Welcome to Summer Edition of OLLI on LINE
This is my last edition as editor of OLLI on Line. I hope OLLI members have enjoyed keeping up with OLLI happenings through the newsletter. A sincere thanks to all who have contributed information and pictures. Best wishes for a happy summer to all!

Linda Calk

Summer Registration
Summer registration was a big success! Members could drop off their completed forms, ensuring little wait time. Many thanks to all the volunteers who made registration an easy and pleasant experience.
Janet Dand, OLLI Vice Chair

Welcome to New Administrative Assistant
Danny Ramírez, a UTEP college student, was recently hired to work in the OLLI front office. Please take a minute to introduce yourself and welcome Danny to OLLI.

OLLI Publicity Chair Change
Shari Schwartz has joined the OLLI Board of Directors to take over publicity and community outreach when Sue Sobin's term ends. Shari is a longtime El Paso resident with public relations experience at KCOS-TV. She has already participated in a KTEP radio interview for "Focus on Campus" which aired on May 11. Ian Wilson and Sue also attended.

Note from Sue: My term with the board ends on August 31. I have really enjoyed working on publicity during the past five years. I would like to acknowledge the assistance that I received. OLLI members and staff worked at events, submitted photos, participated in interviews, recorded radio announcements and recruited volunteers. Thanks to everyone who helped.
Sue Sobin, Publicity Chair

Music at OLLI!
Dr. Robert Jacob’s summer guitar class is full of eager students who want to learn to play their guitars. It will be a fun sing-along class. Dr. Bob’s years of playing and enthusiasm promise to make the class enjoyable. He will certainly need a lot patience with all of us!!!
Let’s all practice our guitar playing this summer. How about an OLLI GUITAR CLUB for the Fall semester?
Liz Highsmith, Social Chair
Farewell Party for Hannah Gomez

Cheers to OLLI members! What a great turnout to wish Hannah the best!!!
The food was fabulous! We had a fantastic assortment of delicious dishes, even a cake with Hannah’s picture on it.
We are all so proud of Hannah and wish her the very best success. She will be missed; however, she has promised to stay in touch. Maybe we will be lucky enough to have her as our doctor in the future!
Liz Highsmith, Social Chair

If You Enjoy a Cup of Coffee and a Cookie

Coffee and cookies are not provided by OLLI funds. They are available because OLLI members contribute to the coffee/cookie donation box. Funds are getting low, and if we run out of money, we will not be able to provide that little treat for you.

Many enjoy refreshments before or after class, and it gives our members an opportunity to socialize. It can’t happen without your help, so please remember to contribute often to the coffee/cookie donation box.

Ian Wilson, OLLI Executive Director

New Registration Procedures for Fall 2018

We tried a new method for registration for Summer that went well. The same method will be used for Fall registration. Here are the easy ways that you can register for Fall:

1. Fill out your registration form and, along with a check or credit card information, bring your documents to the OLLI Office beginning August 14 at 1:30 pm. There will be no lines or waiting. Simply turn in your completed forms to one of the registration volunteers. You will have the assurance that your form reached the OLLI office.

2. If you would rather, you can mail in your completed forms, along with a check or credit card information, to the OLLI Office at:

   OLLI at UTEP
   University of Texas at El Paso
   Miners Hall Room 209
   500 W University Ave.
   El Paso, TX 79968

3. You can also call the OLLI office at 747-8848 or 747-6280 starting Aug. 14 after 1:30 pm.

Registration will be open from August 14-August 21, 2018. You will receive your class confirmation via email before the session begins. No lines; no waiting. Bring forms person, send by US mail, or call.
Ian Wilson, OLLI Executive Director
OLLI Members Active Locally and Nationally!

Recently our own OLLI member, Judy Ackerman, appeared in a TIME magazine article on Beto O’Rouke. Kudos to you, Judy. Whatever political side you are on, whatever position you take on issues, you are all encouraged to be a part of the national discussion. “It’s all about participation and engagement,” said Dr. Natalicio in a recent interview. With a healthy dose of civility, we might add. Go Judy. GO OLLI! Go MINERS!

Ian Wilson, OLLI Executive Chair

In Memoriam

Winifred "Freddie" (Baumer) Dowling Obituary

On Friday, May 11, 2018 Winifred "Freddie" Baumer Dowling formerly of El Paso, Texas and Washington D.C., died of a stroke. Her daughter, Valerie, was at her side. Freddie received her education at Marymount College, Tarrytown, N.Y. and the University of the Sorbonne in Paris, France. Upon returning to the States, she was employed at the Iranian Embassy. She later served on the staff of the "Washingtonian" magazine, and at VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America), which was formed in the 1960's. In 1979 Freddie married Thomas Dowling (now deceased) and moved to El Paso, Texas. She was employed by the city of El Paso in the field of aging services, rising to the position of Director. Throughout her life, Freddie was remarkably hard-working, optimistic, and upbeat. In addition to her fulltime work, she pursued and completed a Ph.D. in history. After retirement, she moved to Florida to be with family members. She is survived by her daughter, Valerie, a brother, two sisters and their spouses. Condolences may be sent in care of freddiedowlingmemorial@gmail.com.

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Freddie, as we knew her, was deeply involved with OLLI ever since the first meeting of the CLL in 1989. She worked tirelessly on several OLLI committees and in 2011 became the OLLI Board Chair. She will always be a part of OLLI history.

Ian Wilson, Executive Director
Dates to Put on Your Calendar

August 14 – August 21 Registration for Fall Semester
September 4 - Fall First session begins
October 22 - Fall Second Session begins
(No classes during Thanksgiving week)
December 7 – Last regular day of classes (Unless you have a make-up)

Director’s Announcement

I have notified the OLLI Board that I will be stepping down from the Executive Director’s position here at OLLI by the end of December. It has been more than four years of very pleasurable experiences and personal growth. I have come to know and work with so many great OLLI members. This is a program to be passionate about. In fact, although I will be leaving this position, I intend to continue to be active and engaged as an OLLI student and volunteer!

The OLLI Board has set up a search committee to find a replacement for this position. I will certainly be available to help train and guide whomever the board finds as a replacement. If you know of someone who may be interested, let Marie Livingston, or me know and we can provide details of the job description and stipend. This is a great place to work!

Thank you all for all these years of support, encouragement, guidance, and kind words.

With gratitude,
Ian Wilson, OLLI Executive Director

It’s all about participation and engagement
….You come to class.. you don’t skip school..You aren’t delinquent..

….You come to class and
OLLI will be a GREAT INSTITUTE on our campus!

Dr. Diana Natalicio
President, University of Texas at El Paso