

Happy New Year 2011

Out with the old, bring in the new!! Time to begin 2011 with some stimulating courses, fun socials, and exciting cultural events? OLLI is the happening place for you this year. Volunteers have been busy putting together all types of entertaining, fun, and interesting programs to satisfy everyone. Oh, and just-in-case the holiday festivities left some extra baggage, be sure to check out the University Fitness Center and its special rate for OLLI members. Have a wonderful and healthy New Year!

BACK-TO-SCHOOL POTLUCK LUNCH

Friday, January 21, 2011, Noon
Trinity United Methodist Church
607 Airport Road SE, Huntsville

Join us for the January potluck dinner to kick off the winter term at OLLI. Bring your favorite dish to share with other OLLI members. Drinks and paper supplies will be furnished.

Shine a light on the Winter Blues



UAHChargers Hockey Game Anyone?????

How does the word FREE sound?

Friday, February 25, at 7:05

Why not join us and sit together as a group at the US NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT team game. It's the last one of the season.

To register, just stop by the OLLI office or call 256-824-6959. You may also call Jan Atnip at 970-290-9868

Submitted by Jan Atnip

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MET Live in HD Opera Encore	Jan 5
Puccini's La Fanciulla del West	Jan 8
Frist Center, Nashville	Jan 12
Winter Term Begins	Jan 18
Taavo Virkhaus Lecture	Jan 20
Winter Back-to-School Potluck	Jan 21
American Shakespeare on Tour	Jan 25, 26, 27
Adam's Nixon in China	Feb 12
Gluck's Iphigenie en Tauride	Feb 26
Winter Term Ends	Mar 14

From The President



Chuck Duffy

The holidays have passed, hopefully the snows have melted, and it's READY, SET, GO! for the OLLI winter term. I hope you have

registered for the course or courses you plan to take, because the choices are great but time is flying if you have not yet acted.

I also hope you plan to take part in our social activities beginning with the first week of classes. AND please volunteer if asked to facilitate one of your classes, or if you have time to sit in the OLLI office between classes.

Have a jolly OLLI New Year!

Chuck Duffy, President

Check out Picasa where you can view or download OLLI photos. Go to www.osher.uah.edu and put your cursor on Membership Benefits on the menu. The last item is Photo Albums. Click and you'll be in Picasa! Hmmm, is that you in one of those lovely pictures?

What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny compared to what lies within us.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Curriculum Corner

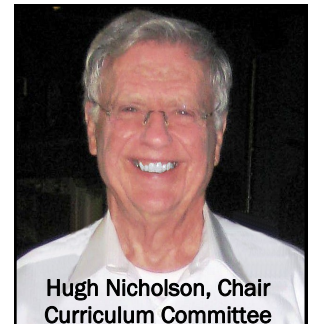
Have you ever wondered how the OLLI courses come about? We are instructor driven. Whereas in a regular university the administration may decide on a particular course to be taught and then recruit an instructor to teach it, our courses come about in a reverse manner. We find the instructor and then come up with a course that he/she can teach.

The instructor designs the course by working with an OLLI Curriculum Discipline Chair (see the list on the back of the course catalog.) The instructor then prepares a course syllabus (a plan for the course) which is submitted to the OLLI Curriculum Committee. After review and editing by the committee and the UAHuntsville Division of Professional and Continuing Studies, the course is included in the course catalog.

The system works very well. We come up with some 50 to 60 courses per term. The courses are on a wide range of topics since the instructors come from a wide variety of backgrounds.

Everyone is invited to teach at OLLI. Instructors don't have to be OLLI members even though most of them are. The member instructors take other classes right along with everyone else; so for one period, a person may be your instructor, and for the next period, be sitting with you as a student.

If you know someone who is interested in teaching at OLLI, please contact me at hughnicholson1@aol.com or phone at 256-830-9279.



Hugh Nicholson, Chair Curriculum Committee

By teaching we learn
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Cultural Events



Pat Lindberg

The plans for the Cultural Committee's Nashville, TN trip to the Frist Center for the Visual Arts to view "The Birth of Impressionism" and to Fisk University's Alfred Stieglitz Collection of modern American and European art on January 12, are now complete. The group is excited to be able to view such major works of art so close to home.

We are looking forward to Taavo Virkhaus' next Huntsville Symphony Orchestra Preview Lecture on January 20, in Madison Hall, Room 202. His discussion will include music of Tchaikovsky: Romeo and Juliet Overture-Fantasy, Corigliano: The Red Violin Concerto, and Rimsky-Korsakov: Scheherazade. You are invited to join us and learn more about the music and composers.

The Cultural Committee encourages OLLI members to attend the production of the American Shakespeare On Tour Company. The plays to be performed are "Macbeth" on January 25, "As You Like It" on January 26, and "Measure for Measure" on January 27. All plays will take place in the UAHuntsville University Center beginning at 7:30 p.m. Preceding each production a Pre-Show Lecture will be given by a UAHuntsville faculty member at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for students, \$15 for Huntsville Literary Association members and seniors (65+), and \$20 for the general public, and are available at the Arts Council, The Coffee Tree on Bailey Cove Road, and the UAHuntsville English Department, Morton Hall Room 222.

Also, as you are looking for inside activities during the cold winter months of January through March, keep in mind the MET Live in HD Opera at the Movies at Hollywood 18. Note the time for this opera was 11:30 a.m. on Saturday. The encore will be on Wednesday, January 5, at 6:30 p.m. The schedule for the future is as follows (with Saturday performances at 12:00 p.m. and Wednesday encores at 6:30 p.m.):

- January 8, Puccini's La Fanciulla del West. Encore January 26.
- February 12, Adam's Nixon in China. Encore March 2.
- February 26, Gluck's Iphigenie en Tauride. Encore March 16.

Senior tickets are \$22, children \$18, and all encore tickets \$18.

Submitted by Pat Lindberg, Cultural Committee Chair

SEARCHING FOR NEW BOARD MEMBERS

OLLI's Nominating Committee is conducting its annual search for active members who are interested in serving on our Board of Directors. Board membership offers a whole host of opportunities for applying the talents and skills acquired over your lifetime to help OLLI grow and meet the changing needs of our community.

Board members are elected for 3 year terms. Their responsibilities include attendance at monthly board meetings, active participation on two or more committees, and an interest in eventually chairing a committee and/or holding an office.

If you are interested in serving on OLLI's Board of Directors or would like to recommend an active OLLI member for a position, please contact Bob Ward, (256) 883-6403, bward@hiwaay.net.

*Submitted by Bob Ward
Nominating Committee*

Report From the Social Committee

The Holiday Party was a sold out event at the Summit at Big Spring. One-hundred and thirty-eight members dined and danced the evening away to the sounds of Lookin' Back Band! It was a wonderful way to kick off the holiday celebrations for all our members in attendance. If you missed it, we hope to see you next year! See photos on page 5.



Nan Case, Chair
Social Committee

January Back to School Potluck

Mark your calendars now for the January Back-to-School Potluck Social beginning noon on Friday, January 21, 2011 at Trinity United Methodist Church on Airport Road. Bring your favorite dish to share with OLLI friends, and catch up on all the news since classes ended in November! Hope to see you all there!

HOW TO STAY YOUNG

1. Try everything twice.

On one woman's tombstone she said she wanted this epitaph:
"Tried everything twice. Loved it both times!"



2. Keep only cheerful friends. The grouches pull you down. (Keep this in mind if you are one of those grouches!)

3. Keep learning:

Learn more about the computer, crafts, gardening, whatever. Never let the brain get idle.
'An idle mind is the devil's workshop.' And the devil's name is Alzheimer's!



4. Enjoy the simple things.

5. Laugh often, long and loud.

Laugh until you gasp for breath.

And if you have a friend who makes you laugh,
Spend lots and lots of time with HIM/HER.



6. Tears happen: Endure, grieve, and move on.

The only person who is with us our entire life, is ourselves.

LIVE while you are alive.

7. Surround yourself with what you love:

Whether it's family, pets, keepsakes, music, plants, hobbies - whatever.
Your home is your refuge.



8. Cherish your health: If it is good, preserve it. If it is unstable, improve it. If it is beyond what you can improve, get help.



9. Don't take guilt trips.

Take a trip to the mall, even to the next county,
to a foreign country, but NOT to where the guilt is.

10. Tell the people you love that you love them, at every opportunity.



11. Forgive now those who made you cry. You might not get a second chance.

Be kinder than necessary, for everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle.



The Holiday Party
Everyone enjoyed a fun night, thanks to Nan Case and her hard working Social Committee (pictured left). The party was held at the Summit at Big Spring Park, food provided by Kurt and music by the “Lookin Back Band.” Nothing – from the food to dancing the “electric slide” couldn’t have been better or more fun. But the best moments were sharing the evening with dear friends and classmates.



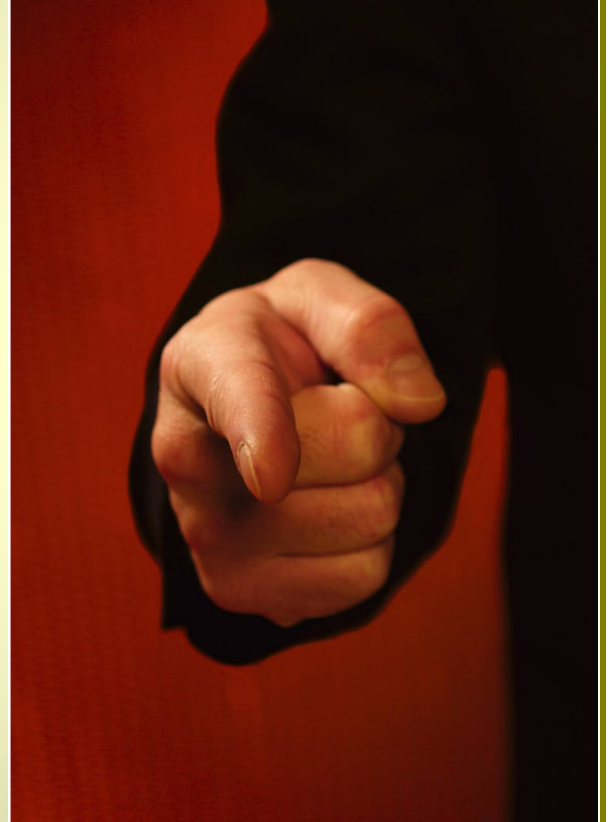
WE NEED YOU!

Did you know that the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute is a **volunteer-run organization**? From the OLLI president to the instructors, committee chairs, board of directors, committee members, office workers, support personnel, web site master, newsletter editor, and all support personnel in-between; everyone is a volunteer who gives their time, experience and creativity.

To remain effective, OLLI depends on volunteers like you and welcomes any amount of time you are willing to contribute. If you have experience, skills, or interests, and are willing to donate some time – from a couple to several hours a month – please consider joining our group of volunteers. Your help will enrich our Institute, and you will get back much more than you give through appreciation, new friendships, and a feeling of accomplishment.

Learn more about our volunteer opportunities at http://www.osher.uah.edu/_Volunteers.php. You can call the OLLI office at 256-824-6959 or write to ollinewsletter@msn.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

Please don't hesitate – volunteer today.



Important Notice: Inputs for the February Newsletter are due by January 25.
Please send articles and ideas to Lorrie White, Editor; Joyce Pettis, Co-editor, at ollinewsletter@msn.com.
Please understand that due to cost and space constraints, articles may be edited for length.



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