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Please contact the OLLI office to request a drop.   **There is room for you in the following Friday Bonus Events** **on Friday, April 5!**Please call the OLLI office to register. **Intro to AI**- 10 - Noon, Zoom portion has spots available **How to Overcome Shoulder Pain** - 1-3 p.m., 10 spots available **Explore the Foothills Trails** - 1-3 p.m., spots available for In-person and Zoom.  **TAKE NOTE:**Furman University will host the **Greenville County Special Olympics** on **Wednesday, April 3**. The Herring Center Parking lot will be full of school buses and cars for a good part of the day. Therefore, Wednesday classes have been rearranged. If you are in a Wednesday class, your instructor should have let you know plans for the day, whether it’s meeting offsite, going on Zoom, or skipping class and planning a makeup. Many afternoon classes are delayed by 30 minutes. **Watch for a separate email** **with full information about Wednesday changes**. Thank you for your understanding as we celebrate these special athletes.    **Read our new edition of OLLI*Life***[HERE](https://furman.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af3c4f8f7dbdb371355240f24&id=e2857c5643&e=2b19719a99" \o "https://furman.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af3c4f8f7dbdb371355240f24&id=e2857c5643&e=2b19719a99" \t "_blank)**!** Thanks to Editor, Jean Hess and her staff of contributors for keeping us informed about all that is of interest within the OLLI community! Hard copies are available in the OLLI office.    The **Nominating Committee**, led by OLLI Council Vice President/President-Elect Doug Dorman, has been formed and will work to name a slate for election at the Annual Meeting/Spring Luncheon in May. If you are interested in serving in a leadership role with OLLI, or would like to nominate a fellow member, please email [Doug](mailto:dddmusic@yahoo.com) with any questions or nominations (which must be submitted by April 12 and include a brief bio). We are currently seeking two at-large Council members (3-year terms) and a VP of Finance/Administration (two-year term). In addition to attending four Council meetings annually, at-large members will be encouraged to serve on a committee and/or a special project during their three year terms. Thanks to the OLLI members who are serving on this committee with Doug:  Vito Fiore, Audrey London, and Gayle Brown.    **Volunteer for Artisphere!** Join us as we support the arts in Greenville by volunteering for Artisphere. Volunteers will have the opportunity to pick from different shifts ranging from Artist Check-In, Booth Sitters, Wine Servers and Cashiers just to name a few. Volunteers will also receive a volunteer t-shirt for working a shift. Visit the Artisphere Volunteer Site and sign up [here](https://furman.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af3c4f8f7dbdb371355240f24&id=f89f2f321e&e=2b19719a99) (drop down will give you an OLLI @ Furman option). Questions can be directed to Kamara Sitton[Kamara Sitton](mailto:ksitton@greenvillesc.gov)**.**  ***OLLI Happenings***  **Keep in mind**, the Herring Center has Herring Loop available in classrooms HC110, HC111, and HC004. if needed, you may chak out headsets in the OLLI office to use during class.  **Tuesday Lunch & Learn for April 2, 12:30-1:15 p.m. HC110** Learn the latest news on *What's Happening in Greenville?* with **Shannon Lavrin, City Manager**, Greenville, South Carolina. These sessions are open to the public and are a super way to share the OLLI “experience.” Invite your friends!  Stop by the Shi Institute for Sustainable Communities now **through May 19 to see the amazing artwork of 18 talented OLLI artists** on display. Stop by any time weekdays from 9 a.m.- 4 p.m. to see paintings and photographs with the theme, **"Intersection: Man & Nature."** Shi will be sharing work by additional OLLI artists in the months to come. Stay tuned!   ***Furman Features***    Dr. Kate Kaup, Professor of Asian Studies and Politics and International Affairs will present a lecture with *The US, China, and the War on Drugs*on **Thursday, April 4, 5:30 p.m.** Furman University Campus, McEachern (FH 214) Free and open to the public!  Embark on an empowering journey at **Citizens' Climate Education's Southeast Regional Conference**,*"A Community-Centered Climate Future"* in partnership with the [SHI Institute for Sustainable Communities](https://furman.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af3c4f8f7dbdb371355240f24&id=4f1a6629ff&e=2b19719a99)**.**This dynamic two-day gathering will take place on **April 6-7** at [Furman University](https://furman.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af3c4f8f7dbdb371355240f24&id=022a3c8328&e=2b19719a99)**'s**stunning Upstate campus. Learn more and purchase tickets [HERE.](https://furman.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af3c4f8f7dbdb371355240f24&id=0e9facf1e4&e=2b19719a99)  **Furman's institute for the Advancement of Community Health is hosting a panel discussion,***Prioritizing Homelessness, Housing Insecurity, and Community Health* **Tuesday, April 9**, **6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.** Watkins Room, Trone Student Center.  Join a panel of community leaders and Furman alumni as they discuss initiatives in the Greenville area designed to reduce homelessness and housing insecurity and optimize community health for all. This event is part of Furman’s Cultural Life Program. Learn more: [https://tinyurl.com/avyu8wus](https://furman.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af3c4f8f7dbdb371355240f24&id=9a0cd5d885&e=2b19719a99) or email IACH Health Education Manager Loretta Crowley at [loretta.crowley@furm](mailto:loretta.crowley@furman.edu" \o "mailto:loretta.crowley@furman.edu)  Registration is open for Furman Spring Weekend. Three days of programming to include Furman Engaged, The Paladin Pitch Competition and the Furman Showcase all of which will showcase the inspiring work of students and faculty, while providing numerous opportunities for alumni, parents, and friends to experience Furman. Make plans to join in the fun, learning and community of this eventful weekend. Register [HERE](https://alumnievents.furman.edu/e/furman-spring-weekend/)**.**  Support students by attending [***Furman Engaged***](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dEmpjrkwhKo)! See students in action. Furman Engaged is a day dedicated to highlighting diverse and immersive learning experience and Furman's commitment to engaged learning. Undergraduate research, internships, study away experiences, creative projects, service learning, fit-year writing seminars and capstone experiences–Furman students have immersed themselves in these and other high-impact learning experiences. Furman Engaged provides students the opportunity to complete the last and key step of these deep learning experiences–the public sharing of their work with peers, faculty, staff, and the community. The 16th annual Furman Engaged will take place on**Friday, April 12, 2024**. Follow the link [HERE](https://virtual.oxfordabstracts.com/#/e/fe2024/program)for information and a schedule of events.    ***What's Happening in Greenville***  **Warehouse Theatre** will present their newest production, *Trouble in Mind*  March 29-April 14. Set during rehearsals for a major Broadway production, the sotry illuminates the inner life of a Black actress struggling with her career. South Carolina playwright Alice Childress’s 1955 play – which finally premiered on Broadway in 2021 and was nominated for best revival of a play, is a funny, moving, and heartbreaking look at racism, identity, and ego in the high-stakes world of New York theatre. A show that finds the contemporary in the classic, this reads like a play written in 2023 not 1955.  If you are a fan of writers from South Carolina who didn’t receive their due when they were alive, this show is for you. Visit the website [HERE](https://warehousetheatre.com/shows/trouble-mind/)for information, showtimes and tickets.  **VIVACE ...Greenville Chorale Fund-Raiser Event** will be held on**Friday, April 5**in the Younts Conference Center. This annual event to benefit the Greenville Chorale will include buffet dinner, wine/beer, live entertainment from the membership of the Chorale, a great SILENT AUCTION (Cliffs golf, European trips, restaurant gift cards, original creations by local artists,  sports memorabilia, night at the Grand Bohemian, even loads of mulch, baby grand piano,  and much more). Tickets are $75/person (includes two drinks) ..... the fun and support of the Chorale....."priceless." Tickets are available online: [greenvillechorale.org](https://furman.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af3c4f8f7dbdb371355240f24&id=dbc421bd57&e=2b19719a99)  Come join the fun! **Greenville Concert Band** will present *Let the Games Begin* on **Sat, April 6, 2–3:30 p.m**. at the Hughes Library. Experience a live musical performance featuring pieces by John Williams, Ralph Saucedo, John Philip Sousa, and the Southeastern premiere of Jess Turner’s “Red Rover.” Founded in 1972 by members of the Furman Lakeside Band wishing to continue performing throughout the year, the Greenville Concert Band promotes quality performance and appreciation of band music in a variety of genres. Registration is required. Visit the website[HERE](https://furman.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=af3c4f8f7dbdb371355240f24&id=f3addc465a&e=2b19719a99) or call 864-527-9258.  **A Special Invitation to ShalomFest‘24** A Cultural Festival of Jewish Music, Arts, History, Customs, and Food. ShalomFest is back and better than ever!  Returning for its 12th year following a four-year hiatus, this favorite community event will feature choir performances; folk dancing demonstrations; presentations, exhibits, and short films on Jewish history and customs; a mock Jewish wedding and Passover Seder; children’s story-telling and hands-on activities. Traditional food, pastries, drinks, and gifts.   **April 7, 2024** from **11:00 am to 4:00pm** Temple of Israel Campus, 400 Spring Forest Rd., Greenville SC  FREE admission \* Family-friendly  **A special treat this year! ShalomFest Interfaith Choir concert *“Give My Regards to Jewish Broadway,”*concert at 2 p.m.** featuring a 30 voice choir which includes our very own ***OLLI Singers***: Phyllis Dunne, Sandra Eastman, Charlotte Finn, Sarah Fletcher, Lori Griswold, Judy Lineback, Peggy MacBean, Michael McDonald, Mary Reimers, Peg Van Bergen, Eugenia Vicars and director Laura Becker. Come out to support us and to enjoy some classic Broadway show tunes!  For further details, contact Laura Becker at [LLB3130@gmail.com](mailto:LLB3130@gmail.com) | |

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