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News & Views

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LLI is pleased to announce that our speaker for the Monday, November 3, meeting will be **Dr. Jeanne Guthrie-Morse, Provost of NVCC's Annandale Campus.** She will speak from two perspectives. First, as a world traveler and second, as a distinguished educator. During a 1996-1997 educational leave, Dr. Guthrie-Morse realized two goals: to work abroad and to travel completely around the world. For six months she

taught English at the Dubai Women's College in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, and from there, she continued her journey around the world.

In line with the theme of the LLI monthly lectures on foreign countries, Dr. Guthrie-Morse will speak of her extensive travels, study and personal experiences, focusing particularly on the federation of the United Arab Emirates.

In addition, Dr. Guthrie-Morse will speak as an educator and public administrator in higher

education. A recipient of many awards for her outstanding leadership and as an author of numerous publications, Dr. Guthrie-Morse has a longtime commitment to continuing education. She is an enthusiastic supporter of LLI and its relationship with the Northern Virginia Community College.

Don't forget, the lectures are held at 10 a.m. in the Forum on the mezzanine of the Ernst Culture Center on the NVCC Annandale campus. There will be no parking fee that morning.

Luncheon Group

November luncheon will be held on November 3 at 12:15 p.m. at **The Saigon Palace Restaurant,** 6387 Seven Corners Center, Falls Church, VA 22044. Tel.: 532-0940. The restaurant is one of several stores in a long one-story building, not far from Shoppers' Food Warehouse. George recommends the grilled pork on a skewer or lemon chicken Vietnamese style. Vietnamese spring rolls are an excellent appetizer.

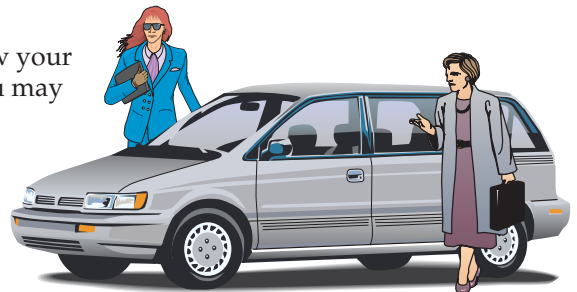
Please Note: If you do *NOT* plan to attend the luncheon, please notify George Staten, 578-1275, or Marjorie Clark, 931-0434, no later than the day before the luncheon. Otherwise, they will assume you will be attending. Seating is limited at the restaurants, so they need to know the number attending to make final reservations. You will **not** be receiving a reminder phone call.

LLI Board Meeting

The next LLI Board Meeting will be November 20 at 9:30 a.m. in a conference room off the Forum in the Ernst Cultural Center, NVCC Annandale. All LLI members are invited to attend.

Share a Ride

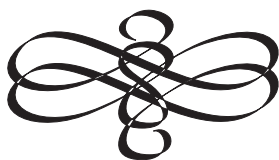
When you get to know your fellow classmates, you may find out that some of them live in your area. How about offering to car pool? This would save you the hassle of driving every week to class and provide company during your commute.



President's Corner

Considering the tens of thousands of retired persons in Northern Virginia and the tremendous life experience and education that they represent, the potential for further development of LLI/NOVA is almost unlimited. We can have dozens of courses and activities at many locations throughout the area, meeting the educational interests and social needs of hundreds of older adults in the different communities in which they live. Think of it; the challenge is very exciting. The realization of this development can only take place, however, if sufficient people care enough to voluntarily pitch in and make it happen. There is a helpful role that everyone can play; the variety of opportunities is very broad. In the coming days and weeks I hope to be talking with many of you about what you would like to see LLI/NOVA become and how you would like to help realize that vision. Call me anytime that you have questions, comments or ideas that you would like to share.

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A Short Rewarding Day-Trip

LLI Members **Marjorie Clark**, **Eileen Hurley**, and **Irmgard and George Staten** went to Baltimore on October 9 to check out *The Flag House and 1812 Museum*. Marjorie did the driving while Eileen did the navigating.

They viewed the house of Mary Pickersgill, who hand-stitched the 30x40 foot flag that flew over Fort McHenry during the War of 1812. This flag inspired Francis Scott Key to pen the words of our national anthem. The well-kept brick building is furnished in the Federal style and has an interesting collection of Early American art. An adjacent museum commemorates the War of 1812 and features a short film and display of period uniforms, rifles, and sabers.



At the small museum store George bought a copy of Walter Lord's *The Dawn's Early Light*, which highlights military operations and shenanigans in and around Washington and Baltimore in the early 19th century. (If you plan to attend George's short course on the War of 1812, November 12 and 19, you'll undoubtedly hear about this book.)

After feasting on crab cakes at Phillip's Inner Harbor Restaurant, the foursome took a 90-minute cruise of the city's historic harbor aboard the Baltimore Patriot II. In keeping with the purpose of the excursion, they paid particular attention to the ship-side view of Fort McHenry, whose stout defense saved the city. The four LLI members enjoyed their academically inspired outing. Weather was perfect.

Admittance fee to the Flag House & Museum is \$3.00 for senior citizens. A ticket for the cruise is \$6.60.

Al Brothers Makes LLI's Newsletter Sparkle

Our newsletter would be visually boring if it were not for **Al Brothers**. His layout and clip art rescue our newsletter from the mundane. In addition to volunteering his time as co-instructor with **George Staten**, Al generously accepted our plea for help in putting together the newsletter for printing. Thank you so much, Al!

Course Attendance

Jack Barringer reminds us that it is important to attend the classes we have chosen. Instructors are volunteering their time to teach and prepare for our courses, so it tends to get a little embarrassing if the class attendance dwindles down to just a few folks. Some members find themselves on a wait-list for classes and could fill empty spaces. If you are unable to attend a class you selected, or you have decided to drop the class, please call the office and leave a message stating such. We can then contact another who may be on the waiting list for the same course.

NOVA Seeks Volunteers for Students with Disabilities

Northern Virginia Community College (Annandale Campus) is seeking volunteers to assist some of its students with disabilities. The college provides accommodations for approximately 1,500 students with disabilities. The majority of these students have learning difficulties or attention deficit disorder. Other disabilities include hearing, visual or mobility impairment.

The campus is committed to the principle that every student who enrolls should experience academic success. To help our students reach their potentials, we are asking the Lifetime Learning Institute to assist by volunteering as readers, scribes, note-takers, recorders and tutors.

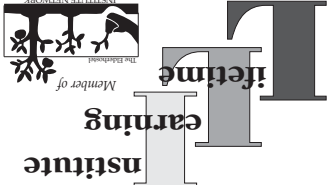
If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information, please contact Dr. Joan Credle at 323-3205 or stop by Godwin Building, Room 211E.

Elderhostel Announces Mid-Atlantic Conference in Williamsburg, Virginia

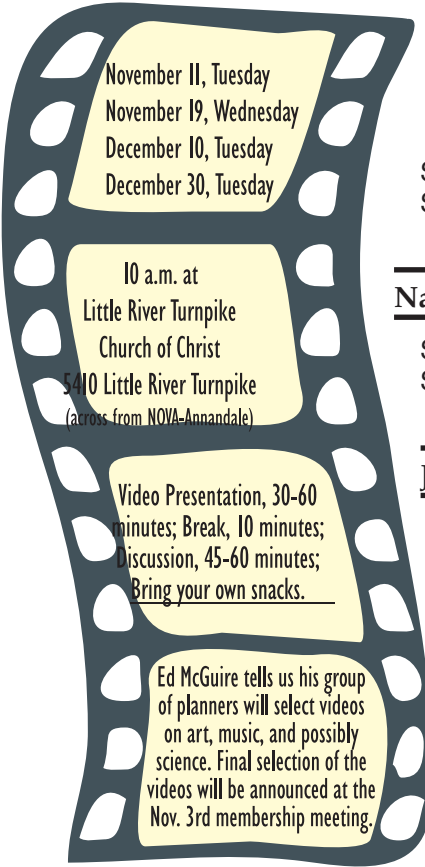
The Elderhostel Institute Network has announced its 3rd Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference of Institutes for Learning in Retirement. There are 25 Network-affiliated Institutes in this region, which together have almost 6,000 members. The aim of this conference is to give you ample opportunity to discover your commonalities and differences, learn from each other's experiences, and discuss your shared goals and concerns. All members are welcome.

The conference will be held March 5-17, 1998, in Williamsburg. It is hosted by the Christopher Wren Association for Lifelong Learning, sponsored by the College of William and Mary. Now is your chance to really participate in the growth and development of LLI and learn how other Institutes expand their programs. (Besides, mid-March can be lovely in Williamsburg with Spring buds galore.) If there is time, we may even be able to tour some James River plantations. We will forward details to you when we get them.

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Video Discussion Series



*November Events at
 Ernst Cultural Center*

Old Dominion Depression Glass Show

Saturday, November 8, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 Sunday, November 9, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Gymnasium

National Pet Care Expo

Saturday, November 15, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
 Sunday, November 16, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Gymnasium

Jazz and Tap Festival

Saturday, November 15, 8 p.m.
 Sunday, November 16, 4 p.m.
Theater

Burke Civic Ballet – “The Nutcracker”

Friday, November 21, 7 p.m.
 Saturday, November 22, 2 p.m. & 7 p.m.
 Sunday, November 23, 2 p.m.
Theater



**Holiday
 Luncheon**

Mark your calendars for LLI’s first annual Holiday Luncheon, Tuesday, December 9, at 11:30 a.m. The event will be held at the Little River Turnpike United Church of Christ, 8410 Little River Turnpike (directly across from NOVA’s Annandale campus). As a holiday gift to our membership and instructors, there will be no charge for the luncheon. **RSVP 503-0600**, no later than Friday, December 5. We look forward to sharing an enjoyable afternoon with you!

Exploring Virginia State Government

Alan Mayer is announcing an interesting new course for next semester. The course will include an overview of Virginia State government, a close look at the General Assembly and the major issues facing the 1998 Assembly. A highlight of the course will be a one-day field trip to Richmond to watch committees in action, meet Delegates and Senators, tour the Capitol and Governor's mansion, and watch a session of the House of Delegates and the Senate. Please note the dates of the course, since the classes will be held before our Spring semester begins. Dates are: January 6, 13, 20, and 27, 1998. If you are interested in this exciting course, please call the office and leave your name and telephone number.

Lyceum Invites LLI Members

The *Lyceum Committee of NVCC-Annandale* has invited all LLI members to attend any of their presentations without charge. Events in the near future include:

November 7, Friday

Fifth anniversary concert of *NVCC Annandale Symphony Orchestra*

CE Building Theater, 8 p.m.

November 11, Tuesday

Dr. John K. Lattimer, author and professor emeritus of medicine at Columbia University, will deliver his renown slide-illustrated lecture on the medical and ballistic aspects of the *Kennedy assassination*. Co-sponsored with the Leonard J. Mills Memorial Lecture Fund.

Forum, Cultural Center, 12:30 p.m.

December 1, Monday

Tony Church, noted actor and for many years a member of the *Royal Shakespeare Company*, will present "A Kingdom for a Stage," an entertainment mixing personal recollections with selections from classic play in which he has appeared during his career.

Forum, Cultural Center, 12:30 p.m.

March 18, 1998, Wednesday

Seamus Kennedy, Irish musician and entertainer, will return by popular demand for another hour of song, story and laughter.

Forum, Cultural Center, noon

Spring 1998

Charlie Byrd. Annual workshop and recital by this celebrated musician.

Date and place TBA

Inclement Weather Announcements

Though the weatherman tells us this is going to be a mild winter on the East Coast and we would like to believe him, we think it might be wise to quietly state our policy on class cancellations. We plan to follow the Fairfax County School closing schedule and urge you to listen to your radio for closing announcements.

Jazz and Ragtime

Mary Montgomery has sent in information about one of her many interests, The Northern Virginia Ragtime Society. She tells us they hold periodic live piano recitals at Jordan Kitts Warehouse on Gallows Road for a small fee. For information on these events, contact: Dale Hooper at (703) 791-3063. Also, for those interested in Dixieland Jazz, there is The Potomac River Jazz Club. Along with her information, Mary includes the jazz club's newsletter, and there is a great deal of information in it regarding jazz concerts in the area. For more information about both of these organizations, Mary suggests you give her a call at (703) 671-8304. Thanks for the info, Mary!

Oops! Membership List Corrections

Some errors were found in our membership list, so please correct your copy:

Goodrich, Janet & Lorin: Phone — 425-9574

Hinchley, Richard: Should read
Hinchey, Richard L., 11228 Silent Wood Ln.,
Reston, VA 20191

Krivoruchka, Theodore: Zip code — 22151

And please welcome and add to your list *New Members:*

Bonacic-Doric, Christa; 1100 Ware St., SW;
Vienna, VA 22180; ph. 281-2906

Kierce, Joan L.; 7107 Westbury Rd.;
McLean, VA 22101; ph. 821-3878

Doe, Marjorie L.; 5508 Heming Ave.;
Springfield, VA 22151; ph. 354-2020

Newsletter Deadline

Please mail or fax items of interest to the LLI office, Attn: Newsletter. Items must be received by the third Friday of the month. Please send your news typed (double-spaced) along with your name and telephone number. All submissions subject to editing.

Thanksgiving Class Schedule

Bolivar's Dream, Course #7312, will not be held Wednesday, November 26, due to the Thanksgiving holiday. A make-up class will be held on December 10.