Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Newsletter December 2012



December

7: Board Meeting, 12:30 pm, TBC

14: Holiday Party--see below

Food Bank

OLLI raised \$1100 for the Capital Area Food Bank, and 482 pounds of food!!!

A BIG thanks to all who participated.

OLLI Shorts 2013

Join us for our new program of intensive classes 3, 4, and 5 mornings and/or afternoons. We have a terrific array of OLLI shorts that will be offered February 4-8. Download a pdf. Please get your registration forms in soon. Thanks to Bob Coe for organizing this series.

Letter from the Board Chair, Linda Miller

Winding down.... Or gearing up? Either way we are looking at the last

two weeks of classes, and another amazing semester of lectures, trips, academic highs, and OLLI Ops and OLLI Shorts in our rear-view mirror. Special thanks to all the SGL's and SGR's who have made this year of record-setting numbers so remarkable!

Ahead of us? First, a holiday party---4:30 PM, Dec 8 at the National 4H Center (please make sure to RSVP that you are joining us).



Second, a year 2013 which promises to bring exciting new opportunities for OLLI at AU. Another year of academic excellence and fabulous class offerings is a given thanks to Dave Palmeter and the curriculum committee, but in addition we are looking at important revitalization's: updating the management structure, expanding membership options, growing committee participation, and most importantly, securing a permanent home. We will learn soon what our options are at or on the AU campus, but in the interim ---between now and 2015----we are going to begin to use the 4H Center for classes. The Center is easily accessible and has multiple functional classrooms, open, welcoming common space, and parking! Moving classes to 4H will necessitate finding space nearer AU for AU-related classes, but it will offer amenities that are a far cry from the present. Much of this still has to shake out, but it is exciting and challenging that so much change is afoot.

So bottoms up to 2012 and welcome 2013! Happy holidays to you all.

--Linda Miller, Chair

Thanks

To **Martha Horne** for organizing another great Fall speaker series. As well, Martha has organized a terrific January speaker series Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 10-11:50 am. <u>See</u> the speaker series.

You may bring a guest or partner, but we need to know now!! Waiting until this Friday will be too late!

Mark your calendar and plan to attend
OLLI's Holiday Party at 4:30 PM on Friday, Dec. 14
at The National 4H Center
7100 Conn Ave. Chevy Chase, MD 20815

Come celebrate the end of the semester and up coming holidays with your friends from OLLI.

Come see work done by the two art classes.

There will be no charge for this event. There is ample parking on their campus.

Please RSVP before December 6 to OLLI@american.edu

Thanks

To our team of mailers: organized by Jaleh Labib and including Patricia Bruck, Bob Coe, Sue Edson, Penny English, Earl Hall, Suzanne Maggi, Lisa Roney, Helen Schwartz.

Feedback Forms

If you would like to provide some feedback for a study group, but didn't get the opportunity, please download a form-and send it in to us. Many thanks.

Nomination & Election Committee

The Nominations and Election Committee will select six nominees for four vacancies on the Board for the 2013 election. The Board consists of 12 members elected for three year terms, four members being elected each year.

The Committee will make its selection in accordance with the OLLI Policies and Procedures, completely independent of the current Board, in consultation with one another and with emphasis on the background and experience of each potential nominee.

Members who would like to volunteer either themselves or a colleague as a possible candidate may submit a special petition to the Committee. Petitions will be posted on the bulletin board at the Temple Baptist Church and copies are available in the office. Voting will be held during breaks at TBC and will be finalized at the Annual Meeting in April. Photos and biographical data of all candidates will be posted in late March and mailed to every member prior to the election.

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