group is also making 8" squares, either knitted or crocheted, of any color or pattern. The squares will be collected and sent by the Lewes Presbyterian Church to a group in North Korea, called Friends of Korea, where they get stitched together and made into blankets or wraps for people who have little or no heat or other amenities. For more information contact Diana Beebe, <u>dcbeebe@gmail.com</u>.



Submitted by Karen McKinnon & Diana Beebe, Instructors Osher Craft Circle

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## **OLLI Garden Spring Cleanup**

The OLLI garden is ready for another year of welcoming students at the

Dupont entrance. On Thursday April 25<sup>th</sup> the OLLI Garden Cleanup Team arrived in force to spruce up the garden. Led and overseen by Daffy, the OLLI duck, who was nesting her eggs in mid-garden. Joining Daffy were:

> Dan Johnson Jeff Rowe Suzanne Hain Carol Normal George Dellinger



Dan Johnson, Jeff Rowe, Suzanne Hain, and Carol Norman taking pride in the garden "after" the work completed.



George Dellinger gets started early, working in the garden as it looked "before" work was done.

The team removed soaker hoses. We then blew, raked, swept, and bagged leaves and debris. Mulch was applied and the soaker hoses replaced. We stood back with joy as Daffy serenely waddled back to resume her nesting duties.

Many thanks to the team ... and to Daffy for being so patient ... and to Renee for checking the results and giving the official, "*Thank you. well done.*"



Daffy's Nest of eggs



Daffy, the OLLI Duck surveying the gardening effort

Submitted by Suzanne Hain

## **30th Anniversary Celebration**

April 23, 2019



Lewes Mayor Ted Becker presented a proclamation from the City of Lewes congratulating & thanking OLLI for its many contributions. L-R: Also attending Barbara Vaughan, Bill Sharkey, Anna Moshier



Bill presented Certificates of Appreciation to Amelie Sloan and Elaine Stanhope for their years of service. Looking on Renee & Anna.

#### Lewes Lifelong Learning at 30

#### **By Phil Fretz**

It was here before me

Thanks to the ones whose foresight made it happen Theirs was a collection of minds and spirits so dedicated to a community of learning

Thanks to them for their farsightedness that now we celebrate an entire university of Lifelong Learning right here in this tiny seashore neighborhood

We all delight in each other's contributions We find joy in imparting what we know and love to share

We find stimulation in learning from others We all are better for the interaction

Who would have thought it would be a pleasure to go to school in retirement? Who could imagine the range of course offerings? It is nothing less than amazing what we can do as a group

Thank you to the tireless and patient staff Thank you to the volunteers on the council Thank you to those who prepare and teach Thank you to those who get up in the morning looking to be in class, sometimes all day! We are grateful everyday.



Above: Sen. Ernie Lopez presented a Delaware Senate Resolution celebrating OLLI's 30th birthday

*Right: George Irvine, UD Interim Associate Vice Provost called OLLI a "Pearl of an Organization" .* 

Photos by: John Lafferty, Lynn Kroesen, Jay Wheeler

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# **30th Anniversary Celebration**



Arts and crafts exhibited



Memory books





Traditional Music Slow Jam with Nikki Roberson (far right) led by Oliver Hansen performed



Birthday Cake!!



Other VIPs in attendance (L-R) Anna Mosier, Bill Ashmore, Diana Faison, Bill Sharkey, Paula Wood, John Lafferty, Renee Moy



## Spring Semester Classes Keep OLLI Members Active





English Country Dancers Participate in Dover Spring Assembly





Strength and Fitness for Senior Citizens class members



Three Happy Hours were organized at Irish Eyes in Lewes during the spring semester. The size of the group varied between 15 and 32.

Photos by: Connie Benko, Lynn Kroesen, Carol West

## Spring Semester Classes Keep OLLI Members Active



# Learning For The Fun Of It



**Walk and Talk** class at Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge

Photos by Sandy Sullivan, Chet Poslusny,

Lynn Kroesen,

Advanced Woodworking Using Hand Tools class practices sawing



Mah Jongg Beginner & Advanced Player Workshop



Amelie Sloan (left) celebrated her 100th Birthday with Jon & Iris Newsom instructors **From Beethoven to Gershwin** 

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## **Delaware to the World Tour**

From breakthroughs in curing cancer and the effects of climate change to new approaches to education and transformations happening across campus, University of Delaware faculty and staff are bringing a piece of UD campus to Dover, Bridgeville and Wilmington.

The free events, part of the nine-month Delaware to the World national tour, will feature receptions that include food, drink and networking while also offering, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute members the chance to hear presentations from three UD faculty and staff members on their world-changing work at the University.

#### **NEWARK/WILIMINGTON | 5.9.19 | CHRISTIANA HILTON | 5:30 P.M.**

Beyond the Bricks: The Story of UD's Campus | Peter Krawchyk Women as Leaders: Empowering the Next Generation | Amanda Bullough The Buzz on Bees: Their Critical Role in Our Food Supply | Deborah Delaney

Registration is required. For more information and to register, visit <u>www.udel.edu/totheworld</u>.

## **Options for Giving to OLLI-Lewes/Ocean View in 2019**

As a member of OLLI-Lewes/Ocean View, there are several ways you can give back to your local OLLI program:

#### Annual Giving

OLLI members are invited to make annual contributions by the end of the fiscal year (June 30, 2019). Donors can make an annual gift or pledge payment to OLLI <u>online</u>, by mail (83 E. Main Street, 3rd Floor, Newark, DE 19716), or by phone (302-831-2104 / 1-866-535-4504). A final spring appeal will arrive in mailboxes in early June.

#### I Heart UD Giving Day

OLLI-Lewes/Ocean View will be participating in I Heart UD Giving Day, the University's annual day of giving and gratitude, on May 15, 2019. The OLLI-Lewes/Ocean View Fund will be a featured fundraising project for all members of the UD community—including OLLI members—to support that day. More information will be available closer to I Heart UD Giving Day at <u>www.udel.edu/iheartud</u>, including the opportunity to celebrate at the Lewes campus on May 15.

#### **Planned Giving**

Individuals age 70  $\frac{1}{2}$  and older can make direct transfers from IRA accounts to OLLI without having to count the transfers as income for federal income tax purposes. No charitable deduction may be taken, but distributions will qualify for all or part of the IRA owner's required minimum distributions. Donors can also transfer appreciated stock to benefit OLLI. For these giving options, please consult your financial advisor and contact the University of Delaware Development Office at 1-866-535-4504.

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## In Remembrance of .....



**Gerald "Jerry" L. Shea**, 83, of Milton passed away at home Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2019. He was born July 12, 1935, in Elizabeth, N.J.

Jerry attended Montclair State College where he earned his bachelor's degree cum laude in economics in 1979. He also earned his

Charter Life Underwriter designation in 1974. Jerry worked as a systems analyst with the Prudential Insurance Company for 31 years until 1984. He then worked for First Fidelity Bank as a quality assurance analyst until retiring in 1995.

Jerry was a charter member of the Jaycees in Woodbridge, N.J. He served as the vice chairman of the Urban Renewal Citizens Advisory Board, and was a member of the library board in Fanwood, N.J. Jerry also served as a member of the board of the Mill Spring Run Homeowners Association in Milton.

Jerry was a member of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Lewes. Jerry enjoyed traveling both in the U.S. and abroad. He was an avid theatergoer. He was a lifelong fan of jazz music.

Jerry is survived by his wife of 45 years, Mary E. Shea of Milton; two sons; three grandchildren; one great-grandson; two brothers; and three sisters. A Memorial Service was held February 23, at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Lewes.



**Richard Kauffman**, 82, died Sunday, March 10. His life was dedicated to helping others, social justice and teaching. After graduating from Franklin and Marshall College he attended Gettysburg Theological Seminary and was ordained as a Lutheran pastor. He ministered in Loganton, Pa. and York, Pa. While serving

Christ Lutheran Church, he also acted as a chaplain with the York City police during the civil rights movement. He then was called to join the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission .While at the commission, he also explored his love of teaching as an adjunct faculty member of York College where he taught philosophy, living world religions and ethics.

Richard retired to the Delaware shore where he served as a court-appointed CASA worker, and a member of Delaware Court mediation. When Alzheimer's affected his wife, they moved to Cadbury in Lewes where Richard continued teaching at the University of Delaware's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute and working with the Tolerance and Justice League.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, his daughter, son-in-law, two granddaughters and a great-grandson.

A memorial service was held on April 28 at the Moorings in Lewes..

#### Mary Elizabeth Slattery, 82,

of Rehoboth Beach passed away peacefully at home Sunday, April 7. After graduating from the University of Delaware, Mary earned a master's degree in education from Salisbury University. In her 35year career, she devoted her time teaching children in the classroom before moving into



administration at Milford's Banneker School. In 1986, she was Milford's Teacher of the Year. She passed on her gift for education as an adjunct professor at Wilmington University. Upon retirement, Mary became a CASA volunteer. As a community volunteer in Rehoboth, she was involved with the VIA and the Rehoboth Beach Museum.

She moved to Rehoboth after retiring and enjoyed winter months in Gulf Shores, Ala. Mary also loved to travel and visited more than 70 countries. Mary is survived by two sons, a sister, a daughter-in-law and a niece. She was preceded in death by her husband Robert.

#### **OLLI SHINES UNDER ARIZONA'S SUN**

"You've seen one OLLI, you've seen one OLLI!" So said Kim Klein, garnishing an enthusiastic round of applause at the 12<sup>th</sup> Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes National Conference held in Scottsdale, Arizona. She opened the plenary session on Tuesday morning, October 23, with a good humored talk on practical solutions to fundraising. Did you know that 70% of philanthropic giving comes, not from corporations or "deep pocket" folks, but from average income individuals? More people give away money than vote, go to church, or volunteer. The secret, she said, is to "ask" and then to say "thank you" to your donors. "Thank before you bank" was one the many aphorisms that kept her audience in the Coro-



nado Main room of the Scottsdale Resort at McCormick Ranch fully engaged. Ms. Klein admitted that she had not known about OLLI before being invited to our conference, but she would be a member now!

Members from 122 OLLIs across the United States listened to Bernard Osher, Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes founder, speaking about his on-going curiosity, his enthusiasms and his mission to enhance seniors' vitality and well-being. At age 80 he took up piano and fly fishing and he continues to explore new learning adventures now in his 90's. Indeed the OLLIs feature a large number of academic, intellectually stimulating, college level, courses but they also offer many other areas of educational interest and perhaps most importantly they support seniors' social health.

Innovative OLLI course content included "Lego Education", an intergenerational offering in Kansas City, which included updating old toys for new futures. Constitutional Law programs were popular everywhere. Panels were also held for various community hot topics such as "safety and aging", "security at home", and "avoiding scams." Kennesaw State University OLLI collaborated between two courses such as "Media and Film" and a Writing course. For a Film Noir class, they hosted a mystery play, performed by members. Throughout the event awards were given to various OLLI's for clever programming: The University of Vermont OLLI won with an offering on Medical Marijuana (including samples).

Although the Osher Institute programs have a shared set of common standards (diverse educational activities, memberships, and opportunities for people over the age of 50 to offer leadership and to engage in volunteer activities, as well as a support system for stable organizational structures), they have not dictated the formation components of local OLLI s. The result has been a wide variety in the ways different OLLIs operate. We learned a lot about variations in course lengths, semester terms, fee structures, host university relations, physical spaces, By-laws, and much more. Parking is no problem at all for OLLIs located in the countryside. But parking in a big city campus, which usually includes a special parking fee, makes our Lewes issues wane off the canvas.

As secretary of our Lewes Council, I was amazed to learn of OLLIs that were afraid to publish and reluctant to share their minutes with their members. And think of the horror of three hour council meetings! We saw other OLLI members taking notes as we shared our successes highlighting our partnerships with other area non-profits, our exercise and dance programs, woodworking, bee keeping, basket making, music, social and travel opportunities, social games, golf, technology support, birding, beachcombing, and innovative teaching approaches to history, literature, math, foreign affairs, finances, languages and current matters. Yes, indeed, if you've seen one OLLI, you've seen one OLLI and our OLLI Lewes/Ocean View, Delaware is one of the best!

Submitted by Katherine Henn, Council Secretary

#### **COMMUNITY RELATIONS ANNUAL REPORT 2018**

Committee Members Craig Haggerty, Ocean View/Chair Gerri Stephenson, Rehoboth/Chair Stephani Scales, Milton

**Displays**. Every semester, displays are designed highlighting course offerings and promoting the OLLI program and mounted in designated locations. Committee members designed and mounted displays at Milton, Rehoboth, Selbyville and South Coastal libraries. Displays were also exhibited at 55+ EXPO and Coast Day.

**Catalog Distribution**. With the cooperation of Lewes Library, the committee used the inter-library courier system to distribute over 800 spring, summer, and fall catalogs to nine libraries. Volunteers also delivered catalogs to the Rollins Community Center in Lewes.

**Brochure Distribution**. Recently updated brochures offer a snapshot of the OLLI program and include members' testimonials and maps to Osher locations in Lewes, Ocean View and Dover. Brochures were delivered to: Georgetown, Lewes, Milton, Rehoboth, Selbyville and South Coastal Libraries; Active Adult Realty, Rollins Community Center, +55 Expo and Coast Day.

#### **Community Events**

• **Delaware Symphony Orchestra** returned to Sussex County on Sunday, September 17, 2018 and March 24, 2019. OLLI provided volunteers to collect tickets and assist with seating.

• **Freeman Stage** offered OLLI members free admissions with VIP seating to the First State Ballet Theater which was held on August 23, 2018. The attendees enjoyed the selections of popular ballets such as "The Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairies" and "Don Quixote".

• **55+ EXPO** was held on November 3, 2018 at Cape Henlopen High School. Seven volunteers introduced visitors to the University of Delaware's statewide OLLI programs. The event was well attended. We had 107 people sign up for a catalog.

• Coast Day was held on Sunday, October 7, 2018 at the University Delaware's Hugh R. Sharp Campus in Lewes. OLLI had eight volunteers who greeted and described statewide OLLI programs to interested visitors. There were 54 people who signed up to receive a catalog. Two visitors were also very interested in teaching a class!

• **The Lewes Historical Society Christmas House Tour** was held on December 1, 2018. OLLI provided 15 docents. Cindy Foster, LHS Docent Committee, was very pleased with our volunteers' assistance!

- Independence Education/Enrichment Expo was held on November 7, 2018 at the Independence Community. OLLI provided a presentation along with our display. There were twenty five people who requested more information and a catalog.
- American Education Week Open House Community Day was held on Tuesday, November 13, 2018. Volunteers were asked to tour the school, visit class rooms and provide feedback. OLLI sent two representatives to participate in this event.

Geri and Craig thank committee member, Stephanie Scales and all volunteers for their dedication. We could not have accomplished our mission without YOU. Submitted by Craig Haggerty

## Travel Report-2018-2019

June 15, 2018	National Cryptologic Museum, MD	canceled
July 17, 2018	Footloose-Clear Space	20
August 1, 2018	Twilight Cruise-Cape Taxi	35
August 23, 2018	First State Ballet-Freeman Stage	50
October 17, 2018	Mitchell Hall UD-Debate	canceled
October 24, 2018	Indigo Restaurant	45
January 10, 2019	Barnes Museum-B. Morisot	31
March 22, 2019	Air & Space Center	23
May 2, 2019	NASA Wallops Island	23
April 28, 2019	Opera DE-Ginsburg/Scalia	23
April 30-May 3	Annual NYC Trip	100
May 4. 2019	Opera DE-Dead Man Walking	
June 21, 2019	Chanticleer Gardens, Wayne, PA	
July 18, 2019	Mama Mia-Clear Space	real and
August 1, 2019	Canal Cruise-Cape Taxi	Gel

Submitted by Joan Sciorra, Travel Chair

## **Scholarship Committee Report**

During the academic year Fall, 2018-Spring,2019 nine students were awarded partial scholarships from The Charmaline K. & George Kirilla Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund. The scholarship process adhered to the requirements of Osher Bylaws.

Submitted by Sabatino Maglione

## **Annual Report from Communications**

The Tides continues to fulfill its purpose to highlight the activities of our members, inform members of future activities and foster a sense of community among our members. The Tides is published four times a year with special editions as appropriate. I appreciate the submissions of pictures, articles and suggestions for future articles submitted by our members.

Working with Renee on three catalogs this year has given me an appreciation for the work that goes into providing the superior program we enjoy.

Submitted by Lynn Kroesen, Communications Chair





## Annual Report for Finance As of March, 2018



Fiscal year July 2018-June 2019 revenue and expenses are on track with budgeted numbers. As of March 2019, the projected revenue continues to be ahead of the expected expenses.

The Scholarship Fund, the Future Fund and the Gift Fund each received contributions during the past year. The Equipment Fund was used to purchase a much-needed copy machine as well as normal classroom furnishings. As in the prior years, the Activity Fund is self-funding.

Submitted by Karen Schaub, Finance Chair



The Osher Lifelong Institute's bylaws require a strategic plan. This plan must be reviewed every three years, approved by the council and republished. A committee of six members has been formed and the plan is under review and will be updated. The goals of the plan are: Membership, Programs, Finance, Facilities, and Collaboration. When completed, the plan will be presented to the council for approval.

Long Range Planning

## From the Art Department

The Art Department has had a fantastic year. We had student's show art at both the Millsboro Art League and the Lewes Library. Linda Towers, Marie Isola and Diane Reed won first, second, and third place ribbons respectively at the Millsboro show. We hope to continue this tradition this coming year. In addition to the Monday open workshop, we were proud to have had abstract (Sue Frey) and pastel (Ms. Duggan) teach classes this past year and this will continue into next year.

After dozens of years of service, Elaine Stanhope will be leaving us and will be relocating. She has nurtured the Basket Weaving class to become one of the most popular classes of the school. OLLI cannot thank her enough for all of her service.

Please join others in the Stained Glass, Craft Circle, Basketry, and Art Free classes this summer or fall. Please send us any comments as to how we might improve our art classes.

Keep on painting and let the artistic juices flow.

Submitted by Peter Feeney, Vice Chair

## Web Address: www.olli.udel.edu/lewes/

## 2019 Annual Report for Academic Affairs (Lewes/Ocean View Only)

June 2018: 49 courses were offered of which 27 were new. Class enrollments were 1069 with 117 wait listed. There were 52 instructors with 11 new instructors.

Fall of 2018: 100 courses were offered of which 46 were new. Class enrollments were 2905 with 428 wait listed. There were 119 instructors with 11 new ones. Of the 100 courses, 11 were at Ocean View.

Spring of 2019: There were 90 courses of which 35 were new. Class enrollments were 2724 with 544 wait listed. There were 85 instructors with five new ones. Of the 90 courses, eight were at Ocean View.

Some of the highlights of this past year include OLLI's English Country Dancers under the direction of Ted Mason and Carol West, danced in several venues that included appearances in Dover, Princess Anne, Maryland and the Lewes Library Shakespeare Festival.

OLLI's chorus class, the Elder Moments under the direction of Roo Brown, traveled to the Dover OLLI and performed at their April 2019 Dover Spring luncheon.

Dan Pritchett's "Hamilton" course held in Lewes this spring, was the most requested course in OLLI's history with 70 people registered and over 60 on the wait list.

Submitted by Bud Zimmerman, Academic Affairs Co-Chair

## Annual Report 2019 Development Committee

Members: Diana Beebe, Bob Comeau, Pete Feeney, Kathy Henn, Ed Hynes, Joan Mansperger, Rob Morgan, Bill Sharkey, Nick Simmonds, Phil Westcott

UD Members: T J Cournoyer, Anna Moshier

Mission: OLLI Lewes requires a facility to accommodate the growth of our program while providing for a superior learning environment with strong social interactions. Our mission is to identify that facility and then create a fundraising program both short and long term which would allow us to acquire and maintain that facility.

Our first meeting was in February 2018. We have created a facilities requirements document, an "Expand Our Horizon" campaign and surveyed members for their preferences. John Lester created a proof of concept drawing incorporating requirements.

We have met with the UD Development team to review the Wilmington campaign, the UD Planned Giving team, the Provost and Dean of EOE (Earth, Ocean and Environment) to present a proof of concept, submitted space request to UD and submitted a business plan for the Virden Center.

Submitted by Paul Collins, Chairman





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## OLLI Social Committee Annual Report April 2019



The Social Committee has the responsibility for arranging special events, the Fall and Spring Luncheons, the Annual Homecoming Picnic, Fall and Spring Walk-In Registrations, and New Member/Instructor Receptions. Happy Hours in Lewes during the fall and spring semesters and summer activities were scheduled and well-attended. Volunteers are solicited and scheduled to assist with these activities.

Members who are interested in serving on the Social Committee met three times this year to plan the activities and to assist is various capacities.

<u>Walk-In Registration</u> – Members were invited to register on-site on July 24 at the Lewes campus. Approximately 50 members registered for classes on this day. Pastries, cook-

ies, fruit, and coffee were provided. The Walk-in Registration for Ocean View was conducted on Aug. 29<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the Instructor orientation. Refreshments were also provided for this meeting.

<u>The Walk-in Registration</u> for the spring term was scheduled for January 9 in Lewes. Volunteers manned the registration tables. Approximately 75 members registered for classes in the spring semester on this day. Pastries, cookies, fruit, and coffee were provided. An Information Table was manned at Lewes library on January 8 with a good response from the public.

<u>Instructor Orientation</u> – Pastries, cookies, fruit, and coffee were provided for the Instructor Orientation on Aug. 29 and 30 in Ocean View and Lewes respectively for the Fall Term and on Jan. 23 and 24 for the Spring Term in Ocean View and Lewes. New member orientations were provided on these days.

<u>20<sup>th</sup> Annual Homecoming Picnic</u> was held at Cape Henlopen State Park Pavilion on October 10<sup>th</sup> with approximately 140 in attendance. Members paid \$5 each to help defray the cost, and each family brought a salad, side dish, or dessert to share. In addition to hamburgers and hot dogs, Portobello mushrooms, onions, zucchini and bell peppers were grilled. Rolls, lettuce, cheese, condiments, sodas, water, and paper supplies were provided. A large group of volunteers assisted with the set-up, preparation of vegetables, grilling, and clean-up. Members also took advantage of the delicious ice cream sold by the UD Moo Mobile at the picnic. The English Country Dance class and Elder Moments singers entertained the members. The UD Maintenance staff assisted with the set-up of the pavilion.

<u>The OLLI Holiday Luncheon</u> was held on Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> at the Atlantic Sands Ballroom in Rehoboth Beach with 117 in attendance. There was a display of Arts and Crafts completed by the members in the fall arts and crafts classes. The Traditional Slow Jam group and Elder Moments entertained. Committee members assisted with the set-up and registration.

<u>The OLLI Spring Luncheon</u> --- The 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of OLLI was celebrated at the spring luncheon which was held on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Atlantic Sands Hotel . Tradition Slow Jam played during the Social Hour, and

Elder Moments entertained. There was a display of the arts and crafts projects completed this winter in the adjoining room. Social committee members created the table centerpieces and helped decorate the ballroom. The presentation of the OLLI 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Proclamation, a Champagne toast and decorated Anniversary Cake were highlights of the luncheon. The committee was involved with the Anniversary Bulletin Board and special luncheon program. Committee members also assisted with the luncheon set-up and registration.



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<u>Five Happy Hours</u> were organized at Irish Eyes in Lewes during the fall and spring terms. The size of the group varied between 15 and 32. Three Happy Hours were held at Big Fish in Ocean View in the fall with few in attendance.

<u>Summer Activities</u> – *Lighthouse Cruise* on August 1, 2018 -- Forty people enjoyed perfect weather for the twilight cruise around East End Lighthouse

*Evening at Clear Space Theatre* — Nineteen members attended the production of *Footloose the* <u>*Musical*</u> on July 17, 2018.

A Cruise of the Lewes-Rehoboth Canal on August 1, 2019 is planned.

Evening at Clear Space Theatre is planned for July 18, 2019 to see Mamma Mia.

The members of the Social Committee have been very generous with their time and efforts to make all the social activities successful this year. The committee is continuing to explore alternative activities for the members of OLLI in the future.

Submitted by Connie Benko, Chairperson

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