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BTE1125 ***Turkish Cooking*** 10 - Noon, 2 spots available BTE1166 ***Frankenstein, The Man, The Monster, and the Woman Who Created Them***10 - Noon,Many spots available    The Bonus and Travel Events subcommittee is **soliciting course ideas and instructors** for the Fall 24 term. Do you want to share your expertise with others within a two-hour format? Perhaps you’ve remembered a great bonus event that you’d like to see repeated? Are you interested in a particular tour or know a “special place” that our esteemed colleagues would find intriguing? If so, please contact [Gregory Bechtel](mailto:gabechtel@gmail.com), to share possibilities.    **OLLI Parking Passes**for the 23/24 calendar year are available to pick up in the OLLI office. Remember there is no additional charge for the parking pass and it allows you to park in special designated areas on Furman University's campus. Parking forms are online [HERE](https://furman.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af3c4f8f7dbdb371355240f24&id=abeeaa45f2&e=ddb13b16b4) or in the OLLI office. **Please note:**  Once your parking permit is entered in the system, you may receive an email with the subject: Furman University Parking Permit Order 123456 **This is not a bill.** Your permit is included in your membership. **It will look like this:** Thanks for ordering your (OTC )2021-2022 OLLI parking permit! It is tied to the following License Plate(s): ABC123 Here is your Order Number: 123456 **(OTC) 2022-2023 OLLI:**  $10.00 **Total:**  **$10.00**     ***Attention Instructors and potential instructors:***Grants are available to help you develop new courses, create new focus areas or establish a Special Interest Group. Members or instructors who have been with OLLI for at least three terms are eligible to apply for grants of up to $2,000 for OLLI to expand their knowledge. The types of expenses typically funded by these grants include the cost of attending workshops; participating in conferences; publishing or marketing books or publications; obtaining research materials; or travel required to pursue a field of study.  **Applications for the Spring grants are due to the office by Friday March 1, 2024.** Application forms may be obtained by contacting the OLLI Office or online through the link [HERE.](https://furman.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af3c4f8f7dbdb371355240f24&id=9318274553&e=ddb13b16b4) Email[Mike Pillsbury](mailto:mppillsbury@gmail.com), Grants Committee chair, with any questions, or see Nancy Kennedy in the OLLIOffice.  ***Read and Explore with OLLI***  If you haven't picked up your copy of our big read for this winter,  *Rocket Boys,*stop by the OLLI office to do so. Copies are being returned daily by OLLI members for others to enjoy. If you have finished reading, **please remember to return the book** as other members are anxiously awaiting an opportunity to get in on our big read! We are excited to share the following special event to further enrich our experience of the book.    ***NASA: Inspiring Future Scientists, Technologists, Engineers, & Mathematicians*with OLLI Instructor, Jack Hansen.** **Thursday, February 15, 3:15,**HC110 Jack served as the Deputy Director for Research at the NASA Ames Research Center and will share a unique perspective of NASA in this lecture.  Rocket Boys” tells a compelling story of teenagers motivated to pursue careers in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) by the earliest years space race. Shortly after the time in which the book is set, NASA was formed and became the only Federal Agency with an explicit mission to inspire the next generation of scientists, technologists, engineers, and mathematicians. In this session we shall review key events in the development of NASA, how the Agency seeks to inspire young people through investments in education and through remarkable Aeronautics, Earth Science, and Space Science missions. We shall discuss the careers of four important professionals who have been inspired by NASA and are today impacting our national science and technology enterprise. Finally, we shall examine some current NASA missions areas that provide  inspiration to pursue STEM careers as they provide remarkable new insights into future air travel, global climate change and mitigation, and our own Solar System and the Cosmos.  ***OLLI Happenings***  **Tuesday Lunch & Learn** for next week, January 30, 12:30-1:15 p.m. come learn about ***Affordable Housing in Greenville: What Are Our Plans?***with Tina Belge, Policy and Advocacy Director, Greenville Housing Fund. Take an opportunity to enjoy your brown bag lunch and an interesting lecture! Lunch and Learn events are free and open to the public. Invite your friends to join in!  **OLLI@Furman Special Event  *Picasso with Chautauqua*  Saturday, February 10, 4-6:00 p.m.**  Experience an immersive journey into history with Chautuaqua! You will not want to miss *Chautauqua’s History Comes Alive*presentation of Pablo Picasso. Doug Mishler will portray this painter, sculptor, printmaker, ceramicist, stage designer, poet, and playwright. Dr. Mishler’s presentation will focus on Picasso’s most formative years between 1900 and 1910; his Paris years. These years transformed the 19 year old prodigy Pablo Ruiz into the infamous Picasso and with him the entire idea of what art was. OLLI members can attend this special presentation held at the Herring Center. Tickets will be $6 and will include food and wine. Attendance is limited.  You may now signup in the OLLI office or by calling 864.294.2998  **Crabtree Photography Display Submission Call** *Trees.*From giant redwoods to weeping willows, trees are wildly expressive.They can evoke wonder — or recede into the background as they quietly line a horizon. But for our **Spring/Summer Crabtree exhibit**, let a tree be the star of your image. It can be a tree (or trees) from any regionor season. Think creatively as you show us how this tangle of branches, roots and trunk captures your imagination. Michael Pannier, the founder and director of the SE Center for Photography in Greenville, will be the juror. **Please submit one jpeg image with about 2040 pixels on the long side to**[ollicrabtreephotos@gmail.com](mailto:ollicrabtreephotos@gmail.com)**by March 6.**Selected images will require a frame and the exhibit will open April 12.  ***Furman Features***  Support students through the experience of music! Furman University Department of Music will present a collaborativeconcert,  ***Prism*  January 26 at 7:30 p.m. in McAlister Auditorium.  Free and open to the public.** This concert will feature Furman's Symphonic Band, Symphony Orchestra, Furman Singers, Furman Chamber Choir, Jazz Ensemble, as well as, small group ensembles exploring various facets and genres of music.  ***What's Happening in the Upstate***  Something different – **Foothills Philharmonic** presents an all-string performing Mendelssohn’s delightful *Symphony No. 10*, Bartok’s joyful *Romanian Folk Dances* and Barber’s most recognizable piece *Adagio for Strings (*which will tug at your heartstrings!) **Saturday February 3 at 7pm**, Riverside Baptist Church, 1249 Suber Rd, Greer, 29650 [foothillsphilharmonic.org](https://furman.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af3c4f8f7dbdb371355240f24&id=0a2cd0ef95&e=ddb13b16b4) – FREE!  **Warehouse Theatre**will present Tony award-winning play, *The Lehman Trilogy*as their next main stage production. The show will run February 2-18 and tickets are now available. Visit the website [HERE](https://furman.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af3c4f8f7dbdb371355240f24&id=230cc48701&e=ddb13b16b4)for information.  **Jocassee Lake Tours has a spring adventure tour planned! THE FASCINATING HISTORY OF OCONEE BELLS** The Oconee Bell, once called “the most interesting plant in America,” shares a fascinating history with early explorers of the Jocassee Gorges.   Learn who these adventurers were and why early botanists spent nearly a century seeking out this elusive wildflower. Join us for a classroom presentation, followed by a 3 hour pontoon tour of Lake Jocassee to find the Oconee Bell in its native habitat, deep in the wild terrain of the Jocassee Gorges. Join in this event on March 8, 11am-3pm (includes 1 hour classroom presentation in the Holcombe Room at Devils Fork State Park - 161 Holcombe Circle, Salem SC 29676) Price: $65 per person- (minimum of 6, maximum of 24 people. Rain dates will be planned. | |

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