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### A Message from Karen Zaugg, Chair of the OLLI Board of Trustees

This fiscal year (July 1, 2015–June 30, 2016), the Board has asked the Standing Committees of the Board (Curriculum, Governance, Marketing, Friends, and Finance/Budget) to devise statements of purpose and objectives for the year. Articulating purpose is important because descriptions of committee function spelled out in the OLLI Bylaws are pretty basic and because committee work has been shaped by changing needs of a growing organization. Identifying objectives for each committee allows us to make progress in two important ways: a) it facilitates communication to the entire Board and to you, our worthy members; and b) it prompts us to think strategically and assure that activities reflect the longer-term vision for OLLI.

In short, we are ensuring that we are moving in a purposeful, intended direction and that the OLLI community can know the map. This sort of effort is somewhat new to us, but it is critical as OLLI develops. We'll keep working at it and hope you will see evidence of our boosted organizational sophistication in service to you.

You can see who is on the Board and who chairs the standing committees, read the Bylaws, and read the OLLI 2025 Report here: [http://www.uc.edu/ce/olli/about\\_olli/Board.html](http://www.uc.edu/ce/olli/about_olli/Board.html). Read on for a notice about how to join the OLLI Board and make a real difference in the organization.

### Come on Board!

Looking for a way to make a difference at OLLI? The Governance Committee is accepting nominations for members of the Board of Trustees. This is a working Board, responsible for making the decisions and doing the hands-on work to make OLLI succeed. If you are interested in serving, please contact Governance Committee Chair Nancy Herbert at [nbhclifton@hotmail.com](mailto:nbhclifton@hotmail.com) or call the OLLI office at (513) 556-9186. Deadline for nominations is March 15.

### Spring Quarter Information

- The catalog will be mailed on Feb. 26. Because it goes bulk mail, it may take as long as two weeks to reach you. Beginning, Mar. 1, you can find it online here: [http://www.uc.edu/ce/olli/course\\_catalog.html](http://www.uc.edu/ce/olli/course_catalog.html).
- Phone and online registration opens Mar. 15, 9 a.m. Mailed registrations received before then will be processed beginning Mar. 15, 9 a.m.



For your best chance of getting the classes you desire, register online beginning March 15, 9 a.m.: <https://webapps2.uc.edu/cmrs/olli/>.

- Spring quarter classes run April 4–May 27. There are no classes at Adath Israel on April 28.
- Save your OLLI lanyard and nametag and bring them with you to the first day of classes. You will receive a sticker at that time to indicate your registration in spring quarter. New members may pick up a lanyard and nametag at all OLLI locations during the first week of classes.

### For Spring Moderators

Moderators who submitted proposals for spring should have received confirmation or other communication from the Curriculum Committee several weeks ago. Any moderators unaware of their spring status should contact [curriculumatucolli@gmail.com](mailto:curriculumatucolli@gmail.com).

### Creative Voices



### Creative Voices Deadline extended to March 1

All current OLLI members, moderators, and volunteers are invited to share their creative talents by submitting material to be considered for publication in OLLI's annual *Creative Voices* magazine to be published this spring and debuted at the OLLI Spring Luncheon on June 6, 2016.

The jury will accept electronic submissions of short fiction and nonfiction (2,000-word limit), poetry, artwork in any media, and photography. Each person is limited to no more than five submissions total across all media/art forms. (If you must submit a hard copy for some reason, please call 513-556-9174 for instructions.)

Send your submissions by March 1 via email to [olli@uc.edu](mailto:olli@uc.edu), subject line: Creative Voices. You will be notified in April if your work has been accepted for publication. Detailed instructions as well as the electronic version of the current year's *Creative Voices* are online at <http://www.uc.edu/ce/olli/creative-voices.html>.

### Who Are Our Unsung Heroes?

Each year at the Spring Luncheon, OLLI presents an Unsung Hero Award to an exceptional OLLI volunteer who works tirelessly—often behind the scenes or without official recognition. Past honorees are Warren Dedich (2011), Janet Banks (2012), Rosemary Deitzer (2013), Saul Marmer (2014), and Dick Lenz (2015). If you know that volunteer who always goes the extra mile, please nominate him or her by contacting Governance Committee Chair Nancy Herbert at [nbhclifton@hotmail.com](mailto:nbhclifton@hotmail.com) or calling the OLLI office at (513) 556-9186. Deadline for nominations is March 15.



### Winter Weather

When the snow flies or the temperature plummets, be sure to check that OLLI is open before you leave the house. In most cases, when UC is closed then OLLI is closed. Programs at Sycamore Senior Center generally follow Sycamore Schools' closures. Read the OLLI winter weather policy so you don't get left out in the cold: <http://www.uc.edu/ce/olli/front-page-stories/winter.html>.

## No Food or Drink at Adath Israel!

Adath Israel is a kosher facility, and no outside food or drink may be brought into the building. Bottled water is okay. Please leave everything else at home or in your car.



## Travel with OLLI to Minneapolis in June

OLLI at University of Cincinnati is pleased to announce another great travel opportunity open to members and friends of OLLI through a private charter with Road Scholar, the nonprofit leader in educational travel for adults since 1979. Join your OLLI friends (and make some new ones) on a six-day adventure to explore the art, architecture, theatre, and music of Minneapolis, June 14–19. **Don't delay! Registration is required by February 29.** Get all the details here:

<http://www.uc.edu/content/dam/uc/ce/docs/OLLI/Page%20Content/RS%20Minneapolis%20Brochure.pdf>

## News about Wednesday WOWs

Wednesday WOW 5062 Music, Music, Music: From Bach to Brubeck to Bar Mitzvah will begin half an hour early at 9 am, ending as scheduled at noon, at Sycamore Senior Center, on March 2.

Wednesday WOW 5056 The Value of Art, which was cancelled because of snow, has been rescheduled for Wednesday, March 16, 9:30am–12pm, at Sycamore Senior Center.



## Be a Friend of OLLI

Watch your mail for a colorful letter from Dick Wendel—Chairman of the Friends of OLLI committee, member of the OLLI Board of Trustees, and OLLI moderator. He'll be giving you some good reasons to consider including OLLI in your annual philanthropy (and sending along an OLLI refrigerator magnet so you never forget how to get in touch).

## Search for a Home for OLLI Continues

The search for an alternative location for OLLI in the North East Corridor continues. Sixteen facilities that were suggested have been investigated. Some were too small or didn't have adequate parking; others were not interested in hosting OLLI for various reasons. There were also some suggestions for vacant commercial space. These were not investigated because OLLI cannot afford commercial rents. We will continue our search and follow up on any suggestion from our members.



The ideal OLLI facility would include several equipped classrooms, a lecture hall, and sufficient parking for as many as 300 cars. A "wired" (technology in place) building is also desirable. The ideal location might be a church or other community facility that is underutilized during weekdays and would provide a favorable rent to OLLI as a nonprofit tenant. If you are aware of any such facilities in the NE corridor, please contact Dan Domis at [dandomis@gmail.com](mailto:dandomis@gmail.com) with the information. Dan is acting as our liaison with the Provost's Office at UC in this search.



### We Remember

The OLLI community honors Arnold Schrier PhD who passed away in early January. Arnie was a Walter C. Langsam Professor Emeritus of History who specialized in Russian history for more than 35 years. He taught for OLLI on main campus and UC Blue Ash. Dean Moore remembers Arnie as a historian interested in helping seniors, teachers, and children who have an interest in history. We join his family in celebrating a life well lived.

### Calling All Shutterbugs!

Have you been taking pictures in your classes or at OLLI events? How about sharing some of those photos with OLLI? We are always looking for documentation of what is going on in the classrooms, field trips, and hallways. Some of it gets archived, but lots of it shows up on our website, Facebook page, or course catalogs. So, please, share your OLLI snaps with us by emailing photos to [olli@uc.edu](mailto:olli@uc.edu). Put "OLLI Photos" in the subject line, and tell us what you can about the subject of the picture.



### Like OLLI on Facebook

Why? Lots of OLLI breaking news shows up first on Facebook. And we share photographs from classes and special events, pertinent news stories, and tips for retirees. Please join our online social network at <https://www.facebook.com/OLLIatUniversityCincinnati>. When we reach 700 "likes," we'll draw names for a free quarter membership!

### OLLI National Resource Center's Newsletter

Here are the links to the January and February editions of the OLLI National Resource Center's newsletter:

January: <http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs112/1102509927733/archive/1122944543727.html>

February: <http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs112/1102509927733/archive/1123234617364.html>



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