



News from Concord OLLI

REVIEW of FALL OLLI COURSES by Paul Basham

The 26 courses being offered by OLLI in Concord this fall were highlighted in the assembly room of the Pleasant View Retirement Center on August 31. Michael Bujnowski entertained the early arrivals with stories and photos of OLLI events on the large screen. He also projected background information about the courses as they were presented by the volunteer instructors.

Jane Bredeson and Jean Robbins were the MCs who introduced the presenters and made everyone feel welcome. Joan Gillis, Christina Link, Bill Stone, Martha Clapp and Dan Fogarty helped register students in the classes that still had openings. A waiting list has been established for some courses. This was followed by a social time with refreshments hosted by the retirement center.

The last presenter, Joe Quinn, who talked about the migration of hawks that will be featured in his course, "Watch the Hawks Fly By", ended by saying, "Keep looking up", which is good advice for all who enjoy "Learning for the fun of it."

All About OLLI; an orientation occasion!

Do you really understand what OLLI is all about? Would you like to have the answers to questions you have had about how we connect to Granite State, and what happens to our dues and fees? The Central Committee will host an Orientation Hour each semester, and the date for this one is Wednesday Oct.20 at 1:30 at Granite State College, 8 Old Suncook Road Concord, NH 03301 (603) 513-1377.

Bring your questions and we will bring lots of answers. Added bonus; meet some more of the great people who are OLLI members.



Concord Calendar



Autumn has arrived!

Coming Up In Oct

Open Registration
Dining Out Oct 13

OLLI at UNO Oct 13

Orientation Oct 20

Committee Meetings:

Central Oct 11
Steering Oct 13
Curriculum Oct 20

Coming Up In Nov

OLLI Classes

Coming Up In Dec

Fall Classes Continue



OLLI at GSC MISSION STATEMENT

Build a vibrant and sustainable member-driven organization that creates and provides intellectually stimulating lifelong-learning opportunities for NH residents 50 and above.

Dear Diners,

September's lunch at the Stonebridge Country Club was delightful. We had lunch on their screened porch overlooking the golf course with mountains in the far view. We had thirteen diners that enjoyed lunch off the menu ...the restaurant makes their own chips and french fries and served hot sandwiches with names like "The Birdie" or "The Par". If you could not make it to the lunch, I'm sure the fall color will be breathtaking, if you visit there soon. They have an indoor, outdoor and screened dining area.

October's dining out experience will be at Uno's Chicago Grill, on Wednesday, October 13th, at 5:30PM. This dinner will benefit OLLI. Up to 20% of our checks will be donated to OLLI by Uno's. Uno's is located in Concord at 15 Fort Eddy Road in the shopping plaza with LL Bean on the west side of the road. Use exit 14 off I-93. Their telephone number is 603-226-8667. We will be ordering off their menu and receiving separate checks. You may receive the coupons at the OLLI office of Granite State College or get them off the web site (olli.granite.edu). You present the coupon at the time of payment so OLLI receives their 20%. See you on October 13th.

Please let me know by October 7th, if you will be dining with us, so I can notify the restaurant.

Thank you,

Bobbi Boley, Coordinator
OLLI Dining Out Group
603-226-0525



This was at the Drumlin Restaurant, actually on the porch on a lovely day, at the Stonebridge Golf Club in Goffstown.

OLLI at the Pipe Organ

Friday: 11/12 1:30-2:30 PM
Wesley United Methodist Church, 79 Clinton Street, Concord
Class Fee: **Free** Class Size: Min: 25 Max: 200

Were you one of the lucky OLLI participants in the audience for Warren Gessinger's 2008 organ recital at the Wesley UM church? If you were, you know that it was "standing room only" and that it was a wonderful treat. The good news is that Warren Gessinger is returning for another performance this fall. Based on past history, this promises to be a very popular OLLI offering.



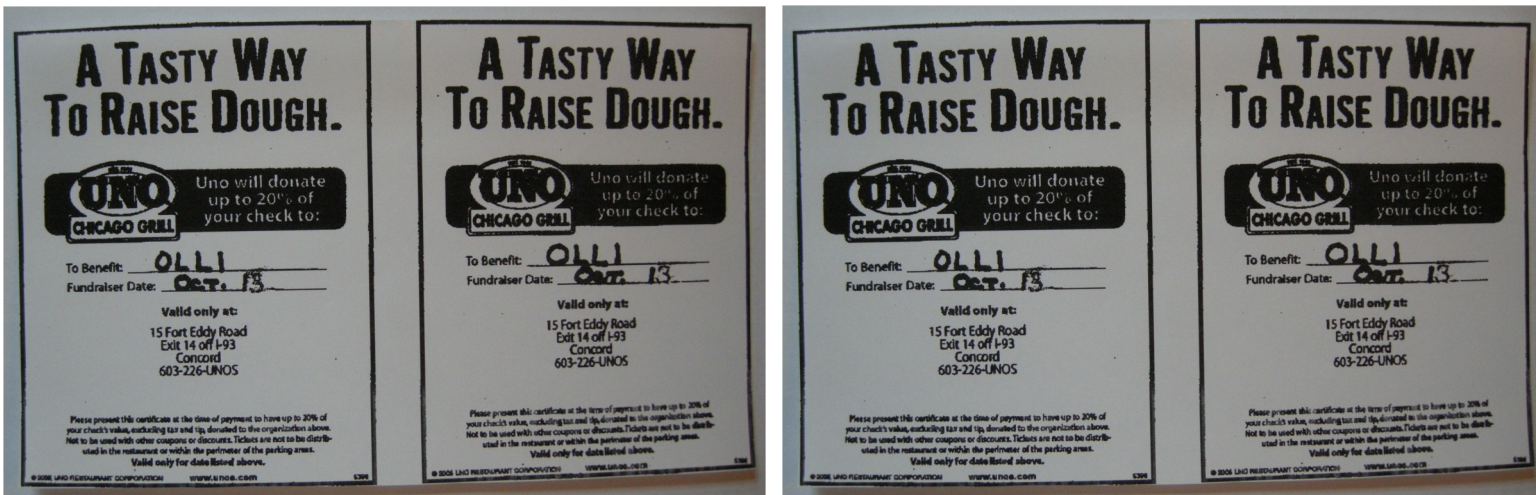
We are about half full and still have great seats available. Please call the office to reserve your free seat for an entertaining afternoon.

October 13 is a great day for OLLI, and we hope it will be for you, too.

That is the day UNO Chicago Grill will give OLLI 20% of your check!
Go for lunch, dinner, or take-outs and present one of the coupons below. Everyone at your table will be counted in for the 20% so be sure to take plenty of friends with you! Give the extra coupon to some one else who wishes OLLI well.

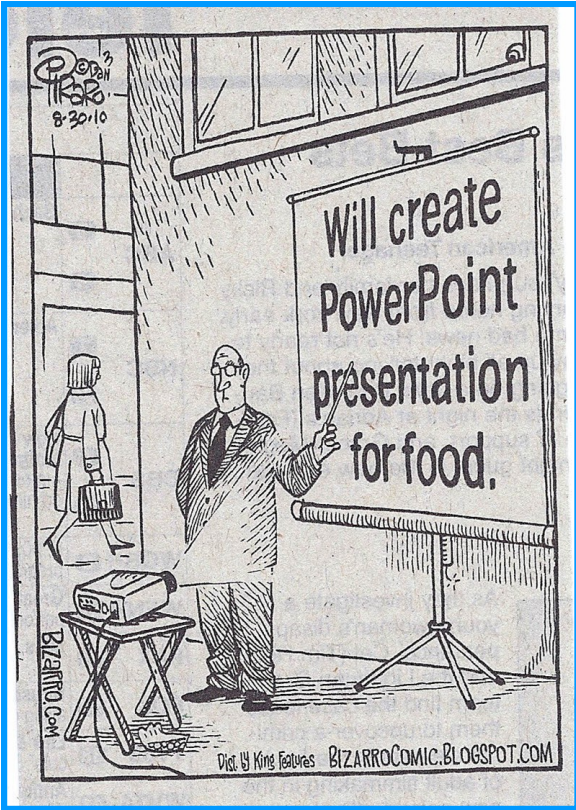
On Oct. 13 UNO is open from 11am Wed. to 12:30am Thurs. and every hour may be the lucky hour when you and your party begin to have fun at UNO and make money for OLLI.

The OLLI "dining out" diners will be seated at 5:30 PM. (see related story on page 2)



How to survive retirement

by Michael Bujnowski



Congratulations and many thanks to our invincible trio

Congratulations to the office staff who have succeeded in placing a sign designating OLLI outside the Granite State College building. The wheels of signage grind slow, so when the Central Committee at OLLI requested this, the office cautioned us that it would take time, but they have persevered, and lo, we have signs which will be seen whenever we are having a large OLLI event.

Do you love literature?

The Concord OLLI Curriculum Committee would like to give you an opportunity to share your enthusiasm with others. Detective stories, the Bronte sisters, novels about Ireland -- you choose the focus and we'll help you to set up the course. Contact Jean Robbins (715-5507) or jsrobbins@comcast.net.

The National Resource Center website welcomes your visit

The OLLI at the University of Southern Maine (USM) serves as the national center for the current network of 118 lifelong learning institutes throughout the nation. The National Resource Center for the Osher Lifelong Learning Institutes plays a lead role in disseminating information on effective educational programming for older learners.

In addition to providing information and connections via a web site, the Resource Center publishes a national research journal, plans an annual national conference, and provides a number of other ways for OLLIs to connect with one another. The Center is not a governance body, but is rather a center for excellence and dissemination of best practice models. Each Osher Institute reflects the culture of its own university and its learning community. The National Resource Center exists to facilitate the exchange of opinions, solutions and experiences among institutes throughout the country so that all can benefit. Please have a visit: <http://usm.maine.edu/olli/national/>

The OLLI Winter 2011 OBBU by Ginny Gerseny



Sometime in next January, it will be bells, whistles and steam for OLLI at Concord. We are going to have an OLLI Brown Bag University day devoted to Railroads, this by the specific request of many of you who attended "Rivers". As we began to look at this subject we realized the possibilities were endless- - from finger bowls in the dining car to knowing how to put water on the coal bed to make the right amount of steam! Now we need your help. Especially to any of you who are railroad buffs: can you help us find speakers? Are some of our own members speakers on any part of the railroad story? Do any of you have personal power points about railroad?. Can you give us information on local people you may have heard speaking on railroads? Please call Ginny Gerseny at 226 2027. Please leave a message if I'm not home – I will really appreciate your help in this. Thank you.

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