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Scenes from the OLLI Mason Board of Directors Meeting, January 16, 2015

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Alerts & Notices

Three new classes/special events have been added for the winter term. Please see "quick links" on the OLLI home page or the member portal for further details.

The Valentine's Day party will be held Fri, Feb 20 at the Church of the Good Shepherd. Sign up at the Tallwood office.

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Notes from the Board of Directors Meeting



By Irene Osterman, Board Secretary

The Board met on Fri, Jan 16 at Tallwood and discussed the following:

An article will be placed in the January 30 *E-News* asking all members to log into the new member portal to set up passwords and update their member profiles. The new system will go into effect for the spring registration.



Photo by Paul Van Hemel Jan 16 2015

A resolution to fund a number of projects needed to ensure the viability of Tallwood for the next five years was tabled as George Mason University has generously agreed to take care of many of them.

A donation of \$2000 from Friends of OLLI funds to the Fall for the Book program was approved.

Plans are being made to hold events to thank our volunteers and to encourage more members to volunteer.

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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 every traffic problem. But sometimes the little problems seem so trivial you are embarrassed to admit them. Easy. Ask Uncle Olli at ollienewseditor@gmail.com. He is embarrassed by nothing!

I DON'T HAVE THE TIME NOR THE HAND CLEANER TO ALLOW ME TO CHECK TIRE PRESSURES EVERY TIME I GAS UP. GET REAL!

Checking tire pressures does take time, and can be messy. But you can easily memorize what a properly filled tire looks like. Look at the tire just after it has been filled to the correct pressure. Memorize this. You will then find it easy to tell when the tire looks 'too fat' after that, which will warn you your tire is low. Now act helpless, and get your grandson to fill it for you, using the tire gauge you keep in the car at all times to ensure correct pressure. Works every time.

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Poet's Corner

Courtesy of the Poetry Workshop

Essential Winter Trip

In the heat of summer
A cold brew I eagerly await

In winter it's a strong hot Starbucks
With a nod and a smile I take

I slide into the cold pickup seat
For a January ride

The cold leather sort of squeaks
My backside has a patch of discomforting hide

My eyes slightly fog
My cold nose starts to drip

Thru gloves cold penetrates
To my finger tips

Good God—is it essential
That I take this trip?

I flick on the key
The Tacoma hums

The wiper blades alas
Frozen to the window glass

I move forward for a slow getaway
To pick up toilet paper at the local Safeway

Robert L Graham

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Arts & Music at George Mason



Performances, next ten days

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

Aquila Theatre: *The Tempest*

Fri, Jan 23, 8:00
 Pre-Performance Discussion: Rick Davis; Exec. Dir. Hylton Performing Arts Center
 Concert Hall
 Admission: \$44, \$37, \$26.

Jasmine Guy and the Avery Sharpe Trio: *Raisin' Cane: A Harlem Renaissance Odyssey*

Sat, Jan 24, 8:00
 Pre-Performance Discussion: Member of the company
 Concert Hall
 Admission: \$48, \$41, \$29.

State Symphony Orchestra of México

Sat, Jan 31, 8:00
 Granados: *Three Spanish Dances*
 J. Rodrigo: *Concierto de Aranjuez*
 M. Ponce: *Piano Concerto "Romantic"*
 M. de Falla: *Noches en los Jardines de España*
 Pre-Performance Discussion: Member of the company
 Concert Hall
 Admission: \$50, \$43, \$30.

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Mason Student & Faculty Performances

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

Faculty Artist Series - Woodwind Area

Sat, Jan 24, 8:00
 Harris Theatre
 Admission: Free.

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At the Hylton Center

Altered Terrain Today

Rosemary Lockett, artist
 Through Feb 1
 The Buchanan Partners Art 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 about the current exhibit, visit HyltonCenter.org/gallery.
 Admission: Free

Hylton in the Highlands: *A Festival of Scotland*

Sat, Jan 24, 10:00 to 6:00
 Spend the day celebrating the rich culture and history of Scotland with performances, exhibits, and interactive experiences for all ages.
 For full schedule: <http://hyltoncenter.org/scottish/schedule.html>
 Admission to Festival: Adults, \$20; children, \$5; family 4-pack (2 adult and 2 children) \$40
 Full Tea (11:00 or 2:00): \$45 (includes festival ticket)
 Scotch Whisky Master Class (11:30 or 2:00): \$50 (includes festival ticket)
 Burns Supper Evening (6:30): \$99.

Valentine's Day Music You Love, Lecture

Presenters: Anthony Maiello and Bryan Kidd
 Mon, Feb 2, 10:30 am
 Gregory Family Theater
 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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Mason Highlights



Other Mason events, next two weeks

By Helen Ackerman, OLLI E-News Staff Writer

White House Health Care Forum. A representative of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, along with Mason healthcare practitioners, will hold a forum to provide an overview of the Health Care reform law and explain the various options available. There will be an opportunity for questions and individual consultations.

Mon. Jan 26, 10:00 to 11:30. Merten Hall, Room 1201. 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 Jan 24	10:30am	Tai Chi Club-TA-3
Tue Jan 27	10:00am	Knitting and Needlework Club-Panera, Herndon
Wed Jan 28	1:45pm	Bridge Club-TA-3
	1:45pm	Bridge Club Loudoun
Fri Jan 30	9:00am	Recorder Consort-TA-3
	10:00am	Craft and Conversation-Cottage
	10:00am	Religious Studies Program Planning Group-TA-1
	11:00am	Classic Literature Club-TA-2
	11:00am	Homer,etc -Annex

Sat Jan 31	10:30am	Tai Chi Club-TA-3
Tue Feb 3	10:00am	Knitting and Needlework Club-Panera, Herndon
Wed Feb 4	1:30pm	Mah Jongg Club-TA-2
	1:45pm	Bridge Club-TA-3
	1:45pm	Bridge Club Loudoun
	2:15pm	Special Events Committee Meeting-Annex History Club-TA-1
Fri Feb 6	9:00am	Recorder Consort-TA-3
	10:00am	Craft and Conversation-Cottage
	10:00am	Program Planning Committee-TA-1
	10:00am	iPad Users Group-UCP 113/114
	11:00am	Classic Literature Club-TA-2
	11:00am	Homer etc-Annex

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