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Photos by Paul Van Hemel, June 22, 2018

*New and Continuing Members Enjoy Informal Conversation at Coffee Klatch, Tallwood, June 22.*

**June 29, 2018**

Editor of the Week: Jean Boltz

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### Alerts & Notices

- The OLLI website has the most up-to-date information on summer term offerings. To check for changed or canceled classes, click [here](#).
- Executive Director Jennifer Disano is seeking your inputs for an academic paper for the American Society on Aging. If you wish to contribute, send your submission to [jdisano@gmu.edu](mailto:jdisano@gmu.edu) by July 2. For more information, click [here](#) and scroll to May 20 entry.
- Reminder: The Language, Literature, and Theater Program Planning Group is meeting on July 2 at 1:00 in TA-1. All interested OLLI members are invited to bring feedback and ideas for new classes and/or instructors.
- The next issue of *OLLI E-News* will be published July 6; regular deadline for submission of items is Tuesday, July 3, at 6:00.

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### Help a Hungry Mason Student



*By Toni Acton, Chair, Member Services Committee*

Our OLLI regularly supports local community service organizations. This summer, we are asking OLLI members to contribute to the Patriot Pantry at George Mason University—a food bank that helps hungry students in need.

From Monday, July 2, through Friday, July 13 (1:00 cut-off), we will have a collection box in the Social Room at Tallwood. We welcome the following donations:

- Canned protein (tuna, chicken, meats)
- Rice, pasta and pasta sauce
- Bagged nut mixes, trail mix, and snacks
- Body wash, shampoo, lotion, toothpaste, deodorant

Please help us make this event a tremendous success!

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## Seeking a Bass Player



*By Nancy Riley, Tallwood Trio Vocalist*

OLLI's own Tallwood Trio is looking for a bass player who can join the group **on a temporary basis**. Our bassist, Eric Henderson, is a bit under the weather. While we expect him to make a full recovery, we have some gigs coming up in the next couple of months and would appreciate someone stepping in. If you are interested, or if you know someone who plays and is available during the daytime, please give Alan Wenberg a call at 703-690-4629. Thank you!

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## Poet's Corner

*Courtesy of the Poetry Workshop*

### I Was There at the Cosmic Dawn

I was there with the coming  
Of the first cosmic dawn  
When the first stars  
Burst into flame

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Formed from a fog  
Of helium and hydrogen  
Created in the first three minutes  
Some 14 billion years ago.

I was there to see  
Billions upon billions  
Of stars  
Swirling in galaxies,  
Whirlpools in the universe.

I was there when our  
Small earth was formed  
From swirling gases  
Over four billion years ago.

I was there when  
The moon was created  
From a massive  
Collision with the earth.  
It shone as a reflection  
Of the Great Light nearest to us.

I was there when  
Our children were born,  
In the first minutes,  
Small stars in the chain of creation  
And re-creation.

-- Jack Underhill

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## Arts & Music at George Mason



**Performances, June 29 through July 21**

*By Shelly Gersten, OLLI E-News Staff Writer*

For tickets for either Center for the Arts (CFA) or Hylton, call 1-888-945-2468,

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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**

No events scheduled.

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**Mason Student & Faculty Performances**

(see [music.gmu.edu](http://music.gmu.edu) for additional student recitals)

**National Jazz Workshop**

Fri, Jun 29, 2:00  
 Concert Hall  
 Admission: Free.

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**At the Hylton Center (Manassas Campus)**

**Gallery Exhibit: *Vivid Transmissions***

Through Jul 21  
 Buchanan Partners Art Gallery  
 The Buchanan Partners Art Gallery is open to the public Tue-Sat, 10:00-6:00, and two hours before each performance.

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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 any time 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 Jun 30	10:30am 12:00pm	Tai Chi Club–TA-3 Computer Club–TA-1
Mon Jul 2	10:00am 10:00am 10:00am 10:30am	What's in the Daily News–TA-1 Bridge Club–TA-3 Mah Jongg Club–TA-2 <b>Language, Literature, and Theater Program Planning Group Meeting–TA-1</b>
Fri Jul 6	9:15am 9:30am 11:00am 1:00pm	Recorder Consort–TA-3 Craft and Conversation–Annex Homer, etc.–Annex Dr. Who Club–TA-3
Sat Jul 7	10:30am	Tai Chi Club–TA-3
Mon Jul 9	10:00am 10:00am	What's in the Daily News–TA-1 Tallwood Book Club–TA-2
Weds Jul 11	1:45pm	Spanish Club–TA-2
Fri Jul 13	9:15am 9:30am 9:30am 11:00am	Recorder Consort–TA-3 Craft and Conversation–Annex Photography Club–TA-1 Homer, etc.–Annex

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**About OLLI E-News**

*OLLI E-News* was created by Rod Zumbro, who served as its editor from 2005 to 2013.

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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: [ollienewseditor@gmail.com](mailto:ollienewseditor@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.

**Note:** You can view past issues of *OLLI E-News* on the DocStore. To search the content of issues, use Search Our Site or put your search term in Google followed by "site:olli.gmu.edu/" without the quotes.

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