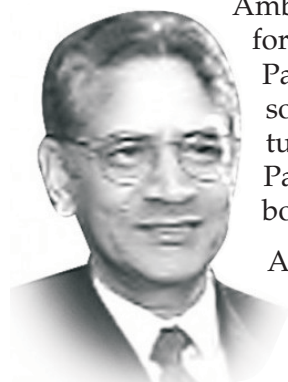


November LLI Forum

Wednesday, November 7, 2012, at 10 a.m.
(Social Time at 9:30 a.m.)

Pakistan: Past, Present, and Future



Touqir Hussain

Ambassador Touqir Hussain, a former senior diplomat from Pakistan, has witnessed and, in some cases, participated in the turbulence that brushed across Pakistan from her neighbors both on the east and the west.

After joining the Pakistan Foreign Service in 1966, Ambassador Hussain served his nation by climbing the diplomatic stairs and, between 1990 and 2003, was

appointed ambassador to three countries: Brazil, Spain and Japan. He was also posted to Canada and to the United States during his diplomatic career. At home between 1996 –1998, Hussain served as the diplomatic advisor to Pakistan’s Prime Minister.

Following his retirement from the foreign service in 2003, Ambassador Hussain moved to the United States and was named a senior fellow at the United States Institute of Peace, where he began writing, speaking, and publishing on issues relating to South Asian security. Between 2004 and 2010, he was a

research fellow with the Center for the Study of Globalization at George Washington University. He has also been a guest on the PBS *NewsHour*, moderated by Jim Lehrer. Currently, Ambassador Hussain is an adjunct professor at Georgetown University and the University of Virginia, Charlottesville.

With his lengthy and varied diplomatic career, his expertise in areas such as U.S./Pakistan relations, democracy and politics in the Islamic world, and U.S. relations with the Islamic world, please join us as we learn from Ambassador Hussain’s experiences dealing with these timely and challenging topics.

Please Note: *Parking is in parking garage (\$2/hour). Parking in B and C lots is by permit only. If no garage parking slots are available, a \$12 daily permit for the B lot is available at the office to the right just inside the entry gate.*

Did You Know?

As a member of LLI you have a wonderful Northern Virginia Community College library at your disposal. The library is located on the third floor of the Godwin Building just up the ramp from the Richard J. Ernest Community and Cultural Center. To use the library you simply sign up for a Community Patron card by showing a picture ID. You then can charge out a limit of three books for three weeks and take them home. Also you can renew books online for an additional period. If you have LLI classes on the campus, this resource would be very convenient. Go to <http://www.nvcc.edu/library> for more information.

Campus Parking for the Handicapped



NVCC does not issue special permits for using the parking spaces designated for the handicapped on the Annandale campus. Appropriate parking permits issued by any state and the District of Columbia are honored. The permit must be properly displayed and used only by the person or persons to whom it is issued.

Lunch Bunch

John Bogart bogartje@cox.net

No lunch is planned after the November Forum.

Calendar of Events

November 2012

- 7 Forum
- 9 Board meeting
- 9 Newsletter update
- 13 Virginia Fine Arts Splendor Day Trip
- 19 Newsletter update mailing

December 2012

- No Forum
- 4 Holiday Party *see flier insert*
- 7 January newsletter deadline
- 10 Ginter Gardens Day Trip
- 14 Board meeting
- 17 January newsletter mailing

Dec 20 — Jan 2

NOVA Winter break

January 2013

- 11 Board meeting
- 11 February newsletter deadline
- 16 Forum
- 21 February newsletter mailing

February 2013

- 6 Forum
- 8 Board meeting
- 8 March newsletter deadline
- 18 March newsletter mailing



Members

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Welcome, New Members! We hope you will participate in our classes and volunteer your time and talent.

New Members

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Doug Johnson, (corrects cell number in Oct. 2012 directory) (703) 628-3115

Gundula Sundgren, jesun2@msn.com



IMPORTANT: Report Address / E-Mail / Phone Number Changes

Laura Charron, Administrator

To be assured of receiving important notices concerning classes and trips, **please remember** to notify the LLI office as soon as possible of a new e-mail address as well as a change in mailing address and/or telephone number. Notify the office by phone at (703) 503-0600, or e-mail at llinova@juno.com.

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In Memoriam



Carolina Lago, wife of Carlos Lago, LLI member active in the Poetry group, died September 12, 2012.

John MacArthur, former long-time LLI member and a Green Spring Village resident, died in early October 2012 after a long illness. His wife, Joan, also a former member, still resides at Green Spring.

Reminder

Our monthly newsletter is generally available on the LLI website earlier than you will receive it through the mail. In light of recent extended delivery delays by the Postal Service, you may want to keep <http://lli.nova.org> in mind. Any pictures and/or graphics will also be in color on the website.

President's Message

Last month, Paul Hopler, Phil Centini, and I attended a meeting with three other local LLI-type organizations to discuss how we are organized, what we offer, mutual problems, and where we might assist each other. It was an outstanding gathering that gave us a chance to see how we compare.

Are you aware there are over 400 Lifetime or Lifelong Learning-type organizations throughout the United States? The genesis seems to be the Elderhostel movement several decades ago. That organization has now evolved into the Road Scholar program which addresses travel, and the Elderhostel Institute Network (EIN), which works to keep the 400-odd LLI programs somewhat networked. All of that simply means there are many organizations, very much like ours, trying to provide the best possible learning and social experience to the older adult.

So, how do we compare with the LLI groups near us? Based on our meeting and the review of various LLI catalogs, overall, I think we match up quite well. Of course, the big guy in our area is Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) with 1000 members, \$360 annual dues (that's \$360,000 a year), two endowments (think millions), and a full time staff. The rest of us aren't quite that well off. Most groups have dues in the \$100 - \$150 range (one is \$50 but charges \$45 per class). All have special interest groups or clubs and the number and topics vary. Each publishes a news letter (electronically and/or paper weekly, monthly or quarterly). All have a travel element either run by volunteers or a travel company; however, we seem to have many more trips, both day and overnight.

Our group is really different in two areas. First, most other organizations do all their registrations on line — from membership to class registration to class approval — while we remain all paper. Second, our class offerings are more diverse, in number of catalogs each year, the nature of course offerings, and the number of sessions each course meets. We offer three catalogs per year, while others do not offer a summer session. One organization, for example, has only 26 weeks of classes. Our sessions range from one to as many as ten sessions per class in six different subject areas. One LLI group focuses only on college level courses; another offers only single-session class presentations; and yet another has courses for four and six week lengths. I remain convinced our approach provides the greatest diversity, choice, flexibility and appeal to more, if not all, of our members.

We are going to have to look into automation, however!

Ed McKnight

Community Outreach

Betty Lee Thatcher 703-354-8154
Carol Weber, caroljeanweber@hotmail.com

Food for Others is designated to receive the LLI food donations collected at the November Forum. As a regional food distribution organization that assisted more than 26,000 families in 2011, Food for Others distributes food throughout Northern Virginia in several ways. At their warehouse, emergency food is provided to families and individuals referred by social services organizations; every weeknight, food is distributed at a variety of sites in high poverty neighborhoods in Arlington, Falls Church and Fairfax; and throughout the year, bulk food distributions are provided to many community-based organizations, including churches, soup kitchens, homeless shelters and day care and community centers.



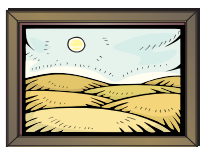
Additionally, they have recently begun participating in the Power Pack Program (P3) to provide weekend food packets to children who receive free meals at school but who otherwise may not have enough to eat on weekends. It is estimated that over 27,000 children in Fairfax County fall within the county's 5% overall poverty rate. On Fridays, elementary school children in need are given a one-gallon zip-lock bag that contains two each of breakfast, lunch and dinner items; two snacks; and two drinks.

As always, any non-perishable item is greatly appreciated. Current needs include **pasta sauce, canned fruit, jelly/jams, and canned chili**. For the P3 program, needs include **individual serving sizes of pasta/ravioli such as Chef Boyardee, chicken and rice, or chili; tuna or chicken salad kits (made by Bumble Bee); Hormel "Complete for Kids" meals; individual boxes of 100% fruit juice or shelf-stable milk (no sugary fruit drinks, tea, punch or lemonade); and packages of cheese and cracker sandwiches (but no peanut butter and crackers, please)**. Do not include anything in glass for the children's program.

Bev Portman will deliver the donations.

Thank you for your generous donations in September and October. As noted above, there is still a great need for food distribution to poor and low-income families, even in wealthy Fairfax County.

Special Interest Groups



LLI Arts & Smarts

Doug Johnson 703-628-3115
llinovadoug@gmail.com

November event:

Date/Time: Monday, November 26, 1:45 p.m.

Location: National Gallery of Art, East Building; meet by the information desk in the first floor lobby.

View the **Roy Lichtenstein** exhibit in a docent-led public tour. The 134-object "Retrospective" offers his works from early pop paintings to the Chinese landscapes that dominated his last decade. If there is interest, our group may go to lunch first.

December event:

Date/Time: Thursday, December 6, 11:00 a.m.

Location: Arthur M. Sackler Gallery; meet in the ground level lobby

View **Roads of Arabia: The archaeology and history of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia**. This looks like a **Blockbuster!** With luck, we can get Ripp to be our docent. The tour will begin at 11:15 a.m. **Please note: Reservations are a MUST for this tour.**

Knowing travel into downtown can be a problem, we are working on the possibility of car-pooling. If you could be a volunteer driver that would be fantastic; most of us find the Metro to be easiest for travel. Nancy Jerdan, Ginny Moser, and a new member, Rose Martino, have volunteered to help me. If you would like to be involved, please contact Doug Johnson. Also contact Doug to reserve a tour, obtain more information or receive answers to general questions.



LLI Bridge Group

Bob or Merry Huley, 703-534-4819
or 703-489-9045 roberthuley@cox.net

Time: 10:00 a.m. — 2:00 p.m.

Location: Mason District Governmental Center

November Play Dates: Wednesdays, November 14 and November 28

December Play Dates: Wednesdays, December 5 and December 12

Bring a bag lunch. You do not need a partner because we rotate partners so you will play with everyone. We are always looking for new players, and all levels of players are welcome in this very friendly game. Please call or email me if you would like to attend (or for more information) so that we can provide sufficient card tables.

Recent Results —

The top four players at the game on September 12 were: **Betty Yeary, Jack Acey, Carole Compton, and Victoria Blackman**. For the match on September 26, the top four were: **Lynda Brittain/Jack Acey (tied), Jessica Burmester, and Bob Huley**. Finally, for our game on October 10, the top four positions were **Connie Fullerton, Betty Yeary, Betty Pogerman, and George Chalou**. Congratulations to all.



LLI Current Events Group

Marion Jacknow, 703-698-8702
mjacknow@aol.com

Date/Time: Friday, November 2, 10:00 — 11:30 a.m.

Location: Large Conference Room, Mason District Governmental Center

The Current Events Group meets monthly for continued interesting and educational discussions. Topics reflect the current social, political and worldly events surrounding the time of the meeting. Please join us to share your ideas and/or learn more about current events — whatever is your pleasure. For more information, please contact Marian Jacknow.



LLI Favorite Books Club

Lynne Smaldone, 703-525-9623
smaldonega@hotmail.com

Date/Time: Thursday, November 15, 11:30 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.

Location: Braddock District Governmental Center (Supervisor's Meeting Room, on the back side of the King's Park Library)

November marks a departure from our usual format. This month we will focus on the Caldecott and Newbery Awards given for children's literature. A brief glimpse at the origin of these awards, along with a list of winners, will be provided. We will also take a more in-depth look at three of the recipients in each category.

We will not meet in December. For further information, please contact Lynne Smaldone.

*Deadline for the
December update is Friday,
November 9, 2012.*



LLI Financial Discussion Group

Doug Johnson, 703-628-3115
llinovadoug@gmail.com

Date/Time: Thursday, November 15, 1:30 p.m. — 3:00 p.m. (Note change from regular schedule)

Location: Braddock District Governmental Center (Supervisor's Meeting Room, on the back side of the King's Park Library)

Do you think finance, economics, and investing are **Dull** and **Uninteresting**? Join our discussion group to find out why they are **Fun, Interesting**, and **Useful**. One topic will be "If I had three wishes, what would I change regarding federal investment laws, rules, and regulations?" Your selections need **NOT** be feasible or practical. Let your mind wander. For more information, please contact Doug Johnson.



LLI French Conversation Group

Sally Reynolds, 703-352-7494
saldonreyn@aol.com

Date/Time: Tuesday, October 30, 10:00 a.m. — noon

Location: Goodwin House, Media Room, 3440 S. Jefferson St., Falls Church

Under the expert guidance of AI Brothers, we will continue to increase our French language skills and also our appreciation of French culture with the program **French in Action**, Leçon 13. For more information, please contact Sally Reynolds.



LLI Gourmands

Mary Underwood, 703-329-8391
maryunderwood29@verizon.net

October Event: Aditi Indian Dining, Friday, October 26, at

noon. Aditi is located in the Kingstowne Shopping Center, 5926 Kingstowne Boulevard, Alexandria, 703-922-6111, (www.myaditi.com). For those who want to sample a wide variety of Indian dishes, a delicious buffet is offered for \$11. You may also order a la carte from the menu. The restaurant is across the street from the Kingstowne Regal movie theater, which has free garage parking.

Please contact Marcia Toepfer, marcia.toepfer1@cox.net, by 20 October if you wish to attend.

November Event: Rice and Spice Thai Cuisine, Monday, November 12, at noon. The restaurant is located in the Landmark Plaza Shopping Center,

6244-K Little River Turnpike, Alexandria; 703-750-1084. Their menu is available at www.ricespiceva.com. If you plan to attend, please contact Deanna DeMember at 703-866-0907 or ddemember@gmail.com.

Recent Events: In August, seven Gourmands "cooled off" with lunch at the Ice House Cafe in Herndon, an event planned by Beverly Harris. Esposito's in Fairfax was the venue for the September lunch, planned by Eleanor Shubinski-Mosser and attended by twelve LLIers.



LLI Photography Group

Buck Myers, 703-532-3726
hbm@hbmphoto.com

Date/Time: Friday, November 16, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Location: Braddock District Governmental Center (Supervisor's Meeting Room, on the back side of the King's Park Library)

Members have a wide range of photographic abilities and interests and share a common desire to hone existing skills or learn new ones. Meetings center on a specific topic, area of interest or theme decided by the group. Our most recent meetings featured photos by members that represented a specific theme of their choice and also included explanations of "White Balance," "Histograms" and other features of our digital cameras. Come join the group if you have an interest in photography. New members are always welcome.

For further information, please contact Buck Myers.



LLI Walkabouts

Merry Macke, 703-451-3248, cell phone: 978-505-9506 merry.macke@verizon.net

Date/Time: First and third Fridays at noon

October 26: Eakin Park, rained out when previously scheduled. From Little River Turnpike, take Prosperity Ave. north. The park is on the right at the second dip in the road. We can walk either way on the CCT (Cross County Trail.)

November 9: Lillian Carey Park. Take Columbia Pike east past the Lake Barcroft dam. At the top of the hill, turn right onto Powell Street and park along the street. Follow the frontage road parallel to

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Please remember to wear your name badges. It is the best way for new members to get to know others and a way for established members to meet, greet, and welcome new members.

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

The Lifetime Learning Institute of Northern Virginia
Cordially Invites You to Our
Annual Holiday Luncheon
Tuesday, December 4, 2012



Time

Cash Bar Opens at 11 a.m.
Luncheon at Noon

Location

The Country Club of Fairfax
5110 Ox Road, Fairfax, Virginia

Cost

Members: \$33
Non-Members: \$38

RESERVATION DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 20TH

Directions: From the Beltway, take the Braddock Road West exit. Go approximately 5-½ miles (just past George Mason University) and turn left onto Ox Road. Go approximately ½ mile and turn right into the Country Club (entrance is in front of the large white sports tent). Follow road until it dead-ends in the parking lot in front of the clubhouse.

Don't forget toys for the children! This is completely voluntary, but if you choose to participate, bring a new, non-gift wrapped toy for distribution to children at Bethany House of Northern Virginia.

Please fill out the Reservation Form below and return with check.

Name: _____

My Choice: Chicken Marsala
 Mahi Mahi topped with Shrimp

Total No. of Reservations: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Emergency Contact Phone No. _____

Reservation Deadline: November 20th

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Annandale, VA 22003-3743

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Date: _____ Check # _____

December 4, 2012 Holiday Luncheon

Cost: _____

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Initials: _____

Country Club of Fairfax

Special Interest Groups

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Columbia Pike, down the hill west, to the park. Take a left and begin the walk along the creek.

Note: This is a **challenging walk for balance**; bring a cane or walking sticks because we will cross the creek on pedestals — some 20 steps about 10 times over the creek.

November 23: Roundtree Park on Annandale Road. We'll try this walk again because it's a nice one. To get to Annandale Road, take Little River Turnpike east past I-495. Turn left at the first light inside the Beltway onto Hummer road and go north. At the intersection with Gallows Road, continue straight ahead and you will be on Annandale Road. Continue north and look for the park on the right after a few blocks. We'll meet in the parking area then follow the path to the right and there is a trail that goes all the way to Sleepy Hollow Road. We can circle around, take a path up the hill, and return to our starting point.

For more information, please contact Merry Macke.

In Need of Classroom Space!!!

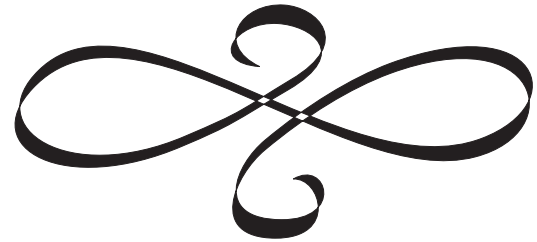
We are bursting at the seams when it comes to available classroom space for our many courses! If LLI is to continue to offer our usual large variety of courses each term, we desperately need to identify additional sources of classroom space. And we need **your help**. Please check with any local venues near your home, that you belong to, or that you pass by on a regular basis, and ask them if they have any classroom space to rent. This includes religious buildings, lodges, veterans' halls, fire stations, government buildings, and perhaps even clubhouses or social rooms in residential communities. If you find any potential space, please provide: (1) the name of the building; (2) a contact name/number; and (3) the rental fee for a 90-minute course. Then contact any member of the Curriculum Committee (listed on the inside back cover of your course catalog) and provide him or her with this information. Thanks so much for your input!

“When you change the way you look at things, the things you look at change.”

Study Travel — 2013

Twenty one travelers have signed up for the Danube River cruise in June of next year. A limited number of cabins are still available so do not hesitate.

For additional information, contact Terry Brittain at 703-425- 8240 or terry_brittain@cox.net.



Office Hours

The LLI office, located in the CG Building (Room 216D) is now open on Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

LLI's Friendship Connection

Pat Harrison, 703-550-7530, pjharris80@msn.com



One of the benefits of LLI membership is making friends. We like to show support for fellow members by sending a card to anyone who is ill or has suffered a loss. If you would like a card sent to an LLI member or spouse on behalf of the LLI membership, please contact Pat Harrison. Be sure to include sufficient information so an appropriate card can be selected.

Cancellations Due to Inclement Weather

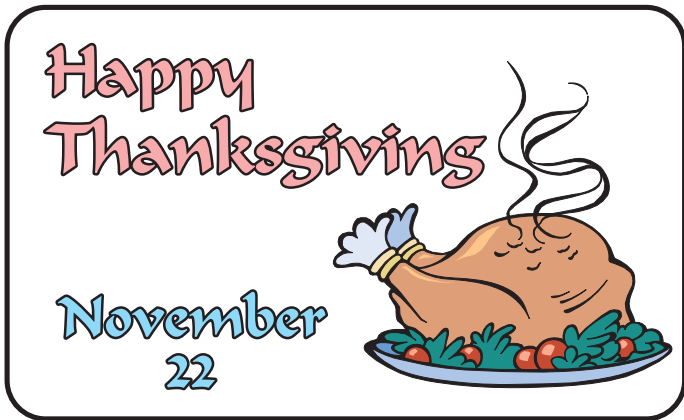
If the Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) cancel school for the day due to inclement weather or other emergency, all LLI classes, Forums, and other activities, except trips, are cancelled regardless of class location. LLI morning classes are cancelled if the FCPS announces a 2-hour delay in class openings; LLI afternoon classes are cancelled if the FCPS announces early dismissal. Trips are cancelled at the discretion of the trip leader.

LLI Day Trips

A few openings are still available for the following trips and registration forms are in the Fall 2012 catalogue.

November 13 — Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Richmond, with a reserved audio tour of the visiting major exhibition of works by the renowned glass artist, **Dale Chihuly**. Lunch will be in the Museum's café with free time to explore the Museum's exhibits and gift shop.

December 10 — Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens, near Richmond — due to last year's popularity, this tour is being offered again. Enjoy a guided tour through the gardens and Conservatory and a delicious buffet dinner. Then, after dark, view the extensive holiday lights display in the gardens. Take some time to visit the Garden Gift Shop, featuring unusual gifts for last-minute holiday shopping.



Membership Renewal Reminder

The mailing label on each newsletter includes your membership renewal date. You must renew and be a member in good standing in order to register for courses and to participate in LLI's many other activities. Complete the membership form (last page in the current course catalog), check "renewal," indicate any new information, and mail it to the LLI office with a check in the amount of \$110 for each person wishing to continue membership with LLI. Please print clearly to help ensure that your information is entered correctly. **It is important to include the form with your check, for ease in crediting your membership renewal in our database.**



Volunteer Opportunities

The **Curriculum Committee** needs a volunteer to replace the current chair, Gina Trapp. The position possibly could be shared with a co-chair. Chairmanship would start with the Fall 2013 course catalog. Work begins on this catalog in late April/early May, so there is ample time to become familiar with the responsibilities. There is an experienced team in place to assist in carrying out the duties of this mission-critical committee because many members of the committee have served for several years. Ideally, the new chair/co-chair would begin attending committee meetings in late January (when work begins on the Summer catalog). That way, they will be able to observe and see ahead of time how the whole process works.

If you are interested and would like to talk to Gina about the responsibilities, frequency of meetings, amount of work required, etc., please email her at GTrapp_26@msn.com or call her on 703-522-7528.

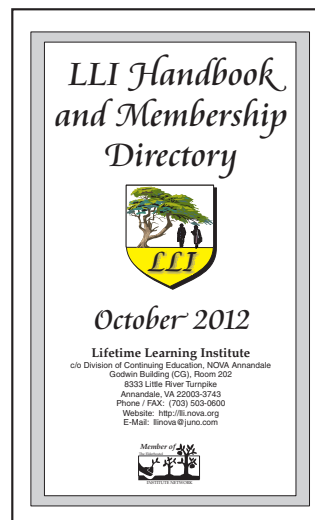
Please evaluate these additional opportunities to contribute your time and energy; then choose one and join the fun! Contact the designated person for more information.

Volunteer Coordinator: Merry Macke,
703-451-3248, merry.macke@verizon.net

Forum Greeter Coordinator: Colletta Hammond,
703-866-6159, mchammondh@aol.com

Speaker Forum Committee: Joseph Pincus,
703-569-0973, joseph@pincus.org

LLI Handbook and Directory



The October 2012 issue of the *LLI Handbook and Directory* was mailed on Wednesday, October 10. Please review your listing for completeness and accuracy. If there is any problem, please contact the Administrator, Laura Charron, at lauragcharron@aol.com or at 703 281-6189.

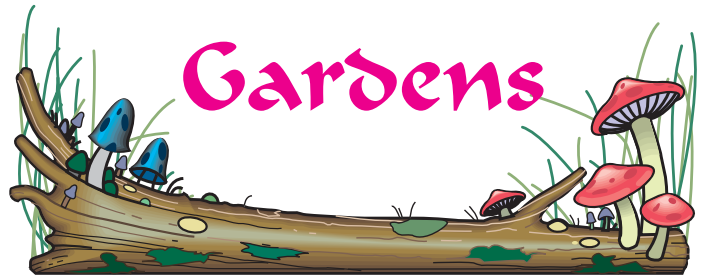
From the LLI Scrapbook

The October Forum



LLI President Ed McKnight thanks the October Forum speaker, Dr. Henry Brandhorst, Jr.

LLI Members Visit Local Gardens

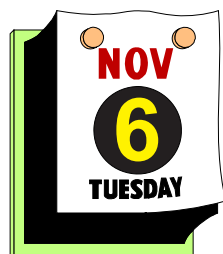


LLI members enjoying a visit at Green Spring Gardens.



Dr. Brandhorst with his sister, LLI member, Carolyn Dietrich.

Election Day is



Don't Forget to Vote!



LLI members enjoying the flowers of Brookside Gardens.

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