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### Calendar

May 20 Dick Budson Sextet Fundraiser

May 31

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## **Our Sympathies**

OLLI member Michael
Horne, husband of
member Martha
Horne, died in January.
OLLI member Janice
Earl died March 9.

We extend our sympathies to all of Michael's and Janice's

## Letter from the Board Chair



I've had lots of time, the last two weeks, to consider the joy of mobility and independence which so many of us experience well into advanced age. Knee replacement surgery, hospitalization, and

rehabilitation have given me a new perspective. How trite but how true: the abilities we've taken for granted since childhood become more precious with compromise.

I think of my classmates at OLLI, and marvel at their resilience and love of learning. What an astonishing group of people we are. Some of us are challenged with problems of sight, some have difficulty hearing, some cannot walk without help, some have medical conditions that surgery cannot cure, but we all come to class, we keep on keeping on, eager to enrich our lives.

This is my final column as Chair of OLLI's Board of Directors. It's been a challenge and a privilege to serve this particular constituency of remarkable men and women. My thanks to all of you for all you've taught me.

Gloria Kreisman
Chair, OLLI Board of Directors

## 2016 Board Election Results

Myra Barron, Gloria Kreisman, Dave Palmeter, and Betsy White were elected to the Board.

family and friends.

Thank you to all of the candidates for running for office and to the Nominations and Elections Committee for their work.

### **Reading Partners**

OLLI member Lois
Fingerhut asked to share
information on Reading
Partners, "a fabulous
national organization I've
been associated with for
several years."
Volunteers tutor in 18 DC
public schools, working
one-on-one with early
elementary school
children who are reading
below grade level.

Lois invites you to learn more about Reading Partners and to join her as a tutor. You can also email her or call her at 202-363-8441 for more information.

### June Lecture Series

The June Lecture Series has been finalized. Flyers are available at OLLI locations. You can also view or download the announcement flyer online.

## **Fall Catalog Mailing**

The Fall 2016 catalog should be mailed by Monday, July 25. Please allow at least one week for your catalog to arrive.

# "Cool Poems for Hot Days" Starts June 9

Want to fine-tune your poetry-writing skills? Read some great poems from Rita Dove's *Penguin Anthology of 20th Century American Poetry?*We'll meet on alternate Thursday afternoons, 2:30-4:00 pm, beginning June 9. Each time we meet we will discuss one or more of the poems we have read from the anthology and share an original poem which we have crafted. For more information, contact Ginny Finch at 202-686-0053 or <a href="mailto:emailto:mailto:mailto:emailto:mailto:emailto:mailto:emailto:mailto:emailto:mailto:emailto:mailto:mailto:mailto:emailto:mai

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