# LIFETIME LEARNING INSTITUTE of NORTHERN VIRGINIA WINTER UPDATE – January 2007

<u>Forum</u>: Tuesday, January 2, 2007, 10:00 a.m. Refreshments, 9:30 a.m. Ernst Cultural Center, Annandale. *Guest Speaker*: Dr. Kate Tulenko, co-founder of Living Solutions, a home modification company. *Topic*: "Home as a Safety Net, Aging-in-Place in the US and Abroad." World wide, seniors express interest in staying in their own homes and communities as their abilities and needs change. Every country and culture has different values and resources to address these wishes. Explore with Dr. Tulenko how aging-in-place is handled in various parts of the world. She will also address state-of-theart thinking in the U.S. health system, as well as cost-effective approaches available locally.

<u>Park FREE</u> for the January Forum in the outdoor lots designated with the letter "<u>B</u>." The parking garage will be closed that day.

<u>Community Outreach</u> – Remember to bring food donations to the January 2 Forum meeting: cans of vegetables and fruit, tuna, soup, and beans, as well as cereal, pasta and peanut butter.

<u>The Lunch Bunch</u> will gather after the January Forum meeting at the First Watch Restaurant in Fair City Mall. Recommended by LLI members, the lunch menu features soups, salads and sandwiches at low and moderate prices. The address is 9600 Main St. in Fairfax (703-978-3421). *Directions from campus*: Go left on route 236 west toward Fairfax. Pass Pickett Road and enter Fair City Mall on right. The restaurant is on the Kinko's side of the mall.

<u>Winter/Spring Course Registration</u> - Catalogues were mailed the first week of December. Register soon. *The deadline is January 2*. Requests will be accepted for classes that are still open after that date. Check **page 2** of catalogue for LLI's **policy on cancellations** related to adverse weather.

<u>Scholarship Fund Drive</u> - The committee thanks all of you who have made generous donations and reminds others that it is **NOT TOO LATE** to make your tax deductible contribution.

<u>Study/Travel</u> - There is still time to sign up for the 13-day trip to Ireland starting June. To find out more, call Doug Johnson at 703-549-0474.

<u>Special Notice on Long Island Trip</u> - The May trip to the Hamptons is heavily oversubscribed. Checks will be held for all on the wait list.

### Holiday Party Was Wonderful!

Record numbers of LLI members enjoyed fine weather and a lovely luncheon on December 14 at the Knights of Columbus in Arlington. A highlight of the gathering was beautiful music provided by the Arlington Yorktown High School Madrigal Singers, directed by Roger Oliver. It was good to be together and share the holiday spirit. Thanks to all volunteers who made it possible! (See page 4)

SAVE THE DATE! The Third Annual Valentine's Day Party is Wednesday, FEBRUARY 14. 2:00 - 4:00 at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church. Details in next newsletter.

<u>Arts & Smarts</u> - We are planning an ambitious program for 2007. Watch for details in upcoming newsletters and at the Forum meetings. To add your name to our email list, please notify either Donna Trogler or Doug Johnson.

<u>Gourmands</u> - January 23, 2007, the Gourmands meet at The Lamplighter Restaurant in Fairfax. Those wishing to participate should contact Jean Downey at 703-250-8095.

<u>Walkabouts</u> - Come to Lake Accotink Park at noon, Thursday, January 4, 2007, to join a walk led by Colletta Hammond (She knows the way!) <u>Directions to meeting point:</u> Braddock Rd. to Hemming Ave. (Hemming dead ends at Braddock). Follow Hemming <u>2 miles</u> to the Lake Accotink Park sign (off to the right). That is the upper parking lot where we will meet. If you are traveling east on Braddock, you can turn right onto Queensberry (across from Wakefield Park). Turn right onto Hemming (Queensberry dead ends there) and go a few blocks to the park entrance. Contact Liddell McLeod at <u>liddell mcl@cox.net</u> or 703-698-8366.

<u>Favorite Books Club</u> – We meet on January 18, 2007, at the Mason District Governmental Center, 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The group will discuss Anne Tyler's novel, **Digging to America**. The story starts in 1997 as two families arrive at BWI Airport to claim the Korean infants they have adopted. The families are destined to begin a friendship that will span their adoptive daughters' childhoods. The story speaks to how we come to terms with our identity in multicultural America and how we form friendships that move beyond the unease of differences. If you have questions, call Arlene Gribben at 703-569-0357 or e-mail at arlenegribb@aol.com

Bridge Group - In January 2007 the LLI Bridge Group will meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays, January 10 and 24, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (bring a bag lunch) at the Mason District Governmental Center. Please call Bob or Gladys Bucklew, Chairpersons, at 703-631-7889, for any date you wish to attend in order to afford us the opportunity to obtain sufficient card tables for attendees. All are welcome. Note that if there are "extra" people, play is rotated (four hands per game) among all present. You do not need a partner to attend. Most of our players are "singles." Join us!

<u>Current Events Group</u> - Friday, January 5, 10:00-11:30 a.m. at Mason District Center - **Topic: The Solution to Iraq?** What were the Baker-Hamilton report's recommendations? Do we know the results of other internal administration recommendations? What has the President recommended? What do we think? Our goal is a diverse discussion with equal participation by all. After an hour on the topic and choosing the next month's topic, we have an open forum on current events of interest to anyone in the group. Meetings are open to anyone who wants to participate or learn more about current events. For more information, email Shirley Lotz at <a href="mailto:sylotz@cox.net">sylotz@cox.net</a> or call her at 703-978-2977.

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The LLI Office will be <u>closed</u> Friday, <u>December 22</u> through Monday, <u>January 1</u>. (Dec. 22 is a day earlier than previously announced.)





### THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES

THANKS TO ALL who made our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration year a rousing success. Norma Hughes, President, and Don Reynolds, Chair of the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee, led us in remembering ten years of learning and growth in LLI. Calendar mementos, member quizzes, history lessons, recognition of the LLI founders, a special annual picnic and holiday party were all part of the recognition most grandly celebrated at the Anniversary Party held at Greenspring in May.

#### **May Anniversary Party**

Bonnie Hopler, Martha Klee, and Leah Porzel: enthusiastic event planners extraordinaire... No one "stirs things up" like Bonnie.

Martie Klee, Don Reynolds, Laura Charron, Lorin Goodrich, Arlene Gribben: chroniclers of LLI history through records and pictures.

Martie Klee, outstanding emcee of the luncheon program and artistic creator of an amazing scrapbook for our illustrious founder, Knox Singleton.

Meryl Bullard, artist and craftsman of the lovely and scrumptious party favors.

Sue Swift, Octavio Capetillo: photographers

Greeters, who made us all feel welcome and treasured: Bobbie Ashton, Ferne Beyer, Helen Clark, Marie and Ed Conway, Lorin Goodrich, Clint Hall, Paul Hopler, Marianne Moerman, Charlotte Plasan, Martha Siemering, and Anne and Ed Solomon

Registrars, who helped us identify ourselves (to each other): Jean Downey, Colletta Hammond, and Margaret Lowry

The creative minds and hands that produced table centerpieces representing the LLI's many facets:

Centerpiece Theme	Creators	Centerpiece Theme	Creators
Board of Directors Monthly Forums Lunch Bunch Ten Years of History Volunteer Appreciation Picnic Holiday Party	Virginia Fernbach Laura Charron Elaine Bogart Arlene Gribben Bonnie Anderson Salli Wise Carol Flood	Gourmand Group Theatre Group Class: Basket Making Class: Poetry Class: Civil War History  More thanks to judges Mar	
Study/Travel/International Travel/Trips/Domestic Student Awards	Merry Huley Deanna deMember Grace Mayer	Reynolds and Warren Hynes, who (disregarding all bribes and threats to their personal safety) chose the winners of the	
Newsletter Bridge Group	Liddell McLeod Gladys Bucklew	centerpiece contest.	whiters of the
Music	Salli Wise Ferne Beyer	PRETTIEST MOST CREATIVE	Lunch Bunch Music
Discussion Group Favorite Books Club	Pat Daniels Betty Mahon Joan Pirrello	BEST USE OF THEME MOST COLORFUL MOST ORIGINAL	International Holiday Party Board of Directors

## September Picnic

## **December Holiday Party**

Committee Chair

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Dick DiBuono,

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Norma Hughes,

President

Program

Marie Baglio Norma Hughes

Liddell McLeod

Don Reynolds

LLI Board Liaison

Betty Mahon

Program

Donald Reynolds,

10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Chair

**Decorations** 

Janet Goodrich, Arlene Gribben,

Colletta Hammond Trudy Hynes Salli Wise Sally Reynolds Don Reynolds

**Luncheon Organization & Administration** 

Sarah Bell Kathy Dennehey Colletta Hammond **Burt Greenstein** 

Food and Beverage Virginia Edgell

Bonnie Hopler **Bob Huley** Ed Kazanowski Martie Klee **Betty Mahon** John McClanahan **Event Day Volunteers** 

Anne Austin Carolyn Blackwood Louise Blakeley Mary & Libby Burge Ed & Marie Conway

Jean Downey Kathy Hall

Merry & Bob Huley

Eileen Hurley

Doug & Leona Johnson

Jane Jones Dottie Kilgore

Ann Lyons Becky Perry

Joan Pirrello Bev Portman Leah Porzel Sally Reynolds

Arline & & Sid Sachs Martha Siemering Anne Solomon

Registration

Martha Siemering Betty Mahon

Colletta Hammond

Marianne Moerman

Set up/Cleanup

Photography

Lorin Goodrich Paul Hoper Bonnie Hopler Chuck Klee

Marianne Moerman Joan Pirrello

Leah Porzel

**Betty Lee Thatcher** 

Tree decorations

Carol Flood Mary Manion