

News For Members of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UAH

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President's Message



Bob Darnall
President

2015-2016 has been an exciting year for me as your president. I look forward to another great year. We have our largest membership to-date, presently at 1266. We conducted more classes and had more class attendees than ever before. Thank you all for everything you have done. And if you would like to do more or something different, contact me. OLLI depends on our valued volunteers. You can share your talents and skills while forging new relationships.

While we emphasize our three terms (fall, winter, and spring), there are other classes during the summer months of June and July. Look over the summer brochure and decide if you would like to attend any of the courses listed. As we have a shorter, staggered term during the summer, there is plenty of time to relax, enjoy the good warm months, or take a vacation.

Many of our members are going to Canada the latter part of July. During the next several months, efforts are underway to add to OLLI travel opportunities, from day trips to extended excursions. Let me know if you have some travel recommendations. I shall pass them to the appropriate committee.

The Curriculum Committee and PCS Staff have been busy getting ready for the fall term. Most of the courses, times, and locations have been decided. The fall catalog will be available in late July or early August. Note that registration starts as soon as the catalog is available on-line, which will be before you physically receive it in the mail. Please watch your Friday E-news to learn when registration starts. We have always had several classes that fill up quickly, and with more members they may fill up even sooner. All our classes are first come, first serve.

I hope you are all having a great summer; enjoy your family, friends, travel, garden, and any other of the many interests OLLI members have. I look forward to seeing each and every one of you this fall.

To contact me, email me at darnall45@aol.com.

Thank You Member Services Committee!



Sue Chatham

A special thanks to all on the Member Services Committee for their support and encouragement while I have been the chair. Barbara & Bob Ward, Nancy Darnall, Leah Black, Steve Wynn, Hugh Nicholson, Margrit Earles, Cathy Bailey, Lorrie White, Craig Reinhart, Linda Hooper, Linda Locke and all who have served before, I could not have fulfilled the duties of the Member Services Committee without you. As our duties changed, the members of the committee adapted and changed with them. Everything was done with a "glad to be doing it" spirit. Once again, thanks from the bottom of my heart for all of your support over the last few years.

OLLI CALENDAR

A Calendar of Upcoming Events will be published in each edition. Committee Chairs should contact Nancy Darnall at nbd51@icloud.com or Maxine Doherty at maxine.doherty@uah.edu to add items. Check your Weekly E-news for updates and details.

Month	Time	Event
June 16	11:00 AM - 2 PM	OLLI SUMMER PICNIC , Green Mountain Nature Preserve Pavilion. Bring a dish to share. Leah Black at leahblack01@comcast.net.
June and July	Various	OLLI COMPUTER CAMP AND MORE . Registration is ongoing. Online, by phone, and in Wilson Hall 103.
July 4		Happy Independence Day!
July 13	10:00 AM	Ground Antenna Transmit Receive (GATR) Technologies, Inc. , Tour. Terry Greenwood, 256 881-1571 or meanjean@knology.net.
July 18—28		OLLI at UAH tours <i>Montreal, Quebec City, and the Maritimes</i> with Road Scholar.
August 11	TBA	OLLI Fall Registration Event. Watch your E-news and the next OLLI Insider for details.
September 8	TBA	US SPACE & ROCKET CENTER GERMAN BIERGARTEN , Davidson Hall. Save the date for a repeat of the wonderful food, beer, and music. OLLI benefits from food sales proceeds.

Join your OLLI friends at these events scheduled by our OLLI Committees; MIGs; PCS; and UAH. Please remember to check your Weekly E-news for the latest information on these and other activities. OLLI membership is required for OLLI activities, unless other information is provided. More details are available in this issue of the *OLLI Insider*.

"Just because you're grown up and then some doesn't mean settling into the doldrums of predictability. Surprise people. Surprise yourself."

Victoria Moran

2016 OLLI Photo Contest Winners



1st Place Winner
Canyon Falls
By Don Bennett



2nd Place Winner
Reflection of Bridge over Tranquil Waters
By Stuart Clifton

Forty-nine impressive entries were submitted for this year's theme, "Water, Water Everywhere." Summer travel made it possible for our photographers to take scenic water photos, some quite different and charming.

In addition to the three top winners, Judges Debbie Tromblee, Jose Betancourt, Bill McAllister, and Gene Zajicek choose four honorable mention picks.

To see them and all the entries, a slide show can be seen at: <https://youtu.be/8OCWlcHRRD8>.

Thanks to all the participants; your photos are amazing.

Lorrie White
Photo Contest Coordinator



3rd Place Winner
Windy Flight
By Mike Bilinski



Nancy Darnall
Chair

On Saturday, April 30, about fifteen OLLI members left Huntsville on a journey with Learning Quest to experience the live drama of *To Kill a Mockingbird* in Harper Lee's hometown. Our overnight trip to Monroeville was filled with conversation, food, and entertainment. There is much drama surrounding the hometown production. The future holds many questions as to whether and where the next *TKAM* production will appear. The play has two sets: outdoors behind the old Courthouse for Act I and in the courtroom for Act II. Bremmer Sherman, Robert Reeves, Bob Nauman, and Bob Darnall from our group observed the second act as jurors and part of the action. Our trip this year cost \$195 per person including travel, play, one night in a nice motel, breakfast, and dinner. Lunches at the Peach Park or neighboring Whataburger and an indulgence at Priester's Pecans rounded out our tour. If you have an interest in such a trip for 2017, contact me at nbd51@icloud.com. If there is sufficient response, we will look into doing it again.

We had so much fun this year with the activities of the Special Events and Culture Committees. Bill McAllister and his Special Events Committee have performed masterfully in the number and array of activities for OLLI. The two committees are undergoing restructuring for the coming year. Please watch your weekly Enews for activities for the summer.

Any local event is a possibility. Contact Nancy Darnall at nbd51@icloud.com to suggest an outing or to volunteer to plan our upcoming calendar.



Photos courtesy Nancy
Darnall.





Leah Black
Chair

Thank you, Social Committee Volunteers, for an all-time great OLLI year! We have had successful, well-attended events this year. It cannot happen without you.

Thursday, June 16, Green Mountain Nature Preserve Pavilion, 11:00 till 2:00. OLLI picnic. Bring a dish to share. OLLI provides beverages and paper/plastic goods. Wear your hiking shoes/boots; Bob Goodwin is going to lead a leisurely hike after our food settles. No charge.

Be watching for the details of our Fall back-to-school event on August 11. Instructors, food, sign-up opportunities, and UAH athletes have been featured at past events. Expect a similar event this time.

OLLI Member Interest Groups

Another membership benefit: OLLI currently has five MIGs, check them out:

Hiking: Hikes on Thursday and Friday mornings. Bob Goodwin,
OLLIHiking@gmail.com

International Dining: Try new foods and revisit favorites. Nancy Darnall,
nbd51@icloud.com

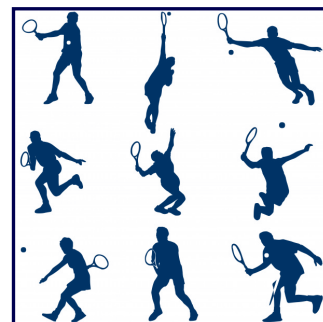
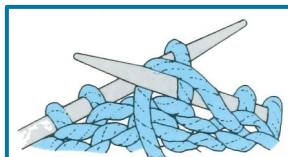
Knitting. Share your enjoyment and increase your skills. All levels welcome. Barbara Ward,
bward@hiwaay.net

Stock Study Club. Study and report on stocks to explore the world of investing. J. Phillip,
the_p_patch@knology.net

Tennis: Court time and pro-tournament TV gatherings. Sue Chatham, chatham@knology.net

OLLI Membership is required for participation. It's a lot of fun for \$16 for 12 months!

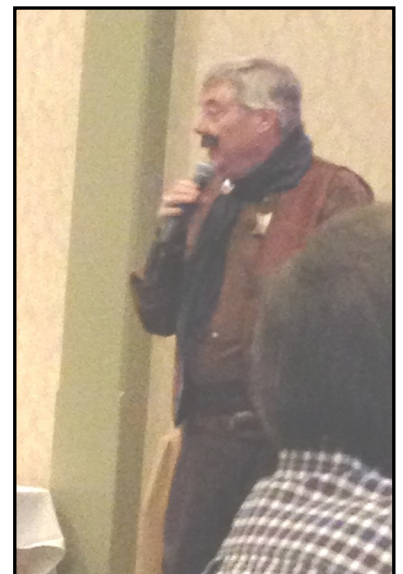
If you have an idea for a new group, write up a short proposal of what the activity is, who would lead, how the MIG would appeal to and benefit our membership. MIGs are open to all current OLLI members who are interested. Submit your proposal to Jerry Pang at pang7713@gmail.com



Annual Dinner and Meeting



Photos courtesy of Aylett
Dickman and Lorrie
White.



Attention! OLLI *Writing Your Life Story* class participants (past and present) are invited to submit their stories for inclusion in the sixth volume of "Slices of Life." Please follow the guidelines below and submit your contributions to Val Seaquist (VJimval@aol.com) no later than August 1, 2016. We intend to publish in late August/early September and will send information at a later date about the cost of the books and how to place an order.

Guidelines for Submitting Stories to *Slices of Life Volume Six*

Please Do

- Include appropriate b/w pictures, graphs, poems, illustrations, etc.
- Bold the title, add 1 blank line before your name (centered on page) and add 2 blank lines after name
- Use Times New Roman, size 12 and 1.5 line spacing between lines and paragraphs
- Indent first line of each paragraph 0.5 in
- Margins – Right/left: 1 in; Top: 1 in; Bottom: 1.25 in
- Rank order of submittals—most preferred first
- Print only on single side and save in *Microsoft Word*

If you have more than one story, skip three lines and begin your new story (titled as above) after the preceding story.

Please Do Not Use

- More than 10 pages, page numbers, and justification or hyphenation of right margins

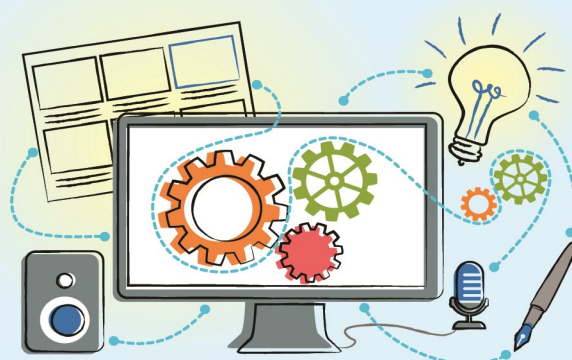
OLLI Summer Program

LEARN SOMETHING NEW, INTERESTING AND FUN THIS SUMMER!

There is something for everyone! OLLI is offering a variety of summer courses to entertain you, to enable your creativity, to challenge you, and best of all, to make your summer delightful and fun! Learn how to navigate through Windows 10, connect with friends and family on Facebook, and protect yourself when going online. You can also sign up for a fabulous videoconference art program from the Smithsonian Art Museum, learn Spanish, or register for a tennis class!

\$65 for first course | \$55 for each additional
OLLI Membership is required.

REGISTER TODAY!
Register for the 2016 OLLI
Summer Program online at
Osher.uah.edu/Summer
or call 256.824.6183



CLASSES OFFERED THIS SUMMER:

- Smithsonian American Art Museum
- Fun with Tennis Fundamentals
- Spanish for Beginners
- Computer Basics: The Very Beginning
- Online Security—Simple Steps to Keep You Safe
- Windows 10®
- Facebook
- Have Fun Using Gmail!
- Pin It!
- Easy Photo Editing and Organizing Using Google Photos

DVDs added to OLLI Library

The following DVD's have been added to the OLLI Library.

Ancient Oriental Health Exercises

The English Novels

Medical School for Everyone

Life & Works of Mark Twain

Chaos

Games People Play

Masters of Photography

Polar Explorations

Cathy Bailey maintains and expands our DVD library. The discs are located in the OLLI Volunteer Office.

Capitals of Spain, Spring Break 2017

Consider traveling to Madrid, Valencia, and Barcelona, Spain, in March of 2017. The departure date will be March 20 for fourteen days including travel days, twelve nights in Spain. See cultural and historic sites, museums, taste Spanish specialties, and travel with your OLLI friends. Our trip is booked through Grand Circle Travel, the company that coordinated the 2015 trip to the United Kingdom. Go to www.gct.com/csp17 for current information our tour. This trip has space 38 to 42 participants. We already have 21 signed up. This trip shows "sold out" on the site. You must



Valencia

- ♦ Call Grand Circle Travel Reservations (1-877-220-2540)
- ♦ Advise the travel counselor that you want to register for Capitals of Spain in March 2017
- ♦ Mention Group Code G7-26157 (This assures you that you are with our OLLI tour.)

Currently, we are holding the entire trip for OLLI, but we must book early. Grand Circle offers a "Good Buy Discount" which is calculated by using the date of your deposit. Land and air cost for the trip is \$3615, leaving from Huntsville. Land only is \$2395. There are three optional tours within the trip and options to Bilbao and San Sebastian before and Malaga after. Contact Nancy Darnall at nbd51@icloudcom for further details.



Madrid

Multiple videos are available at this site: <https://www.gct.com/trips/land-tours/europe/spains-cultural-capitals/2017/travel-videos?vguid=6C747C22-B456-486E-8582-F4B55B2F6051>

The OLLI Curriculum Committee is working to offer classes this fall and winter to support this travel. Movies set in and typical of Spain will be featured during the next several month. Watch your OLLI Insider, Weekly E-news, and OLLI Catalogs for further information.

OLLI Activities

The OLLI International Dining Member Interest Group rounded out the calendar with a memorable gastronomic extravaganza at Hildegard's Biergarten on May 11. Sabine promised us a grand buffet if we had thirty participants. Thirty-six of us experienced the treat: pork and chicken schnitzel, pork tips, sausages, meatballs, red cabbage, sauerkraut, green beans, corn, potatoes, spaetzle, cucumber and green salad with breads, and "Mama Hildegard's" German chocolate and Black Forest cakes. The food, the service, and the company made for a delightful evening. Watch for the next restaurant!



Photos courtesy of
Nancy Darnall.

THE OLLI BOARD OF DIRECTORS



New Directors for the Term 2016-2019: John Burnett, Bill Confer, Birgit Stensby, and Jennifer Brewer.

2016-17 OLLI Board of Directors

Top Row, L -R, Mike Doyle, Bill Confer, Nancy Darnall, Linda Dimmock, John Burnett, Jennifer Brewer, Vanitha Singh, Jean Greenwood, and John Dimmock. Not pictured: Jerry Pang and Ken Rex.
Bottom row, L—R, Jerri McLain, Peggy McClure, Jane McBride — Vice President for Administration and Finance, Gratia Mahony — Vice President for Curriculum, Leah Black — Secretary, Bob Darnall — President, Dick Fisher — Treasurer, Birgit Stensby, and Terry Greenwood.

Photos courtesy of
Lorrie White.

Vacation Photo from Sue
Chatham and Charlie Ross:



Artists' Day at Big Spring Park as seen by the OLLI Creative Spirit class, Spring 2016. Included a group lunch at the Huntsville Museum of Art.

Photo courtesy of Aylett Dickson.

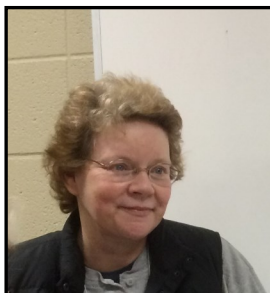


Snacks for Spring Term

Did you join OLLI members in the OLLI lounge on Wednesdays at noon before the Weekly Bonus during the Spring Term? Do you know who provided the snacks that were available to supplement your lunch? Did you notice the variety of items that were provided during the Spring Term? All of this happened thanks to the effort of the following people: Birgit Stensby, Jean Greenwood, Val Seaquist, Johnnie Sanborn, Lynda Locke, and Sue Chatham (l-r, below).

If you see these people, please say thank you for providing the snacks during the Spring term.

This past school year is the first time that we have offered a snack before the Weekly Bonuses. Thanks to all of our volunteers who provided snacks for the 3 terms; it was a great success. If you would like to see this continue during our 2016-2017 school year and are willing to assist with doing this, please let Sue Chatham at chatham@knology.net know.



Making the Best of Aging!

"It's Not Too Late!"

We still have a variety of computer and social media courses with spaces available. Have fun exploring new, exciting, and challenging options, making friends, and stimulating your creativity. Options include:

- Facebook
- Windows 10
- Pin It
- Having Fun Using Gmail
- Online Security—Simple Steps to Keep You Safe
- Fun with Tennis Fundamentals
- Easy Photo Editing and Organizing Using Google Photos
- Spanish for Beginners

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The OLLI Insider July/August issue submission deadline is Sunday, June 19. (Early is better!) Please submit your articles to Nancy Darnall at nbd51@icloud.com. Any OLLI photos are welcome; just send them to the address above. As always, please include the photographer's name, the names of those in the photo, and the event shown. Thank you.



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