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May 2008 Newsletter

Political Perspectives on Current National Issues

Be an educated voter! Prepare for Election Day on November 4th!
Hear balanced presentations by knowledgeable speakers on important issues of the day.



Tues., July 22 ~ Global Concerns and American Diplomacy:
Probing the most important foreign policy problems facing us today.
Coordinated by Bob Crowe

Tues., July 29 ~ What's on Voters Minds? It's the Economy, Stupid!
The American economy and our global competitiveness.
Coordinated by Carol Pedigo

Tues., Aug. 5 ~ A Debate on Immigration:
Finding common ground as we reason together on this most difficult subject.
Coordinated by Olga Morawe and Karlee Arey

Tues., Aug. 12 ~ Candidates and Conversation:
Presidential candidate representatives will state their case, followed by
round table discussions and a straw vote.

Coordinated by Barbara Lucero, Mary Holdsambeck & Mary Compton

9:00 am to 12 noon

Fellowship Hall

Faith Presbyterian Church

Corner Whitesburg Dr. & Carl T. Jones

Light refreshments. No registration and no fees.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Fiesta Fantastica!	May 2
Cultural Pilgrimage Tour	May 3 & 4
Spring Term Ends.....	May 9
Annual Membership Meeting	May 16
Fairhope, AL Coastal Trip.....	May 22-25
Intergenerational Activities	June 3-5
Annual Potluck Picnic	June 20
Night With the Stars	June 20
Game Day	June 24
Summer Enrichment Series	July 22 & 29 Aug. 5 & 12



It's time to renew your Olli membership for the calendar year 2008–2009. Find the form on page eight of this newsletter.

From The President



Sue Chatham

OLLI's new year will start on June 1. This last year has been a busy one. We have had many classes, bonuses, special events and socials. We are branching into many different areas.

Watch your newsletter for all of the summer activities that are planned. We have a picnic in June and our Summer Enrichment Series in July and August. Both events will be great.

Our Annual Membership Meeting is May 16. You don't want to miss this. Dr. Williams the new President of UAHuntsville will be our guest speaker. Also at this meeting you will be voting on our new Board Members for the next year.

Watch your newsletter for the location of the OLLI office starting in June. We will be leaving Wilson Hall and moving to Madison Hall. This is a temporary move while Wilson Hall is being renovated.

As you can tell your OLLI newsletter is your connection to what is happening!!!

I hope to see you at the Annual Membership Meeting.

Annual Membership Meeting – End of Term Social

Plan to attend OLLI's Annual Membership Meeting on Friday May 16, at Trinity Methodist Church. The meeting starts at 11 a.m. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Williams, the new president of UAHuntsville.

In addition, we will vote on new board members and have lunch. Come, meet Dr. Williams, meet our new board members, and socialize with other OLLI members. We hope to see you there.



Cultural Pilgrimage Tour

The annual Huntsville Pilgrimage Tour will be on May 3, and the Cemetery Stroll will be May 4. The tour tickets are \$20.00, \$17.00 for advance purchase, and \$15.00 for groups of 20 or more. They can be purchased at the tour locations, Lawren's, Harrison Brothers, The Greenery, Golden Griffin, Summer Classics, Belks, Railroad Station Antiques, Rivenbark & Roper, AL Christopher, and The Huntsville Tourism Bureau. In Madison tickets are available at Hartlex Antiques and Interiors and in Decatur at Sam Frank & Moore.

Among the homes on tour will be that of Huntsville namesake John Hunt.

The Cemetery Stroll is free of charge on Sunday, May 4 from 2:00 to 4:30 p.m. More than 200 years of Huntsville history is portrayed by costumed "characters" in Maple Hill Cemetery.

Please contact me or the Visitor Center - 533-5723—for more information.

Submitted by Helen Middleton



Cultural Committee Events



Pat Lindberg,
Cultural Committee Chair

The Cultural Committee kept their scheduled lunch and Huntsville Museum of Art tour on April 11, despite warnings of tornadic weather. Just after reaching the Museum and beginning our tour, we were sent to the “safe place” in the Museum to wait out a tornado watch. Continuation of the tour proved to be well worth the wait. Thanks to Nell Roberts for planning and coordinating!

If you missed the Hogue Sinfonietta Spring Concert in Roberts Recital Hall on April 12, you missed a real treat. Thanks to member Rono Prince, who plays viola in the orchestra, for keeping us informed of their concert schedule. Another contributor to this beautiful music is OLLI member, Lois Dreher, who plays violin. We look forward to their next concert planned for the Fall.

Liz Switzer has given us good news about attending the Huntsville Chamber Music Guild concerts. Ticket prices for OLLI members will be \$80 for season tickets and \$18 for single tickets (if available). Be sure to mention that you are an OLLI member. If ordering by mail, please write “OLLI member” on the order form. The HCMG telephone number is 824-6540.

Look for email announcements about the Sewanee Summer Music Festival. This day is made memorable by the many talented young people who perform. Details will be announced when available.

We were saddened by the death of Cultural Committee member Wilbur Thompson and give our condolences to Illene. This committee has given a donation to the OLLI Scholarship Fund in his memory.



The end of year Cultural Committee luncheon will be May 21, at 11:30.

Pat Lindberg
Cultural Committee Chair

Game Day Coming!

Save the date! The next Game Day will be Tuesday, June 24 at Compass Bank. Light refreshments served; no registration, and no fees.

Submitted by Mary Compton, Special Events Committee

Special Events Committee

Your Special Events Committee has worked hard this year to bring you a broad range of activities, hoping that each person would find something to interest them. We've traveled and eaten in some interesting places both inside and outside the U.S.; attended sporting events; participated in several hiking and exercise programs; listened to some superb speakers; played cards, dominoes, scrabble, and other fun games; gone dancing; attended movies; had brown bag lunches; and by the time you read this, we will have also attended an open house at the Hudson Alpha Institute to learn about DNA research and gone on a day trip to South Pittsburg for their Cornbread Festival, and on May 2nd we will have a Latin-themed party – *Fiesta Fantastica!*

Our final event for this academic year (ends May 31) will be the May 22-25 "Coastal Alabama Sampler" trip to the Fairhope area. And of course, summer plans are already underway with another wonderful Summer Enrichment Series '08 planned. We hope you'll be an active participant in OLLI's special events. Don't forget to let the coordinators know that you appreciate their efforts.



Joyce Howell, Chair
 Special Events Committee

Recognition is certainly due to your Special Events Committee who helped throughout the year in bringing these fun and interesting opportunities: Eleanor Carter (co-chair), Mary Compton, Barbara Lucero, Jean Mulcahy, Brenda Wynn, Geraldine Howard, Claudia Conn, Anna Lee, Barbara Lapidus, Carol Pedigo, Shirley Mohler, and Sue Chatham.

And very special thanks to our members who have coordinated OLLI's special events this year: Jack Cheek, Mary Compton, Barbara Lucero, Barbara Lapidus, Elizabeth Earnest, Eleanor Carter, Jerri McLain, Beverly Marchelos, Rubye Jones, Eleanor Schweinsburg, Claudia Conn, Paul Hays, Juliana Larsen, Sue Chatham, Phyllis Varney, Toni Reynolds, Carol Pedigo, Della Evans, Reese Kilgo, Barbara Roberts, Dick Schock, and Joyce Howell.

Joyce Howell
 Chair, Special Events Committee



A Night with the Stars – Baseball, Hot Dogs, & Fireworks!

Friday, June 20, is the date for OLLI to see the Huntsville Stars play baseball. We are reserving tickets which include a picnic at 6:00 p.m., baseball at 7:05 p.m. and fireworks after the game.



The price for these tickets, in the reserved seat section, is \$14 each. If you do not want the picnic you can buy walk-up tickets at the box office for \$8. Get your tickets in Section L if you want to sit with the OLLI members. The reserved seat tickets can be purchased from Jack Cheek. He can be reached at 881-2032 or by e-mail at JackandPat@aol.com.

Submitted by Jack Cheek, Coordinator

Coastal Carolina Sampler

Our "Coastal Alabama Sampler" trip to the Fairhope area is full but there is the possibility of a few additional spaces being added if another event at Beckwith releases some rooms. So, if you're interested, be sure to contact Eleanor Carter at 881-6232 or carterer@aol.com to get on the wait list.

Picnic & Potluck

OLLI's annual picnic will be June 20, 2008 at the pavilion at the Nature Trail on Green Mountain. Bring a dish to share. Drinks and paper products will be provided. It is always nice to be outside and to be able to visit with our OLLI friends. Put this date on your calendar.



Submitted by Larry Rice
Social Chair

Volunteer!!

OLLI's activities are growing. We need your help. Pick an area that you are interested in and contact the chair of that committee and volunteer! You will be richly awarded with the new friends that you will make and with the results of what you contribute. It takes all of us to keep OLLI strong and vibrant. We need new ideas. Volunteer now!

OLLI INTERGENERATIONAL PROGRAM

The Intergenerational Planning Committee has prepared a three day event for kids of all ages. Invite your grandchildren to attend with you or come by yourself.

On Tuesday, June 3rd, we will step back in time to walk Laura Ingall's cabin, roll down the river with Huck Finn on a keel boat, and board a wagon headed west. Lunch will be served in the Lunch Pail.

Wednesday, June 4th, you may join us in 1819 when Alabama became a state. We will learn the part herbs played in our lives, weave on the Friendly Loom, tin punch, participate in a Native American craft and picnic in the Pavilion.

On Thursday June 5th, we will revisit the Civil War at the Depot. We will dance and sing songs by the camp fire where we will roast hot dogs and marsh mellowes.

Questions? Contact Shirley Mohler at 539-3660 or by email tuckmo1935@aol.com.

RESERVATION AND PAYMENT REQUESTED IN ADVANCE by May 30, 2008

Clip form below and mail reservations, date, and \$7:00 fee each program & person to :
Betty Carlton, 6614 Chadwell Road, Huntsville, Alabama 35802

Name(s) of parent, grandparent or adult friend and child(ren) and child's age(s)



Phone Number: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Check program and date: EARLY WORKS June 3 ___ CONSTITUTION VILLAGE June 4 ___

HUNTSVILLE HISTORIC TRAIN DEPOT June 5 ___ Amount of fees enclosed _____
(No cost to Earlyworks members)

¡Fiesta Fantástica!



Join your OLLI amigos for an evening of food, fun, Latin rhythms and dancing (instruction included)!



Friday, May 2, 2008 5:00-8:00 PM



The Elks Lodge
725 Franklin Street
Huntsville, Alabama 35801
(Governor's Drive/US 431 East past Huntsville Hospital,
turn North on Franklin)

Taco Buffet **Cash Bar**
Casual Dress - Fiesta Wear Optional



Coordinator: Vita French, 536-7865, vef3314@aol.com

GUESS WHO?



☐She is a native of Alabama and has been a resident of Huntsville since 1959. She worked as a secretary for Chrysler Corporation and Marshall Space Flight Center. While working at Redstone Arsenal, she met the man who became her husband, and they married in 1963. She enjoys volunteering with musical group at retirement homes (taught line dancing at the senior center for 10 years), churches, and community events. She also paints, plays dulcimer, and studies guitar. Her membership in OLLI began in 1999.



One might conclude, rightly or not, that this person is a man of few words. He identifies himself as a member of OLLI who has been an instructor in the "Academy." He is frequently seen at OLLI events. He grew into a tall fellow and is married to a very active volunteer of Osher. He travels frequently and owns an RV. He loves sports and still participates in a number of them. He has a graduate degree in Architectural Engineering.

Read the hints to learn the identities, then check the Web site www.osher.uah.edu to find out if you're correct.

More Fun is on the Way

~Don't forget to save these dates~

Friday, **May 2, Fiesta Fantastica!** : Elks Club

Saturday, **May 3, Pilgrimage Tour:** Various Homes

Sunday, **May 4, Cemetary Stroll:** Maple Hill Cemetary

Friday, **May 16, Annual Membership Meeting & End of Term Social:** Trinity United Methodist Church

Tuesday - Thursday, **June 3 - 5, Intergenerational Activities:** Downtown Huntsville

Friday, **June 20, Annual Potluck Picnic:** Pavilion at Nature Trail on Green Mountain

Friday, **June 20, Night with the Stars:** Joe Davis Baseball Stadium

Tuesday, **June 24, Game Day:** Compass Bank

Tuesdays, **July 22, July 29, Aug. 5, Aug. 12 Summer Enrichment Series:** Faith Presbyterian Church

Details in this newsletters.

OLLI Membership Form

Name _____ Preferred Name on Badge _____

Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Please send newsletter via: E-mail [] Postal Service []

Join the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at UAH by mailing this completed form and a check for \$15 per person, payable to:
 Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UAH.

Annual Membership is required for course registration.
PLEASE NOTE: Course registration is a separate process and requires separate payment.

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Membership: _____

Scholarship Fund*: _____

Total Enclosed: _____

Date: _____

New Membership []

Renewal []

Membership for the year:
 June 1, 2008 – May 31, 2009

*If you would like to make a contribution to the OLLI Scholarship Fund for a UAH student, please include the additional amount you would like to donate in your check.

Important Notice: Newsletter inputs for the June/July 2008 Newsletter are due by June 2 Please send articles and ideas to Lorrie White, Editor, olinewsletter@msn.com and Joyce Pettis, Co-editor, JoPettis@aol.com Please understand that due to cost and space constraints, articles may be edited for length.



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