

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Newsletter

February 2014 Newsletter



OLL I

at American University Washington DC



A HUGE OLLI THANK YOU TO...

Sylvia Brown, who donated \$25,000 to OLLI during our end of year appeal. Sylvia has been a member since the beginning and has rarely missed a semester. She was very effusive in letting us know how important OLLI has been in her life after retirement. **THANK YOU SYLVIA!!!**

And to all of you who donated additional funds, we were able to deposit \$39,321 to the Future Fund. We are making headway toward insuring our future space needs. **THANK YOU ALL!**

Thank you ...

to **Chris Bradley** who donated his class gift to OLLI. We appreciate it!

and to **Irwin Lebow, Carol Light, Barbara**

Letter from the Board Chair, Phil Schwartz



Bring a Friend to OLLI

After I attended OLLI for a couple of semesters -- and I began to fully appreciate how fabulous it is -- I decided to ask a few of my old work cohorts if they wanted to join me in continuing their lifelong learning. As you know, the Washington area is blessed with a disproportionate

share of well-educated individuals. I have observed that motivated workers share a commitment for lifelong learning, to keep abreast of what is happening in the world as well as with constantly changing developments in their fields.

When I described OLLI to my former associates, I was effusive about the study group leaders, who are willing to lead classes with no remuneration other than the reward of sharing experiences with a diverse group of people eager to learn. My friends were convinced to try OLLI, then were momentarily overwhelmed by the length and breadth of the study groups offered. They are now advocates of OLLI.

OLLI may be able to obtain an additional endowment this year from the Bernard Osher Foundation if we are able to get enough new members to join OLLI this semester. Newcomers can find the list of all study groups online and register online.

Anyone registering by Feb. 3 will be eligible for the lottery on Feb. 4, which randomly assigns members to study groups. After Feb. 3, members can still register for study groups which are not full. So, please consider sharing your OLLI experience with friends and help OLLI secure additional funding. And, enjoy your Spring Semester!

Sincerely,
Phillip Schwartz, Chair of the Board of Directors

Reading Changes for Spring 2014 Semester

Study Group 180: Today's Supreme Court:

- add optional book: *The Brethren* by Bob Woodward and Scott Armstrong.

Rollinson, Phil
Schwartz, Selma
Rosenthal, Natalie &
Lewis Multz, Jim
McHugh, Dee Payne,
and **Don Quayle** for
helping prepare the
2013 fundraising
mailing.

Did you know?

You can click on
underlined text in this
newsletter and it will
take you to a website
or open an email.
Underlined text like
this is called a "link."

Study Group 299: Self-Sufficiency and You:

- delete book: *When Technology Fails* by Matthew Stein
- add book: Ed Begley, Jr.,'s *Guide to Sustainable Living* by Ed Begley, Jr. This book should be purchased on amazon.com

Study Group 411: Animals Without Backbones:

- *Animals Without Backbones 3rd edition* by R. Buchsbaum, M. Buchsbaum, J. Pearse, V. Pearse should be purchased used on amazon.com. It is much less expensive than Politics & Prose.

Study Group 583: The Coming of Modernism:

- *Modernism: The Lure of Heresy* by Peter Gay is a required book for the class.

Study Group 830: World War I and the New Atheism:

- delete book: *Change & Necessity*
- add book: *The Blind Watchmaker* by Richard Dawkins can be purchased on amazon.com

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