

## January 2017 Newsletter

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## Kenwood Country Club Member?

Are you a member of the Kenwood Country Club? If so, would you contact the office at 202-895-4860.

## OLLI Op: James Joyce's Birthday

Our OLLI birthday party for James Joyce will take place on Thursday, Feb. 2, in Classroom A on the 1st Floor. The schedule:

12:00 pm: Reading from the works of James
Augustine Aloysius Joyce
1:00 pm: Briefing on
Ulysses film (1967,
directed by Joseph Strick)
1:15 pm: Showing of
Ulysses

**3:30 pm**: Cast Party with birthday cake and coffee



## Letter from the Chair

As we anticipate the 2017 Spring
Semester, I wish all of you a happy
and healthy new year. The Spring
Semester promises to be a great one,
with 91 diverse study groups. We are

very grateful to our wonderful volunteer SGLs and Curriculum Committee who work so hard to bring these courses to the OLLI membership. And we are once again amazed at the artistry of Mary Fran Miklitsch, who designed the wonderfully attractive catalog. We also thank our past Chair Gloria Kreisman, dedicated editor of the catalog. Spring registration ends Feb. 9. Choosing six courses and listing them in priority order greatly increases your chance of being assigned three courses.

You also should have received the Shorts catalog, which like the Spring catalog is online. Many thanks to Bob Coe for organizing the record number, amazing 17 Shorts. Registration for the Shorts ends very shortly — January 18 — so register now.

Once again, Denise Liebowitz and her lecture committee are presenting first-rate lectures this January. You can register for a week's lectures on the Friday before the lectures at 9:00 am.

We are also preparing for new Board nominations.

There will be two vacancies on the Board. If you would like to be considered for nomination to the Board, please email a member of the Nomination and Elections Committee: <a href="Barbara Rollinson">Barbara Rollinson</a>; <a href="Philipson">Phil</a> Schwartz; <a href="Bob Coe">Bob Coe</a>; <a href="Marion Connell">Marion Connell</a>; or <a href="Sue">Sue</a> Edson. Clicking on the person's name should open an email link to that person.

in OLLI Social Space on 5th Floor (All attendees invited to join our cast of readers. Groundhogs also welcome.)

Find more information on the celebration's website at JJ Birthday

Celebration 2017. If you would like to participate as a reader, please contact OLLI

Member Bob Kolodney at BobkoLive@gmail.com

This is a banner year as we celebrate OLLI at American University's 35th anniversary. A major event is in the early planning stage. Barbara Rollinson and I have volunteered to be event co-chairs. Jeanne Kent, Social Committee Chair, is also involved in creating the celebration. We do not have the exact date, but we do anticipate the celebration will take place after Spring courses end in May. Stay tuned!

All the best, Stan Newman

## **OLLI Interview**

Of all the books you've read, what's your favorite?

Dale Birdoff: I think my favorite book in the last two years was *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr. I loved the way he interwove the lives of Marie-Laure and Werner (the two protagonists) and the beauty of his sentences which contained amazing physical details and gorgeous metaphors. In the end, what struck me most was the story — how people attempt to overcome the brutality of war by being human.

**Joel Denker**: This is a tough one. One choice would be Lionel Trilling's *The Liberal Imagination*. Trilling is an elegant writer who understands literature as a humanistic art. He puts books in their cultural and social setting. He responds to works of art as a human being as well as a critic, who sees writing as more than a text to be analyzed.

Charles Mansfield: Moby-Dick — great story; beautiful blank verse, striking images, unforgettable characters. There is a PhD thesis waiting for someone to compare Melville's treatment of his three "savages" with Mark Twain's treatment of Jim. Wind in the Willows: Mole's Christmas, Ratty messing about in boats, Piper at the Gates of Dawn: All engraved in memory from earliest childhood.

**Mary Ellen Michel**: My favorite book is not *a* book, but a series of books (N=22), the Aubrey Maturin stories by Patrick O'Brien that describe the

adventures of a British sea captain (Jack Aubrey) and his ship's surgeon (Stephen Maturin) during the Napoleonic Wars. I found each one an engaging mix of adventure, politics, language, and characters. The series contains many nautical terms and locations in far-away places. If readers' interests are piqued, other books (*A Sea of Words* and *Harbors and High Seas*) define and describe these interesting sidelights.

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## OLLI Board Elections

Although the nominations committee is hard at work, the OLLI Bylaws stipulate that current members can nominate themselves or someone else via petition for a spot on the ballot for board elections. There are 4 board vacancies, Petitions are available in the office, and are due by March 15th. For more information contact Anne Wallace. Thank you

Spring 2017 Catalog Updates

<u>Click here</u> to see updates to the Spring 2017 catalog.

## **OLLI Spring Registration Reminder**

The lottery for the Spring semester is Friday,
February 10. To have the best chance of getting into study groups, it is important to register BEFORE the lottery. Click here for registration. Registrations must be in the office or submitted online by Thursday, February 9.

## Chair's Comments

Breaking news: Diane Rehm has agreed to be our guest speaker at the OLLI thirty fifth anniversary gala event.

We now have a date: May 17 and a place: The Kenwood Country Club and a time: Noon. More details will follow but save the date. Imagine thirty five years ago a small, far sighted creative group, including our wonderful member Tina Fried Heller, determined it was a great desire of many retired folks to continue to learn, as well as to make new friends. As they knew "curiosity never retires." From that modest beginning we now have over one thousand OLLI members with 90 courses, lectures, and trips.

Speaking of trips, on January 27, 56 folks went on an OLLI trip to the Baltimore Museum of Art to see the Matisse Diebenkorn exhibit. It was a fabulous experience. The exhibit, which matches up, side by side, Diebenkorn and Matisse pictures, shows the profound influence Matisse had on the art of Diebenkorn. Three cheers for Alice Weinstein, our Trip Coordinator, for organizing the trip and keeping us all very happy during the trip. Not an easy task with 56 people. I have included some pictures from the trip at the end of my column.

## Parking Click here to see AU's parking policy and to get information about using the Parking App for your smartphone -- no

more standing in line

at the kiosk.

We are in the Board nominating process. The Nominating Committee will choose six members to run for the Board. The By-Laws also provide for additional nominations by petitions signed by at least twenty members. The petitions must be submitted to Anne Wallace, OLLI Executive Director, by Wednesday 15 March. (See side article)

The Short Courses begin February 6 and end February 10. This year we have a record 17 courses with 238 registrants. We all salute the incomparable Bob Coe for once again organizing the shorts.

All the best, Stan





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## February 8, 2017 Newsletter

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## Nancy Snider Performance with The Washington Bach Consort

Nancy Snider, one of OLLI's frequent music SGLs and recent January lecturer, is performing Bach's St. Matthew Passion with The Washingnton Bach Consort on Sunday. March 12, at 3:00 pm, at the National Presbyterian Church, 4101 Nebraska Ave NW, Washington, DC 20016. There is a 15% discount. for OLLI members. Enter the code:

**StMatthewWBC** at checkout. Click <a href="here">here</a> for more information and to

## Snow??? OLLI Weather Policy

OLLI Shorts (or study groups or lectures) will be cancelled **all day** whenever the District of Columbia Public School system announces schools are closed **or** school opening is delayed. We post a notice on our website by 6:15 am.

## Open Houses Next Week

There will be two Open Houses next week. The first is Monday, Feb. 13, from 9:45-11:45 am. The second is Thursday, Feb. 16, from 1:00-3:00 pm. Open Houses are a great opportunity for new members to meet other OLLI members and get answers to any questions. They are also a wonderful opportunity for returning members to see old friends and make new ones. Tours of our classrooms and social spaces are available. No reservation necessary. Just come to the OLLI 5th Floor Social Space. (Look for signs near the elevator.)

## Lottery is Friday! Register Now!

If you haven't already registered for the Spring semester, now is the time. The lottery will be run Friday morning. You have the best chances of getting the classes you request if you register before the lottery and if you list six options.

purchase tickets.

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## March 2017 Newsletter

# QUICK LINKS Letter from the Chair New Program: June Minis Spring 2017 Catalog Updates Connect with Coffee & Conversation Parking

Spring 2017
Catalog Updates
Click here to see
updates to the Spring
2017 catalog.

**OLLI Calendar** 



## Connect with Coffee & Conversation

To offer more opportunities to socialize, OLLI's Social Committee has organized a series of coffee breaks during the spring semester in OLLI's 5th floor Social Space. Coffee breaks are



## Letter from the Chair

I am delighted to report that our move to the Spring Valley Building has been extremely well received by our members. The largest number of folks registered for the

Shorts. It is a great tribute to all of us that we accommodated so well to the change not only of venue but also to the change in the timing of the classes.

In addition, the 5th floor Social Space is being used more and more.

One of the great advantages of the move is that we now occupy the Spring Valley Building all year. This gives us the opportunity to have a summer program.

In June, we plan to have what we call "Mini" study groups. They will be held once a week for the four weeks in June. We are fortunate that Carl Weichel has volunteered to coordinate the Minis. Anyone who would like to teach a Mini or explore the possibility of teaching a Mini, please email <u>Carl</u>. Read more details about the June Minis below.

Because of the Minis, the lectures we used to have in June will now be held in May.

We also plan to have activities in July. We call the July activities "July Fun." For example, a group of members might want to play bridge or chess. SGLs or other members might want to give a lecture or run a seminar or discussion group. There are many other possibilities for July. If you would like to book some space and time, please call Susan Kalil in the office at 202-895-4860.

In early April, Tony and I will be participating in the 2017 Osher Institutes National Conference, which will be held in Texas. It is a chance to meet with folks

scheduled between classes at different times and on different days of the week throughout March and April.

The schedule is below.

Be sure to add extra time when paying for parking.

We will send reminders via email.

## **Mondays**

March 6 & April 3 11:15 - 11:45 am

## **Tuesdays**

March 14, & April 11 1:15 - 1:45 pm

### Wednesdays

March 22 & April 19 11:15 - 11:45 am

## **Thursdays**

March 30 & April 27 1:15 - 1:45 pm from OLLIs all over the country and share experiences and ideas. I will give a report on the conference at our Annual Meeting at noon, April 7. Please plan to attend.

All the best, Stan Newman

## New OLLI Program: June Minis

This June we will begin offering "June Minis," one-class-per-week study groups for four weeks. Minis will be offered from Monday, June 5, through Friday, June 30. Registration will be \$100 and members may take up to three minis. We will mail June Minis catalogs in April. We encourage members to participate in this new series.

\_\_\_\_We are working with Study Group Leaders (SGLs) to offer new study groups using traditional and new formats. If you have considered becoming an SGL and creating a new study group, a June Mini is a great time to try. Curriculum Committee members are available to provide support. Any member interested in offering a Mini can submit the online proposal. Go to <a href="https://www.olli-dc.org/studygroupform">https://www.olli-dc.org/studygroupform</a>, select <a href="June 2017 Minis">June 2017 Minis</a> from the Select Semester pulldown menu. If you have questions about offering a June Mini, please contact Tony Long, Curriculum Coordinator.

Look for updates on the June Minis in our enewsletters and on the OLLI website.

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## March 9, 2017

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June Minis
No Spring Breaks
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Mystery Lunch Bunch
Snow Reminder
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## **Snow Reminder**

There is a chance of snow Monday evening.
Remember that OLLI classes and events are cancelled if DCPS announces a delayed opening or that DC public schools are closed.



## Connect with Coffee & Conversation

Next week's Coffee

Break is on Tuesday,

March 14, from 1:15

to 1:45 pm in the 5th

floor Social Space.

## Consider Leading A June Mini

\_ If you have considered becoming an SGL (Study Group Leader) and creating a study group, a June Mini is a great time to try. Minis are one-class-per-week study groups for four weeks. Also, minis allow for a wider range of course offerings than during our typical semesters. This June they will be offered from Monday, June 5, through Friday, June 30. Any member interested in offering a Mini can submit the online proposal. Go to <a href="https://www.olli-">https://www.olli-</a>

dc.org/studygroupform, select June 2017 Minis
from the Select Semester pulldown menu. If you have
questions about offering a June Mini, please contact
Carl Weichel, the June Minis Coordinator or Tony
Long. Alternatively, please feel free to email or call a
member of the Curriculum Committee if you
questions about a specific subject area.

Registration for Minis will be \$100, and members may take up to three minis. We will mail catalogs in April. We encourage members to participate in this new series. Look for updates on the June Minis in our e-newsletters and on the OLLI website.

## No Breaks During Spring Semester

We have **no scheduled days off or breaks this semester.** However, schedules for individual study groups are managed by the Study Group Leaders.

## Wireless Access

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## Philadelphia Flower Show

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Join other OLLI members on a trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show on Saturday, May 18. The bus leaves from St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Cathedral at 8:00 am and returns between 5:30 and 6:00 pm. The cost is \$80 per person and the registration deadline is close of business today, March 9. Read the full description and register online at <a href="https://www.olli-dc.org/events/flowershow">https://www.olli-dc.org/events/flowershow</a>.

## Mystery Lunch Bunch Returns

A book club-style discussion group will meet over lunch (bring your own) on selected Wednesdays from 12:00-1:00 pm in Room G on the 5th floor.

Wednesday, March 22:

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## March 16, 2017

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**Study Group Make-up Sessions** 

**Mystery Lunch Bunch** 

**Wireless Access** 

**Next Week's Coffee** 

**Break** 

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## Connect with Coffee & Conversation

Next week's Coffee

**Break** is on

Wednesday, March 22,

from 11:15 to 11:45

**am** in the Social Space on the 5th floor.

## Study Group Make-up Sessions

All Study Group Leaders have been encouraged to make up the sessions missed due to the winter storm. However, the final decision is up to the SGL. SGLs will announce to their classes whether or not there will be a make-up session.

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## **OLLI Trip**

## Trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show March 18, 2017



HOLLAND: Flowering the World, will showcase the extraordinary plants, creativity and talent of this region's top horticulturists and designers along with award winning landscape and floral designers from the Netherlands.

The Flower Show is a top destination and "must experience" horticultural event, attracting 250,000 visitors annually to

the Pennsylvania Convention Center.

From towering windmills, wooden shoes and delectable cheeses, to the whimsical bicycles, canals and vibrant tulip fields of the iconic Dutch landscape, the 2017 Flower Show will share the diverse stories of horticulture, innovative eco-design, and modern urban greening and sustainability efforts of the Netherlands.

### **Details**

**Departure:** Bus departs at 8:00 a.m. on Garfield Street in front of St. Sophia's Free parking at St. Sophia's Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 2815 Garfield Street NW

**Return:** Arrive back at St. Sophia's between approximately 5:30 and 6:00 p.m.

**Accessibility:** The bus and convention center are accessible.

**Food & Drink:** Bring your own bag lunch or dine at the Conference Center's Garden Tea Room (separate tickets required) or at nearby spots. The cost of dining is **not** included in the OLLI fee.

Cost: \$80 per person plus individuals pay for lunch. NO REFUNDS except if trip is cancelled.

Minimum: We need 40 people to attend.

Deadline: Thursday, March 9, 2017

## Registration

Register online at <a href="https://www.olli-dc.org/events/flowershow.">https://www.olli-dc.org/events/flowershow.</a>\_ Questions? Call Trip Coordinator Alice Weinstein at 301-654-4852.

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## March 24, 2017

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to 1:45 pm in the Social

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## Membership Directory

The Spring 2017 Membership Directory is now **online**. Only members can download the directory. We have ordered a limited number of printed copies which will be available in the office after Wed., March 29.

## Lunch and Laughter

The Social Program Committee will be organizing lunches in the OLLI Social Spaces on the 5th floor for OLLI members (new and continuing) on Tuesday, March 28 and Monday, April 24, at 11:30 am. Please bring lunch and OLLI will provide beverages and desserts. Get to know other OLLI members better. Mark your calendars and join us for lunch and laughter.

## OLLI 2017 Bloomsday Celebration

This year we are taking a different approach to Bloomsday. The entire 12th Chapter (Episode) of *Ulysses* will be read aloud in two sessions: the first half on Friday June 9, the second half on Friday June 16. Each session to take place in the lecture hall at 11:45 am). The Script (with table of contents and evocative titles of the passages to be read is posted on the 2017 BLOOMSDAY BY OLLI CELEBRATION website. If you wish to participate as a reader, please contact organizer, Bob Kolodney, at rbk987@verizon.net.

## Help Keep OLLI Spaces Clean

Please leave nothing behind in your classrooms or the social areas. Every classroom has a garbage can as do the social areas and hallways.

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## Connect with Coffee & Conversation

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Break is on Monday,
April 3, from 11:15 to
11:45 am in the Social
Space on the 5th floor.

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## Feedback

If you have not yet completed the three-week feedback form,

## **OLLI Annual Meeting**

Next Friday, April 7, at noon, is OLLI's Annual Meeting.

There will be a drawing for a gift certificate to Clyde's generously donated anonymously by an OLLI member.

Please come to this very important meeting to hear brief remarks from the <u>candidates</u> for OLLI's Board of Directors. OLLI members may **vote for up to four** of the six candidates. Online voting will begin the afternoon of April 7 and will remain open until April 21st..

## July Fun at OLLI

In addition to our new June "Minis" study groups, the month of July is your time for Summer fun at OLLI. Classroom spaces will be available for self-directed activities such as:

Bridge Creative writing
Backgammon
Chess Drawing Music
Listening Group
Mahjong Poetry Trivial Pursuit
Tai Chi Book Club Scrabble
Learning your Smart Phone

...and just about any activity that looks like Summer fun with OLLI friends.

Please remember that any activity must be led by one of the activity members. If you are interested in **leading** a July activity, please contact the OLLI office (202-895-4860 or please take time to do so online by clicking **here**.

olli@american.edu) or Bob Kolodney (202-237-5202 or rbk987@verizon.net).

The activity will be posted on the OLLI website and registration can begin!

OLLI will also be offering SGL-led lectures during the month of July. **Watch this space** for more information on this new offering.

## Lunch and Laughter

The next OLLI lunch break will be on Monday, April 24, at 11:30 am. Please bring lunch and OLLI will provide beverages and desserts. Keep company with other OLLI members. Mark your calendars and join us for lunch and laughter.

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**Two Guests at Mystery** 

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## Connect with Coffee & Conversation

April's coffee breaks are:

Wednesday, April 19

11:15 - 11:45 am

Thursday, April 27

1:15 - 1:45 pm

## TWO GUESTS at Wednesday's Lunch Bunch

Author Michael
Stanley will Skype in
from South Africa. (We
tried this today and it
worked!) AU Associate
Dean Michael Keynes,

## Letter from the Chair



Deputy Executive Director Tony
Long and I had the wonderful
opportunity of representing our
OLLI at the Osher Lifelong Learning
Institutes National Conference

hosted by the Bernard Osher Foundation. The conference was held in Irving, Texas, from April 3 to 5. Representatives from the 120 OLLIs around the country attended.

The workshops were outstanding and covered such topics as: recruiting and retaining volunteers; identifying and developing leaders; fundraising effectively through building a culture of giving; reaching out to the community; improving the curriculum; creating diversity; and using inexpensive and effective marketing.

The plenary session speakers were excellent. The first plenary speaker was Beth Steinhorn, President of the JFFixler Group, which focuses on engaging members and volunteers to strengthen and amplify an organization's impact. Her topic, "Crossing the Generational Divide Volunteer Engagement in a Multigenerational World," was not only relevant and informative but fascinating. Citing many research studies, she explained the differences in work style, expectations, and relationship to organizational hierarchy among Traditionals (most of us), Baby Boomers, Generation X and Millenials. One of her central points was that it is essential to understand to which generation a volunteer belongs in order to make the volunteer experience as meaningful as possible.

Dr. Bill Thomas, one of the nation's leading gerontologists, was the keynote speaker for the second plenary session. His message was unique and inspirational. He told us, "Everything we know about

friend of Mr. Stanley and traveller to Africa, will be there in person.

Both will take
questions, share their
experiences, etc.
Even if you have not
read the book, but would
like to hear the
discussion, you are
welcome -- as many as
the room permits.

Wednesday, April 12, 12:00 noon-1:00 pm, 5th floor, room G (543).

Questions: Contact
Susan Greif at
susangreif@gmail.com

## Vending Machines

There are snack and soda machines are the 4th floor and the 6th floor at Spring Valley. The machines accept different forms of payment: some accept \$1 bills, some accept coins, and some accept credit cards.

## Joel Denker Talk in Boston

On Tuesday, April 18,
Joel Denker will address
the Culinary Historians of
Boston. The topic will be
his latest book, *The*Carrot Purple and Other
Curious Stories of the
Food We Eat. For more
information, see

aging is wrong." Dr. Thomas denounced our society's ageist assumptions. He explained that changing one's stereotypical attitudes can enable the third phase of life to be seen as fulfilling and productive as the rest of life. I spoke to Dr. Thomas after his presentation. He would love to visit our OLLI when he is in the area. We will explore that possibility.

Tony and I also had a marvelous conversation with Bernard Osher, a remarkable man who will soon be 90 and is a great example of all Dr. Thomas spoke about. We thanked Mr. Osher on behalf of OLLI at American University and for all he has done for lifelong learning throughout the country. It also was great to network with so many other OLLI folks.

When we left the conference we made a list of ideas and programs we might implement. Here is a sample of the ideas we will be considering:

- having a more robust volunteer program, including developing a volunteer needs assessment, better ways to match members' skills with volunteer needs, and creating volunteer ambassadors to recruit volunteers;
- creating a working group on innovative programs to come up with inventive activities such as a mentoring program;
- a Community Book Read;
- a documentary film festival;
- holding "Inside OLLI" meetings at which members can learn more about Board roles, the staff, our finances, etc.

There are many more ideas and programs we learned about from the folks from other OLLIs. We will be considering these during the next few months.

Don't forget to vote for the Board. Voting began last Friday and will end at 5:00 pm on Friday, April 21.

Also, if you have not signed up for our 35th Anniversary luncheon, please register as soon as possible as seating is limited. You should receive an invitation in the mail by no later than the end of this week. If you have not received an invitation by then, please contact the office at olli@american.edu or 202-895-4860.

All the best, Stan Newman www.foodpassages.com

## **OLLI Interview**

Of all the books you've read, what's your favorite?

Mary Moore: My favorite book is *Cutting for*Stone by Abraham Verghese. As a first piece of fiction by the author, who has a medical background, the book sweeps across time, family drama and detachment, and unrest in Ethiopia. The early years of the protagonist, Marion, are riveting in their depiction of his African upbringing and experiences. There is also a mysterious family saga that unfolds across the many pages and years that the book covers as Marion becomes a physician who ultimately practices in the U.S. Truthfully I could not put the book down and I remember the story well even after 6 years has passed.

Gerald Padwe: After giving it some thought, I would choose a book I haven't re-read in over 50 years. It's *Moby-Dick* by Herman Melville, and I was first exposed to it during my high school years. I would vote for it as a lifetime favorite because of its incredible writing style and the development (over pages and pages) of its characters. I clearly recall my initial reaction to the book, as I finished it and put it down, that I had never read another book where a prose novel left me thinking I had just spent substantial time with a book of poetry. As I look back now, I still react the same way. Fantastic story, beautifully written, and likely to stay at the front of the line for a few more centuries.

Mildred Wurf: Dark Money by Jane Mayer was the memorable book I read. Mayer started the story of the right wing of American politics with the Olin and Scaife families and comes to present day with the Koch brothers. Their developing structure and accomplishments are downright scary, but well presented and backed with extensive research.

Devil in the Grove by Gilbert King was another remarkable book — the story of Thurgood Marshall from Howard Law School, his work with the NAACP, and a focus on a situation in Florida in the 1940s and 1950s. The police chief/sheriff, well-regarded in his community, was literally killing several young black men accused of raping a white woman. The woman

had not been raped and she and the young men had never met.

Annie-Claude D'Agostino: After much hesitation, I decided to limit my choice to fiction books in English published after 1800. Among many books, it seems to me that I enjoyed and re-read most *Middlemarch*, George Eliot's chef d'oeuvre. It is both serious and entertaining with a gallery of diverse characters, a social comedy, with comments on politics and provincial life, as well as a evocative psychological study of both men and women.

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**Conversation** 

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<u>Studio</u>

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## Connect with Coffee & Conversation

Next coffee breaks is:

Thursday, April 27

1:15 - 1:45 pm



## 2017 July Fun

Take advantage of OLLI's space during the summer. Share your interests with other OLLI members. It's simple.

First, come up with an idea ... reading poetry, watching films, drawing, putting together jigsaw puzzles, playing chess or bridge, or follow your passion.

Second, schedule a time and room with the OLLI office. Email the office at <a href="mailto:olli@american.edu">olli@american.edu</a> or call 202.895.4860.

Third, the OLLI office will publicize your offering to the membership.



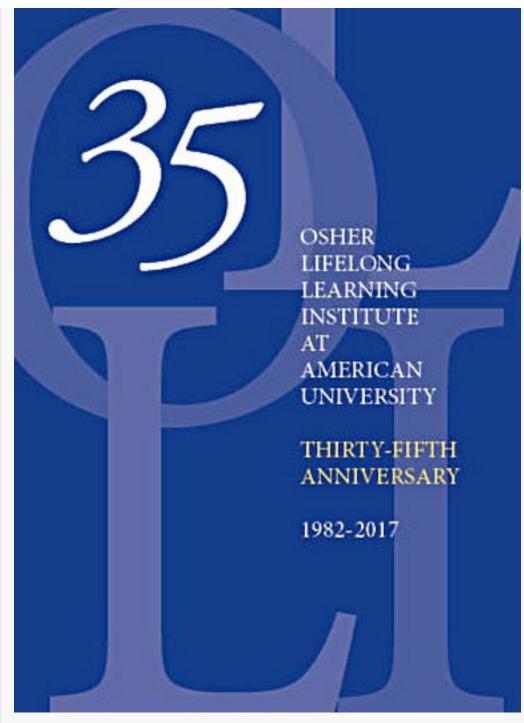
## Open Studio

Rose Mosner invites
you to her open studio.
There is free guest
parking up front and
light refreshments will
be provided.

Saturday &
Sunday May 20 & 21,
2-5 pm,

2939 Van Ness St NW, #302, Washington, DC 20008.

For more details and to RSVP, please visit Rose's Facebook page <a href="here">here</a> or call Rose at 202-966-0354.



## Sign Up Now for 35th Anniversary Celebration

OLLI's 35th Anniversary celebration is rapidly approaching. Space is limited to 250 individuals. The event is already more than half filled.

Join us at the Kenwood Country Club in Bethesda at noon on Wednesday, May 17, for a delicious luncheon featuring Diane Rehm, host of the Diane Rehm Podcast "On My Mind" and former host of The Diane Rehm Show.

## Last Call for Bloomsday Readers

If you would like to be a reader at OLLI Bloomsday (to be held on June 9 and June 16), please contact the organizer, Bob Kolodney, at <a href="mailto:rbk987@verizon.net">rbk987@verizon.net</a>. There is still room for a few more readers, and final assignments will be made on April 30. The script, consisting of the entire Cyclops chapter of <a href="Ulysses">Ulysses</a>, broken down into thematic passages, is available to readers and non-readers.

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## June 2017 Minis

The June 2017 Minis catalog has gone to the printer. They should be mailed by May 5.

## Spring Feedback

It is that time of the semester. Please take a few minutes to provide feedback on each of your study groups. The form is available online at <a href="https://ollide.org/finalfeedbackform">https://ollide.org/finalfeedbackform</a>. The form is anonymous. Feedback provides Study Group Leaders and the Curriculum Committee with valuable information and insights which we use to improve our offerings.



## Connect with Coffee & Conversation

Upcoming coffee

breaks are:

Monday, May 1

11:15 - 11:45 am

**Tuesday, May 9** 

1:15 - 1:45 pm

## July Fun

Ideas for July Fun are coming into the OLLI office. This is your opportunity to organize a gathering focused on an interest you share with others. The options are wide open. Discussing books. Viewing movies. Playing bridge. When you are chatting with your classmates, ask if anyone would join you for a cool hour or two out of the July heat and humidity. Call the OLLI office to schedule a time and we will promote your event for you!

## Sign Up Now for 35th Anniversary Celebration

Celebrate OLLI's first 35 years with a wonderful luncheon at the Kenwood Country Club in Bethesda at noon on Wednesday, May 17. Diane Rehm, host of the Diane Rehm Podcast "On My Mind" and former host of The Diane Rehm Show will be our special guest. Tickets are \$55/person. You can register online at <a href="https://olli-dc.org/events/35th">https://olli-dc.org/events/35th</a>.

## Trip to VMFA for Saint Laurent Exhibit Cancelled

There was not enough interest in the May 13 trip to the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts to see the Yves Saint Laurent exhibit so the trip has been cancelled.

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## June Minis Correction

Study Group 1630:

Modernism in
European Art, 19001925 should be listed in
the Visual Arts & Music
section of the catalog.

## July Fun Activities

Before the end of May, we will post a page on our website listing the schedule of July Fun activities. Our website also will include contact information for each activity. Most activities will now require registration and all activities are free.

So far, members have organized movie viewings, a poetry workshop, Origami



## Letter from the Chair AU REVOIR

This is my last column as Chair of OLLI. Before I say goodbye as Chair, I want to pay tribute to my Vice Chair, Barbara Rollinson. Many of you know Barbara as the

hardworking, dedicated volunteer who asked you to be an SGR or as past Trip Coordinator, arranged for many wonderful trips. As Board Vice Chair, she has been my closest adviser and friend. Unfortunately, health concerns prevent her from being Chair next year. Myra Barron, Board Treasurer, has agreed to be next year's chair starting in June. Myra has been an outstanding Treasurer and will be a great Chair.

Being Chair was a great experience for me. I am grateful to OLLI for giving me the opportunity to be Chair at a critical time in OLLI's 35-year history. I am looking forward to celebrating OLLI's 35th birthday with many of you next week.

We now have our own home. The move from TBC and other venues to 4801 went much better than we imagined. Thanks to Anne Wallace, Tony Long, the staff, Board members, and OLLI volunteers, the transition was very successful. Feedback from members indicates widespread appreciation and our membership has grown to 1250.

Naomi Heller is stepping down as Chair of the Curriculum Committee after five years of great leadership. We are most thankful to her and the Committee for the outstanding classes this past year and throughout her chairmanship.

Anne, the staff, and Jeanne Kent, Social Committee Chair, have worked to increase use of our social space with Coffee Breaks, Lunch Breaks, and other activities such as the recent art show. From the constant increase in coffee consumption, we know their efforts have been successful. Next semester, all

lessons, timed Scrabble, needle arts (knitting, crochet, etc.), and more. Contact Mary Fran if you want to coordinate an activity. We have plenty of space.



Artwork by Rose Mosner

## Open Studio

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For more details and to RSVP, please visit Rose's Facebook page <a href="here">here</a> or call Rose at 202-966-0354.

of our classes are on the fifth floor (with the exception of the large first floor lecture hall), so we expect the social space will become even more popular.

One of the highlights of my year as Chair was participating with Tony in the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute National Conference. As you know from last month's column, we heard about many exciting and innovative programs run by other OLLIs around the country. Tony and I made a list of those which we thought would work for our OLLI. We now have an Innovative Programs Working Group to recommend which new programs to adopt and how to implement them. Lew Cohen, SGL and OLLI board member, has agreed to chair the working group.

Unlike old soldiers, I don't intend to fade away. In June, I will be nominated to the Board to be the new chair of the Curriculum Committee. I greatly look forward to this new opportunity.

Thanks to all of you for a wonderful year.

All the best, Stan Newman







Art by (from left to right): Katy Adams, Miriam Polan, and Evelyne Bonhomme.

## **OLLI Member Art Show**

On May 9, Sarah Whitener's Watercolor Painting and Block Printing study group members and Rose Mosner's Creating Art Through Collage study group members displayed their artwork in the social space and surrounding halls.







Art by (from left to right): Anne Murphy, Carol Hurtt, and Cynthia Lehmann.



OLLI watercolor artists (from left to right): Front: Polly Rich and Nancy Klothe. Back: Gordon Appleby and Manuel Gomez.

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## May 19, 2017 Newsletter

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## Sign Up for Anderson House Tour

Dan Sherman, who gave a lecture this Spring on Hamilton: Man and Musical will give a tour of the Anderson House on Saturday, June 17, at 11:00 am. The tour is free and is limited to 20 people. "The Society of the Cincinnati is the nation's oldest patriotic organization, founded in 1783 by officers of the Continental Army and their French counterparts who served together in the American Revolution. Its mission is to promote knowledge and appreciation of the achievement of American independence and to foster fellowship among its members. Now a nonprofit educational organization devoted to the principles and ideals of its founders, the modern Society maintains its headquarters, library, and museum at Anderson House in Washington, D.C." Anderson House is located at 2118 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. Read more about the **Anderson House**.

Register on Eventbrite:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/olli-anderson-house-tour-tickets-34752678196

## Free Minds Write Lunch May 12



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For more details and to RSVP, please visit Rose's Facebook page <a href="here">here</a> or call Rose at 202-966-0354.

On May 12th, OLLI members and staff coordinated an event with local nonprofit Free Minds Book Club, which sponsors literacy programs for incarcerated youth in DC and elsewhere. Free Minds encourages inmates to write about their experiences and emotions through various forms of poetry, then arranges for volunteers to read and comment on the youths' poems. Through this process, these young poets are encouraged to continue to express themselves. They learn that people they don't know -- like OLLI members -- can relate to their work and care about them. This is a powerful incentive as they seek to turn their lives in new directions. Thirty or so OLLI participants enjoyed learning about how such interactions have changed lives. As much as participants' comments may have a positive impact on incarcerated youth, particpants also mentioned how they had their hearts and minds opened by the youths' work. Many thanks to all who participated.

View a PDF of **two of the poems** with participants comments.

## **OLLI 35th Anniversary**

A very good time was had by all who attended OLLI's 35th anniversary luncheon at Kenwood Country Club. Watch this space next week for photos from the event. Thank you to all who celebrated and to all who helped create a lovely event.

## June Minis Corrections

Please see the <u>website</u> for corrections and updates to the June Minis catalog.

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### **Register on Eventbrite:**

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/olli-secondanderson-house-tour-at-noon-tickets-34866229832

## John Huston's The Dead

Friday, June 2, 10:30 am Room A (101) Spring Valley Building

In preparation for the OLLI 2017
Bloomsday Celebration, there will be a showing of *The Dead* (1987 film) – John Huston's last film with screen adaptation by his son, Tony, and featuring his daughter, Anjelica, which put the novelette concluding James Joyce's *Dubliners*, on the

silver screen. (Run time 83 minutes.).

Preceding the workshop at 10:00 am, there will be a workshop for the Bloomsday readers. However, non-Bloomsday readers and other guests also are welcome.

#### Safety Update

Following an inquiry, the DC Department of
Transportation has agreed that the pedestrian signal
at Massachusetts Avenue and 48th Street is too
short. As a result, the pedestrian crossing time will
be increased. Look for the change within the next
30 days!

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#### AU SPA Events & July Fun Activities



#### July 2017 Fun Activities

You can view the July Fun activities <u>online in calendar format</u>. Below is a simplified list of the activities. On the online calendar, you can click on an event name to read the event details, including leader(s), number of sessions, registration requirements (if any), materials required for the activity, etc.

Please read the online details carefully as some events have limited enrollment.

#### Chess

Mondays, 11am-1pm

#### Films (of Gael Garcia Bernal)

in Spanish

Thursdays, 11am-1pm

#### Films (French)

Mon.-Fri., July 10-14, 1:30-3:30pm

#### Films (Comedies)

Mon.-Fri., July 17-21, 1:30-3:30pm

#### **Films (American Masterpieces)**

Mon.-Fri., July 24-28, 1:30-3:30pm

#### **German Conversation**

Tuesdays, 10-11:30am

**Humor Exchange** 

#### **Meet Harry Bosch**

Monday, July 17, 1:45-3:15pm

#### Origami

Thurs., July 6 & Fri., July 7, 10-

11:30am

(Both days recommended.)

#### **Needle Arts**

Tuesdays, July 11, 18 & 25, 1-2:30pm

#### **Poetry Workshop**

Wednesdays, 9:45-11:15am

#### **Round House Theatre's**

From Script to Stage

Wednesday, July 26, 11am-

Wednesday, July 19, 11:30am-1pm

Karaoke

Tuesday, July 25 & Friday, July 28, 11:45 am-1:15 pm

**Meet Detective Kubu** 

Monday, July 10, 1:45-3:15pm

12:30pm

**Scrabble** 

Thursday, July 13 & Tuesday, July 18,

1-3pm

**Seen Any Good Musicals?** 

Thursday, July 27, 11am-12:45pm

**Storytelling** 

Tuesday, July 18 & Friday, July 21, 11:45am-1:15pm

#### AU School of Public Affairs Events

Thursday June 22 from 9:30 am - 1 pm

**Constitution Hall - American University East Campus** 

TEDxAmericanUniversity: Included.

What does it mean to be included? Part of the whole. A seat at the table. A name on the ballot. A belief considered. A voice heard. Join us for

TEDxAmericanUniversity this Thursday, June 22 as we hear stories of leadership, listening, and coming together in an increasingly divided world.

Event includes breakfast and lunch.

#### **Speakers include:**

- Caty Borum Chattoo and Leena Jayaswal: Mixed Race Identity in Non-Post-Racial America
- Taylor Dumpson: From Exclusion to Inclusion
- Elisa Frost: Designing Culturally Responsive Programming
- Philippa Hughes: Seeing Your Way to Civil Discourse
- Katie McNerney: Finding Your Purpose at Work
- Richard O'Brien: The Women's Mandate
- Makaya Revell: Giving Refugees a Chance
- Shyheim Snead: Bridging the Gap Between Communities and Schools

Register here: <a href="https://american.swoogo.com/tedxamericanuniversity">https://american.swoogo.com/tedxamericanuniversity</a> and use code Olli for a \$5.00 ticket.

#### Friday June 23 from 2:30 pm

#### **Constitution Hall - American University East Campus**

Join us for a talk with the authors of *Shattered: Inside Hillary Clinton's Doomed Campaign*. SPA Executive in Residence, Betsy Fisher Martin, will moderate this compelling conversation with political writers Jonathan Allen and Amie Parnes. Meet the authors, have a book signed, and enjoy a reception that follows. **Free entry.** 

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## Vocal Study Group?

Are you interested in participating in a vocal study group in a future semester? Are you a retired choir director who would be willing to lead a study group? Or do you know a retired choir director? If so, please contact the **office by email** or call 202-895-4860.

#### July Fun Schedule

Members have begun organizing events to take place at OLLI during the month of July. So far, the offerings include film viewing, Origami, poetry workshop, German conversation, competitive Scrabble, and mysteries discussions. More activities are in the works. Members are welcome to schedule gatherings to share interests. Just email or call the office (202-895-4860) with the day(s) and time you want to meet, which we will add to the calendar.

The calendar is on the <u>OLLI website</u>. Be sure to click on the forward arrow above the calendar to go from the June to July.

#### Second Annual OLLI Bloomsday Celebration

The 2017 OLLI Bloomsday Celebration Reading will take place Friday, June 9, and Friday, June 16, at 11:45 am in Room A (Lecture Hall), 4801 Mass. Ave. NW.

On June 9, Part I, the Cyclops reading (of passages 1-10) will be preceded by the reading of the Proteus episode of *Ulysses* (Episode 3) by Robert Aubry Davis.

#### Register on Eventbrite:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2017-ollibloomsday-celebration-part-1-june-9-tickets-35076645190

On June 12 the Cyclops reading (of passages 11-22) will be followed by the reading of the first part of the Ithaca episode and last part of the Penelope episode of *Ulysses* (Episode 18, otherwise known as "Molly Bloom's Soliloquy") (time permitting).

#### Register on Eventbrite:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2017-ollibloomsday-celebration-part-2-june-16tickets-35076702361

Please direct questions to event organizer **Bob Kolodney**.

#### Tour of Echoes of the Great War: American Experiences of World War I

Join a tour of this major exhibition at the Library of Congress on Wednesday, July 12, at 11:30 am. The tour will be led by Library docent and OLLI member Chuck Edson.

This tour examines American experiences in World War I, including the debate over American involvement in war, changes on the home front, personal reflections from the battlefield, and the war's lasting effects. The exhibition offers highlights from the Library's extensive collections on World War I, including newly digitized archival film footage, iconic posters, manuscripts from the Woodrow Wilson papers, and letters and diaries from the war front.

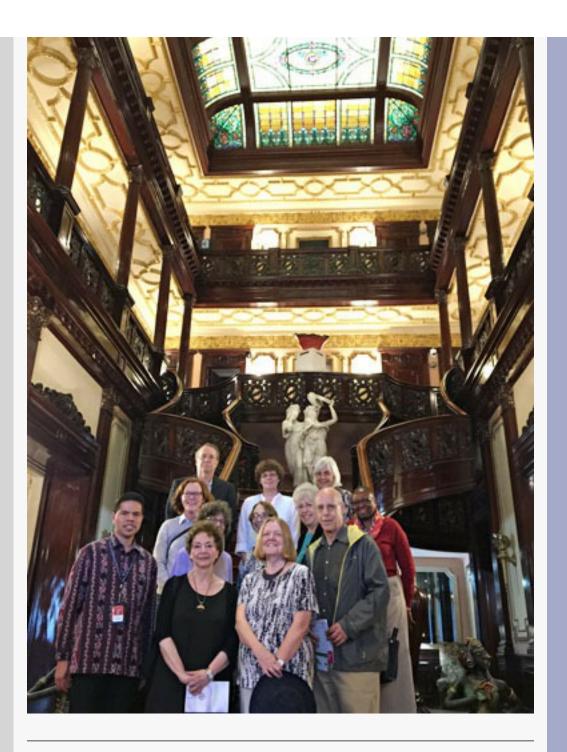
The tour is limited to 15 attendees. Use the Eventbrite link below to register. Members must get to the Library of Congress on their own.

#### **Register on Eventbrite:**

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tour-ofamerican-experience-in-world-war-i-exhibitat-library-of-congress-tickets-35080965111

#### Off the Beaten Path in DC

On May 26, participants from both the fall and spring semesters of "Off the Beaten Path in DC" and Study Group Leader Ralph Buglass were treated to a tour of the Indonesian Embassy. It is one of the most elegant former "Gilded Age" mansions in the Dupont Circle area, one of the areas covered in the study group.



#### **Anderson House Tours**

We have one space left on the first Anderson House Tour on Saturday, June 17, at 11:00 am.

#### **Register on Eventbrite:**

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/olli-anderson-house-tour-tickets-34752678196

We have 13 spots open on the second Anderson House Tour on Saturday, June 17, at 12:00 noon.

#### **Register on Eventbrite:**

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/olli-secondanderson-house-tour-at-noon-tickets-34866229832

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## Vocal Study Group?

Are you interested in participating in a vocal study group in a future semester? Are you a retired choir director who would be willing to lead a study group? Or do you know a retired choir director? If so, please contact the office by email or call 202-895-4860.

#### July Fun Schedule

July Fun events of all kinds have been scheduled. There are gatherings to play chess or Scrabble and learn how to do Origami. There are two theater-oriented events as well as a humor exchange and karaoke. Nearly every day of the month, there are films of every kind.

Members are welcome to schedule additional gatherings to share interests. Just **email** or call the office (202-895-4860) with the day(s) and time you want to meet, which we will add to the calendar.

The calendar is on the <u>OLLI website</u>. Be sure to click on the forward arrow above the calendar to go from June to July. Click on any event to find out who is leading the event and more details.

#### Parking & Shuttle Update

Beginning Monday, June 19, AU will be replacing lights in the parking garage, starting with level C3, then C2, then C1. The level getting new lights will be closed to parking while the work is in progress. AU staff expect it will take 8-9 days to complete the work.

The Shuttle is also beginning to follow the summer schedule. Go to the **University website** for details.

#### Bring a Sweater!

Many members find some of the classrooms too cool at this time of the year. The University controls the thermostats remotely. When asked, we place calls requesting that the temperature be raised. However, the best strategy is to bring a sweater or

light jacket with you to class or activities.

#### 35th Anniversary Photos

Go to the **OLLI website** to view photos from the 35th Anniversary celebration.

#### Travel to Israel

Chris Bradley, a longtime OLLI Study Group Leader, is interested in traveling to Israel sometime in the beginning of 2018. If any members have any contacts in Israel whom Chris may reach out to about renting a room, he would appreciate it.

Please contact Chris directly via email: badjerj@verizon.net

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#### **July Fun Schedule**

View the current July Fun events on the OLLI website in <u>calendar</u> or <u>list</u> format. For details, view the calendar, click on the forward arrow above the calendar to go from June to July, then click on any event to find the full details.

### All July events are FREE. Only a few have limited enrollment and require registration:

- Poetry Workshop,
- Origami,
- German Conversation,
- Seen Any Good Musicals? and
- Scrabble.

Registration information is in the details you can view when you click on an event in the online calendar.

There is still time to organize an event. Think of an activity you would enjoy sharing with other members. **Email** or call the office (202-895-4860) with the day(s) and time you want to meet. We will add the activity to the calendar and promote it in the weekly newsletter.

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#### **Speech by Tina Fried Heller**

OLLI founder, Tina Fried Heller, gave a wonderful recounting of and tribute to OLLI at the 35th Anniversary luncheon. You can read the full **speech** online.

#### **Missing Something??**

The OLLI Lost and Found Treasure Box will be available for inspection next week in the Social Space next to the OLLI office, Room 502. Please stop by to reclaim any lost possessions.

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#### Letter from the Chair



OLLI begins its 36<sup>th</sup> year with new resources and new challenges. We constantly seek to enhance our unique "college" with its wide array of courses, study group leaders, lectures, and welcoming sense of community.

This year our 1300 members successfully adapted to the facilities and changed class hours in our new home in the former AU law school. Though challenged by some space limitations, we are fortunate to hold all classes at one location.

As we continue to address member needs, we could benefit from expensive but more advanced technology such as hearing loops in the classrooms, and state-of-the art audio-visual equipment. To meet these challenges and others to come, we are launching Campaign 2020 to raise \$1.5 million over the next two-and-a-half years. You will learn more about this endeavor in the coming months. We've begun by applying for a strategic planning grant from Compass, a D.C nonprofit, and expect a response this August. These efforts are spearheaded by three OLLI volunteer committees: Strategic Planning (Denise Leibowitz, Chair) in coordination with Innovative Programs (Lewis Cohen, Chair) and Development (Susan Rolnick, Chair). They will be supported by several other committees and our five full-time staff. Still, we need and want to hear from you and hope you will help. Check out the OLLI website at "Get **Involved"** and let us know your interests and experience.

Our 12-member Board has nine returning members, including our dedicated past Chair Stan

Newman, and three talented new members: Jo Anne Friedenthal, Judy Havemann, and John Thorner. Our newly appointed officers and Committee chairs are listed on <u>OLLI's website</u>. We will miss our longstanding friend, Board Vice-Chair, Barbara Rollinson, who resigned this May for health reasons.

A first, because our ten-year lease is year-round, was the June academic program. More than 290 members took 27 Mini courses. We are about to begin another first — July Fun including films, Scrabble, and chess. Our future is bright — our challenge great. I look forward to facing both together with each of you.

Myra Barron *Board Chair* 

#### July Fun

The full July Fun calendar is online in <u>calendar</u> and <u>list</u> format.

Next week, **Week One** (July 5-7) offers the following events:

- Wednesday: Poetry Workshop (Room 3)
- Thursday: Origami: first half (Room 3) and film one of the films of Gael Garcia Bernal (Room A)
- Friday: Origami: second half (Room 3) and the film *Richard III,* 1995, starring Ian McKellan (Room A)

**Week Two** (July 10-14) is French Week at OLLI. You do not need to speak French to enjoy French Week at OLLI!

French films Monday, July 10, through Thursday, July 13, at 1:30 pm (subtitles, of course) AND ... a Bastille Day potluck on Friday, July 14, from 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm in the social space on the 5th floor, followed by a Piaf film in Room A!

You are invited to bring something to the potluck. To start, there will be: croissants, baguettes, marmalade, butter, a variety of cheeses, some charcuterie, madeleines, coffee, and sparkling apple juice (a wine tasting being ruled out by the AU authorities). So, the potluck is just to add on to that base. Our only restriction is that foods you bring must be consumed at room temperature.

Fortunately, that leaves many, many items in the French repertoire – savory, salad, vegetable, fruit, fish, meat, egg, pastry, or other sweet, etc.

Sandy Leibowitz is the coordinator of the potluck. If you wish to participate, please let Sandy know what you suggest bringing. She will be able to provide guidance so that we can have a balanced table.

Other events and details of Week Two:

- Monday: Chess, Jean de Florette film, and Meet
   Detective Kubu
- Tuesday: German Conversation, Manon des Sources film, and Needle Arts
- Wednesday: Poetry Workshop and Cyrano de Bergerac film
- Thursday: Films of Gael Garcia Bernal, Scrabble, and the film The *Tall Blond Man with One Black Shoe*
- Friday: Bastille Day Celebration and La Vie en Rose film

#### June Minis

Thank you to everyone who participated in our first-ever June Minis, especially to the Study Group Leaders for developing and teaching their classes.

Also, if you haven't submitted feedback on your June Minis, please do use our **online form** now.

## Tour of Echoes of the Great War: American Experiences of WWI

There is one spot open on the tour of this major exhibition at the Library of Congress on Wednesday, July 12, at 11:30 am. Register on Eventbrite:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tour-of-american-experience-in-world-war-i-exhibit-at-library-of-congress-tickets-35080965111

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#### July 7, 2017 OLLI News

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- Jean de Florette film
- Meet Detective Kubu

#### **Tuesday:**

- German Conversation
- Needle Arts
- Manon des Sources film

#### Wednesday:

- Poetry Workshop
- Cyrano de Bergerac film

#### **Thursday:**

- Films of Gael Garcia Bernal
- Scrabble (for more information, contact <u>Paula</u>
   <u>McMartin</u>)
- The *Tall Blond Man with One Black Shoe* film **Friday:**
- Bastille Day Celebration and La Vie en Rose film

#### June Minis Feedback

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#### July 14, 2017 OLLI News

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#### Fun at OLLI: July 17-21

The full July Fun calendar is online in **calendar** and **list** format.

Events and details of Week Three:

#### Monday:

- Chess
- Meet Detective Kubu
- Film: Mr. Hulot's Holiday (See below)

#### **Tuesday:**

- German Conversation
- Storytelling
- Needle Arts
- Scrabble
- Film: *Kind Hearts and Coronets* (See below)

#### Wednesday:

- Poetry Workshop
- Humor Exchange
- Film: *Smiles of A Summer's Night* (See below)

#### **Thursday:**

- Films of Gael Garcia Bernal
- Film: *The Importance of Being Earnest* (See below)

#### **Friday:**

- Storytelling
- Film: *The Philadelphia Story* (See below)

Next week (July 17-21) is Classic Comedy

Films for Adults. Some of you will remember a few of these films and will welcome the opportunity to reacquaint yourselves with them. For those who never saw these films, it is a great opportunity to view them. Brief descriptions below by OLLI member and SGL Richard Palmer, who organized this week's films.

Monday is the Jacques Tati French classic,

Mr. Hulot's Holiday, a unique combination of gentle irony with hilarious slapstick — all conveyed with virtually no dialogue. You will never forget Mr. Hulot — his pipe, his tennis serve, his car, his crush on the beautiful blond.

Tuesday is *Kind Hearts and Coronets,* the British film filled with great actors of the 1950s which put Alec Guiness's career into high gear, playing all the Gascoyne aristocrats that stand in the way of the lesser relative who aspires to the top rung.

Wednesday is the great Ingmar Bergman sophisticated comedy *Smiles of a Summer's Night* that was the original for — and better than — Sondheim's *A Little Night Music.* A tour de force of the varieties of love by the Bergman rep actors.

Thursday will feature the great 1952 version of Oscar Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest* with Michael Redgrave, Joan Greenwood, Edith Evans, Margaret Rutherford, and Dorothy Tutin — Perfect!

Friday will wrap the week with the fabulous *The Philadelphia Story*, with career-making performances by Katherine Hepburn, Cary Grant, Jimmy Stewart, and Ruth Hussey.
"More memorable than all the beach novels you might choose — and uniquely edifying too."

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#### Our Sympathies

OLLI lost two
members recently.

Jules Spector passed
away on July 7. Jules
had been a member
since 2011 and was a
frequent member in the
Poetry Workshop study
group.

Mort Gluck also passed away. He had been an active member from 2002 through this February's Shorts.

We will miss them both and extend our sympathies to their families and friends.

#### Frederick Douglass House Tour



Join a tour of Frederick

Douglass' home in

Southeast Washington, DC

on Wednesday, Aug. 23.

The National Park Service

notes,

"Douglass spent his life fighting for justice and equality. Born into slavery in 1818, he escaped as a young man and became a leading voice in the abolitionist movement. People everywhere still find inspiration today in his tireless struggle, brilliant words, and inclusive vision of humanity. ... His legacy is preserved ... at Cedar Hill, where he lived his last 17 years."

The trip costs \$32. The bus departs from St.

Sophia Cathedral at 8:30 am. Parking is free at St.

Sophia. We need a minimum of 30 attendees.

Register online at <a href="https://olli-dc.org/events/frederick-douglass">https://olli-dc.org/events/frederick-douglass</a>.

## "Some Were Neighbors" Exhibit at the Holocaust Museum



OLLI member Andrea
Harnett will lead two tours
of the US Memorial
Holocaust Museum's Special
Exhibit, "Some were

Neighbors: Collaboration & Complicity in the Holocaust." Two tours are set for Wednesday, September 6, 2017. The first will be at 12:00 pm, the second at 1:15 pm. **Andrea has limited each group to 15 people.** Please meet her at the Visitor's Desk at either 11:45 am or 1:00 pm. Please register online for the first tour at:

https://olli-dc.org/events/holocaust-one

Register online for the second tour at:

https://olli-dc.org/events/holocaust-two

#### Fun at OLLI: July 24-31

The full July Fun calendar is online in <u>calendar</u> and <u>list</u> format.

There is a special event happening this
Wednesday, 7/26, at 11:00 am: Round House
Theatre's Director of Education and Outreach,
Danisha Crosby, will lead "From Script to
Stage" -- an inside look at planning a theatrical
season and bringing a professional show to the
stage. Learn about play selection, the casting
process, pre-production, rehearsals, and more. The
Round House Theatre event, as well as all July
events, will be held at OLLI at 4801 Massachusetts
Ave. NW.

On Monday, 7/24, we would like to make you an offer that you can't refuse. *The Godfather* will be shown at 1:30 pm in Room A. **Preceding The**Godfather will be a pizza tasting at 12:45 pm in the 5th floor Social Space. Your opinion will be sought at to which type of pizza is superior among several varieties to be furnished by Pizza d'Oro.

#### **Events and details of Week Four:**

#### Monday:

- Chess
- Film: *The Godfather*

#### **Tuesday:**

- German Conversation
- Karaoke
- Needle Arts
- Film: The Godfather Part II

#### Wednesday:

- Poetry Workshop
- Round House Theatre
- Film: My Fair Lady

#### **Thursday:**

- Films of Gael Garcia Bernal
- Seen Any Good Musicals Lately?
- Film: Fiddler on the Roof

#### **Friday:**

- Diversity Meeting
- Karaoke

• Film: *Cats* 

Events of Week 5 Monday 7/31/17:

Chess

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#### Frederick Douglass House Tour



There are still places available on the tour of the Frederick Douglass House in Southeast DC. The trip costs \$32. We need a minimum of 30 attendees.

Read all of the details and register online at <a href="https://olli-dc.org/events/frederick-douglass">https://olli-dc.org/events/frederick-douglass</a>.

## "Some Were Neighbors" Exhibit at the Holocaust Museum



You can still register for the 1:15 pm tour on Wednesday, September 6, 2017 of the US Memorial Holocaust Museum's Special

Exhibit, "Some were Neighbors: Collaboration & Complicity in the Holocaust," led by OLLI member and museum docent Andrea Harnett. **Andrea has limited each group to 15 people.** Meet Andrea at the Visitor's Desk at 1:00 pm. Read more and register online at:

https://olli-dc.org/events/holocaust-two

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#### Fall 2017 Registration

## Registration is open online now for the fall semester. The catalogs will be mailed this week.

Remember! Class assignments are done by lottery, not first-come, first-served. So whether you register online or on paper, today or the day before the lottery, you have an equal chance of being assigned to the classes you request.

To be included in the Lottery, your registration must be in the office by close of business, Tuesday, September 5.

> Frederick Douglass

#### **New Beginnings**



#### July Fun

Our first July Fun program offered activities (films, Origami, Scrabble, needle arts, etc.) as varied as attendance (ranging from a few to as many as 50 members). Our year-round lease

allowed us to put our space to good use. July's lineup of less traditional programs — with the Bastille Day celebration a particular highlight — offered relaxing, enriching experiences. Many thanks to Bob Kolodney for coordinating.

#### **Fall Semester**

Fall study groups are now online, online registration is open, and catalogs will be mailed next week. Tuition is now \$300 per semester or \$550 for both the fall and spring semesters. The raise in fees is needed to meet increased operating costs. The fall semester starts September 25. OLLI member volunteers and staff have been hard at work. The Curriculum Committee has selected 94 study groups for us to choose from. Shortly after the September 6 lottery, class schedules will be emailed to each member. If you don't receive one by September 12, please call the office.

#### **Appointments & Committees**

This summer we welcomed two appointments not previously announced. The new Personnel Committee Chair is Alan Hausman, an eminently experienced attorney in human resources and other corporate-related legal matters, as well as an OLLI member and SGL. Longtime staffer Mary Fran Miklitsch is now Communications Director. She is well known for her many talents.

#### **House Tour**



There are still places available on the tour of the Frederick Douglass House in Southeast DC. Read more and register online at <a href="https://olli-dc.org/events/frederick-douglass">https://olli-dc.org/events/frederick-douglass</a>.

June 1 marked the start of each Committee Chair's one-year term. Committee activities have been in full swing. The Development Committee is preparing its forthcoming fundraising Campaign 2020 to maintain affordable tuition and to address needed program and space enhancements. The Facilities Committee with staff have begun coordinating with AU to attend to ongoing space needs. The Strategic Planning Committee is beginning to develop plans to achieve OLLI's shortand long-term goals, and will be soliciting member input in the coming months. The Membership Committee is exploring ways to enhance membership and diversity. The Lecture Committee is arranging another series of compelling speakers. The Board is seeking additional information on proposals to improve audio quality in classrooms.

#### **American University President & OLLI-AU**

Fall 2017 also marks another beginning as OLLI welcomes AU's new president, **Sylvia Mathews Burwell**. Our future is evermore closely entwined with AU. AU administers the Osher endowment on behalf of OLLI. OLLI members are the beneficiaries of AU lecturers. And all of OLLI is a tenant of AU. Soon, we will be calling on you to let us know of *your* AU connections so that we might further enhance our OLLI-AU relationship.

We begin August with high hopes.

Myra Barron *Chair* 

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#### Fall 2017 Catalogs

Catalogs were mailed on Wednesday. They are sent bulk mail, which on average takes 10-14 days to be delivered. The catalog and registration are also online and you can register online now. Go to view all of the fall study groups.

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#### Fall Catalog Updates

Changes and corrections to study group times, days, start dates, assigned books, etc. are on the OLLI website.

#### Take Me Out to the Ball Game

Once again, our generous member Stan Cohen has given OLLI 22 tickets to a Nationals game Tuesday, September 12 at 7:00 PM against the Atlanta Braves. If you would like one or two of these free tickets, let **Barbara Rollinson** know and she will mail them to you on a first-come first-served basis. Be sure to include your name and street address in your email request to Barbara.

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#### Strategic Planning

OLLI has been awarded a free, one-year Strategic Alignment project by Compass. Compass is a local organization whose mission "is to inspire the active engagement of business professionals with their local nonprofits to transform communities." The goal of a strategic alignment is to make sure an organization has

"a clear understanding of their strategic goals so the entire organization is aligned and working towards those goals." Compass reviews the nonprofit's mission, vision, programs, and activities to "understand how to achieve the greatest impact," and ensures financial and staff resources are aligned with strategic priorities. OLLI is thrilled to work with Compass toward even greater success. A special thank you to Denise Liebowitz for spearheading this effort.

#### New Scholarship Fund

Upon his retirement, the law firm of longtime OLLI member and former Board chair Ray Rasenberger decided to create an OLLI scholarship fund in honor of Ray. Zuckert, Scoutt & Rasenberger, LLP, has agreed to provide \$2500 per year for the next five years for OLLI members who need financial assistance to attend classes.

## Invitation to Join OLLI Curriculum Design Working Group

Are you thinking about offering a *new* OLLI Study Group for Spring 2018 — but feel a bit overwhelmed

by the task?

Consider joining a working group on curriculum design this fall. Participants will meet about every two weeks to try out ideas and get feedback on:

- Title
- Course description
- Course outline
- Readings and resources
- Number and sequence of classes
   Both new and experienced Study Group Leaders
   of varying subjects and teaching modalities
   (discussion groups and lectures) are welcome. A
   mixture of skills and experience will be a big plus.

If you think you might like to join, have questions or would like more information, please email Elly Greene at <a href="mailto:elly.greene@verizon.net">elly.greene@verizon.net</a>. [As a longtime OLLI student and SGL, I have led two study groups on Eleanor Roosevelt, one on the Laurel Grove School, and two on Seven Photographers Documenting 20<sup>th</sup> Century America.]

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#### Lottery Day is September 6th

The OLLI Lottery will be held next week on Wednesday, September 6th! Please be sure to complete your registration for the Fall 2017 semester by the close of business on Tuesday, September 5 in order to ensure that your registration is part of the lottery process. You can register online on the OLLI website, or bring your registration form to the OLLI office.

Please note that the OLLI office will be closed for the holiday from noon today through Monday. We will be here again to help you on Tuesday.

#### **Confirm Your Registration**

If you have registered for classes, but have not received a registration confirmation e-mail containing your pending study group details, please contact the OLLI office so that we can verify your registration.

#### Calling All Docents and Guides

Would you like to share your expertise with fellow OLLI members? E-mail our fantastic OLLI Trips Coordinator Alice Weinstein to set up an OLLI tour during the fall, winter, or spring. You pick the time and, of course, the place!

#### **OLLI on Social Media!**

OLLI at AU is now on social media! Like us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter to keep up to date with the latest OLLI news, see "behind the scenes" pictures, and keep connected. Please click on the Facebook and Twitter icons below to check out our

brand new social media pages.





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#### September 8, 2017 OLLI Newsletter

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#### AU Library Events

The AU Library has posted a <u>list of</u>
<u>upcoming events</u>, all of which are free and open to the AU community, including OLLI.

#### Technology Assistance

GTGtech is a non-profit organization started by three DC area teenagers that seeks to close the gap that exists between the technologically advanced teenagers, and the not so tech-savvy senior citizens. GTG -- Grandparents to Grandkids or Generation to Generation -- provides

#### Letter from the Chair



#### What's New?

The academic program is the heart of OLLI. Each of us has received our OLLI fall course schedule. Wednesday's lottery brought joy to most, but inevitably disappointment to some. Staff

report that 80% of members received the number of study groups they requested. Of 94 courses offered, 48 are closed, two were cancelled, and 44 are still open. By October everyone should be comfortably settled into their classes. Supplementing the courses are our Lecture Series, trips, coffees, and more.

This fall you will find some significant changes. We're awaiting American University's (AU) approval to place our display monitors on the fifth floor. And we hope to improve the acoustics in the classrooms and lecture hall no later than Spring 2018.

We are reaching out to OLLI members who have an AU connection. Were you an AU student, professor, lecturer, employee, or otherwise have a link to AU? If so, please update that information in your membership account. We've already identified more than 30 members with ties to AU and OLLI. Furthermore, to promote diversity within OLLI, efforts are underway to identify organizations and websites with which OLLI might coordinate to expand its membership and offerings.

The DC nonprofit Compass awarded OLLI with approximately \$150,000 worth of free, year-long strategic consulting services, to begin in October. We'll also be reaching out to learn how you envision the future of OLLI through a survey and in other ways.

Can OLLI continue to increase its membership? To

free tutoring to help senior citizens learn how to navigate their cell phones or the internet in general.

occasional tutoring session. Check their website for tutoring session dates and online learning modules. A number of OLLI members have attended the tutoring sessions and found them helpful.

continue to serve more of our population, OLLI needs more classrooms, longer classroom hours, and larger lecture space. We are first exploring expansion within 4801 Massachusetts Avenue before considering other options.

As the semester gets underway, we will keep you informed and engaged. In the meantime, I hope to see you at 4801!

Myra Barron *Chair* 

#### **Study Group Assignments**

The lottery was run Wednesday. If you registered for any study groups, you should have received a letter by email confirming your study group assignments. If you have not received an assignment letter, please check your online account or call the office immediately.

#### Many Study Groups Still Open

As of press time, there are still 36 study groups which are open. If you are interested, you can sign up for any of these classes. If you have a friend who has expressed an interest in OLLI, it's not too late for them to register.

The easiest way to find out which classes are open is to go to the <u>View All Study Groups page</u>, then double click on the word "Status" above the far right column. This will bring all of the open study groups to the top of the page.

#### Thank You

Many thanks to Andrea Barnett, OLLI member and Holocaust Museum docent, for giving two tours of the museum's "Some Were Neighbors:

Collaboration and Complicity in the Holocaust" exhibit this month.





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#### September 15, 2017 OLLI Newsletter

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#### Correction

Andrea Harnett led the tours at the Holocaust Museum in September.

#### Study Groups Still Open

There are still some fantastic study groups that have space available. If you have yet to sign up for a second or third study group, or if you have a friend who may be interested in trying a study group at OLLI, please go to our <a href="website">website</a> to see the options. Our study groups have been filling quickly, so don't delay!

#### Study Group & Book Changes

A number of study groups start on a later date or had different days and/or times listed in the catalog schedule versus the catalog text. Also, some assigned books are not available from Politics and Prose.

Please visit the <u>Catalog Update page</u> on the OLLI website for all changes. The list as of press time is below.

#### **Study Group Changes**

- SG 235: Animals and American Culture will begin October 20, not September 29 for eight weeks.
- SG 292: Writing and Sharing Your Life Story: The correct time is 11:45 am to 1:15 pm on Monday.
- SG 580: Favorite Operas: The correct time is 11:45 am to 1:15 pm on Wednesday.
- SG 615: Deutsch fuer Fortgeschrittene will begin October 9, not September 25.
- SG 705: The Life and Times of Winston Churchill: The correct day is THURSDAY, 1:45 pm to 3:30 pm.
- SG 790: Off the Beaten Path will begin on October 5, not September 28.

#### **Assigned Books**

The following books are not available at Politics & Prose but may be found on Amazon:

- **SG 631:** *The Last Seder* by Jennifer Maisel
- **SG 655:** *Typhoon* by Joseph Conrad
- **SG 695:** Within the Walls by Giorgio Bassani and Sicilian Uncles by Leonardo Sciascia; The Gold-Rimmed Spectacles by Bassani is NOT available in the US
- **SG 799:** *The Colonel* by Godfrey Hodgson

This book is available at Politics & Prose by pre-order:

• **SG 372** *The Industrial Revolution in World History,* 4th ed.

#### Thank You

A special thanks to **Alice Weinstein**, our Trip Coordinator. For the past two years, Alice has been identifying and arranging trips to museums and historic sites in DC, Baltimore, and Richmond. Most recently she planned a tour of the Frederick Douglass House in Anacostia. If you see Alice in one of your study groups or between classes, please thank her for her efforts. And, if you have any suggestions for trips, let her know.





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#### September 22, 2017 OLLI Newsletter

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#### Classes Start Monday

Fall semester study groups begin Monday.

You can view <u>room assignments</u> on our website.

Double check your schedule so you don't make any unnecessary trips. Remember to bring your nametag with you and to pay for parking BEFORE attending class. You will need to know your license plate number to pay at the parking kiosks in the garage.

#### School of Communications Series

On behalf of Dean Rutenbeck, AU's School of Communications extends a cordial invitation to our friends at OLLI to attend many of our exciting **SOC Signature Series** events this fall. You can see -- on our **website** and in this **listing** -- the range of film screenings, book talks and forums that we think will be of particular interest to OLLI's curious and engaged membership.

Our <u>International Cinema Series</u>, traditionally popular among OLLI attendees, will focus on films about immigration and include three campus screenings. Download a <u>flyer</u> about the film series or visit <u>Films Across Borders: Stories of</u>

<u>Migration</u>. Register for <u>tickets on EventBrite</u>.

All events are free and open to the public. We always welcome OLLI members.

#### Middle East Institute

The Middle East Institute (MEI) regularly provides lecturers for an OLLI study group, which is very well received. MEI invites OLLI members to become members of MEI. Information about the benefits of

each level of membership is available in <a href="PDF form">PDF form</a>
or on <a href="MEI's website">MEI's website</a>.

MEI welcomes new members, but also welcomes non-members to attend their events, which are generally free of charge. Look for upcoming events on <a href="https://www.mei.edu">www.mei.edu</a> and register to attend. You will then receive email flyers announcing future events.





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#### September 27, 2017 OLLI News

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#### Leave No Trace

Members have been leaving coffee cups, crumpled papers, newspapers, and other garbage in classrooms. Let's follow "outdoor ethics" indoors: Take out of the classroom whatever you bring in.

#### Only Attend Registered Classes

Please only attend the study groups for which you are registered. If you are waitlisted for a class and a seat becomes available, someone from the office will call you. Even if there is an empty seat, that does not mean anyone can join the class.

## Connect with Coffee, Snacks & Conversation

The OLLI Social Committee is organizing **themed** coffee breaks once a week (on different days and at different times each week) to encourage OLLI members to connect over conversations on topics of interest to many of us. These themed coffee breaks will help you get to know more about:

- OLLI history courses,
- OLLI courses on the humanities,
- OLLI members who might be your neighbors,
- New members you may not have met, and
- OLLI courses on science and technology.

The Connect with Coffee and Conversation breaks are held in the 5th floor social space where coffee, tea, and snacks will be provided. Please join us at the first break, Monday, October 2 at 1:15 pm, to meet some of the Study Group Leaders of our history courses. While enjoying the beverages and snacks, mingle with other OLLI members.

#### Fall 2017 Coffee Break Schedule

Mondays: Oct. 2 and Nov. 6 at 1:15-1:45 pm
OLLI history courses

Tuesdays: Oct. 10 and Nov. 14 at 11:15 -11:45

am

OLLI courses on the humanities

Wednesdays: Oct. 18 and Nov. 1 at 11:15-

#### 11:45 am

OLLI members who might be your neighbors

Thursdays: Oct. 26 and Nov. 30 at 1:15-1:45 pm

New members you may not have met

Fridays: Nov. 3 and Dec. 1 at 11:15-11:45 am

OLLI courses on science and technology

#### Correction to Friday Schedule

In last week's email listing room assignments, both the first and second Friday sessions were inadvertently listed as 9:45 am. Please review the corrected schedule below.

#### FRIDAY — 9:45 AM

372	How the World Became Modern: 1500-1920	3
377	Understanding Trade Issues	4
444	Energy	1
527	Contemporary Ballet: Beyond Balanchine	6
750	Great American Trials	Α
867	Aristotle	5

ROOM

#### FRIDAY — 11:45 AM

FKI	TITLE	ROOM
253	Introduction to the Cloud	3
389	Market Theory: Past and Present	2
480	The Ups and Downs of Weather	1
483	Drug Discovery	4
521	History and Aesthetics of Film	5
799	Henry Stimson and the American Century	Α
235	Animals and American Culture (starts 10/20)	6

#### **LECTURES**

FRIDAY —1:30-2:30 PM in Room A on the first floor.





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#### September 29, 2017 OLLI News

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#### Thank You

A special thank you to these OLLI members who provided assistance and directions during this first week of classes: Sue Boley, Ginny DeRoze, Sue Edson, Jeanne Kent, and Cindy Lisec.

#### Round House Theatre Offer

Round House Theatre
in Bethesda is offering
\$40 tickets (code
FUN40) for any night
from October 4-29 for
I'll Get You Back
Again. The show is
described as a highenergy, rock-and-roll
comedy with live music.
A woman decides to sit
in for her deceased
father as a bassist in his

#### Try the Parking App

As most of you know, the parking kiosks in our building are very cumbersome and time-consuming to use. There are two good options to pay without using the kiosk. Try the **PayByPhone App** (available at the App Store on an iPhone or Android) or use the **Pay By Phone telephone system**. Full instructions for using either option are on the OLLI website "Parking & Transit" page.

#### Invitation to a "Write Lunch"

On October 24, from 1:30-3:30 pm, with the local nonprofit Free Minds Book Club & Writing Workshop, OLLI will cosponsor a "Write Lunch." Free Minds conducts literacy programs, including poetry classes, for incarcerated youth in DC. They will provide us with a packet of poems written by incarcerated young men for us to read and provide comments.

OLLI hosted our first Write Lunch on May 12, 2017, and it was very successful. To insure the success of this event, for both our participants and these young poets, we need your assistance. We are seeking a community of 15-20 OLLI members who will give the youth's poetry encouraging comments. Providing feedback on these poems is an enjoyable community activity and a great way to show these youth respect and caring which can help them in many ways. A few young men who have participated in and benefited from this program will be with us to share their experiences and express their appreciation.

This second Write Lunch will be held in OLLI's social space on the 5th floor of 4801 Massachusetts Ave. NW. Please sign up by October 15. If you

psychedelic rock band.
Shades of the 60s!!!

Visit the Round

House Theatre

website for more
information.

have any questions, please contact Jenny Pierson at <a href="mailto:jmpmerton@rcn.com">jmpmerton@rcn.com</a> or 202-248-8288. Jenny and Ellen Siegler, both SGLs, are coordinating this event. You must register on Eventbrite at:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/write-lunch-atolli-october-24-2017-tickets-38346649862.





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## Parking Warning

A number of members have received parking tickets from American University for parking on the street. Please read the notice below.

If you are attending **OLLI classes or** lectures, you may not park on the street, even if you have a DC Zone 3 parking sticker. AU has an agreement with the District that all members of the AU community including OLLI members — are required to park in AU lots while attending OLLI. If you park on

#### Letter from the Chair

#### **Beginning "Year Two"**



## **Towards Strengthening the AU-OLLI Relationship**

Though OLLI began 36 years ago, this year seems as if it were just "Year Two." This is due to key changes initiated last year to strengthen our bond with AU. We changed our name from *OLLI* to *OLLI at AU*.

And we literally are at AU — leasing space in its former law school at "4801" until, at least, 2026.

These changes build on our existing relationship with AU. OLLI has identified more than 35 members who are AU alums, emeriti professors, former administrators, or otherwise connected with AU. Let us know of your connection to AU. AU professors enrich our curriculum through numerous classes. OLLI receives yearly distributions from the recently valued \$2.25 million Osher grant awarded for OLLI's benefit and administered by AU. OLLI members are entitled to many AU resources, such as the library and gym, at reduced or no cost.

What's New? The first week of classes went smoothly, in large part due to staff support and to Jeanne Kent and the Social Committee arranging September member previews at a "Meet and Greet" and an "Open House." Many thanks to Sue Boley, Ginny DeRoze, Sue Edson, and Cindy Lisec who all volunteered as guides the first week. Study Group Leaders benefited from advanced training offered by Selma Rosenthal. It helped too that all our small classes are on the Fifth Floor. (Only the large lecture classes are on the First Floor.)

In other news, AU has approved installing hearing

the street, you are subject to receiving a \$200 ticket. OLLI has no say in this matter. This is a nonnegotiable rule of the University. If you want to appeal a ticket, you must call 885-3111 or visit the Office of Parking and Traffic Services, Lower Level, Letts Hall, Suite 1, on the main campus.

#### Refunds

Today is the last day to request a refund for the fall semester. You must put your request in writing. The easiest way to request a refund is to **email the office**. We are now able to process credit card refunds back to your cards. If you have not yet received your refund, call your credit card company. Those who paid by check will receive a check.

#### Collage

The collage study
group is looking for any
materials that could be
used in collage, including
cloth, jewelry, puzzle
pieces, seeds, dried
flowers, seashells,
embroidery thread, toys,
etc. Also welcome are old
paper products, such as

loops, and the first of six classrooms should be wired as a test case by early November. Monitors displaying upcoming events and up-to-the-minute OLLI news also will be installed shortly. Our Lecture Series has begun — the first lecture was enthusiastically received. October events include a revamped "Coffee and Conversation" series in our social space, an SGR Breakfast, an October 22 concert at the University Museum in the Katzen Center, and an October 27 Town Hall.

What's Next? We want to enhance our already rich academic program (with more than1,000 members and 90 classes this semester alone), to maintain affordable tuition, increase diversity, and to reach out to potential members provided we have space. To achieve these goals, our emphasis is on planning and funding. A team has begun meeting with the Compass project leader and assistant provided by the grant OLLI at AU received in August for strategic planning. We look to upcoming member surveys and/or focus groups to help shape OLLI's future. Campaign 2020 is mobilizing its first round of fundraising. We will share more information about these efforts in the coming months.

Myra Barron *Chair* 

#### Coffee & Conversation

Next week's **Connect with Coffee & Conversation** will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 10, from 11:15 to 11:45 am in the Fifth Floor Social Space. The topic is OLLI's classes on the Humanities. No reservation necessary. Just come.

#### Round House Theatre

Round House Theatre begins preview performances this week for the world premiere of I'LL GET YOU BACK AGAIN, written by Sarah Gancher and directed by Tony Award nominee Rachel Chavkin (Broadway's Natasha, Pierre & the Great Comet of 1812). Because this show is so unique, we'd love to fill our preview houses to give the

books, magazines, stamps, postcards, photos, sewing patterns, matchboxes, maps, and sheet music.

#### Trash

Please help clean up the classrooms when you leave them. Please don't leave papers, coffee cups, etc. artists as much audience feedback as possible. To that end, we're inviting our community partners to take advantage of **complimentary tickets during preview week**. **Order tickets.** 

#### **Tickets Available**

Thurs Oct 5 at 7:30 pm | Fri Oct 6 at 8:00 pm Sat Oct 7 at 8:00 pm | Sun Oct 8 at 2:00 pm

#### **About the Play**

Chloe is a struggling stand-up comedian – until she decides to sit in for her dead father as the bassist for his seminal psychedelic rock band. While the band plays on and old tensions rise, Chloe must navigate memory, history, and the lessons we've learned from the Sixties.





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#### Service for Mickey Klein

#### Mickey Klein,

longtime OLLI member and Study Group Leader, died late this week. A service will be held this Sunday, Oct. 15, at 3:00 pm at Temple Sinai, 3100 Military Rd. NW. A reception will immediately follow the service in the Towers' Community Room. The Towers is located at 4201 Cathedral Ave. NW.

## Coffee & Conversation

The next Connect
with Coffee &
Conversation will be
from 11:15-11:45 am,
Wednesday (Oct. 18), in

#### Preliminary Feedback

It is time to gather preliminary feedback for the fall study groups. You can submit your feedback online at <a href="http://olli-dc.org/preliminaryfeedback">http://olli-dc.org/preliminaryfeedback</a> at your convenience, or ask for a paper form from your Study Group Rep who will return it to the class folder.

#### Write Lunch

Join a group of OLLI members in providing feedback on poems written by incarcerated youth, Tuesday, Oct. 24, from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. This is a chance to join others in a community activity supporting a program that has helped young men turn their lives around. **Register now.** 

#### **Upcoming Trips**

Two OLLI trips are scheduled for this fall. The first is the **Annual Civil War Trip**, headed to Gettysburg this year on Wednesday, Nov. 8. Ed Bearss, Chief Historian Emeritus of the National Park Service, will lead the tour. **Read details and register online.** 

On Saturday, Nov. 2, OLLI has organized a trip to the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts to view **Terracotta Army: Legacy of the First Emperor of China**.

This exhibit will only be at the VMFA and the Cincinnati Art Museum, and will include pieces never exhibited before in the United States. Read details and register online.

#### Lectures

the Fifth Floor Social
Space. The theme is
Meet Your Neighbors.

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Many members were disappointed not to obtain a ticket to this week's lecture by Alice Rivlin. We had many questions and suggestions from members.

Below is background information on lecture logistics. Please note that we continue to seek ways to increase access to the lectures in person and online.

Reservations and Reminders. Reservations are open on Eventbrite online at 9:00 am the Wednesday before the lecture. We send out a reminder email. However, you do not need to wait for the email to register. Registration is required for everyone attending.

The <u>lecture page</u> on the OLLI website contains a registration link for each lecture. The reminder emails also contain a registration link.

**Space.** We have access only to Room A on the First Floor for lectures. No other rooms are available to us. Room A has 100 seats so we can accommodate only 100 people. Fire laws prevent us from allowing any additional attendees.

**Overflow Room.** Last semester we had access to small classrooms on the First Floor, in which we would simulcast the lecture. We no longer have access to other rooms on Friday afternoons.

**Taping the Speaker and Posting to Our Website.** As an affiliate of American University, we are bound by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Although ADA was written before the Internet was in wide usage, current interpretation of the law requires all online educational content be accessible to individuals with disabilities, including hearing-impaired and deaf individuals. For OLLI, this means that lecture videos need to be captioned. The cost of captioning our lectures would be tens of thousands of dollars per year, which is currently cost prohibitive. We are not alone in facing this challenge. Harvard, MIT, and Berkeley have been sued for posting videos with no or inaccurate captioning. Audiotapes also must be captioned.





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#### October 20, 2017 OLLI News

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#### Preliminary Feedback

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edback or get a paper form from your Study
Group Rep, who will return it to the class folder.

Coffee & Conversation

The next Connect with Coffee &

#### Town Hall Next Friday

OLLI's Fall Town Hall will be held next Friday, Oct. 27, from 1:30-2:30 pm in the large lecture hall (Room A) on the First Floor. Because the lecture hall capacity is 100 people, we will simulcast the meeting in Room 3 on the Fifth Floor. In addition to hearing about the exciting things going on at OLLI, we will have a representative from AU parking and traffic to answer any questions. Members need to register to attend at Eventbrite at <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/olli-2017-town-hall-tickets-39082699406">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/olli-2017-town-hall-tickets-39082699406</a>. Registration

town-hall-tickets-39082699406. Registration opens this afternoon at 4:05 pm.

#### Opera Special Guest

Noted Wagnerian scholar **Jim Holman** will be speaking to the Favorite Operas study group next Wed., Oct. 25, in Room A at 11:45 am. There is room for 25 members to join the class for the lecture. **You must register on Eventbrite at** 

### https://www.eventbrite.com/e/jim-holman-wagners-tannhauser-tickets-39047688688

Jim will discuss the events of 1861, when the greatest scandal in music history tarnished Wagner's "Tannhauser" in its debut at the Paris Opera.

A graduate of Princeton and Harvard, Jim has been the chairman of the Wagner Society in Washington, DC, since its inception in 1998. He is the author of *Wagner's Ring: A Listener's Companion and Concordance* and is a frequent lecturer on opera across the country .

How to Download & Install the

Conversation will be from 1:15-1:45 pm,
Thursday, Oct. 26, in the Fifth Floor Social
Space. The theme is
New
Members/Readers &
Writers.

#### PaybyPhone Parking App



You can download the free "Pay by Phone" app from the App Store or the Google Play Store to pay for parking via your smartphone. Avoid the lines at the parking kiosks. The Pay By Phone app will remember all your information so all you have to do is select the duration of your stay.

Click on the image above to watch a short video showing you how to download and use it. You can also find it <u>here</u>.

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Virginia Museum of Fine Arts to view Terracotta

Army: Legacy of the First Emperor of China on

Sat., Dec. 2. Read details and register online.





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#### October 27, 2017 OLLI News

# QUICK LINKS From Sylvia M. Burwell MEI & OLLI: Partners in Education Coffee & Conversation Member Directory Dan Sachs' New Book OLLI Calendar

## Coffee & Conversation

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Wednesday, Nov. 1, in
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Meet Your Neighbors.

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#### From Sylvia M. Burwell Office of the President

Dear AU Family,

There will be lots of firsts for me this year, and I just enjoyed another one — All-American Weekend.

Some of the highlights included our President's Circle Celebration for donors, the annual Alumni Awards Dinner, the presentation of Gabrielle Union by the Kennedy Political Union (KPU), and a very successful Multicultural Alumni Reunion. It was a terrific opportunity to welcome our alumni back to campus and to meet so many parents and families. Thanks to the hundreds of volunteers who planned and hosted dozens of events.

But it's not just All-American Weekend. Since the last time I wrote, a lot has happened! All our students have arrived, the faculty is back in full force, and we enjoyed Welcome Week. Stephen and I even brought Helene and Matthew, our children, to see the Capitol Steps — an AU tradition. Though I hope they didn't understand all the jokes. . . .

We kept up another great AU tradition — convocation — as our community welcomed in the Class of 2021 and new transfer students.

In addition, I've had the chance to meet with groups of student leaders, faculty, staff, and leadership. These meetings have been everywhere from the Bridge, to my office, to TDR. (Please keep me away from the chocolate chip cookies!) I continue to learn more about my new campus community and Eagleology.

And we've had a chance to celebrate some proud **AU achievements**:

 Our contributions to the LIGO project, which won this year's Nobel Prize in Physics. Professor Greg Harry and AU senior Maya Kinley-Hanlon led the by going to <a href="https://olli-dc.org/join mailing list">https://olli-dc.org/join mailing list</a>

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#### Daniel Sachs' New Book

Daniel Sachs, an OLLI participant and SGL since 2011, has written a biography of Max Windmueller, During the Holocaust, Max made it his mission to bring Jewish youngsters across three borders from the Netherlands to safety in Spain, and ultimately paid the price for his heroism. The book, entitled To Save One Life. is available by contacting the author at

#### sachs11md@gmail.com

, or through

#### Amazon.com.

Download a **PDF** with a full description of the book.

#### Upcoming Trips

Two OLLI trips are scheduled for this fall:

1) Annual Civil War

only team in the DC area to contribute.

- AU alumna Carmen Maria Machado, class of 2007, was named a finalist for the National Book Award.
- We celebrated the opening of the new Antiracist Research and Policy Center, created and led by Professor Ibram Kendi.
- We welcomed Dr. Fanta Aw to her new role as vice president for campus life.

While we celebrate the great things our campus community has accomplished in just the past few months, our university leadership is always looking ahead.

Learn more about the progress of some of our campus initiatives and programs...:

- **Shaping Strategy**. Faculty, staff, and administrative leaders gathered at the 2017 AU Leadership Retreat to begin conversations about AU's mission, vision, values, and strategy.
- **Diversity and Inclusion**. Based on input that has been gathered from members of the AU campus community, we have begun development of a new diversity and inclusion strategy.
- New Spaces to Enhance the Student
   Experience. From the Hub and the Bridge to our new food pantry, the Market, designed to help alleviate food insecurity, our campus is now home to new gathering spaces and resources for students.
- **Learning from Leaders**. Our students have had special opportunities to learn from some notable guests in the last month, including Malala Yousafzai, our 2017 Wonk of the Year.
- Support for Those Affected by Disasters. We reached out beyond our campus to those affected by the hurricanes in Texas, Georgia, Florida, the Caribbean and Puerto Rico, by the wildfires in California, or by the earthquake in Mexico.
- **Title IX**. The Secretary of Education recently announced that the Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights would rescind the 2011 guidance to universities about how to prevent and respond to sexual assault. In response, AU affirmed our commitment to fair and equitable processes.
- Army Corps of Engineers Upcoming Work. For members of the campus community who are new, like me, we recently provided a history and update on the current work of the Army Corps of

Trip to Gettysburg
Wed., Nov. 8. Read
details and register
online.

2) Trip to the Virginia
Museum of Fine Arts to
view Terracotta Army:
Legacy of the First
Emperor of China on
Sat., Dec. 2. Read
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Engineers.

We're off to an exciting start for the 2017-2018 academic year. I look forward to seeing you all out on campus!

#### Sylvia M. Burwell

President, American University

## The Middle East Institute & OLLI: Partners in Education

The <u>Middle East Institute</u> (MEI) and OLLI have been collaborating for nearly 10 years, bringing MEI's scholars to OLLI students to share their indepth knowledge and experience of the region.

MEI is a think tank in the traditional sense: we advise governments, agencies, corporations, and the public through the production of balanced research and analysis. Our public events and published research highlight our experts from the U.S. and the Middle East.

But we're much more than a think tank. We also teach the languages of the Middle East, and maintain a 20,000+ volume library, including some rare works over 300 years old, plus maps, prints, and a collection of 18,500 slides of the entire region taken between the years 1950-2000. MEI has an active internship and professional development program to train the next generation for international careers, and a new and growing arts and culture program that highlights performers, poets, writers, musicians, and visual artists from the Middle East.

MEI is now in the middle of a historic expansion. I'd like to invite each of you to **join MEI**. Members get invited to private events throughout the year, get a subscription to our flagship *Middle East Journal*, one of the leading academic publications in the world about the Middle East, and discounts to our annual banquet — which is coming up in just a few weeks.

Please join us for our 71st Annual Awards

Banquet and Conference on November 14-15,

2017 at the Capital Hilton Hotel in Washington DC.

Every year MEI's gala brings together hundreds of Middle Eastern and American ambassadors and diplomats, Fortune 100 business leaders, and

international policymakers. Banquet tickets can be purchased <a href="https://example.com/herence">here</a>. The next day, November 15, is MEI's <a href="https://example.com/herence">2017 Annual Conference</a>: "Conflicts, Costs, and Policy Pathways." The conference is free, but you must register, as seating is very limited. Please feel free to contact Kevin Cowl, Vice President for Development, with questions about MEI membership, the banquet, or any general inquiries at 202.785.1141 x213 or <a href="mailto:kcowl@mei.edu">kcowl@mei.edu</a>.





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#### November 3, 2017 OLLI News

# QUICK LINKS 2017 Town Hall Notes Upcoming Events at AU OLLI Open on Veterans Day Coffee & Conversation Member Directory OLLI Calendar

#### **Change Clocks**

Remember! Daylight
Savings Time ends this
Sunday, Nov. 5, at 2:00
am. Turn your clocks
back to 1:00 am. We
know you like OLLI's
coffee, but surely you
would rather have
another hour of sleep.

#### OLLI Open on Veterans Day

OLLI will be open and study groups will be meeting on Veterans Day, Friday, Nov. 10.

## Coffee & Conversation

The next Connect

#### Notes from 2017 Town Hall

#### Lectures

A number of members expressed concern and frustration regarding the lectures being sold out. We have explored several possibilities including using the Katzen Center's Recital Hall, implementing an overflow room, and prioritizing attendance to OLLI members. The Board of Directors will discuss this issue at its next meeting.

Katzen Center: Beginning last spring, the Katzen Center started charging all university departments and organizations, including OLLI, the actual costs of using the facility. Using the Recital Hall for a lecture went from costing about \$75 per lecture to approximately \$500 per lecture. With more than 30 lectures each year, using Katzen would cost \$15,000 per year. In addition, there is no guarantee the Recital Hall would be available when we would want it, and we would have to deal with the challenge of having hundreds of OLLI members move from 4801 to the Katzen Center all at once.

Overflow Room: Last semester we offered an overflow room for several of the lectures that were sold out. At that time, we had access to the classrooms adjacent to the Lecture Hall. This semester we do not have access to any classrooms on Friday afternoons.

Videotaping and Posting Lectures: As an affiliate of American, we are bound by the Americans with Disabilities Act. As such, we are required to close caption any videos we post to our website. The captioning must be thorough and accurate. It would cost approximately \$500 per lecture to close caption the video. Close captioning is a labor-intensive process in which the captioner has to transcribe the lecture and synch the text with the lecture.

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History Courses.

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Currently, we have chosen not to pursue this option as the cost would be \$15,000 per year.

#### **Parking**

Dan Nichols, the head of American's Risk, Safety and Transportation Programs, explained the Good Neigbhor Policy. The policy requires any individual attending AU classes, events, or offices to park in AU's garages. The policy was imposed on AU by the District's Zoning Commission. Dan emphasized that the policy is black-and-white. If you are driving to OLLI, you must park in the garage. If you park on the street, you will be subject to a \$200 fine.

## Upcoming Events at American University

#### **SELECTED EVENTS**

Bach, Luther, and the Reformation in Theology and Music

November 4, 7:30 pm; November 5, 3:00 pm

All Bach program "Commemorating 500 Years of Reformation"

Kay Spiritual Center

**Tickets required**: \$5-\$10

#### Initiatives to Improve the Quality of Life for Elders Through Built Environments

November 7, 12:00-1:30 pm

IDPP Seminar Series on Global Disability and Development

Dr. Emi Kiyota, environmental gerontologist, educator, organizational change expert Mary Graydon, Room 331, Free

#### **AU Presents Authors of** *Chocolate City*

American University's Metropolitan Policy Center (MPC) presents authors Chris Myers Asch and George Derek Musgrove

**Thursday, November 9 from 9:30 am-11:30 am**Butler Board Room, Mary Graydon, Breakfast will be provided.

**Reservations Required:** 

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/chocolate-city-

#### book-talk-tickets-38661806504

#### Kids@Katzen

Sunday, November 12, 1:00-3:00 pm

An artist-led workshop for the whole family with sculptor Christopher Carter.

Recommended for ages 5-12. Cost is \$10 per child.

All materials provided. **Advanced registration**requested.

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#### November 10, 2017 OLLI News

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OLLI Humanities
courses.

#### **New Events**

HANDBAGGED
Play by Moira Buffini
Round House Theatre
Sun., Feb. 11, 2018
2:00 pm
Orchestra seats:
\$53.00
Tickets must be
purchased by
1/25/2018
10 seats available
"An Olivier Award-

#### Notes from 2017 Town Hall



We had a robust, engaged turnout for our town meeting on Oct. 27. For those of you who did not attend, here is a summary.

WHERE ARE WE?

AU Relationship. We have had a longstanding

relationship with AU. AU professors enhance our curriculum. More than 40 OLLI members are AU alumni and emeriti professors. We have a financial connection to AU through the Bernard Osher Foundation, which has funded university-affiliated Osher Institutes across the US. AU received on our behalf \$1 million in 2008 and an additional \$950K in 2016. The AU Osher Endowment is now approximately \$2.225 million, from which OLLI receives yearly distributions from its earnings. We are in the second year of a 10-year lease with shared space in AU's Spring Valley Building, and we recently changed our name to "OLLI at AU."

Academic Excellence. Of the 120 OLLIs nationwide, we are one of the top two or three with respect to our strong academic curriculum. This fall, we have 90 study groups and nearly 1,000 members. Combining both semesters, February Shorts, and June Minis, we'll have over 1,300 members this year. We have achieved this growth with only 5 full-time, paid staff, making us practically an "all-volunteer" college!

**Building Community**. As a "commuter" college, we strive to develop a sense of community. This

winning West End hit ...
wickedly funny comedy
that imagines what the
world's most powerful
women talk about behind
closed palace doors."

"The Iron Lady. The Queen. Born six months apart, each woman had a destiny that would change the world. But when the stiff upper lip softened and the gloves came off, which one had the upper hand?"

Contact Alice
Weinstein.

NATIONAL MUSEUM
OF AFRICAN
AMERICAN HISTORY
AND CULTURE
February 15, 2018
10:30 am Entrance
17 timed tickets
available

Reserve a ticket ahead of time by contacting <u>Alice</u>

<u>Weinstein</u>. Meet outside the Musem at 10:15 am.

members, an Open House, weekly Coffee and Conversations, and a trip to Gettysburg, as well as a planned trip to the view the Terracotta Warriors at the Virginia Museum of Fine Art. You may still reserve a space by clicking here: <a href="Museum Visit">Museum Visit</a> Last month, OLLI sponsored a concert by the AU Department of Music at the Katzen Center Museum. Our annual Holiday Party will be held on December 6. Please click here to reserve a space: <a href="Holiday Party">Holiday Party</a>

Financial Matters. About 75% of our operating budget comes from tuition. Our annual earnings distribution on the Osher Endowment, through AU, goes towards the balance of expenses. We also can draw from our "Friends of OLLI" Reserve Fund's \$1 million, made up of donations, gifts, etc. This reserve fund is also used for capital expenditures, such as the cost of installing hearing loops in our six classrooms. To accommodate our growth, including 144 new members this fall, we need more classroom space and/or hours, as well as expensive software updates. To meet these needs, we are beginning a \$150,000 fundraising effort, Campaign 2020, with a final goal of \$1.5 million over the next few years.

#### WHERE ARE WE GOING?

In August, we were awarded a highly competitive Compass grant worth \$150,000 of consulting services. Our Compass team leader, Patrice Feinstein, assisted by several nonprofit specialists will help us better align our resources, programs, and mission. The Strategic Planning Committee is developing a strategic plan, due in June. Tentative goals will address growth, space, diversity, and building community. Whether you prefer that OLLI at AU grows and changes or stays as it is, we will seek your views through focus groups and/or a survey.

**Questions.** Attendees raised a number of issues. One concern is the limited number of seats available at weekly lectures. Some urged that OLLI members be given preference over non-members for lecture reservations. The Board will consider this

at its November meeting. Another concern was our limited space. We have the six classrooms on the Fifth Floor plus the auditorium on the First Floor. We are beginning discussions with AU to address our need for additional classroom space and hours. Another inquiry concerned how OLLI members could access AU facilities. Look for this on the OLLI website, on the "Benefits of Membership" page under the "Membership" menu.

**Parking.** Dan Nichols, AU Executive Director of Risk, Safety and Transportation Programs, along with Andrew Huff of AU Community Relations, addressed AU parking policies. As Mr. Nichols explained, the DC Zoning Commission, not AU, requires the entire AU community, including OLLI members, to follow the "Good Neighbor Policy." No map showing neighborhood boundaries exists because there are no specific limitations. When visiting AU, even with a DC Zone 3 sticker, OLLI members must park in the garage or at metered spaces. AU is required to issue parking tickets to vehicles violating the policy, and the first ticket is \$200. If you live in the neighborhood and AU accidentally tickets your car when parked in front of your house, call the parking office at 202-885-3111. The parking office will delete the fine and add your license plate to a DO NOT TICKET list in their database. To sum up, the rule is simple: If visiting AU, park on AU property.

Mr. Nichols also said the parking staff will consider providing parking permits for OLLI members, in addition to the use of kiosks and the parking phone app. OLLI staff will follow up with him.

## Upcoming Events at American University

#### **SELECTED EVENTS**

**15 years of Trawick Prizes** 

Nov. 11, 5:00-6:00 pm: Gallery Talk. Free. <u>RSVP</u> required.

Nov.11-Dec. 17: Exhibition. Free

Annual winners of one of the first regional

competitions recognizing visual artists discuss their work and practices.

Katzen Museum

Conference: Israeli Cuisine as a Reflection of Israeli Society

Monday, November 13, 9:30 am-6:00 pm

American University East Campus Constitution

Hall

For schedule and RSVP, please see:

http://www.american.edu/cas/israelstudies/cuisi ne/index.cfm

Questions: Email **Laura Cutler** or call 202-885-3780

Unjustifiable Means: The Inside Story of How the CIA, Pentagon, and U.S. Government Conspired to Torture

November 14, 5:30-7:30 pm

Book discussion by author Mark Fallon with panel of specialists: Juan Mendez, Washington School of Law; Daphne Eviatar, Amnesty International; and Raha Wala, Human Rights First.

Washington College of Law, Warren Building NT01

Registration requested.

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#### November 17, 2017 OLLI News

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Holiday Party

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when the stiff upper lip
softened and the gloves

#### Happy Thanksgiving

The OLLI Board of Directors and staff wish everyone a safe travels and a joy-filled Thanksgiving!

#### **Holiday Party**

Just a reminder. The annual OLLI Holiday Party will take place on Wednesday, Dec. 6, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm on the 6th floor of the Spring Valley Building, 4801 Massachusetts Ave. NW. Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served. Parking is available in the garage that evening and is free after 5:00 pm.

The cost is \$30 per member. Register **online** or pick up a flyer from the social areas or the office. The deadline for registering is close of business, Thurs., Nov. 30.

#### Georgetown Chorale

OLLI members John and Joan Westley sing with the Georgetown Chorale. They would like to invite OLLI members to attend the Chorale's Christmas concert on **December 9 at 3:00 pm.** The Chorale is a group of 90 singers who will perform Vivaldi's *Gloria*, as well as other works, with soloists and an orchestra. The concert location is the First Congregational United Church of Christ at 945 G St. NW, near Metro Center. <u>Tickets cost \$25 in</u> <u>advance</u> and \$30 at the door.

Upcoming Events at American University

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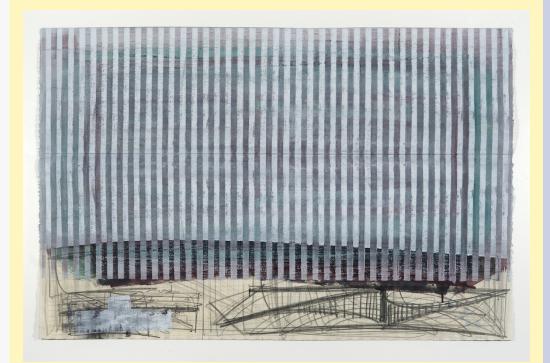
Recent Acquisitions to the Rothfeld Collection of Contemporary Israeli Art

Nov. 11 - Dec. 17, 2017

American University Museum, Katzen Center

Admission Free. Open Tue-Sun, 11:00-4:00. Fully

Accessible. 202-885-1300. museum@american.edu



Moshe Kupferman, Untitled, 1991. Mixed media on paper, 31 1/2" x 48." The Rothfeld Collection for Israeli Art, American University Museum at the Katzen Arts Center.

Trump is (Un)Doing More Than You Think

Wednesday, November 29, 12:00-1:45 pm

Mary Graydon Center, Room 3

Please RSVP to <a href="mailto:ccps@american.edu">ccps@american.edu</a> or 202-885-3491

Panel to Include: Eric Lipton, *The New York Times*, and Chris Edelson, American University

Moderated by David C. Barker, American University

Lunch served at noon. Program starts at 12:15 pm

Presented by the Center for Congressional and

Presidential Studies. Download a PDF.

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#### December 1, 2017 OLLI News

#### **QUICK LINKS**

Merchant of Venice
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#### **Great Read!**

Members of Sue Willens' Fall 2017 study groups 681 and 682, "The Best American Essays of 2016", wrote their own essays. Download the **2017** collection. It is also available through a link on the home page of our website. OLLI Communications Director Mary Fran Miklitsch found them, "A must read ... moving, insightful, and winsome."

## Lost and Found Items!

Please be sure to visit the OLLI Social Space closest to the OLLI Office to view items recovered and now waiting to be reunited with their

#### The Merchant of Venice

Members of the OLLI community are invited to join in viewing the Globe Theatre's 2015 performance of *The Merchant of Venice* with Jonathan Pryce, chosen by the "Shakespeare in Performance" Study Group as the best performance of this classic. This performance (recorded live) is lively, funny, affecting, and, in the end, sobering. While the play is controversial, this production is not to be missed, so if you did not see it in London or when it came to the US, now is your chance.

Come to Room A (1st Floor), on Thursday,
December 14, at 11:45 am. The running time is twoand-a half-hours. You are welcome to bring lunch,
but please remember to leave the room as you
found it.

## Upcoming Events at American University

#### **SELECTED EVENTS**

**Arab Modern and Contemporary Works from the Barjeel Art Foundation** 

Through Dec. 17, 11 am - 4 pm

LOCATION: Katzen Museum First Floor Exhibition

ADMISSION: Free

This exhibition, *Between Two Rounds of Fire, The Exile of the Sea,* draws on a diverse selection of works from the collection of the Barjeel Art Foundation, United Arab Emirates, that illustrates an array of technologies of conflict. Conflict is defined in a wider sense and refers to what takes place on either a sociological or psychological plane. The exhibition explores mechanisms of power and of the power of artists to employ them in their work.

Found Box. Some items, in particular, a blue jacket, were placed in the box after the owner had asked OLLI Staff if the jacket had been found. Plenty of books, reading glasses, items of clothing, and other ephemera are waiting to be reclaimed.

The School of International Service presents
The United States and Genocide:
(Re)Defining the Relationship
Wed., Dec. 13, 2017, 11:30 pm - 1:00 pm

LOCATION: Abramson Family Founders Room, SIS

ADMISSION: Free

#### **RSVP HERE**

Join **Professor Jeffrey Bachman** and esteemed panelists as they discuss his forthcoming book that challenges the dominant narrative which portrays the US as a bystander to genocide, rather than supporter and participant.

#### **Featured Speakers:**

**Dr. Douglas Irvin-Erickson,** Assistant Professor and Director of the Genocide Prevention Program, George Mason University School for Conflict Analysis and Resolution

**Dr. Gregory Stanton,** Research Professor in Genocide Studies and Prevention, George Mason University School for Conflict Analysis and Resolution; Founding Chairman, Genocide Watch

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#### December 8, 2017 OLLI News

#### **QUICK LINKS**

Letter from the Chair
Terracotta Warriors
Upcoming Events at
AU
Thank You!!!
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#### Thank You!!!

A heartfelt thank you to our study group leaders, study group reps, committee members, and all of our volunteers who help make OLLI such a remarkable place.

## Lost and Found Items!

Please be sure to visit
the OLLI Social Space
closest to the OLLI
Office to view items
recovered and now
waiting to be reunited
with their owners in the

#### **Lost and Found Box**.

Plenty of books, reading glasses, items of clothing, and other

#### Letter from the Chair



### HOLIDAY PREPARATIONS

Just as we are busy getting ready for the holidays, OLLI too is busy. Recent festivities included two celebrations. Over a hundred guests enjoyed

the Fall Study Group Leader Appreciation Luncheon on Dec. 1, at which Barry Bortnick, SGL and songwriter, presented his video-enhanced "Musicals in the Second Half." The annual Holiday Party on Dec. 6 was held for the first time "on campus" on the sixth floor. The party featured generous hors d'oeuvres, wine, and best of all, the company of one another. Attendees were surrounded by artwork from Rose Mosner's collage class, Sarah Whitener's watercolor class, and music provided by two excellent violinists from AU's Music Program. Jeanne Kent, Social Committee Chair and her "Ambassadors" greatly contributed to this event's success.

#### STRATEGIC PLANNING AND COMPASS

Our Compass team, nine nonprofit specialists, has begun the first phase of their process -- interviewing Board and Committee members to understand OLLI -- so they can provide advice for our strategic planning and development efforts. The Compass report and Strategic Plan are scheduled to be completed by May 2018.

#### **CAMPAIGN 2020**

Campaign 2020, led by our Development

ephemera are waiting to be reclaimed.

Committee Chair Sue Rolnick, is underway. Although the campaign has just begun, we are pleased to announce that we have received in cash and pledges more than \$30,000 toward our initial goal of \$150,000 by June 2018. Thank you to those who have given so generously. A reminder letter has been sent for those who wish to give by the end of this year.

#### JANUARY/FEBRUARY LECTURES

<u>Eight outstanding lectures</u> are booked from Jan. 9 through Feb. 1. Chaired by Judy Havemann, the Lecture Committee has arranged lectures on a stunning array of topics, including art, poetry, health, education, civil rights, immigration, and national security.

#### FEBRUARY SHORTS & SPRING SEMESTER

The Board just approved the Curriculum

Committee's recommendations of 20 February

Shorts and 96 Spring study groups. For the first

time, we are combining information on the

February 2018 Shorts and the 2018 Spring

semester into a single catalog. The catalog

should be arriving by mail in early January.

Spring's offerings include study groups led by ten

new study group leaders and a science study group

offered by the the AU College of Arts and Sciences.

Due to his many other commitments, Stan

Newman will step down as Curriculum Committee

Chair on Jan. 1, succeeded by Marianne Soponis as
the new Committee Chair. With many thanks to

Stan and welcome to Marianne.

#### **ENHANCED FACILITIES**

Screens near the 5th floor elevators and in the Social Space now provide bold reminders of OLLI events. A late November demonstration and test of a hearing loop temporarily installed in Room 1 proved so successful that the Board has approved installation of hearing loops in all of the small classrooms early next year.

We've initiated discussions with AU to have longer classroom hours and/or more classroom space. Most of the January lectures will be held in the larger, 140-seat 6th floor lecture hall. The Board

also has instituted a plan to give OLLI members a two-day lead to sign up for lectures before the public can sign up. Last, but not least, efforts are underway to see if AU can implement a permit system for OLLI members to park in the garage.

We're looking forward to 2018 -- to new members, classes, lectures, trips and initiatives, familiar faces and friends -- all in now familiar surroundings. Best wishes to all for the Holiday season!

Myra Barron

Chair, Board of Directors

#### Terracotta Warriors at VMFA



On Saturday, Dec. 2, OLLI members and friends had a wonderful day at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Richmond. Three docents guided the group through the Terracotta Army exhibit, providing information on the warriors and on the Emperor who had them built. The group also spent several hours exploring the museum's Fabergé collection, Art Deco and Art Nouveau collections, as well as painting and sculpture from many countries and periods.

"... We loved seeing the warriors close up — we have been to Xian and that experience is unmatchable, but one is not able to get close to them in their pits, so this exhibit immensely enhances our acquaintance with them. And we loved the other items -- especially the tiny silk worm! The entire exhibit revived treasured memories of China."

"We love that place, it's a gem."

Thanks to Gordon Appleby for the photo.

## Upcoming Events at American University

#### **SELECTED EVENTS**

**AU Town Hall & Community New Year's Reception** 

January 4

Community Town Hall, 7:00 pm

Katzen Arts Center, Admissions Welcome Center, Room 201

#### New Year's Reception, 8:00 pm

Katzen Arts Center, 2nd Floor Rotunda

Discuss community issues with American University

President Sylvia Burwell at the town hall, then
enjoy food and music with AU neighbors at the new
year's reception.

RSVP to communityrelations@american.edu or 202-885-2700.

## **Arab Modern and Contemporary Works from the Barjeel Art Foundation**

Through Dec. 17, 11 am - 4 pm

LOCATION: Katzen Museum First Floor Exhibition ADMISSION: Free

#### **ADDITIONAL EVENTS**

View American's <u>online community calendar</u> to find information on all of the upcoming events at the university.

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## Lost and Found Items!

Please be sure to visit the OLLI Social Space closest to the OLLI Office to view items recovered and now waiting to be reunited with their owners in the **Lost and Found Box**. Plenty of books, reading glasses, items of clothing, and other

ephemera are waiting

to be reclaimed.

#### Holidays at OLLI

From all of the OLLI Staff, we wish you all a very festive Holiday Season and a happy and healthy New Year!

Many thanks to OLLI members who exhibited their work at the Holiday party. Please remember to reclaim your art from the OLLI office.

#### **HOLIDAY CLOSINGS**

A reminder that the OLLI office will be closed 12/25/17, 12/29/17, and 1/1/18. Staff will be available all other days.

#### Trip Reminders

For those of you who have coordinated with Alice Weinstein, please remember to pick up your ticket(s) for the National Museum of African American History and Culture from the OLLI office. The tickets are for Thursday, Feb. 15, 2018 at 10:30 am. Also, tickets are still available for the Roundhouse Theatre production of *Handbagged* on Sunday, Feb. 11, 2018. This is an opportunity to see this well-reviewed play at a reduced rate.

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