



OLLI NEWS



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Leadership Council Update

From Nancy Via, President

Please join me in welcoming five new OLLI co-chairpersons to membership on the Leadership Council. Our new Council leaders are: Merle Arcovio, Membership Committee, Tony Loechner, Communications Committee, Sarah Belinky, OLLI Café Committee and Ann Rompre and Joyce Conlan from the Travel and Events Committee. Dick Kupstis, our current Vice President, is also co-chairing the OLLI Curriculum Committee. The welcome addition of these new council members brings our Leadership Council total to 22 active representatives.

Our Travel and Events Committee is up and running under the capable guidance of co-chairpersons Ann Rompre and Joyce Conlan. Other members include Toni Escott, Esta Samuel and Carole Vieira. This newly formed committee is looking into special activities that take us off-campus while still providing us with an educational element for each program. If you have any travel suggestions for this committee please see Ann or Joyce.

The Right Amount of Home Insurance

J.D. Howard Insurance Consumer Advocate Network

Homeowners who haven't updated their homeowner's insurance policy in several years may have out-of-date coverage. Review it now. Avoid being...

Underinsured. Be sure to insure the full replacement value of your home -- the cost of rebuilding it -- including additions and improvements you have made.

If you don't have full coverage, you may not get a full recovery if your home is destroyed in a fire or storm -- or even if it is only partially damaged.

Reason: When a home is not fully insured, an insurer may limit coverage for partial damage to a percentage based on what total coverage is as a percentage of the full replacement cost of the house.

Example: Your home has a replacement cost of \$300,000 but is insured for only \$200,000 (two-thirds). If it suffers \$120,000 of damage, even though this is less than the \$200,000 of coverage, the insurance recovery may be limited to \$80,000 (two-thirds of \$120,000).

If construction costs have risen in your area, be sure your insurance covers the rise.

Overinsured. You need not insure the full market value of your home, only the cost of rebuilding it. If during the recent home price boom the value of your home rose due to a favorable location or other market factors, you do not have to insure this increase. Nor do you need to insure the part of the value of a home that is attributable to the land it is on.

Insuring more than the cost of replacing a home by rebuilding it is a waste of premium dollars -- even if its market value in recent years has risen by far more than that.

Class Changes

There will be no **Word & Excel class** (Kathy Woods, presenter) today, April 17!

WHAT BRANCH ARE YOU FROM?
Polly Gunther's **Genealogy class**
will be held in room #317 on April 17 and 24!

Jane Doe No More, Inc. has a special relationship with the campus and they are appealing to OLLI members with the following.

Break the Silence

Jane Doe No More, Inc., a young national non-profit based in Waterbury, is looking to expand its volunteer base with thoughtful, caring individuals who want to make a difference. Particular expertise is needed in non-profit finance/accounting and marketing/public relations. Jane Doe No More's mission is to educate the public about sexual assault and empower every individual to advocate for victims and their families, giving them the best chance for a full and healthy recovery. One in six women and one in 33 men will be a victim of sexual assault in their lifetimes, but only 40% will report the crime. Will you help us break the silence? To find out more, please visit the website at www.JaneDoeNoMore.org or contact Karen Brand at karen@janedoenomore.org



Co-op Welcomes OLLI!

The UConn Co-op will be open at 8:00 AM on OLLI Fridays. Get your cup of coffee for \$1.00!

Serving UConn Waterbury classes with textbooks, course materials, supplies, UConn clothing and gifts, reference materials and convenience store items including fresh coffee, cold drinks, hot dogs, brats, Italian sausage and fresh sandwiches, salads and soup from Waterbury's own Aventura's Deli!

OLLI ROUNDTABLE

Reflecting on the First 100 Days of the Obama Presidency and the 111th Congress

The OLLI Roundtable is a periodic forum for the discussion of current domestic and global events and topics impacting our world, our nation, our state, and our local communities. Usually presented in moderated panel format, guest speakers will debate issues in a way that is expected to be interesting and thought provoking. Attendees will often be provided with an opportunity to submit questions prior to the event.

UConn Waterbury, Multipurpose Room
Monday, Monday, May 11, 7:00 - 9:00 PM
with reception following the event

Second National Academic Journal Article Accepted

We have just been notified that the article "Engaging the Older Learner on Growing Old - Positively," co-authored by Laura Donorfio and Brian Chapman has been accepted for publication in The LLI Review. The journal is published by the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Southern Maine (OLLI National Resource Center) and will be published in the fall of this year.

ACTRESS MARY BETH PEIL COMES TO UCONN WATERBURY

UConn Waterbury and OLLI are joining forces for the second annual Creative Sustenance Program. The Program is intended to raise awareness of hunger and poverty in the area. Attendees are asked to bring canned and non-perishable food items, which will be donated to Interfaith Ministries of Waterbury. The lively program will consist of poetry and dramatic readings by writers from the UConn Waterbury community and will be headlined by Mary Beth Peil, Tony nominated Broadway actress (Sunday in the Park with George, Nine, and The King and I) and television star (Dawson's Creek).

Most of the readers are UConn faculty members, and one of the pieces being read is an excerpt from a play written by a current Waterbury student!

Please SAVE THE DATE and
MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Tuesday, April 28, 2009. 7 - 8:30PM.

Location: UConn, Waterbury Campus, Multipurpose Room.

Price of admission: **One canned good.**

Sponsors: Freshman English Program and the Writing Center, the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI), and the Creative Writing Program Please reserve your seat (invite friends to join you!) by calling 203-236-9924

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

On Friday, May 8th OLLI Café will have a special event which is going to be a special day for the end of the year.
:Wear your name tags

- Make new friends/Keep the old
- Join with us and have fun
- There will be prizes

Our Hospitality Committee has a particular need for ushers (ticket takers) and refreshment assistants for our May 11, 2009 OLLI Roundtable and other events. We also need someone who can help with Hospitality Committee scheduling. Call Dr. Brian Chapman at 203-236-9881 or email: osher@uconn.edu

OLLI BOOKS!!!

OLLI presenters provide suggested books for their classes. These books are made available for purchase through our University Co-op Bookstore.

The Co-op provides many perks to OLLI Members and we are pleased to have this partnership.

Please patronize the Co-op Bookstore whenever you can do so! Books, as you know can often be obtained through public libraries and the interlibrary loan system at those libraries.

WORLD POPULATION

by Bob Grady

Whatever happened to zero population growth-a popular topic in the 1970's? Human population was about 250 million in the year 1000C.E. It rose to about 950 million in 1850, to approximately 6 billion in the year 2000. That is a 24fold increase in just a millennium. Our present world population is 6.8 billion and is projected to rise to 9.1 billion in 2050. That may sound alarming but is actually good news because apparently people in the wealthier countries are having population declines, for many different reasons. However, the poorer nations seem to be going the other way. Population growth may be working, though, because if ZPG was not successful, the population could be closer to 11 billion by 2050.

Lost & Found

Woman's olive green light quilted coat and owl pin left in multipurpose room after OLLI café.
Contact Rita.



BOOK TALKS

Author Talk: Don't Bite Your Tongue, with Dr. Ruth Nemzoff Monday, June 1, 1:30 - 3:00 PM, Multipurpose Room

AARP Driver Safety Program Comes to OLLI!

Ralph Muschett, AARP Instructor

OLLI at UConn is pleased to announce a new partnership with the AARP which begins in June 2009! Depending on your age, you may be eligible for an auto insurance discount-please call your insurance agent or insurance company for details. This eight-hour classroom refresher course was developed by the American Association of Retired Persons to help drivers 50 years of age and older improve their skills, prevent traffic accidents, and potentially receive insurance discounts. Registration is required. The cost is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-AARP Members. Checks should be made payable to AARP (not OLLI) and will be collected by the instructor. Please bring Connecticut Driver's License, AARP membership number (if you are a member), and a pen. Please encourage a friend to register.

You do not need to be an OLLI or AARP member to register.

Registration is required by calling 203-236-9924 or email rita.quinn@uconn.edu
The classes are on Tuesdays, June 23 and June 30 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM in #113

SUMMER SESSION

If you have not signed up for a class during the June OLLI summer session - or are still considering it - you can register for summer courses by calling Rita Quinn or via email rita.quinn@uconn.edu



OLLI Café Events

A venue for the exchange of ideas and experiences focusing on improving the quality of life. The goal of OLLI Café is to have presentations and activities with themes such as Health and Wellness, Arts and Culture, and

Current Events.

Bring your lunch and we will provide the coffee and fruit. OLLI Café presentations are open to all OLLI members. **These are not courses. Pre-registration is not required.**

The weekly event features a guest speaker followed by a short Q&A session.

Message from Hospitality Committee: "Thanks for disposing your trash after OLLI Café"

Future Café Events

April 24: The World of Rare Books

May 1: Wine and Food Pairings— What food to Serve With the Wine You Like

May 8: "Getting to Know You"

May 15: OLLI Appreciation Event

April 17: Supporting Connecticut Songbirds Through Rehabilitation

The Recovery Wing in Southington, CT provides for the rehabilitation of migratory songbirds, promotes their conservation and has created a sanctuary for them on 4.5 acres that has attracted over 130 different species of birds. Learn about the rehabilitation process of an injured bird, after it arrives at The Recovery Wing. The presentation will be filled with beautiful photos and video and will include what types of birds TRW cares for, the rehabilitation, and the types of injuries or conditions they see. Hear how to reduce the negative impacts (that we can control) around your home and town to prevent birds from becoming injured. Bird feeding tips, birdscaping, and how to attract some of the more colorful songbirds to your feeders, including hummingbirds concludes the presentation.

Jayne Amico is president and founder of The Recovery Wing, Inc., in Southington. She cares for hundreds of songbirds each year with her expertise focusing on insectivores, hummingbirds, woodpeckers, killdeer, chimney swifts and swallows. Jayne teaches at the State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection, and also teaches wildlife rehabilitators at wildlife conferences. She is currently President of Connecticut Wildlife Rehabilitators Association.

OLLI Leadership Council

Council Members

OLLI officers are part of the Leadership Council, which is the principal representative body of the OLLI membership.

Council Officers

President - Nancy Via
1st Vice President - Richard Kupstis
2nd Vice President - Connie Tripodi
Secretary - Mary Lou Reigner
Assistant Secretary - Robert Grady



**Smiles
from Bob**From Robert
Blake**SMILE IF YOU REMEMBER**Big cabinet TVs with small screens and large
glass magnifiers.

Everyone had TV lamps on top or behind.



One TV channel WTNH in New Haven

Rooftop VHF antennas and UHF and hand turn-
ing before power turning.

TV test patterns until afternoon.

No remote controls.

Kukla, Fran and Olli, Howdy Doody, Capt Kangaroo
Rocky and Bullwinkle.

John Cameron Swayze, Dave Garroway and Muggs.

Ken Murray's variety show and Dagmar

I Remember Mama, The Goldbergs, Arthur Godfrey

Milton Berle and Tuesday night and Texaco

I Love Lucy, Dragnet, Sea Hunt, The Lone Ranger

Burns and Allen, Jack Benny, Red Skelton, Duffy's Tavern

Beulah, Topper, I Married Joan, Our Miss Brooks

Nowhere near everyone, I know!
You add to it....**April 17, 1964 Ford introduces Mustang**

Ford introduced the Ford Mustang on the first day of the New York World's Fair in Flushing, Queens. The Mustang had been the brainchild of Lee Iacocca and his production team. The car was essentially a Ford Falcon with a new frame and body. The Mustang was so successfully marketed, thanks in part to its introduction at the World's Fair, that it became one of Ford's best-selling models of all time. Ford profits soared after the release of the Mustang. Another of Iacocca's Mustang-related innovations was a new strategy of marketing upgrade packages for the car. On this day in 1965, a year into the Mustang's lifetime, Ford introduced the GT Equipment Group as an option on the Mustang, creating the first Mustang GT. Iacocca commented on the success of the package, "People want economy so badly they don't care how much they pay for it." The base price for the Mustang was a skinny \$2,368, but buyers purchased an average of \$1,000 worth of options.

WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK!Please provide us with your suggestions, submissions
and comments Praises and/or critiqueWhat do you want to read in the Newsletter ?
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PARKING—Scovill Street Parking Garage

Remember - the UConn parking garage is sometimes full on Friday, depending on other UConn classes/programs held that day. Please be prepared to use alternative parking on OLLI Fridays!

OLLI members are offered free parking in the Scovill Street Parking Garage in the event the UConn garage is full. PLEASE remember this is for OLLI classes and events during the week ONLY. This privilege is NOT for any other times of the week or for community events held on the weekend!

During OLLI weekday events, show your UConn/OLLI parking pass as you exit the garage!

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The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at the University of Connecticut is an academic cooperative that provides older adults with opportunities for intellectual development, cultural stimulation, and social interaction. Our programs are centered around classes developed and taught by members who volunteer their time and talents to share their knowledge, life passions, and interest with other members. The OLLI program also sponsors special events featuring noted authors, scholars, and experts in respected professional fields.