The end of my term as President of the OLLI Advisory Board has come to a close. When my term began a year ago it seemed that I had adequate time to accomplish my reasonably conservative goals:

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It has been a year filled with exciting educational opportunities and progress for both Vanderbilt and for OLLI. Last Fall, Norma invited me to accompany her to the annual Osher conference. It was a great opportunity with representation from all of the OLLI’s in the United States. I even had an opportunity to talk with Mr. Osher; he is a very impressive individual. During our meeting, I tried to find out if we had been approved for the second foundation endowment but he had no comment. Over the last year, we were successful in meeting our goals for fundraising, our enrollment continued to increase and the Osher Foundation ultimately did award us the second million-dollar endowment. I have had the pleasure of meeting many of you during this year and became acquainted with many of the professors through one-on-one contact. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you, as well as Norma and her staff, for the suggestions and support during the past year. What a year it has been.

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This spring culminates our 20th Anniversary of lifelong learning at Vanderbilt! In 1995, Silvine Hudson, an extraordinary woman, started Retirement Learning at Vanderbilt and worked as the Director until her retirement in 2002. She deserves much credit for the success of this program. I feel so fortunate to have worked under Ms. Hudson and to now serve in this capacity. It is an absolute pleasure to see all of you come and go excited by the new knowledge you have acquired. Please know how grateful I am for each and every one of you and don’t hesitate to call or email me any suggestions you may have.

Meet the New President

Newly elected OLLI president Betsy Kerr Hay, PhD, RN graduated from Randolph-Macon Woman’s College and then pursued her nursing education at Columbia, Vanderbilt and Case Western Reserve Universities. Her 43 year nursing career included practice in orthopaedics and neurosurgery, upper level administration, and classroom teaching.

In retirement, Betsy is thoroughly enjoying international travel, gardening, and volunteer work. She has served as president of the University Club of Nashville, director of education for the Herb Society of Nashville and Sunday school teacher for two year olds. Her learning curve in gourmet cooking has resulted in activation of her kitchen smoke alarm only once (so far).

Betsy has been on the OLLI Board for several years. She cites the comradery of members, the high quality of programs, and opportunities to meet new people as special benefits of membership. She looks forward to building on the foundation of 20 successful years as she leads OLLI into the next decade.

Mark Your Calendar

Are you planning ahead? Here are the start dates for the next four terms:

- Summer 2016: June 12th
- Winter 2017: January 16th
- Fall 2016: October 10th
- Spring 2017: March 27th

Registration for Summer 2016 is now available with a deadline of May 30th. We are very excited about all of the courses being offered which highlight music, food and wine.

Mitchell Korn will be back at the Williamson County Library with Symphony 101 and the Music of Motown will be presented by David Williams on Vanderbilt’s campus. The Osher Steel Drum Band with Mat Britain and Ali Puglisi continues to be a favorite (no musical experience is required). You can view the course descriptions for all of the summer courses by clicking HERE.

Important: Many of the courses for this summer have limited seating available and are filling fast. Online registration is recommended to secure your seat before the classes fill.
NEW REGISTRATION WEBSITE

We heard your feedback and are very excited to announce the launch of our brand-new registration website! After months of working with a developer, the custom-built site will be available for use for the Summer 2016 term. We thank you for your continued patience as we worked toward this goal. We are confident you will find this new site worth the wait.

What you need to know:

- The site will be accessed through the website just as before
- Usernames and passwords from the former system will not transfer so you will need to set up a new account
- Your email address will be your username

New Features:

- User-friendly navigation for easier registration
- Add guests to special events and Lunch and Learns
- Review your schedule at any time
- View your status on the waitlist

UPDated Fee Structure

Beginning with the Fall 2016 term, the OLLI at Vanderbilt fee structure is changing. All classes previously considered a core class and eligible for the three-course package will now be priced at $40 per class. The three-course package will no longer be available. All special course offerings (e.g. “OLLI at the Ballet”, “Steel Drum Band” and “Great Decisions”) will continue to be priced separately. Starting with the Summer 2016 catalog, the fee for each course will be listed with the course description as well as on the registration form, found on the last page of the catalog. We are excited about the affordability and accessibility this change will bring to our membership. If you have questions, please call our office at (615) 343-1130.

NEW MEMBERS

Jayne Andrews  Kimberly Dean  Charlene Hosey  Dorcas Mansell
Laurie Ball  Nancy Dickinson  Max Hurst  Jeanne Marchetti
Allen Barlow  Lynn Drew Bartlett  David Husbands  Mary Ruth Martin
Cheri Barlow  Bonnie Edwards  Marie-Pierre Isherwood  Vivian Martin
Barry Bartlett  Dave Evans  Joe Jackson  Barbara Martino
Marilyn Beesley  Harriet F. Jones  Betty James  Eve Maxwell
Randall Beeson  Linnea Folger  Glenn Johnson  Faye McArthur
Elaine Bellin  Alvin Fox  Paula Kasalis  Janie McClellan
Harvey Bennett  Gilbert Fox III  Lin Kayser  Conn McConnell
Julie Birdsong  Cindy Franklin  Diana Kersey  Kathleen McCracken
Kathleen Bivona  Lynn Fritz  Ursula King  Dana McCullough
Linda Blaine  Charlie Gilbert  Jean Klockenkemper  Floy McPherson
Debi Blake  Jerry Gilbert  Walter Kurtz  Warren Melamed
Barbara Blankstein  Marianne Gilbert  Vaden Lackey  David Miller
Ann Bodnar  Judi Gish  Judy Gilbert  Joann Miller
Charles Brackett  Lance Gish  Miami Moore  Linda Miller
Linda Bramhall  Sara Graber  Jerry Gilbert  Anne Moore
Robert Brandt  Cheryl Graves  Marianne Gilbert  John Moore
Susan Bryant  Doris Gray  Mack Gray  Sandy Moore
Alice Cannon  Kathy Griffin  Marjorie Grim  Steve Moore
Brenda Carson  Nancy Grim  Nancy Grimes  Cynthia Morin
John Chambers  Nancy Grimes  Lorinda Hancock  John Oates
Susan Chambers  Ann Harmer  Ann Harmer  Larkin Oates
Frances Christian  Jeanne Hawkins  Jeannie Lausten  Meredith Oates
Hayes Cooney  Robert Hawkins  Rick Lausten  Glenna Orr
Sheila Cope  Mary Hines  Dorinda Lee  Martha Orr
Eileen Crawford  James Hogg  Sandy Lewis  Jamie Parsley
Pam Crichton  Glenna Hoke  Sandy Lewis  Cindy Pennig
Ruth Crouch  Robin Holab-Abelman  George Luscombe  Don Pocel
Louise D’Andrea  Robin Holab-Abelman  Jo Ellen Luscombe  Lil Polk
Judy Darnell  Robin Holab-Abelman  Delores Maass  Lawrence Pomeroy

Did You Know?

Class Materials
Going to miss a class? Forgot to pick up a handout? You can find the class handouts and presentations on our website. Simply navigate to our site and in the right-hand navigation click “Current Class Materials”.

Class Videos
One or two classes each term are recorded and added to our site for viewing. Simply navigate to our site and in the right-hand navigation click “Current Class Videos”.

Scholarships
Scholarship assistance is available for one term each academic year. For more information, visit our website and click “Scholarships” in the right-hand navigation.
RECOGNITION

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at Vanderbilt is truly a member-run organization. We’d like to thank all of our volunteers and OLLI board members. Their efforts truly make OLLI at Vanderbilt the wonderful program that it is! We’d like to give special recognition to Paul Gherman who, after four years, is stepping down as Curriculum Chair. Paul was key in bringing together many successful courses during his tenure and we are grateful for his willingness to extend his term to four years. Past President Bob Covington also steps down after many years of service, serving two of those as President. His leadership was invaluable as we pursued the second endowment from the Osher Foundation. Additionally, Frank Grace and Jim Clapper each have board terms that are expiring in May 2016 and their service has enhanced our leadership team.

Board Members:
President Rich Hohman, Jim Clapper, Bob Covington, Deborah Frankovich, Kathy Garthwaite, Paul Gherman, Frank Grace, Steven Greil, Betsy Hay, Lee McKnight, Kathy Morton, Sam Purushotham, Claire Tschudy, Aileen Webb, Kathy West, Jim Wynalek

Committee Chairs:
Curriculum—Paul Gherman; Development—Lee McKnight; Special Events—Claire Tschudy; Lunch and Learn—Steven Greil; Classroom Assistance—Kathy Morton & Kathy West

FEATURING: RESTAURANT REVIEW GROUP

Our restaurant review group has an excellent list of restaurants selected for the remainder of the spring and summer. The group is led by Mary Raffety and Viv Pocke and recently got their own page on the OLLI website. Check out the page HERE. If you are interested in joining the group, email us HERE. The group will meet at 11:30 a.m. on the following dates:

- Tenn Sixteen Food & Drink
  - May 9
- St. Anejo
  - May 24
- 1808 Grille (at Hutton Hotel)
  - June 1
- Thai Esane
  - June 16
- Acme Feed and Seed
  - June 27
- Nashville’s Farmer’s Market
  - July 14

LUNCH AND LEARN

We had three very successful Lunch and Learn events during the spring term: “It All Begins With a Song”, “Radnor Lake State Park”, and “How Metro Council Works”. Here are some photos from the events and stay tuned for announcement for fall dates.

![January—“It All Begins With a Song”](image1)

![March—“Radnor Lake State Park”](image2)

![April—“How Metro Council Works”](image3)

OLLI Book Club

The OLLI Book Club, led by Kay Simmons, meets the first Monday of every month from 12:00—1:00 p.m. at St. George’s Episcopal Church in the upstairs conference room. If you are interested in participating in the book club, email us HERE.

The most recent book reviews include:
- “All the King’s Men” by Robert Penn Warren
- “The Orphan Master’s Son” by Adam Johnson
- “Stoner” by John McGahern.

The fall reading list will be determined at the May meeting.

Feedback

We welcome all feedback and suggestions. You can reach an OLLI staff member using the contact information below:

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We’re looking for members who are willing to serve as a classroom assistant for upcoming terms in classes for which they are enrolled. Volunteer responsibilities include:
- Arrive at class 20 minutes early
- Assist with monitoring name tags for attendance
- Answer general questions from members

Want to volunteer? Email us HERE.

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