You're Invited: DMV2Go Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
DMV2Go will be at the Fairfax Campus on Monday and Tuesday, June 24 and 25 in the University Hall parking lot from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. You are cordially invited to join us on Tuesday, June 25 at 10:00am, as officials from the DMV and state & local government join Linda Harber at a ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate Mason's partnership with DMV2Go. There will be some short remarks followed by a tour of the vehicle and some refreshments. No need to RSVP, just stop on by! Hope to see you there.

In case you missed it, faculty/staff news covered DMV2Go on Wednesday, June 19.

An Opportunity From the Hylton Performing Arts Center
As a special thank you to the faculty and staff of George Mason University, the Hylton Performing Arts Center would like to offer you 2 complimentary tickets to the Castleton Festival at the Hylton concerts, *An Italian Extravaganza* and *Mostly Mahler*. Each person is eligible for 2 tickets to both performances.

**Please note that there are a limited number of tickets available and will be distributed on a first come, first serve basis.**

*featuring Lorin Maazel
conducting the Castleton Festival Orchestra*

**Sunday, June 30 at 7 p.m.**
*An Italian Extravaganza*

In this breathtaking performance, three dynamic soloists join the orchestra for a program featuring glorious highlights from the world's most beloved Italian operas. Returning to the Hylton Center are Castleton alums, Jonathan Burton, tenor and baritone Corey Crider, along with one of the most luminous lyric sopranos in the world today, Elizabeth Futral, who is as well known for her lively and engaging theatricality as for the beauty of her voice. She has thrilled audiences in Washington D.C. in performances with the Washington National Opera and Washington Concert Opera; and has appeared with the New York City Opera, L.A. Opera, Houston Grand Opera, and many international companies and orchestras.

Prior to the concert on June 30, celebrate all things Italian with an elegant dinner prepared by chef Louis Patierno, of Panino and Girasole restaurants, featuring a seasonal menu of award-winning Italian cuisine paired with wine. For a full menu or to purchase tickets to the DINNER visit: [http://hyltoncenter.org/castleton/castletonfestival.html](http://hyltoncenter.org/castleton/castletonfestival.html). *NOTE dinner is NOT included in the complimentary ticket offer and is $75 per person.*

**Thursday, July 18 at 8 p.m.**
**Mostly Mahler**

This elegant performance, showcasing works by Gustav Mahler and other celebrated composers, features a program that includes Mahler’s lyrical Symphony No. 4 and Mendelssohn’s Symphony No. 5 (“The Reformation”). Lyric soprano Jennifer Black – who the Denver Post praised as “a strong all-round singer with a big, lustrous sound and stage presence to match” – will be the soloist for this enchanting evening of music.

*To retrieve your performance tickets* please print this email and bring it to either ticket office listed below.

Ticket Office Hours:
- Hylton Center in Manassas: Tue-Sat, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Center for the Arts in Fairfax: Mon-Fri, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

**A Reminder About Annual Leave and the Last Work Date**

Upon resignation from Mason, the employee's last work date should be recorded on the faculty or classified separation form as their last day either physically worked, or on paid leave. If the employee would like to use annual leave and the supervisor approves, up to two weeks of eligible leave (annual leave, comp time, family personal, overtime) may be used to extend their last work date. In these cases, the resignation letter should include a statement as to the last day in the office, as well as the last work date.

**Save Some Green: New Work/Life Discounts**

We’ve added some new discounts -- to the Tick Tocks as well as the every day deals. Check out the time sensitive tick tocks for discounts on Gold's Gym, Verizon, and Direct TV. Look for new every day discounts from Corporate Shopping (discounts at over 200 retailers) under "Home and Hearth”. The FOOD (a Fairfax eatery) under "Food, Glorious Food" and FLOW (a blow dry and beauty bar in Reston) under "Just For You". They're all waiting for you to discover at [http://mymasonhr.gmu.edu](http://mymasonhr.gmu.edu) (log-in using your email user name and password and select myDiscounts from the left-hand menu).

**A Note From Kim Eby Regarding New Faculty Orientation**

Dear HR Liaisons:

Greetings. I am writing to ask your help in ensuring that all new FT faculty members, term and tenured/tenure-track, are aware of and strongly encouraged to attend this year's New Faculty Orientation, sponsored by the Office of the Provost.

This year we have made a number of changes to strengthen the New Faculty Orientation. We are adopting a new 2-day format, we are integrating information and resources from across the institution that are critical for both teaching and research faculty, and we are including interactive breakout sessions. Other key components, such as the HR Mini-Benefits Fair, remain an important part of the event.

The New Faculty Orientation is scheduled for Monday, August 19th and Tuesday, August 20th. We have attached the schedule to this email, but the schedule can also be found at the Center for
Teaching and Faculty Excellence (CTFE) website (http://ctfe.gmu.edu).

Please help us in spreading the word. Our goal is to have all new faculty attend. Faculty members can RSVP to the CTFE by email (ctfe@gmu.edu) or phone (703-993-8652).

If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to contact the CTFE.

Wishing you a wonderful summer,

Kim

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