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Osher members celebrate season’s joys at Winter Gala

WHEN/WHAT/WHERE: Get a glimpse of the vibrant and multifaceted nature of Osher during its Winter Gala, from 12:30 to 2:30 pm, Fri., Dec. 13, at the UWM Heftor Conference Center, 3271 N. Lake Dr. The festive event attracted close to 125 members both in 2012 and 2011.

WHO: Adults age 50 and over who share a love for learning and meeting new ‘friends’ comprise this unique learning community which welcomes people from all educational backgrounds. The only requirement is a keen desire to learn.

“Over 900 members belong to the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI). Perks include access to hundreds of OLLI programs including resources at the UWM Golda Meir Library and endless social activities,” said Kim Beck, executive director of the Institute.

Members enjoy innovative and enriching programs in a congenial setting with others who share similar interests. They are drawn by stimulating conversation and challenging learning without tests or grades. Other benefits include short courses in the arts, literature, history, politics, ethics and religion taught by UWM faculty and noted experts; Special Interest Groups and Go Explore excursions to local places of interest.

MILWAUKEE AREA RANKS AS NINTH BEST PLACE TO PRE-RETIRE:

Forbes’ Next Avenue recently ran a nationwide study ranking the metro Milwaukee area as the ninth best place to pre-retire in the nation. http://www.forbes.com/sites/nextavenue/2013/07/03/the-best-cities-for-boomers-to-pre-retire/

The School of Continuing Education, at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, is cited in the study for its breadth of quality noncredit programming.

OSHER MEMBERSHIPS: The cost is $45 a person and $80 for couples or individuals living at the same address. To purchase Osher memberships, visit sce-osopher.uwm.edu.
About the School of Continuing Education: As one of 14 schools and colleges that comprise the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, SCE offers participants an assortment of over 1,500 programs and 600 practitioner instructors. With nearly 20,000 participants each year, SCE is the largest provider of noncredit continuing education in southeastern Wisconsin. Its mission is to generate knowledge and learning opportunities for those interested in developing professional skills in business, technology and human services, enriching their lives with classes in arts and humanities or those who are simply looking for a new intellectual challenge.

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