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## OLLI NEWS — October 28, 2022

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### Wanted: (More) SGR Coordinators

OLLI is looking for a few more volunteers to serve as **SGR Coordinator** for the February Shorts and Spring 2023 academic sessions, and beyond. SGR Coordinators make phone calls using either volunteer or class attendance lists to find SGRs for the study groups. *SGRs play a role in ensuring classes run smoothly: taking attendance, making announcements, reminding members about feedback, etc.*

Below are the upcoming dates that SGR Coordinators will need to make calls to class members to

find someone in each class willing to be the SGR:

**February Shorts:** Make calls **January 17-20**

**Spring:** Make calls **February 17-24**

If you are interested in volunteering for this role, please e-mail [olli@american.edu](mailto:olli@american.edu).

## Calling All February & Spring Proposals



**February Shorts:** Feb. 6-10

*Classes meet 2-5 times during the one week*

[Proposal form](#)

**Spring Semester:** Feb. 27-May 5

*Classes meet once a week for 7-10 weeks*

[Proposal form](#)

**Proposal deadline for both:** November 27

We welcome proposals from both new and previous study group leaders. For more information about being an SGL at OLLI, please visit the [Become an Instructor](#) page on the website. If you or someone you know is interested in leading a study group for the first time and would like to speak with someone, please email [olli@american.edu](mailto:olli@american.edu) with your contact information and we will get in touch with you.

To propose a study group, click the applicable proposal form link above. You will need to login with your OLLI username/password or create an account if it's your first time. Class formats in February and spring will continue to be in-person or online (with a limited number of hybrid classes). Study group leaders select their format preference on the proposal form.



## OLLI's 40th Anniversary



This past Tuesday, we celebrated OLLI's 40th Anniversary at the Katzen Arts Center. We heard from American University's President, Sylvia Burwell; Founding Member, Tina Fried Heller; and OLLI at AU's Executive Director, Tony Long, about OLLI's 40-year history and special partnership with American University. Their remarks highlighted how we have always remained true to our core tenets of lifelong learning and community. We also heard from Board Member and Chair of our Development Committee, Martha Cutts, about the launch of OLLI at AU's Legacy Society. For more information on how you can help OLLI provide intellectual stimulation and community for years to come, click [here](#). Over wine and hors d'oeuvres, we celebrated and reminisced with both long-time members and new.

Guests enjoyed docent-led tours of the AU Museum's [current exhibits](#). We thank the Alper Family Foundation for making this event possible and Happy Birthday, OLLI at AU!

## Spring Valley Building Parking Garage Construction

Beginning on **Monday, October 31, 2022** until **Wednesday, November 9, 2022**, the SVB Parking Garage **C3 (bottom level) will be CLOSED**. Parking access to C1 and C2 will NOT be impacted.

As a reminder, all OLLI members must follow [American University's Good Neighbor Policy](#).

## Today's Lecture: Seats Still Available

### LOCATION

The remainder of the fall lectures will be held **either in-person at OLLI or online via Zoom**. In-person lectures will be held in the **Spring Valley Building, 4801 Massachusetts Ave. NW, in Room A on the first floor**. All in-person lectures will have coffee and tea available beforehand.

### RESERVATIONS

**Reservations are required to attend in-person lectures.** Registration will open at 10:00 AM on the Friday prior to the lecture. Registration is via an event on the [OLLI website events calendar](#). The direct registration link will be included in the Friday newsletter the week prior. Lectures are free and open to the public, but **you must have an OLLI account to register**. If you do not have one, you can create an account when registering. Each registrant may reserve one seat. Your name must be on the list of registrants to enter the lecture and you must be in your seat five minutes before the lecture starts to guarantee your seat.

**Reservations are not required to attend online lectures.** We will include the Zoom link in the 10:00 AM newsletter the day of each lecture.



**Dick Wegman and Paul Hoff, *Even if the Supreme Court is Too Political, Can Congress Actually Do Anything About It?***

**Friday, October 28**

**1:30 PM**

## **IN-PERSON AT OLLI**

[Register to attend.](#)

Dick Wegman served in government for 15 years, first as an appellate attorney in the US Department of Justice, where he participated in appellate antitrust litigation, including before the US Supreme Court, and then as Chief Counsel of the US Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, where he helped to draft and shepherd through the Senate more than three dozen pieces of legislation that were enacted into law. He then spent 35 years in the private practice of law, where he represented private and governmental clients in litigation before the US Courts of Appeal and the Supreme Court. He has taught constitutional law as an Adjunct Professor of Law at Georgetown University. He is a graduate of Brown University (BS) and Harvard Law School (JD).

Paul Hoff served as a counsel in the US Senate for seven years, where he wrote reform legislation in a variety of areas. For many years he has engaged in the private practice of law, specializing in government regulation, and in that connection participated in litigation before the US Supreme Court and lower federal courts. Mr. Hoff taught for four years a constitutional law seminar at Georgetown University Law School, and has also taught at Catholic University Law School and American University. He has advised for many years a pro-democracy watchdog group, causing him to assess the Supreme Court's numerous rulings affecting the democratic process. He graduated from Harvard College and Yale Law School, where he served on the Law Journal.

***Please note that that this lecture is in-person at OLLI and registration is required.***

## **Next Week's Lecture**



**Ken Babby, *How to Make Baseball Fun Again***

**Friday, November 4**

**1:30 PM**

**IN-PERSON AT OLLI**

[Register to attend.](#)

Ken Babby, a native of Potomac, Maryland, is the founder of Fast Forward Sports Group, owning the Akron RubberDucks (AA) and Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp (AAA) minor league baseball teams. He has said that he seeks to create a memorable, unique, affordable, and enjoyable fan experience, and maximize the opportunity to create change in the community through charitable, wellness, and education initiatives.

Before founding Fast Forward Sports Group, Babby spent 13 years on the business side of *The Washington Post*, starting as a summer intern, rising to the role of Chief Revenue Officer of Washington Post Media and General Manager of Washington Post Digital.

In October 2012, Babby went into the baseball business when he purchased the Akron Aeros, Eastern League affiliate of the Cleveland Indians, and rebranded the team as the Akron RubberDucks

after the 2013 season. In September 2015, Babby purchased the Jacksonville Suns, Southern League affiliate of the Miami Marlins, which he rebranded as the Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp after the 2016 season. In the inaugural season as the Jumbo Shrimp, attendance increased by more than 61,000—the most of any Double-A ballpark and a ballpark-record 23 percent—to more than 325,000 for the first time in seven years.

Ken was named to *Sports Business Journal's* coveted "Forty Under 40" list in 2016. For the growth of the Akron franchise, he was a winner of the EY Entrepreneur of the Year® 2017 Award in the Northeast Ohio region. He is a graduate of Wheaton College (MA) with an MBA from Johns Hopkins University.

***Please note that that this lecture is in-person at OLLI and registration is required.***

## Serendipity! Talk

**Dan Sherman, *We'll Always Have Paris: Casablanca at 80***

**Wednesday, November 9**

**3:30 PM**

**ONLINE VIA ZOOM**

Released in November of 1942, *Casablanca* was quickly recognized as a great romantic film, full of memorable characters and iconic lines, all supported by one of Hollywood's greatest scores. This course will provide the backstory to the film, place it within the studio production system, and tell how it developed from an unfinished script when shooting began into the Best Picture of 1942. The talk will include clips from the movie, discuss its actors and creators, and highlight reasons for its appeal.

*Dan Sherman has taught several courses on musical theater and film musicals at OLLI, along with many other venues in the area. He holds his PhD in economics from Cornell and retired as Managing Director at the American Institutes for Research.*

**No registration is required for this Serendipity. The Zoom link will be e-mailed to all those subscribed to the OLLI newsletter the morning of the talk. If you do not receive the newsletter and would like to attend, please e-mail [olli@american.edu](mailto:olli@american.edu) that morning.**

## OLLI Trip

**In-Person Tour of the Cryptologic Museum near Ft. Meade, MD**

**Saturday, November 19, 2022**

**11:30 AM-1:00 PM**

**Carpool Meet-up: 10:30 AM in the parking lot located behind 4801 Mass Ave NW (cars may NOT be left in this parking lot - be sure to be dropped off or park in a metered spot on the street)**

**Fees: no charge**

**[Register](#)**



Join us for an indoor tour, stewarded by OLLI's Tammy Belden, of a lesser known but fascinating DC-area museum! Small but mighty, the National Cryptologic Museum houses numerous artifacts from our nation's cryptologic history. Located adjacent to the National Security Agency's headquarters at Fort Meade, Maryland, this museum seeks to educate the public about the role of cryptology in shaping history. Recently remodeled, the museum collects, preserves, and showcases unique cryptologic artifacts and shares the stories of the people, technology, and methods that have defined cryptologic history. Current and former NSA employees serve as docents for the tours.

You may use your own transportation and join us at the museum or carpool (provided on a limited basis) from OLLI. It is important to register for the tour as space may be limited. We hope you will join us for an interesting and fun time!

For Those Driving: The address for the museum is 8290 Colony Seven Road in Annapolis Junction, MD.

For Those Carpooling: Members will meet in the parking lot BEHIND 4801 Mass Ave NW building at 10:30 AM. **Cars may NOT be left in this parking lot.** Be sure to be dropped off or park in a metered spot on the street.

**Registration is limited to the first 20 persons that sign up or 8:00 AM Friday, November 18, whichever comes first. There is no charge for this event. In the event of questionable weather, please check your email for an update from Tammy Belden.**

## Fall Class Open to All Members

**We invite OLLI members to join us for the remainder of this semester's *Contemporary Issues in Law, Government, and Policy* class.** This class is generously offered by American University's School of Public Affairs each fall, and is comprised of a different faculty member speaking at each session. Below is the upcoming schedule of speakers and their topics.

The Zoom link is the same for every class session. It will also be included in each Tuesday lecture reminder newsletter. If you misplace one of the emails and would like to attend, please contact the OLLI office at [olli@american.edu](mailto:olli@american.edu) or 202-895-4860 and we will resend you the link.

**Click here to attend any of the class sessions: [Zoom Link](#)**

**Diana Burley and Sasha O'Connell, *Intro to "Cyber": Translating Tech Talk into Actionable Fundamentals***

**Wednesday, November 2**

**1:45-3:15 PM**

**George Reese, *Reversal Theory—Theory of Motivation***

**Wednesday, November 9**

**1:45-3:15 PM**

**Kevin Boyle, *What Exactly is a War Criminal Under the Geneva Convention?***

**Wednesday, November 16**

**1:45-3:15 PM**

Wednesday, November 23

*No class due to Thanksgiving*

Matthew Collinson, *Those Closest to the Problem are Closest to the Solution—Centering the Voices of Those Directly Impacted in Policy and Reform Discussions*

Wednesday, November 30

1:45-3:15 PM

## Fall Semester Information

### Update Zoom on Your Device

If you are taking an online class, please be sure Zoom is up-to-date on your device before the start of your online class. You can update and download Zoom [here](#). **If it is not updated by November, you will be unable to join meetings.**

### Closed Captions in Zoom

If you are taking an online class, live closed captions are available in Zoom. To request that they be turned on in the meeting, click "More" and then "Request Live Transcription." The host of the meeting will enable them. Closed captions are also available in recordings. To turn them on, click the "CC" icon at the bottom of the video window when viewing.

### Parking Reminder

If you are attending an in-person class or OLLI event, you are required to park in the garage beneath the Spring Valley Building. Parking is \$2/hour. You may pay through the kiosk or download the **PayByPhone** app. If paying via the PayByPhone app, **the 4-digit location code for the building's garage is 4889**. We recommend downloading the app and registering before coming to class. For more information, visit the [parking page](#) on our website.

### Fall Handouts and Recordings

Fall members can access class handouts and recordings through **Friday, December 16**. Please note that **in-person classes are *not* recorded**. You must be logged into the [OLLI website](#). Once logged in:

1. Go to **Classes** in the menu across the top of the page.
2. Go to **Semesters/Minis** to open up the pop-out menu of options.
3. Click on **Fall 2022 Handouts** or **Fall 2022 Recordings**. (See image below.)



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## AU Events

### AMERICAN UNIVERSITY MUSEUM

#### Fall Schedule:

**Saturday, September 10-Sunday, December 11**

**Friday-Sunday only**

**11:00 AM-4:00 PM**

Fall exhibitions feature a contemporary ceramic group exhibition, portraits from the Corcoran Legacy Collection, work by local artists, and more. [View more information here.](#)

### THE AU OFFICE OF ALUMNI RELATIONS

**Author Talk: *Test Gods***

**Wednesday, November 9**

**12:00-1:00 PM**

Join the AU Office of Alumni Relations for a riveting discussion as author Nicholas Schmidle, SIS/MA '05, takes us behind the scenes of today's commercial space race and explores what it takes to pursue our wildest dreams. Discover what led him to write this remarkable story, and how his AU experience shaped him. [View more information and register here.](#)

### AU COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

***Cabaret*, directed by Carl Menninger**

**Friday, October 28**

**8:00 PM**

**Studio Theatre, Katzen Arts Center, (4400 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC)**

**Tickets: Free for AU students with ID, \$10 for alumni, staff, faculty, and senior citizens (55 and older), \$15 general admission.**

[Purchase Tickets and view more showtimes](#)

Daring, provocative, and exuberantly entertaining, *Cabaret* explores the dark and heady life of

Bohemian Berlin as Germany slowly yields to the emerging Third Reich. Descend into the Kit Kat Club for a raucous experience that captures the societal complexities of its time.

CABARET is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of Tams-Witmark LLC. [www.concordtheatricals.com](http://www.concordtheatricals.com)

**Music Faculty Concert: *Jazz with Joshua Bayer***

**Saturday, November 5**

**7:30 PM**

**American University Museum at the Katzen Arts Center**

**Tickets: Free for AU students with ID, \$10 for alumni, staff, faculty, and senior citizens (55 and older), \$15 general admission**

Experience music in the museum with an evening jazz concert compiled by American University musician in residence Joshua Bayer. Featuring [Joshua Bayer](#) on guitar, [Paul Carr](#) on saxophone, Blake Meister on bass, and JC Jefferson Jr. on drums.

***The Invisible Made Visible*, the American University Chamber Singers, directed by Daniel Abraham, commentator Sara Clarke Kaplan**

**Saturday, November 12, and Sunday, November 13**

**7:30 PM and 3:00 PM**

**Abramson Family Recital Hall, Katzen Arts Center**

**Tickets: Free for AU students with ID, \$10 for alumni, staff, faculty, and senior citizens (55 and older), \$15 general admission**

Join the Chamber Singers for a program centering the music of outstanding underrepresented choral creators of the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. With a focus on Black, Latinx, and women composers, the program will include the music of Margaret Bonds, Rosenphanye Powell, Abbie Betinis, Andre Thomas, Emma Lou Diemer, José Maurício Nunes Garcia, Ysaye Barnwell, Joel Thompson and other well-known artists. The concert will also feature setting of texts by Langston Hughes, Paul Dunbar, and Maya Angelou that promote equity and rebuke racism and injustice.

**OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE AT AMERICAN UNIVERSITY MISSION**

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at American University is an association of, by, and for the people in the Washington, DC area who wish to continue to study and learn.

OLLI at AU is dedicated to the proposition that learning is a lifelong process and that *curiosity never retires*.

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