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President's Message



Bob Darnall President

While summer is a great time to kick-back and relax with family and friends, OLLI volunteers have been busy. The membership drive luncheon with Naomi Judd drew many new members as well as renewals. We anticipate over 230 new members from this summer event. If you notice an unfamiliar face at the Registration Celebration or during classes in September, please introduce yourself and help make our new members feel right at home. Each of us was a new member once.

"An Afternoon with Naomi Judd" was a spectacular success with over 430 tickets sold. Liz Hurley did a yeoman's job of interviewing Ms. Judd, who kept us entertained and surprised well past our 2:30 end time. PCS staff, OLLI members, the Jackson Center, and Hudson-Alpha worked together for an enjoyable afternoon with a delicious lunch. Thank our sponsors for their participation if you have the opportunity. Their contributions were key to the event.

On July 28-30, many OLLI Board members will be attending the 2015 Southern Regional Conference for Learning in Retirement in Tuscaloosa to get feedback from other OLLIs on various programs that worked well and also on some new initiatives that didn't work so well. This two-day conference hosted by OLLI at the University of Alabama is an excellent opportunity for our leaders to interact with similar organizations to compare procedures and operations. This year Jessica Fisher from UAH PCS will also be joining us.

A special thank you goes to Gratia Mahony and her Curriculum Committee along with the UAH PCS staff who have worked tirelessly to create an exceptional fall program. An exciting addition this year is "OLLI After Five," a series of evening classes to meet the needs of members not available to enroll in classes during the day. The fall schedule may be limited; I anticipate that this program will grow to include a wide variety of evening classes for an expanded OLLI membership.

The printed fall catalog will be available in late July; it will be mailed to members and posted to the web site. Remember that registration is open as soon as the catalog is mailed and/or posted on the website. There will be a Registration Celebration on August 11 (see below) after the catalog is published, to get everyone ready for fall classes. Registration begins when the catalog appears online.

Check your weekly Enews for exciting OLLI events and opportunities and updates.



REGISTRATION CELEBRATION

August 11,10:00 am, Wilson Hall: OLLI instructors and volunteers will be on hand to discuss upcoming classes, trips, events, and Member Interest Groups. Ask questions, get acquainted, register for fall term, and enjoy some light refreshments.



Announcing the 2015-16 OLLI Photo Contest

Water, Water, Everywhere . . .

The theme of our 2016 OLLI Photo Contest. Whether it's the ocean, a lake, a stream, a puddle reflecting a tree, a rain drop resting on a leaf, or a rain storm, "water" presents

plenty of photo opportunities for your vacation travel this summer. The contest runs from runs from May, 2015 to April 8, 2016.

Guidelines:

- ◆ Theme: "Water, Water, Everywhere"
- ◆ Specs: * Gentle photo editing is permitted but keep the original photo
 - * Photo must not have identifying/copyright marks
 - * Photos must be submitted in digital jpg/jpeg format
 - * Recommend at least 2 Megapixels (MP) final pixel size *
 - * Color photos are preferred
 - * Name your photo
 - * Email as an attachment
- ◆ Submit to: olliphotocontest@outlook.com. You can submit up to three entries; include your name, phone number, and email address. Give some information about the photo, where you took it and the date.
- ◆ Submission deadline: April 8, 2016

For questions, please contact Lorrie White at 256-520-4455 or email olliphotocontest@outlook.com. 2

GIFTS IN MEMORY

During the 2014-2015 year (to date), the OLLI Treasurer received the following memorial gifts:

In Memory of Ron Staschke: Dr. and Mrs. Robert Altenkirch

Linda and Bill McAllister

In Memory of Dr. Delia Wells Black: Nancy and Bob Darnall

Linda and Bill McAllister

Jane McBride

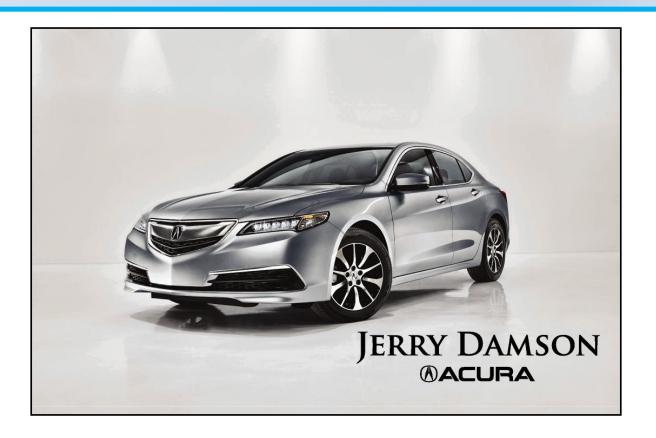
In Memory of Dr. Nagendra Singh: Nancy and Bob Darnall

Linda and Bill McAllister

(Please communicate any omissions to Nancy Darnall at nbd51@icloud.com.)



OLLI Thanks the "Afternoon with Naomi Judd" Sponsors







"An Afternoon with Naomi Judd" Sponsors (Continued)















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The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UAH Board of Directors and members thank our sponsors for their participation in our Summer 2015 Membership Event, "An Afternoon with Naomi Judd" featuring Liz Hurley.



Special Events Committee



LET'S GO TO THE MOVIES

OLLI's popular **Popcorn and a Movie** will continue with three exciting movies planned for July, August and September. All are award-winning features with interesting settings and subject matter. We provide the movie and snacks.

On Thursday, July 23 at 10:00 we will show *The Dish*, a story about a NASA supervisor from the U.S. who is in a culture clash with an Aussie crew working together on a satellite dish which will beam the Apollo 11's astronauts walking on the moon. Don't miss this hilarious comedy that many in Huntsville will be able to relate to.



On Friday, August 28 at 10:00 *Nebraska*, an "American Masterpiece" and 2014 movie, will be shown for OLLI members to enjoy. Academy Award winning director, Alexander Payne, tells a story about a father and son making a journey through the great plains of Montana, South Dakota and ultimately Nebraska to claim a million-dollar prize. The journey begins as folly but ends with the search for a road to redemption.

Right before our fall term courses begin we will have the opportunity to see a recent film that received eight Academy Award Nominations, *The Imitation Game.* Join us on Friday, September 11 at 10:00 to watch this haunting and intense movie about one genius and his crew breaking the codes for Germany's WWII Enigma machine.

You will not want to miss these three opportunities to view excellent movies with friends in a comfortable setting. Bring a new OLLI member to share free popcorn and an outstanding movie. What a bargain and only for the cost of OLLI membership!



The excitement of learning separates youth from old age. As long as you're learning, you're not old.

— Rosalyn S. Yalow



Cultural Committee



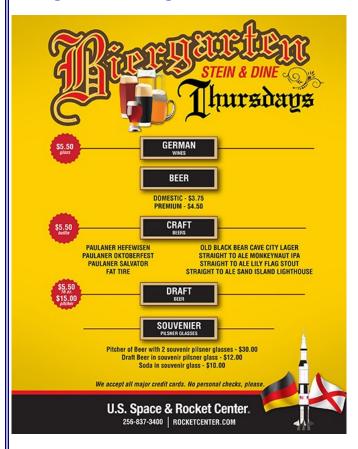
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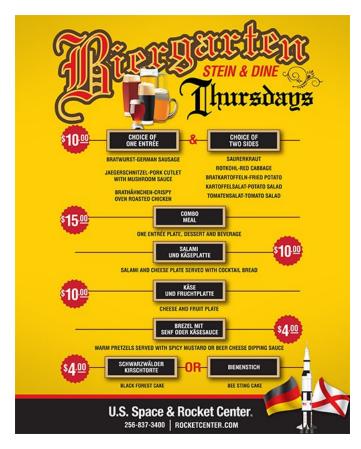
Nancy Darnall Chair

Your Cultural Committee has two summer outings planned. Add them to your calendar.

On *Thursday, July 23, from 4:30 to 7:30 pm*, at the US Space and Rocket Center, join your OLLI friends for the weekly German Biergarten "Stein and Dine" event, featuring authentic German cuisine crafted by chefs David Oreskovich and Jason Williams. There will be food and beverag-

es, including beers and wines, available for purchase. Meals range from \$10 to \$15, and beers are \$3.75 and \$4.50. Don't forget to wear your dancing shoes. Certainly there will be a polka or two in the air. Jane McBride at <u>janemcbride@knology.net</u> is the contact person. Please let her know you are attending so that we can organize our seating.







Friday, August 14, 7:30 until about 9:00 pm, meet your OLLI friends at Burritt on the Mountain for the City Lights and Stars concert featuring Roman Street, sponsored by Lockheed Martin. This instrumental band specializes in an improvisational fusion of Classical, Gypsy and Contemporary Jazz, Latin, and Nuevo Flamenco genres. Arrive around 7:00 pm for conversation before the music. Bring a chair, friends, and a picnic. Or local food trucks Fire & Spice and I Love Bacon will be on site. (I Love Bacon was recently voted #1 food truck in America.) Call the Burritt at 2256-536-2882 to purchase advance tickets. Cost of tickets is \$12 in advance for Burritt nonmembers and \$15 at the gate. Your OLLI point of contact is Nancy Darnall at nbd51@aol.com.



OLLI at UAH Travels to Great Britain



Bill McAllister

Special Events Chair

All of our OLLI-UAH travelers on the England, northern Wales, and Scotland trip have returned happy and hopefully full of new memories and insights. Our guide and trip Director, Jackie Mullen, is a native of Worcester, England and holder of both teaching and geography degrees. Managing 38 life-long learners in and out of four hotels and over more than 1000 miles with many stops was a smooth experience executed by an expert. And that was just the first 14 days of the basic trip. Sixteen travelers chose to continue on an extended trip into Scotland, including the Highlands, the City of Inverness, and the Isle of Skye.

In Wales we divided into smaller groups for a home-hosted meal and visit with a local family. Of course, questions and comments flew in both directions.

While all of us have our own favorite memories from this rich travel experience, I was especially touched by the City of Bath and its intact Roman imprint, built around natural hot springs. Others were intrigued by all things relating to Shakespeare and still others enjoyed the numerous cathedrals and ancient castles as well as stately homes and gardens.

This trip to the United Kingdom was an excellent learning and discovery travel adventured shared with OLLI members and we look forward to executing more short and long trips this next year.











Photos courtesy of Linda McAllister.



DECLARE YOUR HISTORY



And the information keeps coming! If you haven't already done it, please submit your name, your place of birth (city, state or other nomenclature, country), and other locales where you have lived to nbd51@aol.com. All six habitable continents are represented by our membership!

A graphic will be posted at the Fall Session registration event. This event is open to OLLI members, PCS staff, and OLLI faculty.

The OLLI Insider September issue submission deadline is Tuesday, August 18. (Early is always good!) Please submit your articles to Nancy Darnall at nbd51@aol.com. Anyone who has OLLI photos is welcome to send them to the newsletter. Include the photographer's name, the names of those in the photo, and the event shown. Thank you.

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