Welcome Dr. Cobb!

The Office of the Vice President for University Outreach has announced the appointment of Ileeia Cobb, Ph.D. as the new director of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Auburn University. "We are looking forward to Dr. Cobb joining us as OLLI director," says Royrickers Cook, vice president for University Outreach. "She has an expansive vision and experience with adult learners, and a significant enthusiasm for community engagement." Originally from Tallassee, Alabama, Cobb earned her bachelor, master and Ph.D. degrees from Auburn University. Her doctoral research focused on perceptions of older Americans in regards to the aging process and adult education programs. Cobb’s career includes experience with senior populations and adult learning. She served as a grants and program manager at the Alabama Department of Senior Services and most recently as staff associate responsible for institutional program review at the Alabama Commission on Higher Education. "I look forward to working with Dr. Cobb," says Don Baker, chair of the OLLI Advisory Council. "She has experience working with seniors and managing grants, both of which will be important as the new director of OLLI."

Summer 2017 Brown Bag series:
All summer brown bag programs are held at the Clarion Inn & Suites from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm.

July 11  Fort Benning: Home of the Infantry with Peggy Stelpflug
July 18  Wildlife Photography with Billy Watson
July 25  Harper Lee Letters with Wayne Flynt
August 8  Emigration to Liberia with Matthew McDaniel
August 15  Coach Mel Rosen with Craig Darch
August 22  William Yancey with Ralph Draughon, Jr.

Summer 2017 Special Courses:

Reading Group July 11  A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman
August 15  The Circle by Dave Eggers (2017 AU Common Book)
*The Reading Group meets from 10:00 – 11:00 am in the Azalea Room, Clarion Inn & Suites

Writing Our Lives July 18
August 22
*Writing Our Lives meets from 9:30 – 11:00 am on the Dance Floor, Clarion Inn & Suites

Yoga for the Rest of Us July 25
August 8
*Yoga for the Rest of Us meets from 2:00 – 3:00 pm on the Dance Floor, Clarion Inn & Suites

Media Savvy and Book Smart: Auburn University Library Orientation July 11, 18, 25
* Media Savy meets from 4:30 – 6:00 pm on the 2nd floor of the Ralph B. Draughon Library.
Email olli@auburn.edu or call 844-3102 (leave a message) to register.

85 Years and Beyond Birthday Party~
Wednesday, August 9
2:00 – 3:30 pm
Auburn Alumni Center | 317 S. College St.

Thinking About: Adelaide Brown
Last fall OLLI posted a world map for members to share their summer travels. You were asked to pin your name to the place or places you visited over the summer. There's a new twist to this activity for Fall Term 2017. We’ll follow the same format of pinning our destinations and names to the places on the map, BUT for the person who travels the farthest from Sunny Slope, 1031 South College in Auburn, over the summer, he/she CAN win one of Ursula's delicious cakes. Don’t think for one minute that this is an ordinary cake. If you've tasted a cake prepared by Ursula, you'll know it is spectacular. Food Network chefs, eat your heart out - we've got the best! Make your travel plans now to go away...way away, so that you'll have a better chance of winning! The CATCH? We'll need a picture of you either with your OLLI shirt on (available at the OLLI office for only $5 and $10 for XXL sizes) OR a poster, cardboard or some facsimile with OLLI at Auburn written on it! The map will be displayed in the parlor at Sunny Slope. Stop by any time after August 15 to share your travels on the map.

Carnival of Health & Wellness – Saturday, July 15 | 10:00 am – 1:00 pm | Greater Peace Family Life Center

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!! Please email olli@auburn.edu if you would like to volunteer.

Campus and Around Town Events: (feel free to submit notices of events)

❖ The Market at Ag Heritage Park: Thursdays, May 11 – August 24 from 3:00 – 6:00 pm. Rain or Shine. Open to the public. 580-B S. Donahue Dr. on the grounds of the Edward L. Lowder Red Barn. Parking is on the right just before you reach the barn.


❖ Kingian Nonviolence Conflict Reconciliation Workshop: August 10 – 11 | 8:30 am – 4:00 pm | Pebble Hill. There is no cost to attend but space is limited. To register, email cah@auburn.edu or call (334) 844-6198.

Support Groups

❖ Parkinson’s Disease Support Group: no meeting in July.

❖ Village Friends/Village Values: Contact Martha Shepherd, 334-319-1553.

❖ Caregiver Support Group: Meets in the Conference Room B160, Mathison Building, AUMC, 12 – 2 pm. Next meeting: July 18. Details: Judy Guin, 826-2218.

Art, Literature, and Music

❖ Jule Collins Smith Museum: Closed through the summer for remodeling.


OLLI Fall 2017 Information:

General Membership Meeting: Monday, September 18
OLLI classes begin: Monday, September 25
OLLI classes end: Thursday, November 16

Quick Tip – Meet Other Members...Wear Your Name Badge!

OLLI at Auburn requires members to wear name badges when attending OLLI classes and events, as a security measure, and, because it just makes sense. Wearing your OLLI name badge is the perfect way to be able to meet and greet other members when you are attending classes and events at OLLI. Try approaching other members with a smile, look at their name badge, and greet them by name. Be sure you are wearing your name badge so the person can greet you right back by name! It works every time! Keep your badge in a convenient place, like your car, your bag, or your purse, so that you always have it when you come to OLLI!

Sunny Slope Renovations

❖ Ramp and home renovations – Work started this week and is expected to be completed by the end of July.

❖ Driveway – Widening to two lines and curb expansion tentatively scheduled for July 5 – 19.

❖ Landscaping and tree removal – June 15 with rain date pending. Heavy machinery involved, so use caution when visiting Sunny Slope.

❖ Parking lot – Work will start once the landscaping is complete; tentative schedule is June 19 – July 15.

Please remember these dates are all fluid. The plan is for all of these projects to be completed by August 1.