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Photos from Bill Reader (Left) and Jean Boltz (Right), Oct 16, 2015

Fall Event 982 Loudoun Wine Tour Redux, October 16

October 30, 2015

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Alerts & Notices

Purchase your raffle tickets from OLLI Development Committee members for a chance to win a one-year new or renewal OLLI membership. Prices are one ticket for \$5, three tickets for \$10 or seven tickets for \$20. Tickets can be bought before and after fall term classes, and at special events. The winner will be chosen Dec 4 at the Holiday Party. The raffle is a Development Committee fundraiser.

State Senator David Marsden will answer our questions about local traffic issues on Monday, Dec 7 from 10-11:30 at the Church of the Good Shepherd. Sign up via the member portal for 1007BT. This OLLI event is open to the public and is not just for Marsden's constituents.

Wine and Cheese Tasting (event 987) will take place Thursday, Dec 10 from 12:30-2:30 at Church of the Good Shepherd. Sign up at the member portal.

Upcoming events at OLLI still have space! Sign-up via the member portal.

- **Hello, Alice Faye, Hello!**—Friday, Nov 6 from 1:30-3:30 in TA-1 (event 976)
- **The B-29: The Plane that Ended World War II**—Monday, Nov 9 from 11:50-1:15 in Loudoun (event 977)

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Tallwood Construction Postponed—Tallwood to Remain Open



By Alice Slayton Clark, Communications Associate and Registrar

George Mason University informed OLLI this week that much-needed renovations to the Tallwood parking lot have been postponed. As a result, the Tallwood facility will remain open this fall and beyond, depending on when the work can be rescheduled—likely Summer 2016. Importantly, clubs, classes and special events will take place at Tallwood and other Fairfax venues as scheduled. Check the OLLI calendar for correct locations olli.gmu.edu.

As you may have heard, Mason has agreed to pay for regrading and repaving the Tallwood parking lot, which has been streaming water into TA1 for years. The sandbags around the building are not remnants of war, but an effort to divert the tidal surge from Roberts Road during rainstorms.

OLLI is hugely grateful to Mason for shouldering this important project and looks forward to rescheduling the work at a time that is least disruptive to OLLI functions. We will be sure to keep the OLLI membership aware of construction developments. Stay tuned and carry on!

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Fun Facts to Celebrate OLLI’s 25th Anniversary



By Ray Beery, Member, Board of Directors

In February 1993 the Virginia General Assembly passed a resolution “That... Commonwealth’s institutions of higher education be encouraged to support the establishment of Learning in Retirement Institutes and organizations.” The resolution was introduced by Delegate Ken Plum in the House and by co-sponsor Senator Joseph Gartlan in the Senate.



OLLI will celebrate its 25th year of classes for seniors in 2016. We'll be publishing fun facts and interesting milestones about the Institute each week that OLLI E-News is published from now through the end of the fall term, 2016.

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History Club to Explore History of Baseball



By Beth Lambert, History Club Coordinator

The History Club will meet on Wednesday, Nov 4 at 2:15 in TA-1. Bill Reader will give a presentation on “The Origins, Early History, and Impact of Baseball.” The topic is certainly timely and is calculated to generate a lot of discussion. Bill Reader’s presentations to the History Club, as well as his classes, are noted for the thoroughness with which he covers a subject.

As usual, all History Club members are welcome to bring a guest. Even better, all OLLI members are invited to History Club meetings, so if you are interested in the early history and impact of baseball, please join us.

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Beginning French Class Plays "Jeopardy"



By Beverley Persell, Instructor

OLLI’s Beginning French class experienced a new type of quiz on French

history. Each student chose either a French person or French place and wrote a paragraph about their subject. Then the student wrote five questions about their subject. Their teacher, Madame Persell, typed the questions on index cards and taped them to the whiteboard in the classroom. The rules of the lesson were similar to the game of Jeopardy. Each student chose a question in a category of their choice and responded. If they were correct, they got a point. After all the students had participated and the questions had all been answered, the winner was declared, and prizes given. Anna Maria Hoeflinger, shown at right with Beverley, took first place.



The lesson is a good way for each student to learn about French history and to enjoy the process of participating in the game. Some of the categories were Louis Pasteur, Musée D'Orsay, Napoleon III, Jean Paul Sartre, Edith Piaf, Quasimodo, Victor Hugo, Descartes, Clemenceau, Lafayette and Versailles.

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Veterans Day Event is Filling Up Fast!



By Martha Powers, Board Member

If you haven't already signed up for **A Veteran's Day Tribute: Honor Flight** (special event 978), please hurry! Space is limited, and we are now expecting Herndon Community TV to cover the event, which is on Wednesday, Nov 11, from 1:45-3:45 in TA-1.



We will begin with the Fairfax Police Honor Guard and our national anthem, followed by a screening of the documentary *Honor Flight*, about veterans flying from the Midwest to visit the World War II memorial. Joining us for this event are three OLLI members who

volunteer with Honor Flight at Dulles International Airport, and can answer your questions about this wonderful nonprofit program.



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Looking for a Travel Club Coordinator

Calling all Travel Club members! Shelly Gersten, regrettably, is stepping down as chair of the Travel Club after seven wonderful years of leadership. This club engages in monthly discussions about exciting adventures and takes many fascinating day trips together (e.g. house and garden tours, Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Walters Museum, Montpelier, Kennilworth Aquatic Gardens, Naval Academy, etc.). If you would like to take the helm of this fun group or would like further information, please contact Shelly Gersten at [703-385-2638](tel:703-385-2638) or snlgersten@gmail.com.

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OLLI Mason Spirit Wear Pickup Dates



By Lesley Bubenhofer, Development Committee Chair

Spirit wear purchases may be picked up in the Tallwood Annex on the following dates and times:

- Friday, Nov 6, 11:30 to 1:00
- Monday through Thursday, Nov 9-12, 11:30 to 1:30

Thank you for supporting the Friends of OLLI with your purchases.

Watch for new items and colors available for sale in the spring term.

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Poet's Corner

Courtesy of the Poetry Workshop

Deer in the Afternoon

A pair of deer, startled, caught
us staring through the window.
They paused on point, not tempted
at that moment by tender
leaves of hosta, hibiscus.
Moving again they browsed through
uncut grass, meandered by
the stream that weaves across the
edge of the yard. Once we stepped
to the door, cracked it open
the two skittered out of sight
still wary of the threat from
humans coexisting on
their own patch of fertile earth

Jan Bohall

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Letter to the Editor



Dear Editor,

I enjoyed reading about Shirley Fox in the latest OLLI *E-News*. Shirley was an old-timer even when I joined LRI in 1999. Here is a picture of her, together with another early member, Michael Styles, taken at an April 2002 signing ceremony at the Center for the Arts. To quote the announcement, "The ceremony formally affirmed LRI's status with the University and the support that GMU and LRI were to provide to each other."



Other signing ceremony pictures are located at <http://www.olligmu.org/signing.html>

Michael Coyne
OLLI (Loudoun Campus)

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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 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

The Beauty of Sichuan Night, Chinese Cultural Festival

Fri, Oct 30, 8:00

Sichuan professional art ensemble led by opera singer, Liao Changyong, followed by a magical act.

Concert Hall

Admission: \$40, \$30, \$20.

L.A. Theatre Works: *Dracula*

Sat, Oct 31, 8:00

Pre-performance discussion with a member of the company.

Concert Hall

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

Concurso de Tinku 2015 (Bolivian Dance)

Sun, Nov 1, 5:30

Concert Hall

Admission: \$20.

US Army Ceremonial Tuba Euphonium Quartet

Tue, Nov 3, 8:00

Harris Theatre

Admission: Free.

Compañía Flamenca José Porcel: *Flamenco Fire*

Fri, Nov 6, 8:00
 Pre-performance discussion: José Porcel; artistic director
 Concert Hall
 Admission: \$48, \$41, \$29.

A Fresh of Breath Air

Written and performed by Dale Stein
 Fri, Nov 6, 8:00
 TheaterSpace
 Admission: Adults, \$15; seniors, \$10.

Munich Symphony Orchestra with The Romeros

Sat, Nov 7, 8:00
 Bizet: Excerpts from *Carmen* Suites No. 1 and No. 2
 Joaquin Rodrigo: *Concierto Andaluz*
 Joaquin Rodrigo: *Concierto de Aranjuez*
 Massenet: *Ballet Music*
 Pre-performance discussion: Bernd Rose; Munich Symphony, orchestra manager
 Concert Hall
 Admission: \$70, \$60, \$42.

Art of Time Ensemble: *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band*

Sun, Nov 8, 7:00
 Pre-performance discussion: Andrew Burashko; pianist and artistic director with an additional member of the company
 Concert Hall
 Admission: \$48, \$41, \$29.

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Mason Student & Faculty Performances

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

The Crucible

Fri, Oct 30 through Sat, Oct 31, 8:00

Sat, Oct 31, and Sun, Nov 1, 2:00
 Join us for a talk-back with the directors and cast after the Oct 31 2:00 performance
 Harris Theatre
 Admission: Adults, \$25; seniors, \$15.

Jazz Ensemble at Blues Alley

Mon, Nov 2, 7:00 and 9:00
 Blues Alley, 1073 Wisconsin Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20007
 Parking at Canal Square, 1054 31st Street, NW, Washington, DC
 Admission: \$20.

Michelle Fegeas, Doctoral Vocal Recital

Fri, Nov 6, 6:00
 St. Georges United Methodist Church, 4910 Ox Rd, Fairfax, VA
 Admission: Free.

Andrew Sharrock, Music-Ed Trumpet Recital

Fri, Nov 6, 8:00
 deLaski 3001
 Admission: Free.

Dave Porter, Doctoral Brass Recital

Sun, Nov 8, 8:00
 deLaski 3001
 Admission: Free.

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At the Hylton Center

Nature Visions Traveling Exhibition

Continues through Nov 15
 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.

Art of Time Ensemble: *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band*

Fri, Nov 6, 8:00

Pre-performance discussion: Andrew Burashko; pianist and artistic director
 Merchant Hall
 Admission: \$48, \$41, \$29.

Manassas Symphony Orchestra: *The Americans*

Sat, Nov 7, 7:30
 Pianist Anthony Michael Cornet joins the Manassas Symphony for an all-American program, including Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue* and Copland's *Rodeo*.
 Admission: Adults, \$20; seniors, \$16.

Jim Tews, Comedian

Sat, Nov 7, 8:30
 Gregory Family Theater
 Admission: \$20.

Compañía Flamenca José Porcel: *Flamenco Fire*

Sun, Nov 8, 4:00
 Pre-performance discussion: José Porcel; artistic director
 Merchant Hall
 Admission: \$48, \$41, \$29.

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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 Oct 31	10:30am	Tai Chi Club-TA-3
Tue Nov 3	10:00am	Knitting and Needlework Club-Panera, Herndon
Wed Nov 4	1:30pm	Mah Jongg Club-TA-2
	1:45pm	Bridge Club-TA-3
	1:45pm	Special Events Committee-Annex
	2:15pm	History Club-TA-1
Fri Nov 6	10:00am	OLLI Town Hall Meeting-TA-1
Sat Nov 7	10:30am	Tai Chi Club-TA-3
Tue Nov 10	10:00am	Knitting and Needlework Club-Panera, Herndon
Wed Nov 11	1:30pm	Book Club-TA-2
	1:45pm	Bridge Club-TA-3
	1:45pm	Spanish Club-Annex
Fri Nov 13	9:00am	Recorder Consort-TA-3
	9:30am	Photography Club-TA-1
	10:00am	Craft and Conversation-Cottage
	11:00am	Classic Literature Club-TA-2
	11:00am	Homer, etc-Annex
	12:00pm	Religious Studies Club-Cottage

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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: ollinewseditor@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.

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