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Photos by Jackie Gropman and Dick Young March 19 2015

**Winter Event 972: Battle of Gettysburg Field Trip March 19**

**June 19, 2015**

Editor of the Week: Paul Van Hemel

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**Alerts & Notices**

- **Correction:** the location of the special weather presentation by WJLA TV's Brian Van de Graaff (Wed, Jun 24, 9:40) is at Lord of Life in Fairfax. Space is still available; register now for class F814.
- **Please note:** it is particularly important that submissions for next week's E-News be made by deadline Tue, Jun 23 at 6.

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**Summer Term Classes and Events Availability**



By Jennifer Disano, Executive Director

Summer term has arrived at OLLI Mason and there are still plenty of classes and special events available for registration. Check out this great colored chart (<http://olli.gmu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/Summer2015combscheduleupdated6-8.pdf>) which shows all open, closed and canceled classes and Special Events.

"Green Means Go!" Go and take a class that you might think is not your cup of tea. Get outside your comfort zone and jump into the unknown. You may surprise

**Summer 2015 Schedule: June 15-July 24 Fairfax**

●Indicates another location or times, please refer to listings. (Number of sessions is shown in parentheses)  
 ○Indicates a course limited in size by the instructor

TIME	Tuesday June 16	Wednesday June 17	Thursday June 18
9:40-11:00	F801 Philosophy of Plato: Folklore de Chardin (5) F801 Caring for a Person with Dementia (1)	F804 Who Really Discovered America? (1) F803 Joseph in Africa, the Story of a Slave (5)	F806 April 1865: The Month that Saved America (2) ● F805 Hurricane and Crane Loggers (5) ●
11:30-1:15	F801 in Mason We Trust (1) F801 The Hour of Conviction (5) F802 The New South: Slavery and Emancipation (1) ● F803 Poetry Workshop (5) ●	F807 San Cristobal Investment Program (1) F805 The Trail to the Life Right (1) F804 Our Catholic "Masters of the Modern Era" (5) F801 Emergency Spanish Conversation, Part 2 (1) ●	F807 Settlement of Japanese-Americans in WWII (2) F808 Anthony Trollope's Fantasy Passage (5) F806 Southern Inland Peace Process (1)
2:15-3:45			F808 Park Rangers in Their Element (5)
9:40-11:00	F802 On the Waterfront (1) ●	F802 America on the Sea (1) ●	F806 April 1865: The Month that Saved America (2) ●

**Summer 2015 Schedule: June 15-July 24 Reston**

●Indicates another location or times, please refer to listings. (Number of sessions is shown in parentheses)  
 ○Indicates a course limited in size by the instructor

TIME	Monday June 15	Tuesday June 16	Wednesday June 17	Thursday June 18
9:40-11:00	R802 Spanish Conversation, Part 2 (2) R803 George Armstrong Center (2)	R803 The Many Faces of Culture (5) R804 How Jesus Became God (5)	R810 Library Roundtable (5) ● ●	R710 Photo/Print in Creative Video (5) R807 Meet the Members (5)
11:30-1:15	R803 George Armstrong Center (2) R807 Seven Moments (5)	R804 Gender Toys (1) ● ●	R810 Library Roundtable (5) ● ●	R811 The Poetry in Music (5) R802 All the News That's Fit to Print (5)

yourself!

Red indicates a closed event/class that has reached capacity. Often OLLI programs are repeated from time to time and you may have another chance to get into that preferred event/class later in the year.

Black indicates a canceled class. Cancellations are almost always by instructors but some classes are canceled due to low enrollment.

Green indicates classes/events that are still available across all OLLI campuses, so go ahead and sign up today at <http://olligmu.augusoft.net/>!

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## Come Hear Mason Fulbright Scholar at OLLI!



**By Alice Slayton Clark**  
**OLLI Communications Associate/Registrar**

OLLI is excited to have two summer-term classes presented by George Mason University Fulbright scholars. The Fulbright presentations kicked off this week with a wonderful presentation by Dr. Mary C. Murphy of the University College Cork in Ireland "How the European Union Helped the Northern Ireland Peace Process."

**Summer 2015 Schedule: June 15-July 24 Loudoun**

● Indicates another location or times, please refer to listings. (Number of sessions is shown in parentheses)  
○ Indicates a course limited in size by the instructor

TIME	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
	June 16	June 17	June 18
9:40-11:05	L803 TED Talk Discussion Group (1)○	L 154 (Canceled) Openness (Openness) (2)	L410 Sound and the Cosmos (1)
11:50-1:15	L370 (Canceled) How to Program (1)	L 113 The Many Sounds of Music (1)	L311 Famous Trade, Eight Cases in Review (6)
	June 23	June 24	June 25
9:40-11:05	L803 TED Talk Discussion Group (1)○	L 154 (Canceled) Openness (Openness) (2)	L312 Commander Horvath (1)
11:50-1:15	L112 AM History Connections (6)	L 412 A Technical Theatre Workshop (1)	L311 Famous Trade, Eight Cases in Review (6)
2:15-3:40	L414 Basic Acting Workshop (1)	L 808 Human and Divine Proportions (6)○	L413 Who Was Shakespeare? (1)○
	June 30	July 1	July 2
9:40-11:05	L803 TED Talk Discussion Group (1)○	L 154 (Canceled) Openness (Openness) (2)	L 154 (Canceled) Openness (Openness) (2)
11:50-1:15	L112 AM History Connections (6)	L 808 Human and Divine Proportions (6)○	L311 Famous Trade, Eight Cases in Review (6)
	L370 (Canceled) How to Program (1)	L 804 War on Poverty (6)	L413 Who Was Shakespeare? (1)○
	L370 (Canceled) How to Program (1)	July 8	July 9
9:40-11:05	L803 TED Talk Discussion Group (1)○	L 154 (Canceled) Openness (Openness) (2)	L805 Today's Chemistry: Technology as a Tool (1)
11:50-1:15	L112 AM History Connections (6)	L 808 Human and Divine Proportions (6)○	L311 Famous Trade, Eight Cases in Review (6)
	L370 (Canceled) How to Program (1)	L 804 War on Poverty (6)	L413 Who Was Shakespeare? (1)○
	July 14	July 15	July 16
9:40-11:05	L803 TED Talk Discussion Group (1)○	L 154 (Canceled) Openness (Openness) (2)	L 154 (Canceled) Openness (Openness) (2)
11:50-1:15	L112 AM History Connections (6)	L 808 Human and Divine Proportions (6)○	L313 The Rising Tenthors (1)
	L811 Fighting the Cold War from 20,000 Feet (1)	L 804 War on Poverty (6)	
	July 21	July 22	July 23
9:40-11:05		L 808 Human and Divine Proportions (6)○	L314 Poetry: The Spanish Inquisition (1)
11:50-1:15		L 804 War on Poverty (6)	

You will not want to miss our second Fulbright presentation, by Dr. Elman Eminov, chief economist at PASHA Bank and former senior economist at the Central Bank in Azerbaijan. He will present his research on the "Financial Issues of an Oil Exporting Economy: Azerbaijan and Beyond," exploring the country's current financial conditions and challenges and its tremendous economic growth and investment over the past decade as a result of its oil industry.

Dr. Eminov's presentation (F706) takes place at Lord of Life Church in Fairfax on Tuesday, June 30, from 9:40 -11:05. Sign up for this class on the OLLI member portal. It can be found under Spotlighted: Added Courses <http://olligmu.augusoft.net/>.

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## Meet Michelle Blandburg, Newly-Elected OLLI Board Member

**By Camille Hodges,**  
**Humanities/Social Sciences Planning Group Member**

The first time I met Michelle I was immediately impressed by her obvious commitment to, and enthusiasm for, OLLI. With smiles and accolades for the program, she warmly welcomed me as a new OLLI member and as a class liaison. Michelle shared how OLLI has allowed her to pursue a creative side of her personality-theatrics! In short, her love for OLLI is infectious to all who encounter her. Pleasantly surprised at her election to the Board of Directors, she looks forward to serving the membership and helping everyone benefit from what OLLI offers.



Michelle joined OLLI in 2012 and quickly became involved in programs that allowed her to implement the organizational skills and expertise used in her former career with Navy Federal Credit Union. She not only contributed to OLLI as a member of the Class Liaison sub-committee, but also as a leader in the OLLI Players and Reader's Theater, Humanities and Social Sciences Planning Committee, and the Dirty Knees Club.

Michelle is inspired by a Robert Frost quote, "In three words, I can sum up everything I've learned about life; it goes on." She also likes one by Oscar Wilde, "Be yourself. Everyone else is already taken." These encourage her to take what comes with confidence.

Michelle is honored by the opportunity to contribute to OLLI on a level that includes its current operations as well as future goals. In turn, we at OLLI are honored to have her as a newly elected member of the Board of Directors!

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## Photo of the Month



The June Photo of the Month theme was "Sports/Action." We selected Rita Gustin's photo "Mare, Foal Running" which may also be viewed at [this page](#). To view other photos by members of the Photography Club, visit the club's photo [website](#).

**-- By Dan Feighery, Photography Club Coordinator**

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## Ask Uncle Olli



**By Uncle Olli, Driver Safety Consultant**

Uncle Olli has lived in Northern Virginia most of his lifetime, and has encountered most every every traffic situation that might raise a question, however trivial it might seem. Ask Uncle Olli at [ollinewseditor@gmail.com](mailto:ollinewseditor@gmail.com). He is embarrassed by nothing!

**AT STOP LIGHTS, OR IN STOP AND GO TRAFFIC, HOW FAR BACK SHOULD YOUR CAR BE FROM THE CAR IN FRONT OF YOU?**

A good rule of thumb is, if stopped, far enough to see the rear tires of the car in front of you; if moving, a distance behind as far as your car will travel in three seconds. Danger and traffic is ever-changing, however, and this will not always be possible. Another rule of thumb might be, if your passengers get nervous, edgy, or alarmed, you are probably too close.

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## Poet's Corner

*Courtesy of the Poetry Workshop*

### Summer

Summer has become too lush,

A wanton woman dripping with

over-ripened flora.

Too heavily bejeweled,

her perfume assaults the senses with  
 constant fervor.  
 Hot sun meant to dazzle  
 now dizzies.  
 I miss the girlishness of spring,  
 slight and fresh and pale green,  
 so cool to the touch.

Claire Hasselbeck

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## Arts & Music at George Mason



**Performances, June 19 - June 29**

*By Shelly Gersten, OLLI E-News Staff Writer*

For tickets for either Center for the Arts (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

#### Saya Caporal Dance Competition

Sat, Jun 20, 5:30  
 Concert Hall  
 Admission: \$20.

#### Airmen of Note Concert: Part of the National Jazz Workshop

Sun, Jun 21, 7:00  
 de Laski - Room 3001

Admission: Free.

#### National Jazz Workshop Concerts

Mon, Jun 22 - Thu, Jun 25, 4:00 each day  
 Concert Hall  
 Admission: Free.

#### World Police & Fire Games: *Body Building*

Sat, Jun 27, 12:00  
 Concert Hall  
 Admission: Free.

#### World Police & Fire Games: *Boxing*

Mon, Jun 29 & Tue, Jun 30, 7:00  
 Concert Hall  
 Admission: Free.

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### Mason Student & Faculty Performances

(see [music.gmu.edu](http://music.gmu.edu) for additional student recitals)

**No Performances Scheduled**

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### At the Hylton Center

#### 2nd Annual Juried Art Show

May 17 - June 28  
 Buchanan Partners Art Gallery  
 The gallery is open to the public Tue-Sat, 10:00 - 6:00, Thu, 10:00 - 8:00 and two hours before performances.  
 Admission: Free.

#### School of Classical & Creative Dance: *Carnival of the Animals*

Sat, Jun 20, 4:00  
 Gregory Family Theater

Admission: \$15.

**Stage Door Dance Recital**

Sun, Jun 21, 2:00  
Merchant Hall  
Admission: \$20.

**Rosanne Cash: *The River and The Thread***

Fri, Jun 26, 8:00  
Merchant Hall  
Admission: \$65, \$55, \$45.

**Castleton Festival: *Toujours l'amour, French Masterpieces of Love***

Sun, Jun 28, 4:00  
A buffet dinner with wine is available for purchase for \$60. Dinner will be served at 6:30 in the Gregory Family Theater following the performance.  
Merchant Hall  
Admission: \$50, \$43, \$30.

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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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**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 Jun 20	10:30am 1:00pm	Tai Chi Club-TA-3 Computer Club-TA-1
Mon Jun 22	10:00am 10:00am 10:00am	What's in the Daily News-TA-1 Bridge-TA-3 Murder Mystery Club-TA-C
Tue Jun 23	9:30pm 10:00am 11:05am	Cottage Art-TA-C Knitting and Needlework Club-Panera, Herndon <b>Loudoun Program Planning-RM 205</b>
Wed Jun 24	1:30pm	Memoir Writing-TA-C
Fri Jun 26	9:00am 9:30am 10:00am 10:00am 10:00am	Recorder Consort-TA-3 Travel Club-TA-2 Craft and Conversation-Cottage Classic Fiction Book Club-Loudoun Cascade Library Craft and Conversation-TA-C
Sat Jun 27	10:30am	Tai Chi Club-TA-3
Mon Jun 29	10:00am 10:00am 10:00am	Daily News-TA-1 Bridge Club-TA-3 Murder Myster Club-TA-C
Tue Jun 30	9:30am 10:00am	Cottage Art-TA-C Knitting and Needlework Club-Panera, Herndon
Wed Jul 1	1:30pm 1:45pm	Memoir Writing-TA-C <b>Special Events Committee-Annex</b>

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

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