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OLLI-W in the Time of COVID-19

Neil Cullen, Chair of Council

We live in an eerie time. COVID-19 makes it so. We “shelter in place,” “maintain social distance,” “Zoom,” and pick up groceries “at the curb.” We depend on one another, yet we live apart. We miss our classes, our instructors, our concerts in the lobby. Most of all, however, we just miss gathering informally with one another or sharing a lunch. As I grieve these losses and find it difficult to maintain my balance, I remind myself to give thanks for my blessings. I have not fallen ill. I have a home in which to shelter with my wife, an adequate supply of food, the technology to communicate with family and friends and open land nearby where I take long, therapeutic walks.

I marvel at the individual and collective resilience of OLLI-W. Classes and programs at Arsht Hall have ceased, but our manager, Jen Merrill, and her staff members perform their jobs from home to maintain essential services. They process spring-semester refunds to members, support instructors who continue their spring-semester courses online, host Zoom meetings for committees and plan for the fall semester.



They created the daily OLLI Wilmington Updates in which they offer a myriad of “links” for members to “click” to connect to a world of educational and cultural opportunities. They encourage us to share poetry, photographs, and laughter to support one another as we learn how to adapt and yes, thrive. We owe them a debt of gratitude.

As I try to calm my mind and retain my perspective, I often recite a favorite poem, “The Peace of Wild Things” by Wendell Berry. I recommend it to you.

The Peace of Wild Things

When despair for the world grows in me
and I wake in the night at the least sound
in fear of what my life and my children’s lives may be,
I go and lie down where the wood drake
rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds.
I come into the peace of wild things
who do not tax their lives with forethought
of grief. I come into the presence of still water.
And I feel above me the day-blind stars
waiting with their light. For a time
I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.

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40 Years of OLLI-Wilmington: Decades of Moments to Remember

George Irvine, University of Delaware Interim Associate Vice Provost
for Professional and Continuing Studies and Online Initiatives

Editor's Note: This is the second of three messages from George Irvine celebrating and reflecting on 40 Years of OLLI—Wilmington.

Through the decades, OLLI-Wilmington has marked many milestones, challenges and uniting moments. Today, we are experiencing unprecedented times as a result of the worldwide coronavirus pandemic. I hope you and your families are staying healthy, adjusting to your new routines and looking forward to when you can return to your OLLI classes in Arsht Hall. Be assured, your UD family also anticipates when you can come together again as the vibrant community of lifelong learners you are. Hopefully the old adage, “absence makes the heart grow fonder,” is truer now than ever before, and we will all appreciate our time together that much more when things return to normal.

Our extra time at home gives us an unexpected opportunity to pause and reflect on the rich history of OLLI-Wilmington. As many of you know well, the program began as a spark of an idea in the mind of then-UD President Art Trabant and Jack Murray, who was heading up UD's continuing education programs in 1976. As the idea for learning opportunities for retired adults grew into action, and more individuals were brought into the fold, the Academy of Lifelong Learning welcomed its first students in February 1980.

In 2010, the Academy took on its current form with endowed support from the Bernard Osher Foundation, which provides funding for colleges and universities to implement these programs. In recognition of the new affiliation, the Academy became the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Delaware in Wilmington that we all know today.

In between and since then, we've seen many high notes and accomplishments, including:

- building Arsht Hall, thanks to a \$2 million gift from Roxanna and Sam Arsht, \$1 million from other members and a \$3 million investment from UD
- receiving the NAACP award for Humanities Education
- achieving a 92% participation rate, with support and resources from UD staff, in the most recent fundraising efforts, Renewing the Dream, for facility renovations and resources
- offering classes at partner organizations with new classroom spaces to broaden OLLI's impact
- sustaining OLLI's success with a \$1 million endowment from two of its founding members, Albert “Bert” Guy and Jane Knapp Spivey
- surpassing 3,000 annual members
- launching UD by the Sea with OLLI programs in Kent and Sussex Counties

None of these moments—and thousands of others—would have been possible without all of you. You and your fellow members, instructors and countless volunteers are why OLLI-Wilmington at the University of Delaware is so successful. With so much to be proud of already, we look forward to the next 40 years of successes, community and vibrant programs. Thank you for being a part of our story today and into tomorrow. I look forward to seeing you all in person at OLLI soon.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or want to share your favorite OLLI—Wilmington memory throughout the years, contact J. Harry Feldman, Chair of the 40th Anniversary Committee, at jharryf@icloud.com.

Forty Years Ago

The Steering Committee Turns the Modest Proposal into the Lifelong Learning Reality

This is part two of Bert Spivey's account of OLLI's origins; the first part was featured in the February 2020 newsletter.

Along about the middle of November in the fall of 1979, the Temporary Steering Committee decided to go public. On November 27, it held the Academy's first "information session," an open house to tell whomever might be interested what the University was planning for them. There were two reasons for this. The committee members had roughed out a general plan for bylaws, but felt they had gone about as far as they could go without actual operating experience and the involvement of future members. In addition, they wanted to get a feel for what kind of interest they could arouse (the as-yet big unknown), and what kind of courses they needed to offer to attract those future members. They announced this "information session" with an OPEN LETTER TO RETIRED LEARNERS that they put in every store front that would let them. They also ran it in a small newspaper ad. The response to it answered once and for all that big unanswered question — "Would many men and women really be interested in something like the Academy?" Around 180 men and women showed up that day.

During the question and answer session the committee began to get an idea of the kind of classes they should offer the first session, and found out that the idea of starting with only four classes wouldn't work. Six attendees of that open house volunteered to teach six new courses, becoming the Academy's first charter members, and the committee held another open house in January where they recruited four more teachers. With this and other recruitment they were able to open the Academy in February with a catalog of 21 courses. But that's another story.

Who was Who in Developing the Curriculum?

Compiled from profiles written by Bill Kennedy in 2000 and online sources.

Charles Blake (1911-1989)

"Charles Blake was the architect of our curriculum," Bert Spivey declared. "He set the framework; he was the primary influence on the way the Academy [was] organized."

Blake had retired as head of the language department at the New Rochelle, NY public schools



An advocate of a core curriculum led by volunteers, Blake set down this pattern: "The Academy functions as an intellectual cooperative. Members volunteer as instructors, planners, and committee members, according to their skills."

He taught elementary Spanish in 1980 and quickly enlisted instructors for additional languages. "Charles was quite a linguist," Agnes Dignam remembers, "After he came to the Academy, he studied modern Greek on his own. Then he came to my Greek church and gave a talk in flawless Greek."

Edwin Buxbaum (1903-

1989) was a DuPont dye chemist credited with many patents. He retired at 50, earned a Ph.D. in anthropology at the University of Pennsylvania, and then taught at the University of Delaware.



The first semester at the Academy he taught "The North American Indian" and "Vanished Civilizations." Ernie Grabill recalled: "Bux taught anthropology and archaeology in the ballroom, the biggest room at Wilcastle, for years, and he always filled it up." It is fitting that the largest room in Arsht (Room 105) displays a plaque with his name, reflecting donations in his honor by more than 130 members.

New OLLI Council Members

With appreciation to the Nominating Committee whose work started last September, at its March meeting Council elected five members for three-year terms that began April 1. Neil Cullen was elected as Council Chair and Linda Kellogg, Executive Vice Chair. Council welcomes these newly elected members who will be leading and reporting from various committees soon.

The Nominating Committee consisted of Anita Sterling, Les Breedlove, Larry Peterson, Ruth Sokolowski, Anil Parikh, Mary Shenvi and J. Harry Feldman (chair).

The bios and photos submitted by the new members are below.

Karen Ingram

Karen M. Ingram enrolled in her first OLLI-W classes in the summer of 2017. Karen is now serving her second term as a Council member, after completing the term of a former member. She is the chair of the Diversity and Inclusion Committee; a member of the Marketing Committee and an Ambassador. She taught the game of Bridge for three semesters.

Karen earned a Bachelor of Science in Human Resources Administration and Management and worked in supervisory positions in the private and public sectors. She retired in 2012.

She is a member of the board of directors for Fresh Start Scholarship Foundation, Inc. and is a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for children in the foster care system. Karen is a very energetic member in public service organizations that benefit and improve the lives of people.

As a member of Council, Karen hopes to bring another facet to include diversity and inclusion to OLLI-W.

Karen enjoys reading, traveling, playing duplicate bridge in tournaments and collecting Black Santa Dolls.



Jack Ling

Jack T. F. Ling became an OLLI member about two years ago. Jack has team-taught two courses, demonstrated Chinese Literati brush painting, and served as co-chair of OLLI's Diversity and Inclusion Committee.

Jack received a joint-doctorate in clinical and social psychology. He also received graduate training in existential philosophy and civil rights law. In high school he won recognition and awards in Chinese Literati Painting, traditional Chinese musical instruments, and Wing Chun Kuen (a martial art).

In 2015, Jack retired as a university teacher and administrator. In his 36-year career, he served as dean of students, associate academic dean, executive director and professor at Boston University, Claremont Colleges, Skidmore College, and the University of Dayton. He also worked as a clinical psychologist, diversity-leadership consultant, and an environmental filtration systems estimator.



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Lew Martin

My name is Lewis Martin Jr. aka “Lew” and sometimes “Coach” for the 35 plus years of coaching youth and high school soccer in the area. I’m very excited to bring my nearly 40 years of DuPont engineering experience to OLLI.

I joined OLLI in the fall of 2016 and took the maximum number of classes in order to get immersed in the surroundings and experience everything OLLI had to offer. I was not disappointed. The atmosphere, people and course variety stimulated me intellectually. I noted how happy everyone seemed to be here. After my first semester, I volunteered to teach Desktop Publishing, to work with the Distance Viewing Team and to help maintain the computers in rooms 202 and 214.

I enjoy seeing people of all kinds outside of class, hearing them sing or play an instrument, watching them teach a class or finding their names under artwork hanging in the hallways. I look forward to working with members of Council to continue the fabulous work already started while adding a diverse view to new projects.



Rita Meek



I am a retired pediatric hematologist/oncologist. As a premed major in college, I had few opportunities to take classes in literature, art, foreign affairs, etc. I have been coming to OLLI for five years, and I have taken classes in Shakespeare, dance, journaling, multimedia crafting and politics. I have even learned how to be a literacy tutor and become a Big Brother/Big Sister. Last year I taught a two-semester class on the Black Death in the Middle Ages — I am sure that no one who took those classes anticipated that the topic would be so relevant to our lives in 2020. I am inspired every single day by the people I meet at OLLI -- people who continue to stretch their minds and share their knowledge with others, irrespective of age or if they have physical challenges. I believe that OLLI is a marvelous place; I volunteered to serve on Council because I want to help shape its vibrant future.

Gerri Sanchez

I am very excited to serve on Council. OLLI has made a positive impact on my life since I became a member in 2017. I want to contribute to its continued success!

I am currently the co-chair for both the Social Committee and Summer Session, the Secretary of the Curriculum Committee, a member of the Reception Desk Committee, and a first-time teacher this summer.

OLLI gives us an opportunity to interact socially, while keeping our minds and bodies active. I am grateful to serve an institution that enriches our lives!



Volunteer Spotlight

Jean Youkers, VDE (Volunteer Development and Engagement)

To nominate a special person, place their name and yours in the VDE lobby mailbox

Martha Hays

Martha Hays has brought a wealth of knowledge and energy to OLLI-W since 2012, as an instructor, committee member and the 2019-20 Council Chair.

Martha grew up in the Midwest. She earned a BBA at University of Wisconsin, then a JD at Duke University School of Law. She practiced law in Philadelphia for 25 years, retiring as a partner at Ballard Spahr, LLC. Martha and her husband have two daughters. Interests include golf, pickle ball and walks with her dog.

"Teaching brought me to OLLI-W," Martha said. After retiring, she was looking for a new purpose when a friend suggested teaching. Coincidentally, Martha read an article in the *Wall Street Journal* about Osher Lifelong Learning. She joined in spring 2012, began teaching that fall and has since offered classes in finance, investments and economics. Martha soon became involved in other roles, including the Facilities/Equipment/Safety Committee, Curriculum Committee, and OLLI-W Council.

Volunteering at OLLI-W has been rewarding to Martha because of her love of learning. She can provide classes in the areas of her interest, and "I always learn something from the people in the class."

"In the past year, it was gratifying to be involved in improvements made at OLLI-W, such as increased use of technology, implementation of co-chairs for committees and other initiatives that make OLLI-W so welcoming and safe for members." Martha added, "And the people, without exception, have been wonderful."

Martha herself is a wonderful contributor to the OLLI-W community, sharing time and talents in so many ways.



Allen Tweddle

Allen Tweddle has been sharing his expertise as a musician and instructor at OLLI-W since 2011. He plays French horn and trombone, and currently teaches Jazz Band, Jazz Orchestra and Orchestra. He plays in the



Intermediate and Concert Bands, sings bass in Chamber Choir and has worked on the Duplicating and Facilities/Equipment/Safety Committees.

Allen grew up in Wilmington's Carbars neighborhood, attending local schools. While majoring in music at Temple University, Allen was drafted and spent three years in the Army. Upon his return, he began two careers — as a railroad conductor and as a musician in the 287th Army Band, serving 41 and 22 years in these roles respectively. Allen was an original member of Delaware Symphony Repertory Orchestra, a past musical director of Ardensingers and assistant musical director of Brandywiners, Ltd.

He enjoys travel and claims, "I've never met a museum I didn't like."

When he retired, Allen's spouse gave him a membership to OLLI-W so he wouldn't be sitting around the house. Now he is "hooked on OLLI-W and an inmate of this institution."

Volunteering in OLLI-W music programs has been rewarding because it "gives people the experience of playing in a professional atmosphere."

Allen has always found detailed preparation to be necessary in achieving results, whether preventing disasters on the railroad or rehearsing musical arrangements and orchestra coordination so the performance is just right. Through his varied roles at OLLI-W, he "enjoys seeing good results." OLLI-W students have shared this enjoyment, thanks to Allen's attention to detail, musical talent and enthusiasm.

Making an Informed Choice When Voting

Submitted by Karen Stanley

Delawareans have four state-wide elections coming up in 2020: Presidential primaries are scheduled for June 2, school board elections for June 16, state primaries for September 15, and the general election on November 3.

[Note that dates may change.]

How do you determine what candidates will be on your election ballot, and which one(s) you prefer? A website called "VOTE411" by the League of Women Voters can help.

VOTE411.org provides personalized ballot information for voters in Delaware and nationwide. Start by entering the website URL in your web browser: www.vote411.org. Then enter your home address and click "Explore Now" under the "Find What's on your Ballot" heading. Generally, VOTE411



candidate information for each Delaware election is available at least a month prior to each election day.

VOTE411 includes candidate profiles

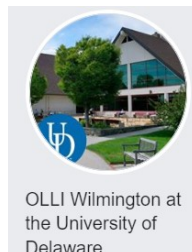
and responses to an issues survey so you can compare the candidates' viewpoints on the same questions, side by side, in their own words. When available, links are included for the candidates' campaign websites or Facebook pages, for further research. You can also print, email or text information about your preferred candidates to yourself to use as a memory aid on election day.

Be Aware. VOTE Aware. For more information, contact the League of Women Voters of Delaware, www.lwvdelaware.org, (302) 571-8948, or vote411de@gmail.com.

OLLI-Wilmington Facebook page

Lee Kaser

OLLI-Wilmington has a Facebook page, sponsored by our Council and our University office, which has announcements, pictures, videos and other items of interest to members of the UD and OLLI communities. We want to improve our communications with you, our members, by more use of that page, and are working to increase the number and types of posts. We invite you to visit and follow our page and use it to participate more freely in our activities. In the situation we face today, unable to attend classes, we hope this will help you cope with the isolation so many of us feel. We hope soon to add more information on classes, concerts, exhibits, and travel opportunities, as well as student groups with common interests.



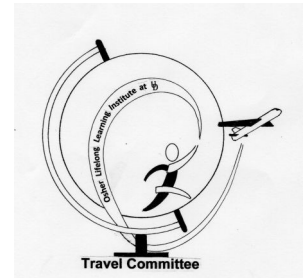
Many members already subscribe to the page. If you don't, you can find it easily by using this link: <https://www.facebook.com/OLLIWilmington> or typing OLLI Wilmington in the Facebook search bar and selecting our page from the choices which appear. Clicking "Like" on the page makes you a subscriber (at no charge, of course). You will then receive future posts on your own timeline, and can respond in several ways, such as with questions or comments. Give it a try. If you later choose not to follow the page, you can unsubscribe at any time. If you have questions about the use of Facebook, you may call Lee Kaser at (302)-995-6251.

"The real voyage of discovery consists, not in seeking new landscapes, but in having new eyes."

Karen J. Stanley , OLLI-W Travel Committee

"Of all the books in the world, the best stories are between the pages of a passport."

So many of us at OLLI have great stories to tell about our travels near and far. Whether we have been to the Eastern Hemisphere or the Eastern Shore, our travel experiences have enriched our lives and expanded our outlook on the world. For the time being our jet setters will have to settle for being armchair travelers. But, never fear; we can all still enjoy the wonders of the world and learn about foreign lands and cultures from a different perspective, the safety and comfort of home.



Let's start with this inspiring short video from Visit Portugal which helps put our current travel situation in proper perspective:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IFIFkGV207A&fbclid=IwAR1mYLUXvf3SzpVbSd8NyqH0yrtXtutxu8LN-wbGR1Z_H12HOCvSz_-t3l0

Here are just a few suggestions from the Travel Committee to satisfy your wanderlust while sheltering at home. Maybe they will give you some travel ideas for the brighter days ahead:

The New York Times featured an article on creating virtual trips using Google Streetview.

https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/24/travel/coronavirus-virtual-travel.html?referringSource=articleShare&fbclid=IwAR26qcZdcc5Byc6VATPzG6x_cq6NpHY1-ABPSuXM-V1T9ti7URlxe3MpWsg

Pride of Africa: Enjoy a luxury train journey across southern Africa:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x-iJEDPqwO8>

Imagine Japan at Cherry Blossom Time with the Tamagawa University Taiko Drummers:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gGO-bSq0AVY&fbclid=IwAR2feXTBYBP-wS4eYquJ6NSy0ecRWUeJDPmX74pzc7uxHKAICQ6mj_OIKOU:

Transit the Panama Canal in less than seven minutes:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m8TkcWhmByg>

Celebrate the 100th anniversary of Grand Canyon National Park:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dGGWu_noS3w

Make yourself a Singapore Sling and watch as one of the world's most famous historic hotels is brought into the 21st century: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VatPkX5RnoA>

Those suggestions just scratch the surface of the fascinating destinations you can visit online. Those who have subscribed to specific streaming services could have access to:

Amazon Prime Video: *Sites for Your Eyes*, *A Taste of Travel*, and *American Road Trip*.

Netflix: *National Parks Adventure*

PBS (for those who are PBS Passport members) : *Curious Traveler* (each episode focuses on one city), and *Joseph Rosendo's Travelscape* (half-hour shows)

National Geographic: familiar content about the natural world with focus on animals and their habitats

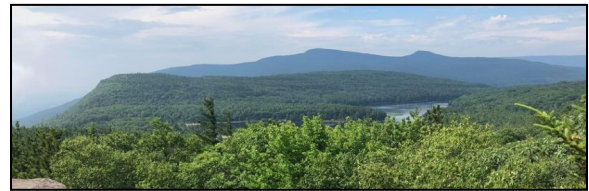
PBS: Those without subscriptions to online streaming can see many *Nature* series shows at <https://www.pbs.org/show/nature/>

The Travel Committee has been planning ahead:

When fall comes and the possibility of travel returns, a short getaway close to home might help restore your spirits. Our three-day motor coach trip to the beautiful **Hudson River Valley** is still scheduled for September 15 and later that month on September 26 you might enjoy six early fall days visiting charming **Cape Cod and Nantucket**. Our sold-out May one-day trip to **Annapolis** is now **rescheduled for Wednesday, October 7**.

December 16 brings a truly unique trip to our holiday offerings. The incredible **Treasures of King Tut Exhibit** will be visiting Boston on its world tour at the same time that the legendary **Boston Pops** are performing their annual **Christmas Concerts**. Not only will you find King Tut under your Christmas tree but also have the opportunity to visit the art treasures of the world-famous **Isabella Stewart Gardiner Museum** on this delightful pre-holiday bus tour.

To quote legendary Broadway composer Jerry Herman “We need a little Christmas now!” It is not too early to be thinking about some holiday cheer. Pending the resolution of the current health crisis, we hope to get approval for three offerings that were sold-out last Christmas season: A one day trip to Radio City’s Christmas Spectacular, Lancaster’s American Music Theatre holiday show and a three-night outing to the legendary Greenbrier Resort. Check OLLI travel opportunities on the website <http://www.oli.udel.edu/wilmington/travel/>.



Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area
<https://www.nps.gov/hurv/index.htm>

Finding Relief: Getting Out and Active

Peter Shields

Tired of being “cooped-up” this spring and looking to get active outdoors, while responsibly varying your “shelter-in-place” during this unprecedented time?

Discover the Northern Delaware Greenway that connects nearly 30 miles of trails and pathways in over 1,000 acres of open space through seven beautiful parks near OLLI just north of Wilmington! Walk, stroll, hike or just peacefully enjoy being outdoors with nature.

To find your favorite walking paths and “green spaces,” go to DelawareGreenways.org. Under “Trails & Pathways” click Northern Delaware Greenway Trail. Then click: “Tour the Greenway” (after the brief description) to see photos, interesting details and local maps to pick your preferred spots and find your way.

Enjoy your special places within the 1,000 acres of connected “open space” — being sure to keep your social distance (and follow other prescribed safety practices) — while enjoying the great outdoors!

VIRAL CURSE

The night cruises like a hearse,
its cargo of stars
a procession of goodbyes,
final farewell to our infested lives,
last orbit
in probability’s blind curve,
the whole estate of consciousness
closing its gates,
disinheriting itself,
accepting, even while resisting,
learning to trust exhaustion.

John Steffney

UD Sustainability Council

Gloria Cooke

I am a member of the ECO Team which is a community service group at OLLI. Recently I was asked to serve on UD's Sustainability Council as a representative of the OLLI campus, the goal being to be sure that OLLI is included in any and all strategic planning as it pertains to our campus.

The Sustainability Council, made up of 20 staff and student members from the main campus and one from OLLI, has had two meetings in person and is now meeting online. This Council has been charged with picking the strategic direction for environmental sustainability at UDEL and to advocate for appropriate resourcing.

It was felt that OLLI needed a voice on this council if we wanted any meaningful changes on our campus, especially as they relate to climate change and our role in implementing those changes.

It is hoped that the Sustainability Council will provide support for the OLLI campus to reduce waste, whether it be food, packaging or energy use and to implement the ECO Team's efforts to find ways to effectively recycle, which we are not doing now.

Once we are up and running again, we invite you join the ECO Team in the fall (which doesn't count toward your five-course total) and help us create a model of sustainability. No experience necessary. You just need a desire to work with like-minded people to make a difference by sharing your ideas and passions.

Look for updates on the council's efforts and those of the ECO Team. We look forward to your support on our various projects.

Stay well and stay home.

A TINY LITTLE BUG

Who would have thought that a tiny little bug
Could bring the whole world to its knees?
It carries the droplets of infected ones
Whenever they cough or sneeze.

Moving in droplets, this tiny little bug
Comes close to an unaware host.
It enters through mouth, nose, or eye
Sickening seniors the most.

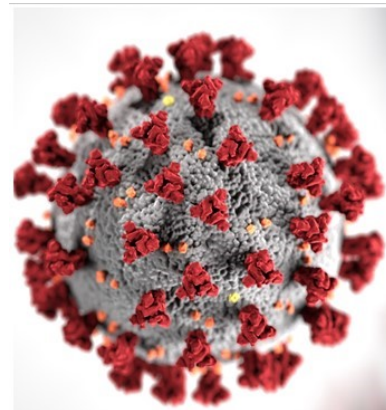
No one is immune to this tiny little bug.
Neither youth nor health protects.
But distancing and cleaning hands
Have beneficial effects

This tiny little bug caused a worldwide pandemic.
No country could escape its wrath.
We must follow rules and protect ourselves
To keep from being caught in its path.

This means a new normal has become our lot -
As life comes to a screeching halt.
We can't go to school, worship or shop in closed
stores.

It's all this tiny little bug's fault!

Ellie Munson
(while in isolation due to Covid-19)
March 25, 2020



The OLLI ECO TEAM Celebrates Earth Day

The ECO TEAM had planned to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Earth Day with a week of events including Special Events Wednesday on April 22 and a film program on Friday, April 24. Here are some opportunities to learn more and join in a virtual celebration.

Delaware Climate

If you are interested in learning more about the potential impacts of climate change on Delaware, there is a comprehensive website available, sponsored by the state and the University of Delaware. There is work underway to implement an action plan for Delaware. Workshops inviting the public to get information and offer advice were held around the state earlier this year. The long-term plan is to have additional public workshops in the fall and to release a climate action plan in December.

Some of the expected consequences of climate change include:

- Hotter and longer summers – by 2050 between two and eight days above 100 degrees (currently this occurs less than once a year).
- Rising sea levels – in Lewes the tide gate has risen more than a foot over the last century. It is expected to rise between nine and 23 inches more by 2050.
- Increased temperatures – they have risen 2°F since 1900, and are expected to rise 8°F by 2100.
- Increased precipitation – rainfall in the autumn has been increasing by about a quarter of an inch each decade, and by 2100 is expected to increase by 10 percent.

During this time of isolation, you can still make your voice heard by advocating online and through social media. Tell your friends and family, and educate yourself! Here are a couple of websites with more Delaware information.

[Delaware climate projections](#)

[Delaware tackles climate change](#)

Top Ten Environmental Films

(Free on YouTube unless otherwise noted.)

Plastic Tide: Choking on Coke. 2017. 42 minutes.

The City Without Water. 2018. 25 min..

Cowspiracy: The Sustainability Secret. 2014. 90 min. Trailer on YouTube.

Before the Flood. 2016. 96 min. Amazon Prime \$3.99.

Hostile Planet. 2019. 47 min. National Geographic miniseries.

Chasing Coral. 2017. 90 min Netflix free.

Dirty Business. 2018. 45 min.

A River of Waste. 2009. 105 min.

Forks over Knives. 2011. 96 min. Amazon Prime.

The Plastic Problem. 54 min. PBS ,YouTube free.

The True Cost of Fashion. 2015. 90min. Amazon Prime free.

Also, for your younger grandchildren there is always *The Lorax* or *FernGully*.

Take the Earth Day Daily Challenge

<https://www.earthday.org/earth-day-challenge/>



Goodstay Gardens awaits us. Photo by Rebecca Harkin
Check out Friends of Goodstay Gardens on Facebook

Wake up with OLLI

Join your fellow OLLI-W members for some fun at our virtual COFFEE with OLLI Zoom events! Hosted by the OLLI-W staff, these events allow members to connect, chat, share jokes, and simply share a smile.



Look for details in the OLLI-W Updates, which are sent to members via email each day. The Updates will include the date and time of the next COFFEE with OLLI Zoom event as well as the link you'll need to connect to it. You'll simply need a computer or mobile device with an Internet connection!

We're hoping this will be just one more way to keep our OLLI-W community connected and to find a bit of fun in these challenging times. And, of course, we hope to "SEE" you there!

Volunteer Appreciation Week Rescheduled September 28 – October 1, 2020

Normally, the OLLI-W Volunteer Appreciation Week is scheduled the same week as the U.S. National Volunteer Week (this year April 20-25). Because of the OLLI shutdown due to Covid-19, it has been rescheduled for September 28 to October 1. During that week volunteer members at OLLI will be recognized for their contributions to making our lifelong learning program exceptional, excellent and fun. The week's recognition will feature volunteer pins for all volunteers, coupons for UD Creamery ice cream cones, video loops about OLLI volunteers, and a Special Events Wednesday program on September 30.

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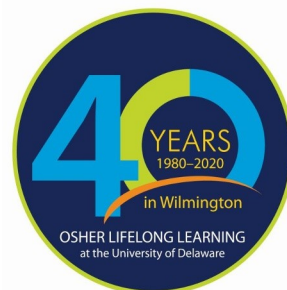
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OLLI 40th

Heads-up: Save the Date!
OLLI 40th Anniversary
Event
Friday, October 9
Stay tuned for details.



Calendar 2020

July 7 to July 30..... Summer classes
September 8..... Start of fall semester
October 9..... 40th Anniversary Events, No classes
November 3 Election Day, No classes
November 26, 27 Thanksgiving, Arshat is closed
December 11..... Last day of fall semester