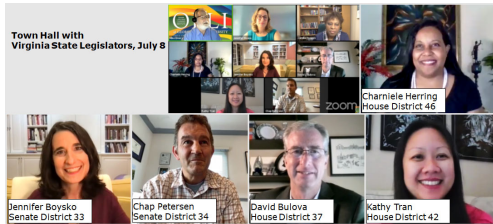


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Town Hall with Virginia State Legislators, July 8
Hosted by Executive Director Jennifer Disano
and Board Member Camille Hodges

July 16, 2021

Editor of the Week: Paul Van Hemel

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Alerts & Notices

- **Reminder:** OLLI Personal Computer User Group (OPCUG) meeting via Zoom Saturday, July 17 (tomorrow!), at 1:00; for details [click here](#). Zoom link and other meeting information appears in the Daily Schedule email for July 16-17 and in Zoom class links at the member portal.
- The next issue of *OLLI E-News* will be published Friday, July 23; regular deadline for submission of items is Tuesday, July 20, at 6:00.

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OLLI's Plan for Return to Campus . . .



By [Paul Howard](#), **President** and [Jennifer Disano](#),
Executive Director

. . . awaits information and direction from George Mason University. On June 30, Mason submitted material to Virginia governmental authorities, which will, when approved, serve as the foundation for our return. An *ad hoc* committee of OLLI members with medical expertise will be reviewing what we receive from Mason to ensure that the issues of our demographic are appropriately considered. The committee will produce a report with recommendations for the OLLI Board, which will then provide direction for our staff to act on in getting us back to activities and classes. It is currently our belief that we'll be able to begin some of our programming face-to-face on a trial basis in the fall term.

Beginning in late May, the Audiovisual/Tech Support Committee, with the assistance of members of the Potomac Area Technology and Computer Society (PATACS), have been holding two sessions most weeks for trial methods of holding 'hybrid' classes. This includes testing newly-installed video cameras in TA-1, acquiring accessory equipment to allow input and output of sound and video to our computers connected to classroom displays and Zoom, and working through the many issues that in-person and remote audiences entail. Our first 'live trial' will be on July 17, with a small meeting team in TA-1 for the OPCUG/PATACS joint meeting. One presenter will be 'in person' in the room, and the second via Zoom, along with a remote Zoom audience.

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Photo of the Month



The July 2021 Photo of the Month theme was pets. We selected Ed Marion's photo "Will You Be My Pal?" which may also be viewed at [this page](#). To view other photos by members of the Photography Club, visit the club's photo [website](#).

-- By [John Olsen](#) and [Edward Marion](#), **Photography Club Coordinators**

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Poet's Corner

Courtesy of the Poetry Workshop

Maternal Instinct

Vixen's laser gaze
 Watching over her five kits
 Romping and darting
 As if on new yoyo strings
 She protecting, nurturing

Sally Sibley

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Arts & Music at George Mason

No Performances until September



By Shelly Gersten, OLLI E-News Staff Writer

Virtual Performances

Although Mason's Fairfax campus is shut down, online entertainment and events at the Hylton Center continue for us to access and enjoy. Dr. Linda Apple Monson produces a periodic "Notes from the Director." This email is full of interesting online performances by the students and faculty of the School of Music. If you would like to receive these bulletins, just send an email to Brianna Schoen at bschoen@gmu.edu. 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.

All Mason Arts & Music events are postponed until September.

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Meetings & Clubs

Please note: Physical meetings for clubs and activities are canceled until further notice in accordance with Mason's guidelines. OLLI is conducting its classes and activities online. Refer to the university's [coronavirus website](#) for official university updates and check the [OLLI calendar](#) for revised information.

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 up-to-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. 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 17	10:30 am 1:00 pm	Tai Chi Club Personal Computer User Group
Tue Jul 20	4:30 pm	Tai Chi Club
Wed Jul 21	4:00 pm	Mah Jongg Club
Thu Jul 22	4:30 pm	Tai Chi Club

Fri Jul 23	9:30 am 11:00 am 12:00 noon	Craft and Conversation Homer, etc. Photography Club
Sat Jul 24	10:30 am	Tai Chi Club
Tue Jul 27	4:30 pm	Tai Chi Club
Wed Jul 28	2:00 pm 6:00 pm	Memoir and More Writing Group Ethnic Eats Club
Thu Jul 29	4:30 pm	Tai Chi Club
Fri Jul 30	9:30 am 11:00 am	Craft and Conversation Homer, etc.
Sat Jul 31	10:30 am	Tai Chi Club

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About OLLI E-News

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