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Super Salad Social Luncheon at Reston April 18, 2014

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Alerts & Notices

There will be a candidate forum at 10:00 at the annual meeting in TA-1 on May 2 at Tallwood. To read the bios for the candidates for the Board of Directors, click [here](#). Voting will take place May 2-16.

Murder at the Bellagio, a murder mystery, takes place at COGS on Wed, June 4. Sign up on the OLLI web page registration site for Special Event #991. The cost of \$25 per person benefits OLLI membership and includes a catered brunch plus plenty of mayhem and surprises!

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April Board of Directors Meeting Highlights



by Janet Cochran, Secretary of the Board of Directors

The OLLI Board of Directors met in Loudoun on Friday, April 18. Prior to the



meeting, candidates for election to the Board mingled with those attending, giving us an opportunity to get acquainted.



Photos by Paul Howard, Apr 18, 2014

This was the last meeting of the current Board. Four members are stepping down: Gordon Canyock, having served a total of nine years; Manny Pablo, six years; Ernestine Meyers and Bob Zener, three years. Nancy Scheeler and Martha Scanlon are running for re-election.

Executive Director Jennifer Disano reported that we currently have 1145 members. She has identified a vendor for a new OLLI course registration system. The proposed system will be demonstrated to the Board in May. There will be an orientation tour of the new Loudoun facility on May 9. On the same date, *Debbie's Kitchen* in the Tallwood Cottage will be dedicated to honor the late Debbie Halverson, former OLLI president and volunteer extraordinaire who also developed the cooking curriculum.

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Spring Term - Currently Scheduled Make-up Classes



By Kerin Braudaway, Administrator

Please note the make-up classes as listed below:

- OLLI F801 Technologies That Transformed the World
The make-up class is scheduled Tue, May 20, at 11:50 at Tallwood.
- OLLI F305 "Living in troubled and frightening times:" The Fears of 1917
The make-up class is scheduled Wed, May 21, at 9:40 at the Church of the Good Shepherd.
- OLLI R312 "The world on fire:" The Seven Years' War

The make-up class is scheduled Wed, May 21, at 2:15 at the Rose Gallery at Reston Community Center.

An up-to-date list is available at the [OLLI website](#).

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Notice of Annual Meeting and Election Procedure



by Janet Cochran, Secretary of the Board of Directors

The Annual Membership Meeting will be held on Friday, May 2, 2014, at 10:00 at Tallwood. The agenda for the meeting will include:

- Reports from the OLLI president and executive director
- Brief speeches by the candidates for election to the Board and opportunity to ask questions of the candidates, moderated by the Nominating Committee chair
- Opportunity for questions and answers

The vote on election for Board of Directors will take place from Friday, May 2, through noon on Friday, May 16, 2014.

Election Procedure: Recognizing the accuracy, convenience and efficiency of electronic balloting, the bylaws allow for electronic transmission and members are encouraged to use this method of voting. Before polls open on May 2, directions on how to vote for Board of Directors candidates will be emailed to the OLLI membership, mailed to those without email, included in the *OLLI E-News* and provided as a handout in classrooms to comply with the bylaws.

Any OLLI member who requests a paper ballot will receive one by mail with an addressed envelope marked BALLOT ENCLOSED. Please notify the OLLI office to request a mailed ballot. Use this ballot to vote for up to six candidates; you can mail the ballot to OLLI or drop it in a ballot box at Tallwood, Reston or Loudoun. Since you do not sign the ballot or return envelope, your vote remains completely anonymous. To be counted, all ballots must be received by noon on May 16, 2014.

Do not lose your ballot: No member having lost, damaged or destroyed his/her mailed ballot may receive a second ballot. Making more than six choices will invalidate your ballot. Similarly, more than one ballot per envelope, any ballot not in the furnished BALLOT ENCLOSED envelope, or not received by May 16 will be invalid. If you have questions about the election process, contact any Nominating Committee member: Doris Bloch, Carol Henderson, Ray Beery, Glenn Kamber, Pat Carroll, John Woods, Manny Pablo.

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Hearts, Shamrocks & Daffodils Party Not Snowed Under!



By Martha Powers, OLLI Member and Candidate for Board of Directors

It finally happened! The party that was cancelled twice became a reality on Saturday, April 12, at the Church of the Good Shepherd. Ninety attendees were treated to a sumptuous ice cream social, a delightful talent show, and a plethora of door prizes. Moreover, 21 lucky partygoers went home with the live shamrock plants and heart-shaped balloons that served as centerpieces.



Photos by Lou Mazzatenta, Apr 12, 2014

The day was recorded for posterity by OLLI Photo Club volunteer Lou Mazzatenta, some of whose candid photos appear here. Our thanks to the many Member Service Committee volunteers and talented OLLI performers who made the party possible.

Scheduling of next year's Sleet, Snowflakes and Icicles Party will be announced at a later date.

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Tallwood Trio Highlights Super Salad Social



By Carol Henderson, Reston Coordinator

Nearly 60 OLLI members



enjoyed salads and desserts at the Super Salad Social luncheon on April 18 at the Rose Gallery in the Reston Community Center at Lake Anne Plaza.



Photos by Stan Schretter, Apr 18, 2014

Members also heard the Tallwood Trio play while socializing and savoring each others' delicious potluck dishes. Alan Wenberg on piano, David Hirsch on drums and Eric Henderson on string bass played selections from the Great American Songbook, and Nancy Riley was the songstress who vocalized some of these standards. Reston Coordinator Carol Henderson organized the event, assisted by Reston site assistant Nick Wenri and by volunteers Ben and Sheila Gold, Marilyn Hedtke, Phyllis Held, Beth and Bob Lambert and Irmgard Nolan.

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Loudoun Informational Open House and Tour



By Maria Buczek, OLLI-Loudoun Site Assistant

All members are invited to attend an open house on Friday, May 9, at 11:00 at the OLLI-Loudoun site, followed by a tour of our classroom space for the summer term. The purpose of the open house is to give members all of the information about our upcoming move this summer to our temporary location on the campus of Northern Virginia Community College (NoVA), and subsequent transition to our new permanent home in the NoVA Signal Hill Building this fall.

The open house will begin at 11:00 in the break room, where light refreshments will be served and there will be time for members to socialize. At approximately 11:20, we will move to classroom 232 for a detailed informational session where you will find out everything you wanted to know about our move! Details on classrooms, amenities, and parking will be provided and we will answer any and all questions you have about the move.

At the end of our presentation and question and answer period, we will caravan down to the NoVA campus so members can see firsthand where they will be parking during the summer term, and then a NoVA representative will provide us with a tour of our classroom space.

Due to fire marshal restrictions for classroom 232, the open house is capped at 48 people. Therefore, we request that you RSVP if you plan to attend; you can do so by emailing OLLIRSVp@gmu.edu.

This is an exciting time for OLLI-Loudoun so we hope you will join us to hear all about it!

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Photography Club May Meeting



By Bob Kelberg, Photography Club Program Coordinator

The speaker for the May 9 Photography Club meeting at 9:30 at Tallwood will be Tim Cooper. Tim is a widely-published photographer and author.

Tim began his career as a commercial and assignment photographer working with clients such as The North Face, The Ritz Carlton, Vasque boots, 3M and others. His editorial and commercial photographs have appeared in many publications including *Travel & Leisure*, *New York Times Magazine*, and *Outdoor Photographer*. Tim has also held the positions of Consultant, Director of Education, Director of Digital Imaging, and Director of the Black and White Program at Rocky Mountain School of Photography.



He is the author of the training videos *Perfect Exposure for Digital*

Photography, Perfect Composition, Magic Light and DSLR Camera Basics, three books in the series of Complete Photoshop for Digital Photographers, and co-author of Night Photography and Snapshots to Great Shots. His latest book is The Realistic HDR Image.

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Painting with Thread: Embroidery Arts Exhibit from China



By Beth Davis, Program Associate

Join fellow OLLI members and Confucius Institute instructor Ning Yang on Saturday, May 10, for a tour of "Painting With Thread: Embroidery Arts Exhibition from China" at the VisArts Gallery in Rockville, MD. The group will meet at the Rockville Metro Station (at the fare gate) at 1:45 to walk a short five minutes to the gallery to begin the tour at 2:00. The exhibit includes more than 40 embroidery artworks with traditional and modern designs of two regional styles, Hunan Embroidery and Suzhou Embroidery, and there will be live demonstrations. You will see how embroidery artists apply more than 40 needle-work techniques and more than 1000 different types of threads to create the elegant works. For more information on the exhibit please click [here](#) or call (301) 315-8200. To join the group, please email ollirsvp@gmu.edu, subject line Chinese Embroidery exhibit, by May 6. You will receive an email with further information and directions from Ms. Yang.

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Upcoming Mason Events of Interest



By Alice Slayton Clark, Communications Associate

Sudha Kamath, Communications Officer at the Mason Office of Strategic Communications, sends word of some events at Mason that may be of interest to OLLI members. One is a symposium and screening of a new film

on the Supreme Court landmark *Brown vs. Board of Education* ruling. This free event is scheduled at 6:00 Mon, Apr 28, at Mason Hall on the Fairfax campus. For more information click [here](#).

A second event is Mason Day, today, Fri, Apr 25, 2:00 to 8:00, with rides, games, performances, and more. Admission is free to holders of a Mason ID card (\$10 for the public). Ludacris takes the stage at 8:00 at the Patriot Center; tickets are \$45 for floor and lower bowl, \$35 for upper bowl. Click [here](#) for more information.

Finally, for those who may be willing to offer computing time on their computers when they are not using them, a new Mason biology project is seeking volunteers willing to install, on their personal computers, software that will crunch numbers when the computer is otherwise idle. If you are interested, click [here](#) to learn more.

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Poet's Corner

Courtesy of the Poetry Workshop

Mind/Body

In my mind
I'm still forty
with high breasts
small waist, wide hips
firm butt, big legs
slim ankles

My knees have not failed
I can walk miles
through foreign cities
smiling at strangers
can dance
with wanton abandon
perch confidently
on bar stools
stare candidly
trust my power
dream large

Then I go to rise
 from my chair
 and my body
 belies
 my mind

Carolyn Wyatt

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Arts & Music at George Mason



Performances, Apr 25 to May 5

By Shelly Gersten, OLLI E-News Staff Writer

For tickets for either CFA or Hylton, call 1-888-945-2468, buy tickets online through the event calendar (see links below), or visit the venue's box office. For more information see the CFA [ticket page](#) or the Hylton [ticket purchase page](#).

At the Fairfax Campus Venues

Fairfax Symphony Orchestra: Mahler's Fifth Symphony

Sat, Apr 26, 8:00
 Admission: \$60, \$45, \$25
 Center for the Arts Concert Hall

Keyboard Conversations® with Jeffrey Siegel: Mistresses and Masterpieces

Sun, Apr 27, 7:00
 The program features works by Brahms, Schumann, and Liszt.
 Admission: \$38, \$30, \$19
 Center for the Arts Concert Hall

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Mason Student & Faculty Performances

At the Fairfax Campus:

Ten-Minute Play Festival

Fri, Apr 25, 8:00
 Sat, Apr 26, 2:00 and 8:00
 Admission: Adults, \$15; seniors, \$10
 TheaterSpace

Saxophone Ensemble Concert

Sun, Apr 27, 3:00
 Admission: Free
 Harris Theatre

Mason Jazz Vocal Night

Sun, Apr 27, 7:00
 Admission: Free
 Harris Theatre

Mason Wind Symphony Concert

Tue, Apr 29, 8:00
 Admission: Adults, \$10, seniors, \$5
 Center for the Arts Concert Hall

International Jazz Day with Mason Jazz

Wed, Apr 30, 8:00
 Admission: Adults, \$10, seniors, \$5
 Center for the Arts Concert Hall

Mason Dance Company: Spring: New Dances

Thu, May 1 through Sat, May 3, 8:00 each evening
 Admission: Adults, \$15; seniors and students, \$10
 Harris Theatre

Jazz Vocal Concert

Fri, May 2, 8:00
 Admission: Adults, \$15; seniors and students, \$10
 de Laski - Room 3001

Guitar Ensemble Concert

Sat, May 3, 8:00
 Admission: Free
 de Laski - Room 3001

Spring Chamber Ensemble Concert

Sat, May 3, 3:00
 Admission: Free
 de Laski - Room 3001

There are also numerous free individual student recitals around campus. Visit <http://music.gmu.edu> for details.

At the Manassas Campus:

Mason's School of Music: Chorale Broadway Showcase

Sat, Apr 26, 3:00 and 7:00
 Admission: Adults, \$10; seniors, \$5
 Merchant Hall

Mason's School of Music: Symphonic Band Concert

Sat, Apr 26, 5:00
 Admission: Adults, \$10; seniors, \$5
 Merchant Hall

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At the Hylton Center

Landau Eugene Murphy, Jr. with vocalists from The Temptations, Drifters, and Platters, with Swing Machine

Sun, Apr 27, 4:00
 Presented by Capital Jazz Preservation
 Admission: \$40
 Merchant Hall

Prince William Arts Council: 2014 Arts Alive!

Sat, May 3, 10:00 - 8:30
 Performances and exhibits by local artists, performers and others. A full listing of events is available here: <http://hyltoncenter.org/events/artsalive.html>
 Various venues at the Hylton Center

Asaph Dance Ensemble: Spring Ballet Series

Sun, May 4, 4:00

Admission: Adults, \$30; seniors and students, \$20
 Merchant Hall

Intersections of Art and Life by William Woodward and Becky Parrish

Tue, Apr 15 through Sat, May 24
 Admission: Free
 Buchanan Partners Art Gallery

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For further details on any of the above events, please see the CFA [event calendar](#) and the Hylton Center [event calendar](#)

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Mason Highlights



Other Mason events, next two weeks

By Helen Ackerman, OLLI E-News Staff Writer

Vision Series: Mason associate professor and director of Mason's Cochrane Collaboration Policy College Catherine Gallagher discusses "Protecting Your Health and Money in the New Era of Medical Decision-Making." Gallagher asks: "Have you ever been told to undergo a medical test or treatment procedure without any knowledge of what it costs and how much you will be paying? What it will lead to in health procedures later? Or what the costs will be to your life if you do not get the test?" The answer for most people is a resounding "yes." Patients and their caregivers belong directly in the center of all decisions, yet are often not provided access to the right information about their options, the costs, or the consequences of a medical procedure. This discussion uses real cases to illustrate tension points in decision processes to bring to life the costs and consequences of how you participate in your care. Mon, Apr 28, 7:15. Arlington Campus, Founders Hall Auditorium. Free.

Film. A Fragile Trust: Plagiarism, Power, and Jayson Blair at The New York Times. This movie is a fascinating documentary that explores power and ethics, corporate and office politics, race politics, representation, and accountability in the mainstream media. With intricate, not-always-straightforward interviews with multiple players, including Jayson Blair, the documentary traces the shocking story of the most infamous serial plagiarist of our time, and how he unleashed the massive scandal that rocked the *New York Times* and the entire world of journalism. A Skype Q&A with journalist and filmmaker Samantha Grant will follow. Wed, Apr 30, 4:30 to 7:00. Johnson Center, Cinema. Free.

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Meetings & Clubs

The following list covering the next two weeks is extracted for your convenience from the master online calendar maintained by the office, with direct web links added when available. The list is accurate as of mid-week but to check anytime for the latest information, please view the latest forecast of upcoming events on our website ([News/OLLI Calendar](#)). *Note: All OLLI members are welcome at, and encouraged to attend, meetings of the Board of Directors, committees and resource groups, Kickoff Coffees, etc. (bolded below).*

Sat Apr 26	10:30am	Tai Chi Club-TA-3
Tue Apr 29	10:00am 2:15pm	Knitting and Needlework Club-Panera, Herndon Reston Program Planning Meeting-UCP-113
Wed Apr 30	1:45pm	Bridge Club-TA-3
Fri May 2	10:00am	Annual Meeting-TA-1
Sat May 3	10:30am	Tai Chi Club-TA-3
Tue May 6	10:00am	Knitting and Needlework Club-Panera, Herndon
Wed May 7	1:30pm	Mah Jongg Club-TA-2
	1:45pm	Bridge Club-TA-3
	1:45pm	Special Events Committee-Annex
	2:15pm	History Club-TA-1
Fri May 9	9:00am	Recorder Consort-TA-3
	9:30am	Photography Club-TA-1
	10:00am	Craft and Conversation Club-Cottage
	10:00am	iPad User Group-Reston UCP 113/114

10:00am	Humanities/Social Sciences Program Planning Group-RCC Hunter Woods
10:30am	Loudoun Program Planning Group-Rm 236
11:00am	Homer, etc-Annex
11:00am	Ulysses Book Club-TA-2

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About OLLI E-News

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Deadline – 6:00 pm Tuesday for that week's issue (6:00 pm Monday for letters to the editor); early submissions are greatly appreciated. Please limit articles to about 250 words.

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