



OLLI

TIMES

at The University of Georgia

OLLI@UGA's ANNUAL MEETING



Betty Jean Craige presiding over the Annual Meeting

On May 13, 2016, shortly after 1:00 p.m., Betty Jean Craige called the OLLI@UGA annual meeting to order and welcomed attendees. Cheryl Copeland's minutes of the May 15, 2015 Annual Meeting and of the September 11, 2015 general meeting were unanimously approved. Betty Jean then presented the "State of OLLI" report, which can be read in her President's Column on page 2. Richard Bouldin, chair of the Finance Committee, gave the Treasurer's report for Victor

Gagliano, who had to be out of town. The good news was that OLLI is financially solvent and that OLLI had received a very positive audit from the firm of Turner and Patat. Katy Crapo gave the Executive Director's report, and she and Betty Jean presented a certificate of appreciation to Jack Parish, OLLI's liaison with the College of Education, on the event of his retirement. Betty Jean presented the Carol J. Fisher award to Patricia McAlexander, for her "long and significant service



OLLI@UGA officers for 2016-17: President-elect Brenda Hayes, Secretary Margaret Pruiett, and President Lee Albright. Not pictured is returning Treasurer Victor Gagliano.

to OLLI@UGA," most notably for her six years as editor of the *OLLI Times*.

Next, President-Elect Lee Albright thanked the Nominating Committee who had worked with her—Ann Darby, Bill Flatt, Louise McElroy, and John Rudy—and presented the election results for the 2016 officers and Board members. Working with Lee as President will be Brenda Hayes as President-Elect,

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New or re-elected 2016-17 Board members (left to right) Richard Bouldin, Clover Weller, Bill Alworth, Barbara Timmons, and Sandy Clark (photos by Chuck Murphy)

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

This is the last column I write for the *OLLI Times*. So before I say *adiós*, farewell, *Aufwiedersehen*, *adieu*, good-bye, *arrivederci*, to you and you and you, I want to express my gratitude to OLLI's many capable, cheerful, fun-loving leaders.

First, I want to thank the Board members and the officers for a very productive year of hard work. The Board members are Randall Abney, Gary Bertsch, Sandy Clark, Heidi Davison, Nancy Grayson, Joe Harris (representative from Washington OLLI chapter), Ian Hardin, Richard Lynch, Jill Read, Les Shindelman, and Clover Weller. The officers are Lee Albright, President-Elect; Andy Horne, Vice President; Cheryl Copeland, Secretary; and Victor Gagliano, Treasurer. Katy Crapo, Executive Director, and Jack Parish, Associate Dean in the College of Education, are *ex officio* members of the Board and the Executive Committee.

During the past few years OLLI has grown from an organization of fewer than five hundred members to an organization of almost fifteen hundred. In 2015-2016 our members have participated in 359 classes, twelve Brown Bag Lunches, sixteen OLLI Luncheons at Trumps and Talmage Terrace, thirty-one Special Interest Groups, and ten trips, one of them overseas.

To have our operation function smoothly we need not only conscientious volunteers but also excellent staff. In the past year OLLI has transitioned from a primarily volunteer-run organization to one that is professionally managed. In the last ten months Katy Crapo has taken on increasing responsibility and authority as OLLI's Executive Director. OLLI is fortunate indeed to have a person of Katy's wisdom and experience in this critical management position. Thank you, Katy, for all you have done.

I want to thank Katy's dedicated administrative team: full-time UGA employees Zu Reuter, Manager of Member Services and Technology; and Shelly Magruder, Office Manager; as well as part-time Learning in Retirement employees Sara Williamson, Bookkeeper; Rita Healan, Office Assistant; and Amy Munnell, Social Media Coordinator, for their great work and for their devotion to OLLI. I have really enjoyed interacting with all of these people. Every member of OLLI depends on them for their OLLI experience.

During this transition in which the Board has attended primarily to finance, policy, and planning, the chairs of the committees have assumed increasing authority for their realms of responsibility. So I would like to recognize them for their extraordinary contributions to the operation of OLLI: Bill Alworth, Chair of the Bylaws Committee; Penny Oldfather, Chair of the Curriculum Committee and her co-chairs Jim Marshall and Nancy Grayson; Susan Dougherty, Chair of Facilitators; Dona Conway, Chair of the Luncheon Committee; Richard Bouldin, Chair of the Finance Committee; Jill Read and Vicki Krugman, Chairs successively of the Fund Development Committee; Iva King, Chair of the Hospitality Committee; Les Shindelman, Ed Levine, and Chuck Murphy, Chairs successively of the IT Committee; Richard Lynch, Chair of the Long-Range Planning Committee; Katherine Winslow, Chair of the Marketing Committee; Jay Shinn, Chair of the Membership Committee; Nancy Canolty, Chair of the Registration Committee; Peg Graham, Coordinator of the Special Interest Groups; Joan Zitzelman, Chair of the Travel-Study Committee; Sandy Clark, Coordinator of Volunteers; and Lee Albright, Chair of the Nominating Committee.

I thank Pat McAlexander, Editor of the *OLLI Times*, and Bill Loughner, OLLI's Historian, for their selfless devotion to OLLI over many years.

This year the Board has accomplished much, in my view. The Board approved a revised Memorandum of Agreement with the University of Georgia; a new Conflict-of-Interest Policy (for which we thank Heidi Davison and Dick Lynch); and a new set of Bylaws (for which we thank Bill Alworth, Lee Albright, Katy Crapo, Pat McAlexander, Don Schneider, and Barbara Timmons).

The Board commissioned an audit of OLLI's finances by Turner and Patat, and accepted their report. Nancy Grayson completed a Communications style sheet which will serve as a guide for all our publications. And the Board initiated a "Fact-Based-Decision-Making" pilot project to be led by Ed Levine, Les Shindelman, and John Songster with Andy Horne as liaison to the Board.

Now let me personally thank all of you who made this year enjoyable and satisfying for me. I appreciate very much the opportunity you all gave me to be OLLI's president. I am happy to leave you in the capable hands of Lee Albright, who will become your president on July 1.

Betty Jean Craigie
Outgoing President



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| President-Elect | Lee Albright |
| Secretary | Cheryl Copeland |
| Treasurer | Victor Gagliano |

OLLI Board of Directors

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| Randall Abney | Ian Hardin |
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| Heidi Davison | Les Shindelman |
| Nancy Grayson | Clover Weller |
| Joseph Harris (Washington, GA affiliate) | |

OLLI Committee Chairs

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| Bylaws Committee | Bill Alworth |
| Curriculum Committee | Penny Oldfather |
| Facilitator Coordinator | Susan Dougherty |
| Finance Committee | Richard Bouldin |
| Fund Development Committee | Vicki Krugman |
| Hospitality Committee | Iva King |
| Information Technology Committee | Chuck Murphy |
| Long-Range Planning Committee | Richard Lynch |
| Marketing Committee | Katherine Winslow |
| Membership Committee | Jay Shinn |
| Special Interest Groups | Peg Graham |
| Travel Study Committee | Joan Zitzelman |
| Volunteer Coordinator | Sandy Clark |
| Editor of OLLI Times | Pat McAlexander |
| Historian | Bill Loughner |

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Margaret Pruiett as Secretary, and Victor Gagliano as Treasurer. The five members elected to serve on the Board of Directors are Bill Alworth, Richard Bouldin, Sandy Clark, Barbara Timmons, and Clover Weller. Lee noted that her past year as president-elect had been “a wonderful year of learning” more about OLLI, this “organization of capable and fascinating people” which offered its members “a wealth of opportunity to learn and enjoy each other.” She then presented outgoing President Betty Jean with a certificate of appreciation for her “years of service to OLLI, especially her leadership this year as president.”

An ice cream social in honor of OLLI volunteers followed the meeting, with music from the New Horizons Band, refreshments from Talmage Terrace/Lanier Gardens, and happy socializing among OLLI members. (See more pictures of the meeting and social on p. 3).



Katy Crapo and Betty Jean Craige present Jack Parish with a certificate of appreciation for all he has done for OLLI as our liaison with COE. (by Chuck Murphy)



Betty Jean presents Pat McAlexander with the 2016 Carol Fisher Award for her “long and significant service to OLLI@UGA,” particularly as editor of the *OLLI Times*. (by Bill Flatt)

“ I was so surprised to receive the Carol Fisher Award! I have enjoyed being editor of the *OLLI Times*, and very much appreciate the award—and all the support, especially the photos and stories, I’ve received from you, the *OLLI Times* readers! Keep them coming next year! ”

— Pat McAlexander

Save the Dates!

New Member Orientation Tuesday, July 12, 1:00 to 3:30 p.m.

If you have joined OLLI@UGA since January 1, or have never attended an orientation, you are invited to attend a very informative event! It will begin at 1:00 pm **at Rivers Crossing** (850 College Station Road, Athens) on Tuesday, July 12. You will hear from OLLI leaders about the many ways to be involved, how the curriculum is developed, how to register for classes using our website, about our social activities and Special Interest Groups, opportunities to participate in travel study, ways you can volunteer, and many other benefits of membership. Just as important, you will also meet other new members as well as have time to visit with veteran members at the social afterwards.

There will be one new feature. IT Chair Chuck Murphy will offer a help session in the computer lab for New Members wishing to stay after the social. Chuck, along with some assistants, will provide hands-on tutoring on how to register for classes.

New members will receive an invitation to the orientation. You must register for this event so that we will have handouts for you. Register by calling Carol-Lee Baker, 706-483-2314 or emailing her at Carlee45@yahoo.com. You may also register with the OLLI office. Please wear your nametag!
—Iva King and Julie Cashin-Schneider.

OLLI Bash

Friday, September 9, 1:00 to 3:00

The Fall OLLI Bash will be held Friday, September 9, at Central Presbyterian from 1:00 to 3:00. As always, this is a wonderful time to reconnect with friends, make new acquaintances and invite those who want to learn more about OLLI. Most of the Special Interest Groups (SIGs) will have tables with information about how members can enjoy everything from bridge to hiking and opera to being a buddy for an elementary school student. Refreshments will be provided by Talmage Terrace/Lanier Gardens.—Iva King

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION SOCIAL



Hospitality Committee members Kris Bakowski and Lilly Garrett serve ice cream. (by Pat McAlexander)



Kathy Smith pours hot fudge sauce on Iris Miracle's ice cream. (by Pat McAlexander)



Freda Scott Giles and Frances Boney are smiling for Chuck's camera. (by Chuck Murphy)

CALLS FOR VOLUNTEERS

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Would you like an opportunity to help shape our OLLI curriculum? Do you know some people in our community who have exciting interests, knowledge, and skills to share? Perhaps you have noticed an article or news report of someone in our community doing exciting activities or work that would be of interest to OLLI members. We follow all kinds of leads to guide us in finding great classes for OLLI.

We are now welcoming volunteers for the Curriculum Committee. The role of the committee is simply to recruit our OLLI instructors for each semester. Our Fall 2016 classes are now in place and we're gearing up to invite instructors for Spring 2017. The Curriculum Committee meets only twice each year. Our next meeting will be held **August 4th at 1:30 p.m.** at River's Crossing. If you are willing to volunteer, or if you just want to know more about what we do, please contact Penny Oldfather, Chair, at poldfath@uga.edu or 706 614-8410.

FUND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Volunteers are needed for a variety of tasks: leading or working on fundraising projects, recruiting sponsors, working with Memorials and Honorarium Program information, working with signing people onto our Corporate Donation Programs – Amazon Smile and Kroger Community Rewards, or writing and editing documents. If you would enjoy any of these activities, contact Vicki Krugman, vkrugman@charter.net, to learn more.



Iris Miracle, Jeanette Bowers, and Terry Nestor smile for Chuck too. (by Chuck Murphy)

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Did it look like fun to serve ice cream and pour hot fudge sauce (see OLLI Volunteer Appreciation Social, p. 3)? If so, you might like to serve on OLLI's Hospitality Committee. The Committee is always looking for new members. Contact Iva King at ivaking@bellsouth.net.

- **Week of July 4: Course Catalogs mailed**
- **July 7-13: Facilitator Registration**
- **July 19: Regular Registration**
- **Classes begin August 15**

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: CHUCK MURPHY

by Larry Dendy

After a career in the computer industry, Chuck Murphy retired from his job—but not from computers and technology. In his nine years as a member of OLLI and its predecessor, Learning in Retirement (LIR), Chuck has volunteered his skills with computers, iPhones, iPads, digital cameras, and other technology to help OLLI in many ways, from redoing our original website to chairing the Information Technology Committee to teaching scores of classes.

With a friendly style that puts even the most fearful technophobe at ease, Chuck is one of OLLI's most popular and prolific instructors. He's taught more than 85 class sessions on more than a dozen topics, mostly involving either computer-related technology or his other passion, photography. He'll teach five more classes in the upcoming fall semester.

"Teaching is my favorite OLLI activity because I learn too," says Chuck. Some of his most popular classes are on photography, especially using smartphones. "I'm not a pro, but I love photography. I like to teach courses about things I don't know but want to learn," he says, explaining that he typically spends weeks developing each class. "The best way to learn is to teach."

Humor is one tool he uses to get complicated information across. He tags classes with titles like "Cybersecurity, Online Privacy and Protection of your Digital Assets: You're Naked." In his iPhoneography class he had class members dress up and participate as fairy tale characters to demonstrate how technology could help them "live happily ever after." His classes consistently have waitlists and earn rave evaluations.

A Wisconsin native, Chuck stumbled into computers when a job aptitude test revealed a knack for technology. He spent forty years working in software development and consulting and was a pioneer in Internet applications for business. "I was creating web sites before most of the world knew about the web," he says.

In 2005, with retirement in sight, Chuck and his wife, Suzanne, moved to a ten-acre farm in Jackson County. In 2007 he retired, joined LIR and, before even taking his first course, volunteered to teach a digital photography class.

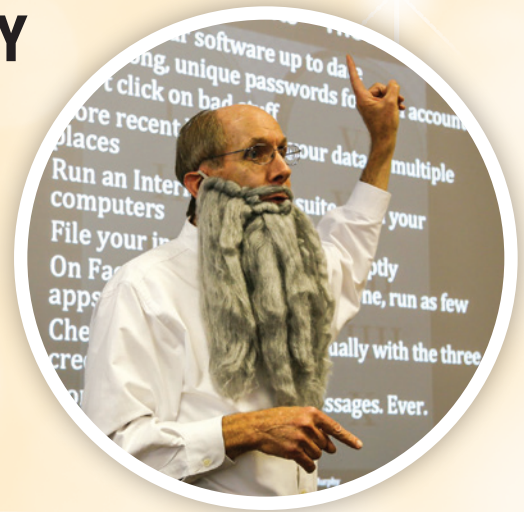
In OLLI's early years he devoted many hours to a do-over of our original website and was heavily involved in a subsequent overhaul of the site. He chaired the IT Committee several years ago and is back in that position again, and helps out on the Curriculum Committee as well. He has also served on the Board of Directors.

In 2008 he started the Picture This! photography Special Interest Group and continues to coordinate the group, one of the largest SIGs with 117 members. In 2012 he was recognized with the Carol Fisher Award, OLLI's highest honor for significant volunteer service.

Chuck's interest in photography began as a teenager when he bought a Kodak box camera at a flea market for a quarter. It's been a lifetime hobby that turned serious when he began concentrating on nature photography, especially "birds, bugs and blooms." He's visited 36 countries and all seven continents pursuing photographs of nature. He had a one-man show at the State Botanical Garden last year and his images have been published in several photography magazines including *Popular Photography* and *Outdoor Photographer*. (To see some of his favorite images, visit his web site www.boywithcamera.com).

In addition to OLLI classes, Chuck teaches photography at the State Botanical Garden, UGA's Center for Continuing Education and other venues. He's also done photography presentations for the Athens Photography Guild and other photo clubs in Georgia.

This fall semester he will venture into new territory with an OLLI class titled "Way to Go!: A Well-Planned Exit." Chuck promises that it will be a fun and entertaining trip through the details of planning for the inevitable—ensuring that wills are up to date, powers of attorney are in place and survivors can access bank accounts, safety deposit boxes, and computer passwords. The goal, says Chuck, is "to make sure heirs can say, 'Thanks, that was a lot easier than I expected!'"



In October 2014, Chuck dressed as Moses to review the ten commandments of cybersecurity for his "Cybersecurity, Internet Policy, and Protection of Your Digital Assets" course. (photo by Harry Hayes)

AUGUST OLLI TIMES SCHEDULE

Send material to patmcalex@gmail.com by August 15. The August *OLLI Times* will be mailed between the weeks of August 22 and 29.

The logo for OLLI TIMES, featuring the text "OLLI TIMES" in a large, serif font. To the left of "OLLI" is a circular emblem containing the text "THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA". Below "OLLI TIMES" is the text "The University of Georgia" in a smaller font.

OLLI CELEBRATES CINCO DE MAYO!

More than forty people gathered at La Fiesta restaurant in east Athens to enjoy great Mexican food and margaritas in celebration of Cinco de Mayo. Louise McElroy and Katherine Winslow served as hostesses for this annual OLLI event, giving out door prizes and inviting attendees to create a digital memento with a special photo banner. Katherine writes, “Everyone had so much fun with that banner, even the restaurant staff and owner!”



Katherine and Steve Winslow look through the Cinco photo banner.



OLLI members at Cinco de Mayo lunch.

BEERGANZA

Over three dozen jolly OLLI members sampled newly crafted brews for OLLI’s early springtime “Beerganza” a social event created by the Hospitality Committee and held at the Southern Brewing Company. One of the company’s owners, UGA Art School sculpture graduate Brian Ross who spent two decades learning beer marketing and development, led discussion on the current science and craft of brewing beer and its ancient history. (John Albright)

OLLI members at the Southern Brewing Company’s “Beerganza.” Owner Brian Ross is on the right. On the left are new members Penny Hall and Arthur Bennett. Sandy Clark is standing by the bar. (by John Albright)



OLLI'S GREAT BOOKS SUMMER FILM FESTIVAL

Happiness is spreading apace because the OLLI@UGA [Great Books Selections](#) class has announced that indeed there will be a 2nd annual Great Books Summer Film Festival. Yes, we're all relieved. Details are below, but go to <https://www.facebook.com/events/606018092906548/> to see some colorful posters and further information.

June 8, 2016 2-4 p.m.: *The Rocking Horse Winner*, based on a short story by D.H. Lawrence, Starring John Mills, 1949, unrated.

July 13, 2016 2-4 p.m.: *Rashomon*, based on two short stories by Ryunosuke Akutagawa. Ranked #100 by IMDb. 1950, unrated.

Aug. 10, 2016 2-4 p.m.: *The Reivers*, Based on a novel by William Faulkner. Two Golden Globe nominations. 1969, PG-13.

All showings will be at River's Crossing and are free. Maybe free popcorn too. Maybe.—Bill Loughner, Festival Director

THE REAL BEACH MONTAGE

For the April *OLLI Times* article on the Lyndon House Juried Art Show, Carol McKay mistakenly sent a picture of the pin she had accepted in the OCAF Art Show. [Here](#) is the picture of the Beach Montage Pendant/Pin accepted by the Lyndon House Show. The name "Beach Montage" makes much more sense with this one!



THE NANCYS' LUNCH

There are so many Nancys in OLLI that Nancy Songster and Nancy Canolty organized a luncheon on Feb. 15, 2016 for them to get to know each other better. They must have liked each other, because there was a second gathering (see photo) at The National Restaurant on Monday, May 9th. Left to right: Nancy Walton, Nancy Canolty, Nancy Songster, Nancy Grayson, Nancy Roberts, and Nancy McNair.

"GEROSCIENCE" HIGHLIGHTS IMPORTANCE OF LEAVING A LEGACY FOR OLLI

Recently the New York Times reported on "Geroscience," the study of aging. "Geroscientists" focus not on specific diseases like cancer or heart disease but rather on the process of aging in general. They are interested in biological ways to delay aging. The article brings to mind the need to sustain OLLI@UGA to promote longevity in ourselves and in future generations. OLLI enables aging populations to live longer, healthier, more enjoyable lives by providing stimulating intellectual, social and cultural activities.

"Leave a Legacy" is an OLLI@UGA gifting option to sustain the organization in the future. We all enjoy the classes, SIGs, social events, and special opportunities to explore new ideas. OLLI is important in our lives and will be important to the lives of many seniors in the future.

There are many personalized options to make an estate gift, each one taking into consideration the type of assets in your estate, how taxes will affect your estate, and the legacy you want to leave for your family. For a confidential conference on how a Planned Gift can help both OLLI@UGA and your own estate planning (and even improve current cash flow), contact OLLI member and volunteer Melinda Thomas at 706.296.6928.



FEVERISH SOUTH ▲

In her “Feverish South” class, Dr. Nan McMurray traced the medical beliefs of the 18th and 19th centuries, a time when malaria and yellow fever ravaged the South, especially in the summertime and in low-lying swampy regions. Here she is, after the class, with student Carol Kurtz. Dr. McMurray, who has a PhD in history from Duke University with a specialty in the history of medicine, teaches history of medicine classes in the UGA History Department. *(by Pat McAlexander)*



◀ TOUR OF A CONSERVATION EASEMENT

Members of this class walked through Walt Cook’s beautiful tract of land, Lotsanotty Forest, now a conservation easement with Oconee River Land Trust. This means the land is forever protected from development or subdivision. Developers had made him an offer for his land, but he refused. In the photo Walt shows the building plans developers had made for his land. *(by Pat McAlexander)*

BUILDING SMALL AND MODERN ▼

On May 12 Michael Songster, son of OLLI@UGA denizens John and Nancy Songster, shared a story of innovation and social sensitivity in his “tell and show” class, “Building Small and Modern.” As a successful home builder with an artistic background, Songster told how his own “infill” home on a very small lot near downtown Athens exemplified his passion for responsible energy use and efficient construction and design. The class included a discussion of his vision, with slides recording the tangle of government ordinances, construction obstacles, and material options. That weekend the class visited the finished building he had described. OLLI members visiting Michael Songster’s innovative home. They were astonished to see such useful and creative spaciousness in a three-story home with only 725 square feet of total floor space. *(by John Albright)*



GREAT BOOKS – ECONOMICS

The “dismal science” is alive and well at OLLI. Every other Wednesday this past year a group of OLLI members gathered to read and discuss writings of several of the great economists who shaped the economic structure of today. Starting in the eighteenth century through today, we discussed selected writings of David Hume, Adam Smith, Thomas Malthus, John Stuart Mill, Karl Marx, John Maynard Keynes, Milton Friedman, and many others. This science is not so dismal when you have lively discussion about the theories developed by these economists and, most importantly, the impact on our current economic environment. We had respectful discussions and interchange of ideas.

Members of the group volunteered to introduce each section by providing background on the economist. The book that guided us was the Great Books Foundation’s *Consuming Interests: Great Ideas in Economics*. The Great Books Foundation is an independent, nonprofit educational organization that provides opportunities for people of all ages to become more reflective, critical thinkers and readers.

At our session on May 4th, we were privileged to have as a guest speaker, Dr. Santanu Chatterjee, Associate Professor of Economics and Director of the Full Time MBA Program in the Terry College of Business. His subject was very timely: “Income Inequality,” a subject we hear much about today. Dr. Chatterjee provided insight into this significant issue and left the group with many insights to think about. (Bill Loughner)



Dr. Santanu Chatterjee

LUNCHEON PROGRAM: MONICA KAUFMAN PEARSON, “KEEPING THE ‘PRO’ IN PROFESSIONAL”

On May 24, Monica Kaufman Pearson, renowned Atlanta television broadcast journalist, regaled the OLLI luncheon audience at Trumps with humorous accounts of her years with WSB-TV as Atlanta’s first woman and first minority to anchor the daily 6 p.m. news. She also anchored the 4, 5 and 11 p.m. news during her career, debuting the 4 and 5. Bill Flatt, who photographed the occasion, said, “It was one of the best talks I have ever heard.”

Pearson began her career with WSB in 1975 and retired in 2012. Since her retirement, she has graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Georgia with a M.A. in Journalism and Mass Communication, taught at Atlanta Metropolitan State College, and written a column for *Southern Seasons* magazine. She now hosts a weekly radio show on KISS 104.1 FM and continues her Closeups interviews on www.wsbtv.com/monica. (Pat McAlexander)



Monica Kaufman Pearson
speaking at the OLLI Lunch & Learn Lecture luncheon (by Bill Flatt)

Thank You TO OUR MAY AND JUNE FACILITATORS

Lee Albright
Elizabeth Barton
Anita Brannen
Connie Bruce
Lenette Burrell
Lief Carter
Sandy Clark
Dona Conway
Connie Crawley

Linda Dipietro
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Dottie Harnish
Harry Hayes
Toni Jones
Chris Jones
Iva King
Marty Lawrence
Penny Oldfather

Les Shindelman
Michele Simpson
John Songster
Nancy Walton
Clover Weller
Herb West
Pat Winston

In Memoriam

Christine Pavlak



Trip participants on an overlook on Lookout Mountain, Georgia Valley and Ridge Province.



The group on top of Brasstown Bald, Georgia's highest peak (4,784 feet), Western Blue Ridge Province.
(photos by Dorinda Dallmeyer)

PAST TRIPS

BUILDING THE APPALCHIANS

Dr. David Dallmeyer, Emeritus Geology Professor at The University of Georgia, organized a five-day OLLI geoexcursion entitled "Building the Appalachians: Plate Tectonics and the Geology of Georgia" (March 7-11). Twenty OLLI members participated. The purpose of the trip was to examine the various tectonic units that comprise the Southern Appalachians, including the Valley and Ridge Province, the Western Blue Ridge and Eastern Blue Provinces, and the Inner Piedmont Terrane.

The excursion started in Athens with nights in Mentone, Alabama (DeSoto State Park), Chickamauga, Blue Ridge and Hiwassee. The first two days of the trip were devoted to examination of the regional structure of fossil-bearing North American sedimentary rocks of the Valley and Ridge. Day 3 involved study of the variably metamorphosed North American rocks of the Western Blue Ridge Province. The day ended with examination of the regional Haysville-Alatoona Fault system. This very important fault separates tectonic units comprised of North American rocks on the west from structural units of uncertain origin to the east. The group examined several rock types along the fault that were excised from the upper mantle and lower crust during Appalachian thrusting approximately 325 million years ago. Day 4 was devoted to looking at variably metamorphosed volcanic and sedimentary rocks of the Eastern Blue Ridge Province. Day 5 continued in the Eastern Blue Ridge Province and then crossed the regional Brevard Fault Zone into the Inner Piedmont terrane. The group made several stops in this area before returning to Athens. (David Dallmeyer)



ANDERSONVILLE

The seventeen OLLI members on the Travel Study trip to the Andersonville National Historic Site on April 7 and 8 had an unexpected adventure on the way. On I-20 outside of Atlanta, the chartered motorcoach driver prevented a serious accident by veering off the side of the road to avoid rear-ending vehicles stopped ahead. No one was injured. However, the bus was damaged and could not continue. Travel committee member and trip participant Gina Reed saved the day: on her cell phone, she negotiated with a nearby Budget rental agency, having them send two vans out to the site. The OLLI passengers and luggage were transferred to the vans, and the trip continued, with Terry Caven and Bill Alworth driving.

Planned trip activities were successfully re-scheduled. Truett Goodwin gave a short history of the Andersonville prison on Friday morning. The group then went to the National Historic site for a guided tour of the 26.5 acre Fort Sumter prison where over 32,000 prisoners were confined in July of 1864. Next they went on to the adjacent National Cemetery where the nearly 13,000 Union prisoners who died at Andersonville are buried. The group then toured the purposely uninviting building that houses the National Prisoners of War museum, dedicated to American soldiers in all wars who have suffered captivity. The final stop in Andersonville was at the Drummer Boy Museum, where the group saw a model of the Andersonville prison as it existed in 1864. (Bill Alworth)

MORRIS MUSEUM

On April 29, a full busload of OLLI members accompanied Athens artist Philip Juras on a roundtrip bus excursion to Augusta's Morris Museum of Art, where he led a tour of his latest exhibition, "The Wild Treasury of Nature: A Portrait of Little St. Simons Island." In his more than fifty exhibition paintings Juras has revealed the wild beauty of Little St. Simons Island, one of the most pristine barrier islands on the Georgia coast. Dorinda G. Dallmeyer, whose essay on the cultural and natural history of the island appears in the exhibition catalog, organized the excursion. After the gallery tour, participants enjoyed a catered lunch and heard distinguished UGA art historian Janice Simon give a fascinating talk discussing Juras's paintings in the framework of American landscape history. (Pat McAlexander)



Philip Juras leading a guided tour of his exhibition.



OC Carlyle, Heidi Davison, and Janet and Alex Patterson on the Savannah River Esplanade outside the Morris Museum after lunch. (photos by Pat McAlexander)

UPCOMING IN THE FALL: THREE OLLI TRIPS

Tuesday, September 13: Travel to the mountaintop near Clayton in northeast Georgia where Georgia Writers Hall of Fame author Lillian Smith lived most of her life until her death in 1966, operating a camp for girls and writing fiction and non-fiction that supported granting full civil and human rights to all citizens; also, visit Piedmont College in Demorest, where Smith was a student and instructor.

Ed. Note: On Sunday, September 18, at 3:00 p.m. on the Piedmont College Athens campus, OLLI@UGA and Piedmont College are co-sponsoring a free public one-woman show in which Atlanta actress Brenda Bynum plays Lillian Smith.

Thursday, October 13: Visit three wineries in the northeast Georgia mountains for tasting and tours, and enjoy a catered lunch near a vineyard.

Thursday-Friday, November 3-4: Explore the legacy of Franklin Delano Roosevelt in Georgia, as you visit Warm Springs and the Little White House, a healing place for body and spirit for the man who led the United States out of the Great Depression and mobilized and guided the nation through World War II.

Watch for more details about these trips and the Lillian Smith event in future newsletters, in website postings, and through email communication.

TECH NOTES

Help me Zu - I get too many emails, make it stop!

A feature of the community is your ability to control your level of communications. After logging into the community (OLLI website) and being directed to your dashboard, locate the link *Edit My Settings* (top left), and next locate the *Notifications* tab. As you scroll down the list, under *Email Digests*, you will see *Group Updates* and a small link to *manage individual groups*. Now, you can control if you want to see the group notifications instantly, with your digest 1x/day, or never. If you choose "never", it does not mean you won't have access to the information, it just means that you are choosing to view your notifications on your own time by checking-in every so often on your dashboard and viewing the *Latest Community Updates* for recent announcements.



ENJOY OPERA IN ATHENS

Four years ago the OLLI@UGA Board of Directors approved the Opera SIG proposal to raise scholarship funds for UGA opera students to attend prestigious and important summer training programs. As of May 24, generous OLLI@UGA members and opera lovers in the greater Athens area have donated \$21,255 for the OLLI@UGA Opera Scholarship Awards. Each year the SIG retains a minimal amount of the donations to cover any unexpected changes in a student's plans.

The 2016 recipients of the OLLI@UGA Opera Scholarship Awards in the amount of \$2,200 each are Laura Anne Cotney, Isaiah Feken, Allison Gross, Rachel Eve Holmes, Jared Jones, Alexis Minogue, Brett Pardue, Nicolo Sbuelz, and Esther Tonea.

During the past year the opera students presented five programs for the Opera SIG members and guests. They began with a Fall Opera Luncheon to meet the students, recruit OLLI members, and launch the fund raising. In-home Opera Soirees in the spring were more intimate events, and the Opera Gala with Silent Auction at the Athens Country Club was the largest event. All events contributed significantly to the annual goal of \$20,000 this year. Our goal for FY 2016-2017 is ten OLLI@UGA Opera Scholarships of \$2,500 each. (Nancy Songster)

PICTURE THIS!

At the May 11 Picture This! meeting, Eddie George gave a program on the vintage wet-plate collodion processing technique he uses with his 4x5 view cameras (left photo). On the right, left to right, are Eddie George, presenter, with Don McKim, Ken Pagel, Scott Mason, Kathy Parker, Chuck Murphy, Andy Horne, Alexis Winger, Debbie Parkman, Joan Still, Robert Nicholls.

(photos by Chuck Murphy) ▼



▲ **HAPPY HIKERS** Happy Hikers at Hemlock Falls May 5. (Iris Miracle)



T GROUPS (SIGS)

OLLI WALKS ▶

This photo, taken on May 26 and sent to us by Lew Frazar, OLLI Walks coordinator, was labeled “Red Nose Day.” Well, it looks like they’re having fun and we asked no questions!! (by Lew Frazar)



◀ PLAY READERS CLUB

On April 11 the Play Readers SIG presented Molière’s *Les Femmes Savantes* (*The Learned Ladies*, transl. Richard Wilbur), a comedy in verse by Molière satirizing academic pretention, female education, and *préciosité* (preciousness, over-refinement). Left to right are Loretta White, David Robinson, Freda Scott Giles, Carole Jones, Connie Crawley, Chip McDaniel, Doris Kadish. (from Doris Kadish)

OLLI ROCKS

FALL 2016 SCHEDULE: THE ART OF GEOLOGY

Dr. David Dallmeyer reports that the 2016 Fall Semester OLLI Rocks program will focus on “The Art of Geology.” The series will describe the role of geology in the fabric of a variety of art forms, including landscape painting, jewelry design, pottery and sculpture. Meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. in Room 200A in the Geography-Geology Building located on Field Street on the main UGA campus across from the football stadium. Maps are posted in the resources section of the OLLI Rocks page on the OLLI website.

September 6 (Tuesday): Philip Juras – Athens, Landscape Artist: “The Dirt Behind the Scenes: Geology and Landscape Painting”

October 11 (Tuesday): Steve Hollis – Athens, Aurum Studios Jeweler and Jewelry Designer: “Jewelry Design: Getting the Best Out of Nature’s Gems”

November 8 (Tuesday): Dr. Theodore Saupe, Professor of Art (Ceramics), The University of Georgia: “No Geology – No Pottery”

December 13 (Tuesday): Stan Mullins – Athens, Sculptor: “When Rocks Really Matter: My Life As a Sculptor”

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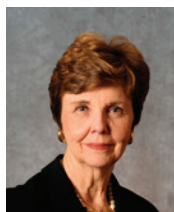
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