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**Board of Directors Meeting, June 17**

June 17, 2022 - 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
 Thank You, OLLI Professors for OLLI!

| Membership Update (7/28)                | 2015 | 2021 | 2022 | 2022 YTD | 2022 YTD |
|---|------|------|------|----------|----------|
| Current Active Members                  | 1177 | 1038 | 972  | -261     | -66      |
| Annual memberships: Fall through Summer | 13   | 8    | 1    | -10      | -7       |
| Basic Memberships: Summer               | 8    | 5    | 1    | -1       | 0        |
| Life-time memberships                   | 1794 | 1851 | 978  | -216     | -73      |

| Expenses                  | 2022 YTD | 2022 YTD | 2022 YTD |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Program and Related Taxes | 168,425  | 142,000  | 27,416   |
| New Program               | 13,378   | 18,862   | 5,475    |
| Total Expenses            | 181,803  | 160,862  | 21,941   |

**Board of Directors Meeting, June 17**

**June 24, 2022**

Editor of the Week: Sheri Siesseger

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**Alerts & Notices**

- OLLI Personal Computer User Group will hold a special meeting Saturday, June 25 (tomorrow) at 1:00; for detailed information, see article below.
- The next issue of OLLI E-News will be published Friday, July 1; regular deadline for submission of items is Tuesday, June 28, at 6:00.

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**June Board Meeting Highlights**



By **Gloria Loew, Secretary**

The OLLI Board of Directors met on Friday, June 17. Officers elected for the upcoming year are: President Lillian Brooks, Vice President Mel Russell, Treasurer David Osterman, and Secretary Gloria Loew. A resolution was passed giving all officers authority to sign checks for OLLI.

The Board discussed OLLI plans to encourage more in-person meetings while continuing to provide capacity for virtual meetings through the hybrid component (e.g., using the technology capability installed in TA-1). The July Board meeting is planned to be in-person with hybrid availability. Discussion also addressed enhancing the strategic plan to incorporate more efforts to recruit and retain new members.

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**Members with Healthcare Experience Needed**



By **Michele Romano, Board Member and Healthcare Advisory Work Group Chair**

I am a retired physician and member of our OLLI Board of Directors. We are forming a Healthcare Advisory Work Group to help OLLI navigate the safety protocols for Covid-19 on our campus. Because most of us are seniors, we are in a higher risk category. The purpose of the work group will be to follow the science on an ongoing basis and make recommendations based on same. I will be chairing the work group which has also been dubbed CCIC (Cookies and Coffee in the

Classroom). I'm looking for roughly five to ten members with healthcare backgrounds as well as non-healthcare members that I can call on for advice, input, and ideas along the way. This will be an ongoing workgroup. We will look at Covid-19 mitigation strategies and also monitor new and emerging diseases that have the potential to explode down the road (e.g., monkeypox, bird flu, seasonal flu variants). Please email me at [tufax2@gmail.com](mailto:tufax2@gmail.com). I would be delighted to discuss this opportunity with you.

Thank you.

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## Special Joint Meeting—WAP, OPCUG, PATACS

June 25, 10:00-12:30, In Person and Via Zoom  
Tech Journalist Rob Pegoraro



By [Paul Howard](#), OPCUG Program Chair

It has been a long time, but you can finally heckle Rob Pegoraro in person. The freelance technology journalist (and former *Washington Post* columnist) will speak at the June 25 joint meeting of Washington Apple Pi, the OLLI PC User Group, and the Potomac Area Technology and Computer Society. His topics will be recent developments in digital privacy, the prospects for new federal regulations governing the tech industry, and the state of wireless broadband in the US. For those of you who attend in person, Rob will bring at least one backpack's worth of tech-event swag to give away. If you've gotten into the habit of backing creative types on Patreon, please have a look at Rob's Patreon Page:

<https://www.patreon.com/robpegoraro/>

Please [click here](#) for in-person meeting requirements.

To attend via Zoom's cloud meeting service, beginning at 10:00, please click [this link](#) to join the meeting and use passcode 816743 (*Note*: enter passcode with NO spaces) or enter meeting ID 823 0941 3026 in the Zoom app and use the above passcode.

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## Outreach Committee Meeting



By [Debby Mossburg](#), Outreach Committee Chair

**Help us Spread the Word! Outreach Committee Meeting Scheduled for Thursday, June 28, 4:00.**

Looking for a way to use your personal and professional skills to help OLLI? The Outreach

Committee needs you! We welcome **anyone** interested in helping us to spread the word about this amazing learning community, but we especially need people with:

- A background in journalism and/or a love of writing
- Marketing and/or advertising experience
- An interest in increasing the diversity of our membership
- An enthusiasm for spreading the word about OLLI

Many of the benefits we enjoy as OLLI members are only possible with a robust membership. Joining our Outreach Committee is one way to help make sure we maintain one. Please contact Debby Mossburg at [debby.mossburg@verizon.net](mailto:debby.mossburg@verizon.net) if you want to be part of the solution or join us at our next meeting on Tuesday, June 28, at 4:00.

To join the Zoom meeting (Meeting ID: 891 7073 2027; Passcode: 766055), click [this link](#). The link will also appear in the OLLI Daily Schedule email for June 28.

(*Editor's Note: This article appeared in the last E-News; it is repeated here to encourage interest and participation.*)

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## Poet's Corner

*Courtesy of the Poetry Workshop*

### The Wordle Hurdle

So simple. So fun. So obsessive.  
Is there anyone on the planet  
Who has not discovered the joy,  
Er, frustration, of Wordle? Designed  
For introverts who tend toward obsessive/  
Compulsive, its practice quickly becomes addictive.

Think of a five-letter word  
Made up of frequently-occurring letters  
In American English: I'll try 'trace,'  
Which quickly deteriorates into only one  
Correct letter, and that in the wrong square.  
My chances of solving today's in two steps  
Fade quickly; I manage it in four.

Hardly bragging rights,  
But stats leap to tell me  
It's my most frequent score.

*jan bohall*

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## Obituary: Helen Anderson

Helen Anderson, a former OLLI member, died February 12, 2022, at the age of 83. She joined OLLI in the fall of 2004 and remained a member for more than ten years. She received a bachelor's degree in economics from St. Lawrence University.

Helen enjoyed music, theater, and all things Irish. She loved travel, and was able to visit Ireland, the Holy Land, Australia, and to take a cruise to Alaska. She married Warren H. Anderson in 1960 and lived in a dozen places, including Germany and Belgium, during his Army career.



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## Arts & Music at George Mason

Performances June 24 through July 4



By Shelly Gersten, OLLI E-News Staff Writer

Current vaccination policy for the Center for the Arts and Hylton Performing Arts Center is summarized as follows:

Audience members are not currently required to show proof of vaccination or a negative Covid-19 test result for most events **except** when required by the event organizer or artist. If proof of vaccination or a negative Covid-19 test result is required for a specific event, it will be indicated on the webpage with event details. **Face coverings continue to be required at all events.**

Specific requirements are detailed and any future policy changes may be found here: <https://cfa.gmu.edu/plan-your-visit/vaccination-policy>.

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 sign up at [this link to stay in touch](#). 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. Information can also be found at [CFA ticket purchase page](#), [Center for the Arts YouTube Channel](#), or the [Hylton ticket purchase page](#).

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### At the Fairfax Campus Venues

No Events Scheduled

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### Mason Student and Faculty Performances

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

#### Mason Jazz Camp Student Concert

Fri, Jun 24, 2:00  
Center for the Arts, Concert Hall  
Admission: Free.

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### At the Hylton Center (Manassas Campus)

#### Paul Anka in Concert

Sat, Jun 25, 8:00  
Merchant Hall  
Admission: \$100, \$80, \$60.

#### PowerWorx Dance: Pump Up the Power

Sun, Jun 26, 3:00  
Merchant Hall  
Admission: \$15.

#### Mason 50th FilmFest: A League of Their Own (1992)

Fri, Jul 1, 7:00  
Gregory Family Theater  
Admission: Free.

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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

**Please note:** Although some physical meetings for clubs and activities are canceled, some may be meeting in person or, in a hybrid mode, both in person and online. OLLI events and activities meeting online bear the identification "Z" in their course or event number. Refer to the university's [coronavirus website](#) for official university updates; also, check the [OLLI calendar](#) and daily schedule email for event 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 Jun 25 | 10:00 am<br>10:30 am   | Personal Computer User Group Special Session<br>Tai Chi Club  |
| Mon Jun 27 | 9:20 am<br>10:00 am<br>10:00 am<br>4:00 pm                       | What's in the Daily News?<br>Bridge Club<br>Spanish Club<br>Mah Jongg Club  |
| Tue Jun 28 | 4:30 pm  | Tai Chi Club  |
| Wed Jun 29 | 2:00 pm<br>6:00 pm   | Memoir and More Writing Group<br>Ethnic Eats Club   |
| Thu Jun 30 | 4:30 pm  | Tai Chi Club  |
| Fri Jul 1  | 9:15 am<br>9:30 am<br>11:00 am                                   | Recorder Consort<br>Craft and Conversation<br>Homer, etc.   |
| Sat Jul 2  | 10:30 am   | Tai Chi Club  |
| Mon Jul 4  | Holiday  | OLLI Office Closed  |
| Tue Jul 5  | 4:00 pm<br>4:30 pm   | Spanish Club<br>Tai Chi Club  |
| Thu Jul 7  | 4:30 pm  | Tai Chi Club  |
| Fri Jul 8  | 9:15 am<br>9:30 am<br>9:30 am<br>11:00 am<br>11:30 am<br>2:30 pm | Recorder Consort<br>Photography Club<br>Craft and Conversation<br>Homer, etc.<br>Cooking Club<br>Tallwood Book Club |
| Sat Jul 9  | 10:30 am   | Tai Chi Club  |

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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.

### Editorial Staff

Chief Editor: Paul Van Hemel

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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:** 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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