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Photos by Paul Van Hemel, June 10, 2017

John Acton, Toni Acton, and Rita Way Staff the OLLI Information Booth at the Celebrate Fairfax! Festival, June 10

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Alerts & Notices

Sign up now for the early Independence Day weekend picnic. This event will be held June 30, 12:00 to 2:00 at Tallwood. OLLI will provide chicken (from Kentucky Fried); you provide a dessert or side dish. Register for special event 1103 at the member portal.

A new course, "What's in the News, Loudoun Edition," will be offered Wednesdays, June 28 to July 26, at 9:40. Ray Beery will moderate this discussion of daily news stories on topics including culture, design, philosophy and religion, science and technology, psychology, politics, and economics. Register for L710 at the member portal.

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OLLI Volunteers Reach Out to Hundreds at Celebrate Fairfax! Festival



By Dave Ryan, Volunteer Outreach Chair

Ten intrepid OLLI volunteers braved intense heat and humidity, nasty insects, and possible sunburn for many hours to extol OLLI's

benefits to hundreds of visitors at the 36th annual Celebrate Fairfax! Festival June 9–11 at the Fairfax County Government Center.



This was first time OLLI fielded an information booth at the Festival, which drew tens of thousands of people and over 300 exhibitors. A staffer told us she thought OLLI was the only lifelong learning organization at the Festival.

OLLI volunteers, who staffed the minimalist booth for all three days of the festival, were generally surprised by the level of interest in our institute, considering that this gathering was obviously more oriented to youth and young adults.



In spreading the word about OLLI and potentially increasing membership, this kind of selfless volunteer activity is where the rubber hits the road, and the following volunteers really gave us traction: Rita Way, Michelle Blandburg, Steve Poppe, Manny Pablo, Toni and John Acton, Peter Ansoff, Marion Brobst, Paul Howard, and yours truly.

Photos by John Nash

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The Tom Swift Squad Needs You!

Interested in technology? Learn with us!



By [Paul Howard](#), **Audiovisual Support Committee Chair**

OLLI's Audiovisual Support Committee (a.k.a. The Tom Swift Squad) seeks additional volunteers to help ensure the smooth employment of OLLI's

audiovisual resources. Our primary mission is to help instructors, liaisons, and staff with any audiovisual issues that might arise during the classes we attend.

We'll be meeting at 2:00 on Wednesday, June 21, in TA-1. OLLI has acquired, with help from PATACS donations, a Barco Clickshare wireless presentation system, enabling computers and handheld devices to connect to videoconferencing equipment and display devices. Join us as we experiment with using this equipment. We'd particularly like to have participation by Apple users, since Apple gear has provided connection challenges to OLLI and the computer club meetings over the past several years. The Clickshare device offers Airplay connectivity, as well as the less-encompassing Clickshare app, which Apple's sandbox approach limits.

Please let me know if you're planning to attend or would like to become a "Swiftie" even if you can't attend this meeting. Contact me by [email](#) (preferred) or phone (703-860-9246).

For more information on the Audiovisual Support Committee, see its [web page](#).

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Inside OLLI-Mason

Meet New Director Evan Douple



Evan Douple was born in the Hershey Chocolate Factory Hospital in Hershey, PA. He grew up in California, PA, a small town on the Monongahela River south of Pittsburgh where his father chaired the fine arts department at California State College. Evan's boyhood home was designed by his father with a disciple of Frank Lloyd Wright. It was surrounded by his father's collection of nearly 1,000 species of trees including many rare dwarf conifers. This landscape no doubt



influenced Evan's interest in, and appreciation of, OLLI's Dirty Knee Club.



As a teenager Evan lived in Mandalay, Burma, where his father was an early recipient of a Fulbright Professorship. Evan's interest in travel continues, and he has visited 79 countries, developing a respect and appreciation for racial, cultural, and religious differences. He returned to Burma (Myanmar) 60 years later with his wife Brenda, and they presented an OLLI Trip Tale to share that visit. On sabbaticals as a professor at the Dartmouth Medical School, Evan lived in a suburb of London, and in Warsaw, Poland. He and Brenda lived for five years in Hiroshima, Japan, where Evan served as associate chief of research at the Radiation Effects Research Foundation on assignment from the National Academy of Sciences (NAS).

During Evan's three years in OLLI, he has taught several courses related to his experience as a radiation biophysicist, including the expected radiation effects in humans from the Japanese A-bomb survivors and those exposed to the Chernobyl and Fukushima reactor accidents.

Leisure pursuits include hobbies such as travel, photography, bonsai and gardening, creating "nature art" sculptures from dead trees, following Nationals baseball, playing golf, and writing his memoirs. Evan and Brenda each have two children from previous marriages and a total of six grandchildren.

Evan has served on several boards including the Scientific Research Society (Sigma Xi), director of the board of the Hiroshima International School, and director of the board on Radiation Effects Research of NAS. A 25-year Reston resident, he currently is president of his Solaridge Cluster Association.

As a member of the OLLI Board, he would like to ensure sustainability by maintaining an optimum membership and budget, continue a high standard of courses and offerings, and improve participation in OLLI, especially in Reston and in Loudoun County.

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Photo of the Month



The June 2017 Photo of the Month theme was People at Work. We selected John Olsen's photo "Teamwork," 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 Angela Talaber, Photography Club Coordinator

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Poet's Corner

Courtesy of the Poetry Workshop

Disquietude

Not the classic pitter-patter
 but a slow drip-drip
 millions upon millions
 of celestial faucets
 irregular pit-a-pat
 echo silence
 loud enough to drown
 the heat pump's
 ka-thrum ka-thrum
 the cat zoom-zooming
 through the hall
 the pulse in my ear
 the beat-beat-beat
 of the rain.

Carolyn F. Wyatt

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Roxanne Cramer Memorial Service



By Susanne Zumbro, OLLI Member

A memorial service will be held for Roxanne Cramer on Sunday, June 25, at 2:30, at the Oakton Unitarian Church, 2709 Hunter Mill Road. As you know, Roxanne passed away a few weeks ago. She was an active OLLI member for several years and especially enjoyed participating in Readers' Theater. Her son Paul is coordinating the service and he can be reached at [240-304-4421](tel:240-304-4421) for additional information. Members of OLLI are encouraged to contact Paul with memorabilia and photos relating to Roxanne's life. Feel free to contact me, as well: Susanne Zumbro, [703-569-2750](tel:703-569-2750).

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Arts & Music at George Mason



Performances June 16 through June 26

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

South Riding Dance Academy: *It's a Party*

Sat, Jun 17, 11:00 and 4:00

Concert Hall

Admission: Adults, \$25; seniors, \$20.

The Fairfax Symphony: *Mozart In Havana*

Sun, Jun 18, 5:00

Simone Dinnerstein with the Havana Lyceum Orchestra

Harris Theatre

Admission: \$45, \$38, \$30.

Concurso de Saya-Caporal

Sat, Jun 24, 4:30

Concert Hall

Admission: \$20.

U.S. Army Blues Jazz Ensemble

Sun, Jun 25, 7:00

Concert Hall

Admission: Free.

National Jazz Workshop

Mon, Jun 26 - Fri, Jun 30, 3:30

Concert Hall

Admission: Free.

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Mason Student & Faculty Performances

(see music.gmu.edu for additional student recitals)

No performances scheduled.

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At the Hylton Center (Manassas Campus)

Gallery Exhibit: Sacred Feminine

Through Jul 15

The Gallery is open to the public Tue-Sat, 10:00 - 6:00, Thu, 10:00 - 8:00 and two hours before performances.

For more information, visit <https://cvpa.gmu.edu/gands>.

Dance Etc.: Spring Concert

Sat, Jun 17, 1:00 and 7:00

Merchant Hall

Admission: \$20.

Virginia Dance Center: Dancing in Neverland

Sun, Jun 18, 12:00 and 4:30

Merchant Hall

Admission: \$18.

Showcase Dance Studio's Game Night

Sat, Jun 24, 2:00 and 6:00

Merchant Hall

Admission: \$20.

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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 17	10:30am 1:00pm	Tai Chi Club-TA-3 Computer Club-TA-1
Mon Jun 19	10:00am 10:00am 10:00am	What's in the Daily News, cont'd-TA-1 Bridge Club-TA-3 Mah Jongg Club-TA-2
Wed Jun 21	2:00pm	A/V Committee-TA-1
Fri Jun 23	9:15am 9:30am 10:00am 11:00am 12:00pm 1:00pm	Recorder Consort-TA-3 Craft and Conversation-Annex Classic Literature Club-TA-2 Homer, etc.-Annex Photography Club-TA-3 Dr. Who Club-TA-1
Sat Jun 24	10:30am	Tai Chi Club-TA-3
Mon Jun 26	10:00am 10:00am	Bridge Club-TA-3 What's in the Daily News, cont'd-TA-1
Fri Jun 30	9:15am 9:30am 10:00am 11:00am 11:00am	Recorder Consort-TA-3 Craft and Conversation-Annex Theater Lovers' Club-TA-1 Homer, etc.-Annex Classic Literature Club-TA-2

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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.

Note: You can view past issues of *OLLI E-News* on the DocStore. To search the content of issues, use Search Our Site or put your search term in Google followed by "site:olli.gmu.edu/" without the quotes.

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