***OLLI Notes*
February 22, 2024**

**OLLI Office hours are Monday-Thursday 8:30-5 p.m.,
Friday 8:30-4 p.m. Contact the office at 864.294.2998.**

We had a successful week for Spring 24 Registration!
If you have not signed up for your courses for next term, there is still time.
Registration continues for the Spring 24 Term.
**The OLLI@Furman Spring24 Brochure**is available to view on our Website [HERE!](https://www.furman.edu/osher-lifelong-learning-institute/wp-content/uploads/sites/147/2024/02/S24-WEB-Brochure-edited.pdf)

Hard copies are available in the office.
Stop by the OLLI office or go online <http://www.furman.edu/olli>to register now.

Have questions? Call the OLLI office.

There is ROOM for YOU in these Friday Bonus Events on **March 1.**
**Please call the OLLI office to request a spot! 864.294.2998**

Spring Ephemerals, 8-3 pm. - 10 spots
Falling Outside the Lines, 1-3 p.m. - 4 spot
Carter Family Winery Tasting and Tour (rescheduled from Feb 9), 1-2:30 pm., 20 spots; $30 fee

***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=3fae89d3c8&e=d7ddd2d0e1) EmailMike Pillsbury, Grants Committee chair, with any questions, or see Nancy Kennedy in the OLLI Office.

**Parking Notice:** Many of the handicapped spaces in our lot have a space next to them painted with "cross-hatches."  These are NOT parking spaces. These are provided so that people in wheelchairs can adequately access their cars. Please do not park in these areas.

***OLLI Happenings***

**Tuesday Lunch & Learn** for next week, **February 27 12:30-1:15 p.m.** Come learn about ***Talking Trash in Greenville*** with Marcia Papin, Director, Solid Waste for Greenville County. 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 will host a FREE **Shred Day on Tuesday, March 26, 11-2 p.m.**in the Upper Herring Center Parking Lot. Please limit your items to 3 boxes.

**Shi Center for Sustainable Communities Art Display Submission Call**
Furman’s Shi (Sh/aI/ - emphasis on i sound) Center for Sustainable Communities is offering a unique opportunity to showcase your art work, as well as your love and concern for nature.  The theme for this upcoming exhibit is: ***INTERSECTION: Man and Nature.***The exhibit will exclusively feature the creative works of our OLLI members.The Shi Center will utilize 11X14 black frames that are matted to an 8X10 opening which will be provided for the submissions. The art work can be oriented either in a landscape or portrait mode. Photographers can submit their digital photos directly to the Shi Center via email to maryfrances.shelato@furman.edu**.**
For the painters and sketchers, please contact Jessica Justice to bring your piece to the OLLI office to be photographed and the photo will be submitted to the Shi Center, which will then print and frame your piece, as the hanging system works exclusively with the frames they are providing. There are display cases for mediums that would require such; fiber arts, wood carving, etc.
The theme of ***Intersection: Man and Nature*** is meant to encompass a variety of viewpoints and approaches to the nature that surrounds us and is meant to inspire, not restrict. **The exhibit will kick off with a reception at the Shi Center for the artists and a tour of the facilities on March 20th at 4 - 5:30 p.m.**Submission forms with additional information can be found at the link below and may be submitted to the OLLI office or the Shi Center by **February 27.**  [Art Submission Form Here](https://www.furman.edu/osher-lifelong-learning-institute/member-resources/forms-policies/). Let’s help bring OLLI talents to the Shi Center!

**Euchre anyone?** That’s right. OLLI is looking to start a Euchre (**yoo**·kr) SIG. If you have played this card game that is quite popular in the Midwest, and have reinstituted the SIG to allow for a time for fellow Euchre enthusiasts to play at the Herring Center. Mark your calendar and plan to play at their next gathering, **Friday, February 23, HC113 from 1pm – 3pm**. (Note: The Euchre SIG meets on the second and fourth Fridays of each month during each term.)  Please contact Carol Williams with questions or to let her know of your interest!

The **Stamp Collecting SIG**will meet on Tuesday, February 27, 12:15 p.m. in HC105. Contact Lynn Duncan at echoes92@charter.net  if you have any questions. There will be a short presentation and time for show and tell. Bring any stamps you might have for trading.

The OLLI SIG, **Theater of the Spoken Word,**will do the Readers Theater production of *'Echoes in the Chambers of the Heart'.* Auditions will be 1:00 - 4:00 p.m., March 19 HC104. Everyone is invited to try out. The Show will be 6:30 p.m., April 22 HC110. For more information contact Bill Burns, talsydon437@gmail.com

**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**by March 6.**Selected images will require a frame and the exhibit will open
April 12.

***Furman Features***

Enjoy a night at the theatre while you support students!

**Furman Theatre** will present ***Screentime,***a new play by Margaret Rose Caterisano on **February 20-24 at 7:30 p.m. and February 25 at 2:00 p.m. at The Furman Playhouse.**Arlene and Zoee are employed by Dolores as part of a PR company. Their job this weekend is to run a flooring convention for the PR Firm’s top (and only) client at the Phoenix Resort in Atlanta. The problem for Arlene is that her boss Dolores is also her aunt, and it gets hard to separate the obligation to family from the obligation to employer. As Dolores’ demands become more and more intolerable, mischief, romance, and technology all collide in this blend of old-world sensibilities with a new world style.

[**Purchase Tickets HERE!**](https://app.arts-people.com/index.php?ticketing=futa)

***Furman Basketball Special OLLI Offer!***

Have you wanted to check out the 2023 SOCON champions Paladin Mens Basketball team? As the regular season wraps up, Furman has a special offer for OLLI! Furman University students will be on spring break **Saturday,** **March 2**, **@ 2:00 p.m.**, so their will be seating available in the student section of Timmons Arena. Cheer on the Dins as they take on
Mercer!

Furman is offering OLLI members tickets for **$10 (a discount from $25)** along with a drink voucher from concessions or the End Zone bar to Olli members.

[Link HERE for TIckets!](https://am.ticketmaster.com/furman/promotional-page?id=NQ)

Registration is now OPEN for the seventh annual
**Community Health Forum Thursday, March 7**
at Furman University’s Younts Conference Center in Greenville, S.C.

The day-long event will feature keynote speakers, panel discussions and workshops with maternal health experts and program leaders from across the Carolinas. All attendees are invited to join for a Thursday evening reception and poster session. This year, the event will be offered as part of a two-day conference, "Cultivating Lifelong Family Well-Being," in partnership with the Institute for Child Success and SC Lends. The Desmond P. Kelly, MD Nurturing Developing Minds (NDM) Conference is scheduled for Friday, March 8.

 Learn more and [**register here**](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cultivating-lifelong-family-well-being-registration-790310860057?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopyurl)
(use promocode IACH24 for a $25 discount):
 [See more event details and the full agenda here](https://www.furman.edu/institute-advancement-community-health/iach-events/)
For more information, contact Erikah Haavie at 864-294-3083 or erikah.haavie@furman.edu

***What's Happening in the Upstate***

The **Herring Chamber Ensemble of the Greenville Chorale**is excited to present its **26th Annual Winter Concert February 25, 2024 at 3p.m.**The ensemble will present selections from BACH to BILLY JOEL. Selections will also highlight works of several internationally-renowned and Greenville local composers, Mark Kilstofte and Dan Forrest. Hear the extraordinary sounds of this 24-voice ensemble in the beauty of Furman’s Daniel Chapel. **Discounted tickets for OLLI members can be purchased through the OLLI office TODAY, $32.**

Greenville Chautauqua Society will present a *Maria von Trapp Talk* led by Marian Strobel on **February 27 at 7 – 8:30 pm.** This FREE event is a discussion, not an in-character performance. Hughes Main Library and Online Visit [historycomesalive.org](http://historycomesalive.org/)for more information.

**Greenville Symphony Orchestra** has a full slate of events to enjoy! Visit their website [HERE](https://www.greenvillesymphony.org/) for details and tickets.
**Wednesday, February 28 5:30 pm***Symphony Insig*hts at Sigal Music Museum, FREE admission. Meet conductor Gary Robinson and soloist Caroline Robinson to learn all about the music and history behind the Greenville Symphony's "Everything Old is New Again" Gunter Theatre concerts.

**Saturday March 2, 7:30 pm and Sunday March 3, 3:00 pm** the Greenville Symphony Orchestra presents *"Everything Old is New Again"* at Gunter Theatre.

**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. Call 864-280-5501 to reserve your spot.