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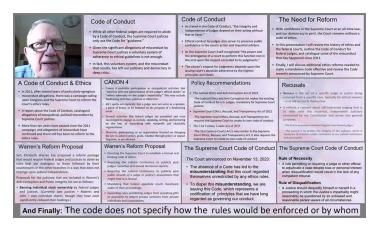
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Alerts & Notices

 The next issue of OLLI E-News will be published Friday, July 12; the regular deadline for submission of items is Tuesday, July 9, at 6:00.

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Trivia Club News

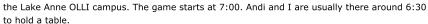


By Pete Oliver, Trivia Club Coordinator

Last month, our trivia team, Los Viejos, followed up a first-place win with an equally surprising second-place finish.

Final question: Which NHL team, which has already won three Stanley Cups in this century, is the oldest in the Western Conference?

We will be meeting again this Thursday (the 11th) at Kalypso's in Reston, which is in the same complex as



If you decide to give it a try, please text or e-mail in advance: (423) 524-5149 and amount1963@gmail.com. We may not meet again until August.

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Caregivers' Support Group @ OLLI



By Doris Bloch, Caregivers' Support Group Co-Coordinator

Did you know that OLLI Mason sponsors a biweekly Zoom support group meeting for caregivers on Friday afternoons? Originally an informal gathering, the group is now listed on the registration portal and you can sign up to be on the email list.

The support group covers several helpful areas. We give our participants an opportunity to talk about their caregiving situation(s) with a supportive group, and also try to provide practical information, both from our own personal experience and/or from other knowledgeable resources. These resources could be internet-based or referrals to local social service agencies. We also draw on the expertise of the George Mason University School of Social Work, which supports us by



providing the group meetings with a facilitator from their Master's in Social Work program.

Participation is low–key and you can remain anonymous if you prefer to do so.

Our meetings usually last no more than one hour. Our next Zoom-based meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 12, at 2:30 and the link will be listed on the Daily Schedule for that day. Just jump in; you

don't need to register.

Questions? contact Doris Bloch, dbloch50@hotmail.com.

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Tallwood Book Club



By Betty Ellerbee, Tallwood Book Club Coordinator

The Tallwood Book Club will meet via Zoom at 2:30 on Friday, July 12th. The book we will discuss is *Under the Wide and Starry Sky* by Nancy Horan.

Our August book is **Moloka'i** by Alan Brennert.

Dance Club Interest Meeting



By Lila Goldstein, Dance Club Coordinator

Do you like to dance, listen to music, meet people, and have fun? Join us for a "dance club interest meeting" via Zoom on Tuesday, July 30 at 2:00. The Zoom link will be included in the OLLI daily schedule.

No expertise in dancing is needed. Your ideas and suggestions are welcome for making this another great OLLI activity. If you have questions, please email Lila Goldstein at mailto:lwgoldstein@gmail.com.



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Some Programs Cannot Come to OLLI, But We Can Go to Them



By Camille Hodges, Humanities and Social Sciences/Current Events Co-Chair, and Diversity Advisory Group Co-Chair

While OLLI is looking for presenters with expertise regarding American Indian history, you can find out more about the heritage, customs, and daily life of our Native Americans at the 2024 Smithsonian Folklife Festival. Here's an excerpt from the Smithsonian website:

From the website https://festival.si.edu: "At the 2024 Smithsonian Folklife Festival on the National Mall, Indigenous artists and makers, professional chefs and home cooks, musicians, dancers, athletes, and storytellers will demonstrate the depth of multigenerational traditions as well as new, innovative approaches to cultural expression.

Join a circle of celebration with stories, songs, and dance. Experience ancestral foods like the Three Sisters (beans, corn, and squash) and inventive, sustainable cuisine. Learn stories that underlie Indigenous sports and games. Hear how Indigenous youth are reclaiming their languages through spoken-word and hip-hop. Explore traditional arts that flourish in their connections to place and environmental knowledge."

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Keep in mind that it's hot in early July! Those of us who have attended these festivals know it's worth the trip, but don't do too much in one day. Take your grandkids, bottled water, snacks, wear a hat, and enjoy. Thanks!

Editor's Note: This article appeared in prior issues of E-News; it is repeated here to encourage your participation in celebrating the National Museum of the American Indian.

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Wednesday Team Bloch Conversation—July 10



By Brenda Bloch-Young and Doris Bloch, Co-Moderators

Every Wednesday afternoon at 4:00, Team Bloch moderates an online conversation on OLLI's 24/7 Chat Line. Each week we choose a different topic and encourage sharing of our thoughts, experiences, and opinions.

Our topic for July 10: Tell us about the first time you voted—e.g., where and how old you were, what you had to do to register, how you felt about it. Would you encourage your younger family members to register to vote?



You can find the Team Bloch (Brenda Bloch-Young and Doris Bloch) conversation Zoom link listed in the Daily Schedule each Wednesday.

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Poet's Corner

Courtesy of the Poetry Workshop

The Coming Waterfall

decades ago
it took nine hard months to

break from my fiancé

the eventual split was accompanied by the agony of losing a best friend 7/7/24, 7:40 PM excruciating

like I'd severed my right arm

now

knowing my angst at parting even when things no longer fit;

dread bleeds onto the thought of selling my childhood home

holding on from a long distance doesn't make sense - I am

weary

what was most dear has died or moved on

but knowing I could always return walk through the door inhabit the space of

memories cherished and jarring

has been a comfort a reassurance that in some way it's all there

still

it's time to move forward and I brace for the coming

waterfall

- Susan Rexroad

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Arts & Music at George Mason

Performances July 12 through July 21



By Shelly Gersten, OLLI E-News Staff Writer

For tickets for either Center for the Arts Concert Hall (CFA) or Hylton Center, call 1-888-945-https://us7.campaign-archive.com/?e=_test_email__&u=0738855181ad339612dd33f91&id=a72fc968e3

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2468. You can also buy tickets online through the event calendar (see links below) or visit the venue's box office. For more information, see the <u>CFA ticket page</u> or the <u>Hylton Center ticket</u> purchase page.

Dr. Linda Apple Monson produces a periodic "Notes from the Director." This email is full of information on interesting online performances by the students and faculty of the School of Music. If you would like to receive these bulletins, just sign up at this link to stay in touch. Also, the Center for the Arts has a website, Mason Arts at Home, which has a calendar of online events and access to many past performances.

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At the Fairfax Campus Venues

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Mason Student and Faculty Performances

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

No Performances

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At the Hylton Center (Manassas Campus)

At the Gregory Family Theater Prince William Little Theatre presents 110 in the Shade

Fri, Jul 12, 8:00 Sat, Jul 13, 2:00 and 7:00 Sun, Jul 14, 2:00 Fri, Jul 19, 8:00 Sat, Jul 20, 2:00 and 7:00

Sun, Jul 21, 2:00

Admission: \$30 Adult, \$25 Senior.

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> For further details on any of the above events, see the <u>CFA event calendar</u> and the <u>Hylton</u> Center event calendar.

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Keep your face ALWAYS toward the sunshine -And the SHADOWS will fall behind you. - Walt Whitman

Meetings & Clubs

Please note: OLLI Meetings and Clubs may currently take place in several formats: some are in person only, some are online only, and some are hybrid, meaning that they take place in person and are accessible online simultaneously. OLLI events and activities meeting online bear the identification "Z" in their course or event number (except clubs; you may need to check the OLLI calendar and daily schedule email for location and other event information). Refer to the university's coronavirus website for official university updates.

The following list covering the next two weeks is extracted for your convenience from the master online calendar maintained by the office. The list is accurate as of mid-week, but for the most upto-date information, please view the latest forecast of coming 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, kick-off coffees, etc., bolded below. The OLLI office has sent (or will send) emails with links and meeting passwords to club members; you may also log in at the member portal and click on ZOOM CLASS LINKS.

Sat Jul 6	10:30 am	Tai Chi Club – online
Mon Jul 8	9:30 am	What's in the Daily News? – online
	10:00 am	Board Game Club
	10:00 am	Bridge Club
Tue Jul 9	1:00 pm	Stay Active and Independent for Life – online
	4:30 pm	Tai Chi Club – online
Wed Jul 10	2:00 pm	Memoir and More Writing Group – online
	4:00 pm	Mah Jongg Club – online
	4:00 pm	Conversation with Team Bloch – online
Thu Jul 11	4:30 pm	Tai Chi Club – online
Fri Jul 12	9:30 am	Photography Club
	9:30 am	Crafts and Conversation
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	10:00 am	Spanish Club
	11:00 am	Homer, etc. – online
	11:30 am	Cooking Club
	1:00 pm	Stay Active and Independent for Life – online
	2:30 pm	Tallwood Book Club – online
	2:30 pm	Caregivers Support Group – online
Sat Jul 13	10:30 am	Tai Chi Club – online
Mon Jul 15	9:30 am	What's in the Daily News? – online
	10:00 am	Bridge Club
	4:00 pm	Family History/Genealogy Club – online
Tue Jul 16	1:00 pm	Stay Active and Independent for Life – online
	4:30 pm	Tai Chi Club – online
Wed Jul 17	4:00 pm	Spanish Club – online
	4:00 pm	Conversation with Team Bloch – online
Thu Jul 18	4:30 pm	Tai Chi Club – online
Fri Jul 19	9:30 am	Dabbling Artists Club
	9:30 am	Mah Jongg Club
	9:30 am	Crafts and Conversation
	10:00 am	Board of Directors Meeting
	11:00 am	Homer, etc. – online
	1:00 pm	Stay Active and Independent for Life – online
Sat Jul 20	10:30 am	Tai Chi Club – online
	1:00 pm	Personal Computer User Group

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

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