

OLLI at Auburn Calendar

(Subject to revision)

Fall 2009

Monday, Sept. 14	OLLI Fair, 8:30 – 10 am, Lexington Hotel
Monday, Sept. 14	General Membership Meeting, 10 am, Lexington Hotel
Tuesday, Sept. 15	AV Training Session, 9 am, Lexington Hotel
Monday, Sept. 21 to Friday, Nov. 13	Classes meet (8 weeks)
Wednesday, Sept. 30	Back to School Wine and Cheese Social, 4-6 pm, Lexington Hotel
Tuesday, Oct. 6	Brown Bag Lunch with Rheta Grimsley Johnson, 11:45 am, Lexington Hotel, Ballroom CD
Thursday, Nov. 2 to Saturday, Nov. 5	Trip to Chattanooga, Tennessee
Tuesday, Nov. 10	Brown Bag Lunch with Gary Webb, Auburn University Foundation, 11:45, Lexington Hotel, OLLI Clubhouse
Wednesday, Dec. 2	Holiday Social, 11:30 am, Saugahatchee Country Club

Winter 2010

Monday, Jan. 11	Winter General Membership Meeting, 10:00 am, Lexington Hotel
Monday, Jan. 18	Martin Luther King Day, No classes
Monday, Jan. 25 to Friday, Mar. 19	Classes meet (8 weeks)
Tuesday, Feb. 2	Brown Bag Lunch with Sidney James Nakhjavan, Women's Philanthropy Board, 11:45 am., Lexington Hotel, OLLI Clubhouse
Wednesday, Feb. 10	♥ Valentine Social, 4 - 6 pm, Auburn University President's Home
Saturday, Feb. 20	Writing Workshop with Richard Goodman, 9 a.m. - Noon, Lexington Hotel

Spring 2010

Monday, Mar. 22	General Membership Meeting, 10 am, Lexington Hotel
Monday, Mar. 29 to Friday, May 17	Classes meet (8 weeks)
Wednesday, May 26	Annual Meeting and Spring Social ☀ 11am - 1 pm, Lexington Hotel



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MEMBER HANDBOOK FALL 2009



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Special Events

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- **Back to School Wine and Cheese Social**

Open to all OLLI members
Wednesday, September 30, 4 to 6 p.m.
Lexington Hotel first floor Ballroom



- **Brown Bag Lunch Meeting**



Featuring Rheta Grimsley Johnson,
Auburn graduate and syndicated columnist
Talk and Book Signing of her book
Poor Man's Provence
Tuesday, October 6, at 11:45 a.m.
Lexington Hotel Ballroom CD

- **Trip to Chattanooga, Tennessee**

November 2-5, 2009
Please register by September 30, 2009 by contacting
Dolores Shell at (334) 821-2913



- **Brown Bag Lunch Meeting**

Featuring Gary Webb, Associate Director, Planned Giving
Topic: Planned Giving
Tuesday, November 10, at 11:45 a.m.
Lexington Hotel OLLI Clubhouse

- **Holiday Social**



Buffet Luncheon (Dutch treat meal)
Caroling and Door Prizes
Wednesday, December 2, 11:30 a.m.
Saugahatchee Country Club

Upcoming Special Event for Winter 2010:

- **Writing Workshop with Richard Goodman**

Saturday, February 20, 2010, 9 a.m.– Noon
Lexington Hotel



AU AFFILIATE ID CARD INFORMATION FOR OLLI MEMBERS

OLLI members who have paid the \$10 membership dues for the current OLLI year may obtain an AU Affiliate ID card. The procedures outlined below should be followed to obtain this card from the Office of Identity Management at Auburn University (IDM), 909 Shug Jordan Parkway, Suite 101, Auburn, AL 36832. The office is open Monday - Friday from 7:45 - 11:45 a.m. and 12:45 - 4:45 p.m. CST. The website for Identity Management is:
<http://www.auburn.edu/oit/idm/affiliates/olli.html>

IDM requires the following documents:

1. A government issued photo ID such as a driver's license, military ID card, passport, etc.

AND

2. Original social security card or a two page receipt from the Social Security Administration Office stating you have applied for a new or replacement card. Please note that social security numbers will not be recorded by IDM. Auburn University uses the **NAME** as it appears on the social security card as the name in the identity database. The Social Security Administration office is located at 1800 Corporate Drive, Opelika, AL 36801. The office is open Monday - Friday from 8:30 - 3:30 p.m. CST. The phone number is (334)-745-7052.

OLLI members who have been issued an AU Affiliate ID card will be allowed to use all Auburn University libraries (after obtaining a library card) and make use of the AU Tiger Transit bus system. Members with a card are also allowed audit privileges for Auburn University courses.

AUDITING AU COURSES

OLLI members must have an AU ID card and an email account to audit Auburn University courses. Email is necessary to access Auburn University's internet-based course materials and information. To audit a course, take these steps:

1. Select the course and seek enrollment permission from the professor.
2. After receiving written approval from the professor to audit the class, forward the written approval and your user name and password to Linda Shook at olli@auburn.edu.

AU LIBRARY INFORMATION

OLLI members with a valid AU ID card may use the Auburn University libraries after obtaining a library card. The main library is located at 231 Mell Street, Auburn, AL 36849. The Ralph Brown Draughon Library phone number is (334)-844-4500. Cards may be obtained at the main library Circulation Office (located behind the Circulation desk) on the first floor, Monday - Friday between 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. CST.

Welcome to OLLI at Auburn



OLLI at Auburn gives you more than just something to do; OLLI membership provides you with enriching opportunities. You may begin by attending courses, which lead to Brown Bag Luncheons on Tuesday, wellness and art courses on Friday, and travel tours for the weekend. Along the way, you realize that learning never retires and you've never felt better or so engaged.

In addition to the many courses that are offered during the academic year, various committees will organize special programs that include social events, discussion groups, special interest clubs, and travel opportunities. These programs are planned around your interests and with your participation, so please let the Curriculum Committee know what types of programs you want offered.

Don't hesitate to ask questions, share your life experiences, get involved with a committee and take that science class you avoided when you were a teen. The more involved you become, the richer and fuller OLLI at Auburn becomes, and the richer and fuller your life becomes.

This special handbook contains some useful information that will help you better enjoy your experience as part of OLLI at Auburn. Remember, **learning never retires!**

Joan Schwartz
President, OLLI at Auburn

MEMBERSHIP

The only requirement for membership is a desire to learn. You don't need a college degree; you don't need any college background at all. Even our most educated members can learn from the experiences of others. OLLI at Auburn invites all interested people to join us in learning about the pleasure of stretching our minds just for the fun of it.

Imagine a school in which the course material is challenging and the students are serious, but there are no entrance requirements, no exams, no grades. Where you go to class because you want to, not because you have to. Where you and other OLLI at Auburn members decide what to study and how you want to study it. Where, if you wish, you can take part in the teaching as well as the learning. In OLLI, you can be part of the excitement of learning through the process of shared inquiry, and become as involved as you want.

OLLI at Auburn is a peer-led organization. Active and involved members make it economical and effective. Members elect a Board of Directors to conduct the organization's affairs. The Board's work is supplemented by committees for finance, curriculum, membership, promotion, and review planning. A social committee plans parties and picnics, and a travel committee organizes a variety of tours and field trips each year.

We invite you to join us. Come make new friends while learning together. Stretch your mind with us in an intellectual adventure you'll never regret.

Benefits of Membership:

Membership dues are \$10.00 for the full academic year.

With membership, you will also have (free of additional charge):

- An Auburn University library card and full library privileges.
- The option to audit Auburn University credit courses (space available basis).
- Permission to use the Auburn University Tiger Transit bus system.
- Socials, at least one per term.
- Interesting speakers at all OLLI General Membership Meetings.
- Speakers at OLLI Brown Bag Lunch and Learn programs, typically at least one per term.
- Workshops and special programs, such as a writing workshop with a well-published author, at the members' rate (if there is a charge).
- Through the weekly *Bulletin Board* newsletter OLLI members are informed about lectures, special events, programs and performances offered at Auburn University and in the Auburn/Opelika area.
- Travel opportunities, to places near or far, with a group of OLLI friends, at the members' rate.

Academic Courses (Payment of Course Fees provides you with these benefits)

- With payment of academic fees, OLLI members may take as many classes as they wish each term, even as many as eight or ten per term.

Benefits of Membership Continued...

- Leadership and service opportunities: OLLI is peer led, and members have the opportunity to serve. Members may propose and teach classes, coordinate discussion groups, or serve as facilitators. Members chair and staff the committees that make OLLI work: Administration and Finance, Curriculum, Membership, Promotion and Publicity, Review and Planning, Social, Technology, and Travel. Members also plan, write articles and organize the OLLI Quarterly publication. Other members serve on the Archives Committee. The business of OLLI is conducted by a Board of Directors, who are elected from the membership, and serve three year terms.

Financial Assistance:

- Thanks to the Osher Foundation funding, OLLI at Auburn is able to offer some scholarships. For more information or to receive a scholarship application form, contact the Outreach Program Office at 334-844-5100 or email olli@auburn.edu, or visit the website at www.olliatauburn.org.

HISTORY OF OLLI AT AUBURN

In 1989, a group of people had an idea to form an institute for learning in retirement. The Auburn University Academy for Lifelong Learners (AUALL) was formed the following year. For seventeen years, AUALL thrived, expanded, and offered stimulating peer-led classes. By 2007, AUALL had 234 members, offered 61 classes during the three academic year terms, and held programs each week during the summer term.

During the spring of 2007, the Bernard Osher Foundation invited AUALL to apply for a grant, based on AUALL's history of exemplary programming and creative ideas for and expanding and improving opportunities for older learners in east Alabama. AUALL received funding from the Foundation and is now named Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at Auburn. Each term begins with a general meeting featuring noted scholars and community leaders as speakers. By the end of the 2008-2009 academic year, OLLI at Auburn had 553 members.

The Osher Foundation, started in 1977 by respected businessman and community leader Bernard Osher, seeks to improve the quality of life through support for higher education and the arts. In 2000, the foundation began a new focus—assisting programs for those interested in learning for the joy of learning, without concern for credit or degrees—and funded the first Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI). By 2009, there were 120 groups in 48 states, including Auburn University's program.