From the Director

Happy Valentines to all our OLLI members! We appreciate all you do to make CCU’s Osher Institute one of the best in the nation!

Remember that classes are scheduled to begin throughout the semester, so take a second look at your catalogs for additional opportunities to broaden your horizons. I hope you will attend the four upcoming lecture series so that we can show the CCU deans, CCU faculty, local artists, and experts invited to our campus how active and engaged our OLLI members are. If we have good attendance at these events, the chances of our recruiting more professors to teach for OLLI increase. I think you will find the deans impressive, the climate change talks enlightening, the artists fascinating, and the migrant experience panels moving. By the way, two of the series are free to members: Coffee with the Deans in Conway and the Immigration panels in Litchfield.

From the comments on Facebook, you seem to have enjoyed our excursions so far this semester. There’s still room on many of the upcoming trips, including our May adventure to Washington, D.C., the Gospel to Gershwin performance in Charleston March 4, and everyone’s favorite, the Mystery Tour February 26.

To the left, you will see our star dancers who will be performing at the CCU women’s basketball game tomorrow (Saturday, Feb. 15) at 2:00 for the halftime show. Please come out to support them!

All artists and crafters, consider participating in our craft sale at Litchfield in April.

We’re asking everyone to contribute to our annual yard sale during March, so start cleaning out those storage areas and donate your gently used items to OLLI. (Sorry, we don’t accept clothing.)

We don’t seem to have as many golfers or bowlers as I had anticipated, but we will probably go ahead with both clubs. If you missed the first announcement, you still have time to sign up. The organizational meeting for Putt Putt is March 5 at noon in Conway, and the first bowling outing is next Monday at 3:00 at the alley near the Conway center.

Finally, we’re going green in Conway, so please bring your own cup if you want coffee!

Love to all,
Carol
Big or Small, Be Kind to All

In order to help our furry friends who have it “ruff” OLLI@CCU will collect food and supplies for our local animal shelters during the month of February.

We have specific wish lists for each location at our outreach centers. Supplies may be dropped off in Conway and Litchfield.

OLLI Lecture Series on Climate Change

**Sat., 10 a.m. to noon, Conway Education Center, Room 100**

- Feb. 29: Jamie McCauley, assistant professor of sociology
- Mar. 7: Paul Gayes, executive director, Burroughs & Chapin Center for Marine and Wetland Studies
- Mar 14: Thomas Mullikin, research professor, Burroughs & Chapin Center
- Mar. 21: Julinna Oxley: professor of philosophy
- Mar. 28: Zhixiong Shen, assistant professor, marine science (lecture will be on main campus)

We have something special coming up soon in Conway and Litchfield

**Great Decisions Lecture Series, Saturdays, Johnson Auditorium, 10 a.m. to noon, CCU Main Campus**

- Feb. 15: Artificial Intelligence and Data, Paul Cezak, CCU Department of Computer Science
- Feb. 22: Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking, Elhem Daadaa, Fulbright Language TA from Tunisia

**Coffee with the CCU Deans, Fridays, 11 to 11:50 a.m., Conway Education Center**

- Feb. 21: Michael Roberts, Gupta College of Science
- Feb. 28: Claudia Bornholdt, Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts
- Mar. 6: Barbara Ritter, E. Craig Wall, Sr. College of Business Administration
- Mar. 13: Edward Jadallah, Spadoni College of Education
- Mar. 20: Sara Hottinger, HTC Honors College and Center for Interdisciplinary Studies

**NEW Series: The Artist’s Way, Mondays Noon to 12:50 p.m., Litchfield Education Center**

*Bring your lunch and watch our artists at work!*

- Feb. 24: Barnie Slice
- Mar. 2: Pat Mariano
- Mar. 9: Doug Fankhauser
- Mar. 16: Terry Strawser
- Mar. 23: Rebecca Zdybel

Attention Golfers!

Do you want unlimited game play and discounted food? You got it! A $15 cover gets you all that and more every Wednesday night from 8 to 11 p.m. at Topgolf Myrtle Beach.

OLLI@CCU members will need to show their student ID to take advantage of this offer.

For more information visit topgolf.com/collegenight.
Born in Brooklyn, NY, Pete has lived in Binghamton (NY), Baltimore, Houston, Fayetteville (AR), and Conway. He lived in Houston for 34 years. Tired of the heat and humidity, he moved from Houston to Fayetteville. After a while in the snow, cold, and ice, he and his wife moved to the Grand Strand area to be closer to family.

In his past life, he worked in the U.S. space program. Pete entered his job in a roundabout manner. In high school, he joined “weekend warriors” with the naval aviation station. When he was 18, he was drafted, but the Navy said they would activate him rather than let him be drafted and sent elsewhere. He became more interested in aviation, which led to being interested in the space program.

He worked in both aerospace and Star Wars programs. “The manned space program was the most enjoyable part of my career. I was part of the team that provided crew training for the Apollo, Apollo/Soyuz, space lab, and space shuttle programs,” Pete disclosed. He appreciated working with a team that worked and lived very closely together. President Kennedy asked NASA to land a man on the moon, and the team accomplished that goal. Pete stated, “This is what can be done when groups get together for a single cause and take pride in their accomplishments.” Sivillo believes in the power of teamwork as many brains working together can accomplish more than one brain working alone. He went on to say, “It was a historical time in the history of the U.S. and it was my pleasure to be a part of it.”

When asked if he knew Christopher Kraft and Gene Kranz, his modest response was “yes, I was lucky enough to know them both and work with Gene Kranz.” He worked on several of the Apollo missions and said the teamwork viewers saw in the Apollo 13 movie was accurate. The astronauts could not have been brought back safely without many people working together toward a common goal.

Pete has no pets, but he relaxes by fly fishing and camping in the beautiful outdoors. He also likes movies. Saving Private Ryan, he feels, should be required watching in schools “so that our youth can see what price was paid for freedom” so it can be cherished and protected. The Notebook is another favorite movie of Pete’s as it shows what can be accomplished when true love endures over many years.

Sivillo feels a lifelong learning program such as OLLI is “a place where seniors can continue to increase their learning and skills; it is Important that we share our experience and knowledge with others and this is proved to us in a quality environment.” This is true not just for OLLI’s target audience, but also for younger generations. Pete learned about OLLI through other seniors. He is very excited about teaching in the OLLI@CCU program.

Pete’s class, The U.S. Space Program, is scheduled to begin Monday, March 9 at 11:00 a.m. in the Conway center. Don’t miss this chance to learn from someone who was actually there when history was made!
Planning: Decisions for Now and Tomorrow

Estate Planning Series

March 24-26, 2020 | 3-5 p.m.
Coastal Carolina University, East Campus

OLLI@CCU
Burroughs & Chapin Center for Marine and Wetland Studies
290 Allied Dr., Conway, SC 29526

How do you keep up with alterations in tax laws, a shifting economy, and changes in personal circumstances that impact your financial future? What should you consider in making decisions that will affect you and your loved ones? Learn from experienced professionals who work in these fields.

Tuesday, March 24
• Wills and Probate
• Power of Attorney and Health Care Power of Attorney

Wednesday, March 25
• Revocable Trusts
• Tax Issues when Planning Your Estate

Thursday, March 26
• Annuities and Insurance in Retirement and Estate Planning
• Long-Term Care and Planning for Long-Term Health Issues

Total cost for three-day event:
$45 OLLI members
$55 Non-members

Registration
OLLI members: coastal.edu/olli/currentcourses/
Non-members: coastal.edu/endowment/givenow/estate

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