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OLLI Open House for Current and Prospective Members, September 15

September 23, 2016

Editor of the Week: Sheri Siesseger

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Alerts & Notices

Tickets are still available for Fall for the Book: Billy Collins. This event will be September 28 at 8:00 pm at the Reston Community Center, Center Stage. Tickets are \$15. Register for event 957 at the member portal.

The OLLI 25th anniversary book has arrived. Pre-orders may be picked up at the Tallwood office. If you didn't order a copy, you can still purchase one for \$25.

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Summary of September 16 Board Meeting



By Irene Osterman, Board Member

The Board of Directors met last Friday at Tallwood. It was announced that Elaine Leonard has taken over as Hospitality subcommittee chair. Hospitality is a part of Member Services. Elaine replaces Sandra Driesslein who has done a wonderful job chairing the subcommittee for the past ten years. We also have a new site assistant, Meg Przybylski, who will assist at the Fairfax locations. Staff member Bill Walsh has now reached ten years of dedicated service to OLLI.

President Ray Beery announced that in response to comments submitted to the Board about the growth in the size of OLLI and its consequences, there will be a survey of the membership to determine how the full membership views the future of OLLI. When the survey is sent out, all members are encouraged to respond. Your voice is needed. As we develop the plans for the direction of OLLI, additional opportunities for comment will be scheduled.

Martha Scanlon presented statistics and a status report on a study of the Friends of OLLI Fund, highlighting sources and uses.



George Mason University has agreed to allow OLLI members to purchase a \$15 annual pass to use the outdoor parking lots at Mason in Fairfax.

With the completion of the parking lot renovation at Tallwood, fencing has been installed along the pool parking lot. Access to Tallwood from the pool is now to the front of Tallwood. This was done because of the danger of crossing the driveway to the rear of the site. It is important that everyone follow the path along the front and stay out of the driveway.

Everyone is reminded that preschools at the churches are now in session and care must be taken in the parking lots.

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25th Anniversary Gift to the Mason Office of Military Services (OMS)

OLLI to the Rescue: Helping Mason's Veterans Bridge Gaps



By Lesley Bubenhofer, Development Committee Chair

The 25th anniversary gift amount raised, as of August 31, for Mason's OMS is absolutely "FANTABULOUS!" The OMS gift totals an awesome \$26,372.00. Isn't that fantastic?

The very generous support demonstrated by OLLI members and others for OMS students is sincerely appreciated. This anniversary gift will certainly have a very positive impact in assisting Mason students who are veterans to bridge funding gaps.

THANK YOU!

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Mason Offers Discounted Parking Passes for OLLI Members



By Alice Slayton Clark, Communications Associate and Registrar

9/28/2016

Tired of the cost and frustration of finding parking at George Mason University in Fairfax? Relief is here!

OLLI has negotiated discounted parking passes for full-year OLLI members. For just \$15, you can park in several of the general lots at Mason Fairfax through August 2017. Just think of the ease in parking for arts performances, cultural events or community meetings!

Get your passes now! Follow the instructions below and you are on your way to hassle-free parking at Mason Fairfax.

1. Visit Mason Parking Services, open Monday through Thursday, 8:30 am to 7:00 pm, and Friday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm (703-993-6014). Mason Parking Services is located next to the Shenandoah Parking Deck.
2. Drive to the Shenandoah Parking Deck. Take a parking validation ticket. The first 30 minutes of your time in the garage are free. There is a small fee thereafter. https://www.gmu.edu/resources/welcome/FairfaxMap16_Parking.pdf
3. Park in the visitor parking area on level 1.
4. Walk to Parking Services located in building #44.
5. Bring a valid photo ID, indicating your name and address.
6. The pass is \$15, which can be paid for with cash or check. It is valid from the date of issue until August 31, 2017.
7. Once the cashier verifies your status as a full-year OLLI member, you will be issued a hangtag permit.
8. The permit is good for any of the general lots on campus. These include Lots A, C, K, L, M, O, P, PV, and half of level 1 and all of level 2 of the Rappahannock Parking Deck.
9. Hang the hangtag from your rearview mirror and make sure that permit information is facing outward.

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Poet's Corner

Courtesy of the Poetry Workshop

Compromise

In my earlier days

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all I wanted
 was to live in an energetic city
 own a used book shop
 and save for an unabridged
 OED

Now that I am wiser
 I would settle
 for living wherever with my love
 visiting a bookstore often
 and acquiring
 a drastically abridged
 OED
 with magnifier
 jan bohall

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Letter to the Editor

A follow up:
 Dear Editor,



I have been overwhelmed with comments of support from OLLI members concerning my "Letter to the Editor" of last week. I attended the September Board meeting and volunteered to work with several members of the OLLI Board to draft a survey that will address issues raised including off-site classes, wait listing, the dues increase. Please feel free to email me with your thoughts. Your input is most welcome. THANK YOU for your support!

Susanne Zumbro

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Arts & Music at George Mason



Performances, next two weeks
 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

ARTS by George!

Sat, Sep 24, 5:00, concert, 8:00

An Evening Like No Other!

Join us for a benefit in support of student scholarships at George Mason University's College of Visual and Performing Arts and the Great Performances at Mason season at the Center for the Arts. The evening begins by showcasing the remarkable talents of Mason students amid an array of spectacular food and beverages, and culminates in the Concert Hall when the stars from the original cast of Broadway's *Jersey Boys* take the stage in this high-octane show, performing many of your all-time favorites from the 1960s.

Center for the Arts

Admission: \$275 (all events and refreshments); \$100, \$85, \$60 (concert only).

Aquila Theatre: *Much Ado About Nothing*

Fri, Sep 30, 8:00

Pre-performance discussion: Member of the company.

Concert Hall

Admission: \$44, \$37, \$26.

Fairfax Symphony Orchestra: *Dvorak's New World*

Sat, Oct 1, 8:00

Christopher Zimmerman, conductor

Dvorak: *Cello Concerto*, Amit Peled, cello

Dvorak: *Symphony No. 9, From the New World*

Pre-performance discussion at 7 pm: David Ginder of WETA 90.9-FM with Conductor Christopher Zimmerman and special guests.

Concert Hall

Admission: \$65, \$53, \$39.

Saya Corporal, Pro-Bolivian Council

Sun, Oct 2, 5:30

Concert Hall

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Mason Student & Faculty Performances

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

Composers Week Recital

Sun, Oct 2, 6:00
DeLaski - Room 3001
Admission: Free.

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At the Hylton Center

Honoring the Future: Climate Art & Action

Continues through Oct 2
This exhibition presents photographs of the work of pioneers who are using art as a catalyst for creative solutions to climate change. The Gallery is open to the public Tue-Sat, 10:00 - 6:00, Thu, 10:00 - 8:00 and two hours before performances.
Buchanan Partners Art Gallery
Admission: Free.

Scotoma Productions: Three Crazy Comics

Fri, Sep 30, 8:30
Alex Hosteler, Cliff McGrady and Winston Hodges
Gregory Family Theater
Admission: \$20 (Adult content and language).

Russian Grand Ballet Theatre: Swan Lake

Sat, Oct 1, 7:00
Merchant Hall
Admission: \$65, \$60, \$55, \$45, \$35, \$25.

Mason School of Art: Alumni Exhibition

Oct 3 - Nov 6
The Gallery is open to the public Tue-Sat, 10:00 - 6:00, Thu, 10:00 - 8:00 and two hours before performances.
Gallery Reception: Thu, Oct 13 from 6:00 8:00 with live music by singer-songwriter Caroline Cotter. RSVP to jconnor8@gmu.edu.
Buchanan Partners Art Gallery
Admission: Free.

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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).*

Meetings and Clubs

Sat Sep 24	10:30am	Tai Chi Club-TA-3
Wed Sep 28	1:30pm	Religious Studies Planning Group-Annex
	1:45pm	Bridge Club-TA-3
Fri Sep 30	1:45pm	Spanish Club-TA-2
	9:00am	Recorder Consort-TA-3
	9:30am	Craft and Conversation-Annex
	10:00am	Theater Lovers' Club-TA-1
	11:00am	Classic Literature Club-TA-2
Sat Oct 1	11:00am	Homer, etc-Annex
	1:00pm	Dr Who Club-TA-3
Wed Oct 5	10:30am	Tai Chi Club-TA-3
	1:30pm	Mah Jongg Club-TA-2
	1:45pm	Bridge Club-TA-3
Fri Oct 7	1:45pm	Special Event Committee-Annex
	9:00am	Recorder Consort-TA-3
	9:30am	Craft and Conversation-Annex
	11:00am	Classic Literature Club-TA-2
	11:00am	Homer, etc-Annex

12:00pm	Photography Club-TA-1
1:00pm	Dr Who Club-TA-3

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About *OLLI E-News*

OLLI E-News was created by Rod Zumbro, who served as its editor from 2005 to 2013.

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Submissions. Members are encouraged to submit letters to the editor, letters to Ms. Ollie Ettakit (on etiquette matters), OLLI-related news items, articles and photos. Submit material to: ollinewseeditor@gmail.com.

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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