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Annual Business Meeting and Picnic with Board Candidates, Tallwood, May 3

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**Alerts & Notices** 

- Voting in the OLLI Board of Directors election is under way and ends May 17. (*Ed. Note: My ballot ended up in my spam folder. If you did not receive your electronic ballot, check your email spam folder.*) For brief biographies and statements of the candidates, <u>click here.</u>
- The OLLI catalog for the summer term (June 24–August 2) is out and available online <u>here</u>. Priority registration begins May 21 at 9:00 and ends May 29 at noon.
- The next issue of *OLLI E-News* will be published May 17; regular deadline for submission of items is Tuesday, May 14, at 6:00.

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## **OLLI-Mason Annual Business Meeting**



By Rita Way, Secretary

OLLI's annual business meeting was held at Tallwood on May 3, 2019.

President Bill Taylor gave the opening remarks and thanked the Board, OLLI volunteers, and members for their support and efforts during the year. He thanked Evan Douple and the nominating committee for their efforts in selecting a fine slate of candidates. Bill also thanked the Hospitality Committee for putting together the OLLI picnic following the meeting.

Executive Director Jennifer Disano outlined the accomplishments from the past year. They include partnerships with AARP and Mason Library, a record number (600+) of courses developed this year by our outstanding program committees, and our current membership of 1,141. The Strategic Planning Committee completed a draft of strategic goals in consultation with the Board and committee chairs. Other accomplishments included increased opportunities for member feedback and the establishment of a committee for volunteer recognition.

OLLI's goals for 2019-2020 are to complete the strategic plan and share it with membership, to incorporate the strategic plan into an annual operational plan, and to complete planning and funding for an accessibility ramp at Tallwood. Jennifer also hopes to have more collaborative programs with Mason, develop new funding sources, and continue to make outreach a priority. (Photos by Paul Van Hemel)

During the second half of the annual meeting, the candidates running for the Board were introduced to the members. Each candidate gave a short presentation and then the candidates took questions from the audience.

Voting started May 3 and will end May 17. Members can send in their votes electronically or by paper ballot.

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#### The Tom Swift Squad Needs You!



Interested in Technology? Learn With Us

By Paul Howard, Audiovisual Support Committee Chair

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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, May 15, in TA-1. Our activities for this meeting will be the updating of cabling and equipment documentation at Tallwood and training on classroom gear.

Please let me know if you're planning to attend or would like to become a "Swiftle" 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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## Computer Club



3rd Saturday, May 18 Lost Your Phone? Displaying Mobile Devices Using Zoom

By Paul Howard, OPCUG Program Chair

The Computer Club (OLLI Personal Computer User Group, or OPCUG) will meet with its partner, the Potomac Area Technology and Computer Society (PATACS), on Saturday, May 18, at Tallwood. Join us at 12:30 for socializing in the Annex. Program activities begin at 1:00 in TA-1.

## Lost Your Phone? Presentation by John Krout

You will learn some simple steps to take in advance to help you find your lost or misplaced smart phone. This is important: first, smart phones are costly to replace; second, many of us keep a lot of valuable personal information on smart phones. Finding a misplaced phone quickly can be a great relief!

Good news: both Android phones and iPhones have built-in features that you can enable so you can use a web site to locate the phone on an online map. The presentation will demonstrate those web sites, which also let you take various actions such as ringing the phone so you can hear it.

#### Learn in 30: Stan Schretter - Displaying Mobile Devices Using Zoom

Demonstrating mobile device operations and applications during OLLI classes has never been fully supported with the Windows PC used at OLLI. Approaches using the docucam or direct cable connections typically have produced unsatisfactory results. Recently, Stan has started to use Zoom to display the mobile screen onto the PC and hence into the projector display. This approach seems to provide both high quality displays and enough bandwidth to follow rapid movement in the mobile screen. The presentation will demonstrate cell-phone photo technology.

See full details on this meeting by <u>clicking here</u>. For information on the Computer Club, see the <u>OPCUG website</u>. OPCUG dues of \$5 for 2019 will be collected at this meeting.

Can't make the meeting in person? Dues-paid club members may attend via Zoom's cloud meeting service, beginning at 12:45. Send a message to <a href="mailto:webinarhosts@patacs.org">webinarhosts@patacs.org</a> if you plan to attend in this way. Join from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS, or Android at <a href="https://zoom.us/j/519103813">https://zoom.us/j/519103813</a> (meeting ID: 519 103 813).

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#### **OLLI Photo Club Member Works Selected for Exhibition**

By John Nash, E-News Editor, Staff Writer

Recently, six OLLI Photo Club members had photographs selected for exhibition in the Ninth Annual Joseph Miller Abstract Photography Competition (2019). The competition is national in scope and often draws more than 400 entries from across the nation and abroad. Members who were honored to have their photographs selected were Dan and Jean Feighery, Bob Kelberg, John Nash, Ed Parker, and Tom Simpson.

\*The Miller competition is one of the most prestigious venues for abstract photography," said Dan Feighery who, along with his wife, Jean, has entered the competition and had photographs selected for the last several years.

Entries must originate as photographs but may be altered electronically or otherwise to reflect an abstract image which plays on the senses and emotions. According to the competition definition, abstracts are nonrepresentational and do not rely upon recognizable subject matter, but rather consist of colors, tones, shapes, and textures. Abstracts are the poetry of photography and, like other works of art, are felt as well as seen. Some consider abstracts difficult to master or even to understand because of the lack of a subject to "carry" the image.

The Minth Annual Joseph Miller Abstract Photography Exhibit is open from noon until 5:00 Saturdays and Sundays in May. The exhibition is located at the Joseph Miller Center, 4811 Catharpin Road, Gainesville, VA 20155.

The OLLI Photo Club was recently named Adult Volunteer Group for 2019 by Fairfax County. (See article in May 3 *E-News*.)

Below are several Photo Club members' photographs in the exhibition.











Left to right (top)
Fibonachi-Dan;
Squiggles-Jean;
Spiral-Dan;
(bottom)
Slants-Ed;
Pins-Bob.

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**Poet's Corner** 

Courtesy of the Poetry Workshop

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#### Women of a Certain Age

You might believe that women reach an age when they should be considered past their prime, though they dispense their wisdom like a sage and make the most of how they spend their time.

You'd be surprised to learn that it's not true that aging women shrivel like a prune, express the rude opinions of a shrew, or play the ditzy dame or sweet buffoon.

The age of sixty plus is not a curse for women who have passions to pursue, who eagerly explore their universe in ways that will enrich their point of view.

A woman's not concerned about her age When she's eager to begin a new life stage.

Sandy Myles

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# Arts & Music at George Mason

Performances May 10 through May 20



By Shelly Gersten, OLLI E-News Staff Writer

For tickets for either Center for the Arts Concert Hall (CFA) or Hylton Center, call 1-888-945-2468, 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 Center ticket purchase page.

At the Fairfax Campus Venues

Fairfax Symphony Orchestra: Verdi's Requiem

Sat, May 11, 8:00

A pre-performance discussion with conductor Christopher Zimmerman and special guests begins at 7:00.

Admission: \$65, \$53, \$50, \$39, \$25.

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Mason Student & Faculty Performances

(see  $\underline{\text{music.gmu.edu}}$  for additional student recitals)

School of Music Honors Recital

Sun, May 12, 7:00

Harris Theatre Admission: Free.

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At the Hylton Center (Manassas Campus)

Gallery Exhibit: David Barr

Apr 2 – May 18

Buchanan Partners Art Gallery.

The Buchanan Partners Art Gallery is open to the public Tue-Sat, 10:00-6:00.

Pied Piper Theatre: Annie

Sat, May 11, 2:00 and 7:00

Sun, May 12, 3:00

Merchant Hall

Admission: Adults, \$20; children \$15.

Manassas Ballet Theatre: The Sleeping Beauty

Fri, May 17 and Sat, May 18, 7:30

Sat, May 18, 3:00

Merchant Hall

Admission: \$65, \$55, \$45, \$35, \$25.

Gallery Exhibit: Jordann Wine

May 19 – July 9

Buchanan Partners Art Gallery. Gallery Reception: Thu, May 23, 6:00.

Gallery receptions are free and open to the public. Please RSVP to smeyer3@gmu.edu.

The Buchanan Partners Art Gallery is open to the public Tue-Sat, 10:00-6:00.

McKinney Boyd High School Band Concert

Mon, May 20, 8:00 Merchant Hall

Admission: \$10.

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For further details on any of the above events, 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 for the most up-to-date information, please view the latest forecast of coming events on our website (News/OLLI

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<u>Calendar</u>). 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).

Sat May 11	10: 30am	Tai Chi Club-TA-3
Wed May 15	1:00pm	Audiovisual Committee Meeting-TA-1
	1:30pm	Mah Jongg Club-TA-2
	1:45pm	Bridge Club-TA-3
Fri May 17	9:15am	Recorder Consort–TA-3
	9: 30am	Craft and Conversation-Annex
	10:00am	Catalog Meeting-TA-1
	11:00am	Classic Literature Club-TA-2
	11:00am	Homer, etcAnnex
	11:00am	Dr. Who Club-Annex
Sat May 18	10: 30am	Tai Chi Club-TA-3
	1:00pm	Personal Computer User Group-TA-1
Mon May 20	10:00am	Nominating Committee–TA-2
Wed May 22	11:00am	New Board Member Orientation—TA-2
	1:00pm	Special Events Committee–Annex
	1:45pm	Bridge Club
Fri May 24	9:15am	Recorder Consort–TA-3
	9: 30am	Craft and Conversation-Annex
	10:00am	Theater Lovers' Group-TA-1
	11:00am	Homer, etcAnnex
	11:00am	Photography Club-TA-3
Sat May 25	10: 30am	Tai Chi Club-TA-3

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## About OLLI E-News

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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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