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Paul Howard and Executive Director Je with OLLI Players, September 17

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#### **Alerts & Notices**

- Reminder: Remember that your best viewing of *E-News* is obtained by viewing the e screen). Also, you can magnify the image by zooming in; on a PC, use Ctrl-mouse sc plus (+) to enlarge.
- Note: Each day, all current OLLI members receive a "Daily Schedule" email with a lis
  classes offered that day (passcodes are now required; not to be shared with non-me
- The next issue of OLLI E-News will be published Friday, October 2; regular deadline 6:00.

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### **Board Meeting Highlights**



By Marguerite Johnson, Secretary

The September 18 regular meeting of the OLLI Board of Directors was held electronically v

President Paul Howard opened the meeting by recognizing the retirement of John West an webmasters for OLLI's web presence. He also gave continued kudos to the Outreach Comrexperience with OLLI in hopes that we can do a better job for everyone. Many members  $\pi$  may need to form an ad hoc committee to work on this.

The Board approved the meeting agenda, the minutes of the July 2020 Board meeting, an July-August 2020.

The president's report noted the great line-up of classes and activities for the fall term. It promotion.

In new business, the Board resolved to approve \$24,500 in scholarships/grants for 2020 f Mason departments, a university library grant, a scholarship for a student transferring froi scholarship to purchase books for the Mason maintenance staff, and support for the Fall fc

Jennifer Disano's Executive Director's report noted that total membership is 1,064, 1,041 have more staff for fall, but payroll is still within the budget. She is awaiting guidance fror The OLLI 30th anniversary committee envisions celebrations all year in 2021. If you are in meetings. Angie and Dave Talaber are co-chairs.

Treasurer David Osterman addressed anticipated changes to the 2020-2021 budget. A big spring 2021. Right now, plans are to be on campus if possible, but a hybrid model would s budget purposes, the on-campus plan would be more expensive. Member enrollment drive 2020 of \$70,000 - \$80,000 because when we are on campus, we typically spend \$50,000 month, a monthly savings of \$8,000-\$9,000. Those savings can cover any deficit in 2021.

Lillian Brooks, chair of the committee to review and update the *OLLI Board Handbook*, pre The committee has reviewed the handbook and is revising and updating as needed. It is a document titled *OLLI Policies and Procedures Manual*.



### **Tallwood Book Club**



By Betty Ellerbee, Tallwood Book Club Coordinator

The books that will be discussed at the October and November meetings of the Tallwood E

October: *Sag Harbor* by Colson Whitehead; November: *Lost Roses* by Martha Hall Kelly.

These Zoom meetings of the club occur on the second Friday each month at 2:30. For dire

and click on ZOOM CLASS LINKS.

For further information please contact Betty Ellerbee at <a href="mailto:ellerbetty1@gmail.com">ellerbetty1@gmail.com</a>.

## **Reston Book Club**





By Nancy Scheeler and Luci Martel, Reston Book Club Coordinators

The Reston Book Club will meet on Thursday, October 8, at 4:00. via Zoom. For direct link click on ZOOM CLASS LINKS.

The selection will be: 10 Minutes 38 Seconds in this Strange World by Elif Shafak, which w about a woman who has been brutally assaulted and left for dead in a trash bin in Istanbu mind continues to operate for a few minutes after physical death and the author uses this these memories are brief vignettes dedicated to each of the woman's five friends. Those p up for the Reston Book Club to ensure they receive the member sign-in and password to  $\epsilon$ 

#### **Photo of the Month**



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The September 2020 Photo of the Month theme was umbrellas. We selected Rosemary Lul at this page. To view other photos by members of the Photography Club, visit the club's p

-- By John Olsen and Edward Marion, Photography Club Coordinators

#### **Poet's Corner**

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What's THAT?
What kind of bird?
What kind of woodpecker's
that tall and that skinny, that
red-and-pointy-headed, what kind
of beady-eyed woodpecker's THAT?

Well, that flashy tall strutter, he's his own kind of bird, he's a cartoon rapper, a mad rat-a-tatter that you cannot ignore, he's a pileated woodpecker, THAT'S what.

Caroline McNeil

## **Arts & Music at George Mason**



By Shelly Gersten, OLLI E-News Staff Writer

Although Mason's campus is shut down, online entertainment continues for us to access a "Notes from the Director." This email is full of interesting online performances by the stud like to receive these bulletins, just send an email to Brianna Schoen at <a href="mailto:bschoen@gmu.edu">bschoen@gmu.edu</a> <a href="mailto:Arts at Home">Arts at Home</a>, which has a calendar of online events. Further, Mason's Dewberry School of are online, and you can find them at <a href="mailto:http://music.calendar.gmu.edu">http://music.calendar.gmu.edu</a>.

At the Fairfax Campus Venues

A Celebration of ARTS by George! College of the Visual and Performing Arts

Saturday, September 26, 7:00

Join us online for an evening like no other. Live on social media and GMU-TV, the even of ARTS *by George!* during the past 14 years. Since 2006, ARTS *by George!* has ensure support for Mason's College of Visual and Performing Arts. Hear from alumni scholarshi industries around the world, see content from performances and exhibitions, and meet despite major financial and artistic challenges due to COVID-19.

<u>Instructions on how to watch on your television.</u>

### **Meetings & Clubs**

**Please note**: Physical meetings for clubs and activities are canceled until further notice ir conducting its classes and activities online. Refer to the university's <u>coronavirus website</u> for <u>calendar</u> for revised information.

The following list covering the next two weeks is extracted for your convenience from the meeting data and direct web links, log in at the member portal and refer to the table of cli mid-week but for the most up-to-date information, please view the latest forecast of comi Note: All OLLI members are welcome at, and encouraged to attend, meetings of the Board off coffees, etc. The OLLI office has sent (or will send) emails with links and meeting passi

Sat Sep 26	10:30 am	Tai Chi Club
Tue Sep 29	4:00 pm	Tai Chi Club
Wed Sep 30	2:00 pm	Memoir and More Writing Group
Thu Oct 1	4:00 pm	Tai Chi Club
Fri Oct 2	9:30 am	Craft & Conversation
	11:00 am	Classic Literature Club
	11:00 am	Homer, etc.
	12:00 noon	Yoga Club
	2:00 pm	Cooking Club
Sat Oct 3	10:30 am	Tai Chi Club
Tue Oct 6	4:00 pm	Science and Technology Club
	4:00 pm	Tai Chi Club
Wed Oct 7	4:00 pm	Mah Jongg Club
	4:00 pm	Ethnic Eats Lunch Club
	4:00 pm	History Club

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