



OLLI

at American University Washington DC



Osher Lifelong Learning Institute July Update

Calendar

July

Catalogs Mailed

August

Registration begins

September

9: Lottery

22,23 Classes Begin at RRUUC

30: Classes Begin

The Fall Catalogs are in the Mail!

You should be getting them soon! [Email](#) or call the office at 202.895.4860 if you would like us to mail one to a vacation address. Thanks!

[Online](#) Registration is Open!

The Library Committee Will Highlight OLLI Authors

A unique opportunity is at hand for all OLLI members who have published books. The Library Committee is planning an exhibit of books you would like displayed at the Winter Open House, scheduled for February 17. That's not as far away as you think; we're planning to make this a Big Event. Attached is a form which all interested authors should fill out and return to the committee by September 16. There will also be an opportunity to sell your books.

We'll keep you posted as plans develop. For now, please fill out the [form](#) and submit it to committee chair Ruth Darmstadter (6514 Callander Dr., Bethesda, 20817) before the September 16 deadline. Ruth is also available for comments and questions; (joelruthd@verizon.net). Other committee members you may contact are Barbara Rollinson, Hope Bogorad, and Therese Rousseau.

Study Group Leader Course Next Fall

Will Blacklow will be taking the helm of the third Study Group Leader course, offered in the fall for four sessions. This is a great opportunity for those of you interested in perfecting your skills or gaining new ones. Please [email](#) the office if you are interested in participating in the class or would like to recommend someone.

COURSE REVIEW: GRANDPARENTING

Grandparents, today, are facing many new challenges in terms of their relationships with their grandchildren. Unlike their own grandparents, modern day grandparents are generally more active, travel more easily, and certainly have many new technical means of communication with their grandchildren.

Martha Horne, the Study Group Leader for Grandparenting: Theory and Practice, is well equipped to teach this course. She is a retired special educator and clinical social worker as well as a parent of four children and six grandchildren. The class discusses issues such as the roles of grandparents, parental discipline, nontraditional marriages with cultural and religious differences, gay and lesbian families, single parents, step

Study Group Reps Role

OLLI is reviewing our feedback process so that we can help our Study Group Leaders be more effective and responsive to our members. We hope to make better use of our Study Group Representatives to aid the SGLs and communicate more with the office.

Remember-OLLI is a membership organization. If you get a call to volunteer to be an SGR, we hope that you will be able to jump in and help our program run more effectively.

Iona Art and Poetry Gathering



A few OLLI members were pleased to join OLLI SGL Leader and Iona Poet Laureate, Jenny Pierson, and Iona Artist in Residence, Pauline Jakobsberg, at Iona on June 30 to hear them share their work.

parenting, and divorce problems. Other topics of discussion include legal and financial issues, visitation rights when there is a divorce, coping with special needs and seriously ill children, and dealing with long distance involvement. The class also addresses the difficult and delicate handling of parents' problems and focuses on how to be supportive without criticizing their methods of child rearing. Class members do individual presentations and are given a reading list of appropriate books. for further study.

One of the past participants of this class, Alan Frey, writes, "I would like to give kudos to a new OLLI course on Contemporary Grandparenting. The course, beautifully taught by Martha Horne, allowed us not only to share wonderful experiences and stories about our grandchildren, but to study complex issues facing all grandparents through discussion of our text as well as research presentations of our students."

This course seems to successfully combine the theoretical and intellectual approach of most OLLI classes with a practical guide to the joys of grandparenting.

--*Jeanne Baron*

Book Club Volunteer Needed

A Friendship Terrace Volunteer, Elinor Talmadge, is trying to resurrect a book club at Friendship Terrace and is looking for a leader. Friendship Terrace is an independent living facility on 42nd and Butterworth Place, behind Best Buy and the Tenley Metro. They had a very popular group that fell apart a couple of years ago when the leader moved away.

Books for the group will be selected by the group leader. Elinor will purchase all books for the participants for a year, but her work involves traveling, so she can't be a leader now. The time options are very open-days, evenings, or weekends. Mondays or Saturdays have been suggested.

Elinor would be most appreciative for suggestions or for one or two volunteers who might be interested in sharing leadership. Contact Elinor if you are interested: Elinor Talmadge 202-243-0113 or elinort2gs@yahoo.com

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