

OLLI Personal Computer User Group
Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at George Mason University

Report of 2011 Activities to OLLI Board of Directors
for Meeting of January 20, 2012

The OLLI Personal Computer User Group, or OPCUG, has completed its third year of operation. This club activity serves members interested in Windows PCs and related technology. During the year, 64 OLLI members participated as dues-paying (\$5.00) OPCUG members. Others were guests at various meetings. OPCUG is a member of the Association of Computer User Groups, which provides program resources and vendor contacts to computer groups nationally, and internationally.

Total attendance for the monthly meetings was 489, or an average of 41 per meeting. PC Clinics were held in June and December, to assist members with computer problems, with five or six folks seeking help during each session.

Meetings were held jointly with the Washington Area Computer User Group, (WACUG) which provided the majority of meeting speakers. On January 21st, 2012, WACUG will present a \$250 donation to the Friends of OLLI, in appreciation of the strong relationship between the groups. WACUG contributed \$250 to the Friends of OLLI in 2009, and in 2010, donated three new, ACER flat panel monitors, valued at \$358, for use at PC Clinics, and as needed by OLLI. OPCUG dues funds were used to jointly purchase a web cam with WAC for use at meetings, and as may be needed by OLLI.

A broad range of computer and technology topics were the subjects of the meetings, both in formal presentations, and the Q&A sessions that are part of each meeting. Some of the specific topics covered: hard drive organization and backup; utilities; Skype; Firefox & Thunderbird tweaks; iMac; Avoiding Cyber RipOffs; highlights of the 2011 Consumer Electronics Show; PowerPoint Tips & Tricks; Free Software; iPad2; Computer Failure Recovery.

More information about OPCUG is available on the group's web site:
<http://www.olligmu.org/~opcug/>

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