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

When you look over the past year—the events, the surprises, the adventures, the busy-ness—consider how OLLI contributed positively to your life. The lively, inquiring, engaged people you see in OLLI classes and at OLLI events are “your people.” You and your people probably had some fun and some intellectual challenge. So now is a perfect time to make the gesture to support OLLI. Volunteer organization it may be, but it requires funds to keep fees low enough so no one faces cost as a barrier, and OLLI scrambles to keep up with classroom equipment needs. Most of all, we all want to ensure a strong OLLI into the future. You can make a secure tax-deductible donation online at https://webapps2.uc.edu/foundation/gift/gift.aspx?PrimCat=36 or send a check payable to UC Foundation/OLLI to Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, PO Box 210093, Cincinnati, OH 45221-0093. Questions? Please call Program Director Cate O’Hara at 513-556-9174.

Have a happy season of joy. Thank you!

Winter Quarter Schedule

- Now: check out the online registration tutorial so you are ready to go when registration opens: http://www.uc.edu/content/dam/uc/ce/docs/OLLI/Page%20Content/ONLINE%20OLLI%20REGISTRATION.pdf
- Dec. 15, 9am: registration begins. This is also when we will begin processing registrations that were mailed to the office. Register online for your best shot at popular courses with limited enrollment: https://webapps2.uc.edu/cmrs/olli/
- Jan. 12, 1:45pm: Striving for Excellence training for new and returning moderators
- Jan. 18: OLLI office closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Jan. 19: winter quarter courses begin
- Mar. 11: winter quarter ends

Teach for OLLI in the Spring

Through December 20, we will take proposals for spring 2016 OLLI classes—both eight-week courses and one-time programs. It's easy to get more info and submit a simple online form at http://www.uc.edu/ce/olli.html. Just click on Teach for OLLI in the menu on the left side of the page. You’ll find the dates for the quarter, information about being a moderator, and simple forms to submit for multi-week and one-time courses.

OLLI iGen Opportunity

The Northeast Community Challenge Coalition (NECC) is committed to bringing together community groups to promote healthy youth development. Partnering with civic groups, educational institutions, and the Intergenerational Program at
OLLI (iGen), NECC has established an intergenerational Leadership Academy to offer participants the opportunity to take part in a variety of leadership-centered activities.

The first Leadership Academy meeting will take place at the Blue Ash Recreation Center on January 10, 2016, 1–3 p.m., to focus on life goals assessment, leadership assessment, and goal-setting. Please note that there are costs for participating in the academy.

OLLI members who may be interested in being part of this new, dynamic, group and would like more information should contact Professor Lynn Ritchey at lhritchey@openmailbox.org.

Creative Voices Submissions

All 2015–16 school year 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 1, 2015.

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 January 31 via email to olli@uc.edu, subject line: Creative Voices. You will be notified in March 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.

Inaugural OLLI Brubeck Institute Summer Camp

In cooperation with the Brubeck Institute at University of the Pacific, OLLI@Pacific is proud to announce the Inaugural OLLI Brubeck Institute Summer Camp scheduled for June 6-10, 2016, with open registration to OLLI members across the nation! Join us on our beautiful historic West Coast campus for an exciting week of workshops, concerts, and social gatherings dedicated to the exploration of Dave Brubeck’s musical influence and commitment to social justice. For an OLLI Brubeck Institute Summer Camp preview experience, visit https://vimeo.com/142194108. For more information and registration, visit the Brubeck Institute at www.brubeckinstitute.org, OLLI@Pacific at www.go.pacific.edu/OLLI, or contact Melissa Riley at the Brubeck Institute, 209-946-3196 or mriley1@pacific.edu.

Like OLLI on Facebook

We are counting down to reach 700 “likes” on the OLLI at University of Cincinnati Facebook page—with only a few to go! When we get to 700, we’ll put all the names in a bowl and drew one to win a free quarter membership. Let’s do it before winter quarter! 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. Join us at https://www.facebook.com/OLLIatUniversityCincinnati.

OLLI National Resource Center’s Newsletter

Here is the link to the December edition of the OLLI National Resource Center's newsletter:
http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs112/1102509927733/archive/1123052354260.html