

Membership Climbs as Count Continues

As of September 22, LLI's membership stood at an all-time high — 186 paid members. It is anticipated that the enrollment will continue to go up as there are more than a few classes that do not begin until sometime in October and classes that still have available seats.

Courses and classes with the highest number of registered LLI members are Personal Computing (when the introductory and advanced classes are totaled); the LLI Foreign Film Festival (a new type of presentation this semester); the Last 1000 Years, Events and Personalities of the Second Millennium, and What's Ahead? (The Millennium Trilogy); India and Pakistan*; and the World-Class Cities Series — all with enrollments between 37 and 26 students. Most classroom activities have enrollment between 10 and 20 students.

There have been some cancellations. There were insufficient numbers of registrants for Continuing French, Issues in Earth Science, Spanish Conversation, Women in History,

and You Can Be Published. Two well-subscribed courses — India/Pakistan and the Story of the Balkans — were dropped at the request of the class leaders. Possibly they can be rescheduled next semester. The video on the Brandywine Valley was not presented because of inclement weather.

Despite these cancellations, the semester has begun well: more than a five-fold increase in membership since the first Fall semester three years ago and an extensive course listing as well as day and overnight trips, and an annual overseas jaunt.

** dropped because of illness of instructor*

open-house program

October Forum Speaker

On Monday, October 4 at 10 a.m., Mr. Joseph K. Hoffman will talk about the impact of our long periods of drought and the recent hurricane on our water resources. He is the executive director of the Interstate Commission of the Potomac River Basin.

Designated by President Clinton as the first American Heritage River, the Potomac furnishes the drinking water supply for the entire metropolitan region. It is both a local resource and a national treasure that provides sustenance, recreation, and an enhanced quality of life for all of us.

Mr. Hoffman is a professional engineer appointed to the Commission last November. Retired from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, he has served on the Great Lakes Commission and the Ohio River Basin Commission.

There is free parking for this event in the gated lot across from the Community Cultural Center. The open-house program will be held in the Forum on the second floor of the Cultural Center.

LLI Board Meeting

— a short report —

Basking in the success of the 1999 Fall Kick-Off on August 30 that saw a record number of attendees and many new memberships, the LLI's Board of Directors met on September 10 to report on the Institute's activities, discuss and improve the internal operations, and formulate plans or surface ideas for future implementation — all aimed at making our organization run more smoothly and the programs more responsive to your needs and interests. Among the highlights of the meeting were

- encouraging report of meetings with college officials in terms of their support of LLI, especially in regard to staffing our office with interns or scholarship students;
- development and approval of a more realistic organizational chart reflecting the work at hand, arrangement of tasks, and assignment of the limited number of volunteers currently available;

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Board Meeting

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- establishment of a Forum group under the Program Committee to identify, recruit, and schedule the monthly speakers for the Open-House Programs;
- drafting of a membership recruitment program;
- participation of LLI representatives in a University of North Carolina seminar at its Asheville branch. One of the seminar topics is setting up a Mid-Atlantic Region of the Elderhostel Institute Network (EIN);
- purchase of video courses for instructional purposes enabling LLI to offer a greater variety of classroom topics, perk up interest, and facilitate faculty recruitment — to be sorted out by the Board's Executive Committee and reported back to the Board with a recommendation;
- feasibility of establishing a theater group within LLI, with the view of obtaining group theater rates and promoting non-classroom camaraderie among LLI members;
- exploration of ways to receive legislative exemption from payment of Virginia sales taxes in view of LLI's non-profit status.

Internal office procedures were discussed as well as other topics mentioned separately in this issue of *News and Views*. The next Board meeting will be held on Friday, October 8 in the Cultural Center beginning at 9:30 a.m. LLI members are welcome to attend. Call the office (703) 503-0600 for location of room where it will take place.



The Loan Closet

from the Springfield Connection, September 9, 1999

The Loan Closet, a division of the Fairfax County Department of Recreation and Community Services, lends wheelchairs, canes, walkers, and crutches to Fairfax County residents aged 60 or older. The *free* borrowing period is up to 60 days. The number of wheelchairs on hand is usually low, inasmuch as many residents continue using them for many months, even years. For further information, call (703) 324-5544. Donations are welcome.

submitted by Martie Klee

Upcoming Open-House Events

Plan your calendar now to include the following LLI open-house programs in the Forum of the Cultural Center. They begin at 10 a.m. All take place on Mondays.

October 4

Joseph Hoffman will speak on the environmental health of the Potomac River Basin. See story in this issue.

November 1

Virginia Senator Joe Gartlan, retiring senator from the Mount Vernon area will speak on the Changing Face of Virginia Politics. He served 28 years in the Virginia senate and is dean of the Northern Virginia delegation.

No open-house program in December.

January 10, 2000

In celebration of the Millennium, George Staten and his 1000-year trekkers will present a collective view of the future — maybe a little hilarity, too.

The programs from February through May are still in the planning stage.

LLI Monthly Luncheon

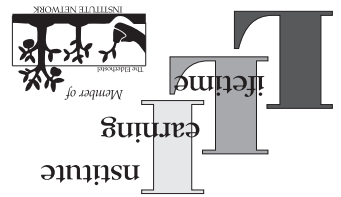
On October 4 following the open-house program in the Forum our Lifetime Learners may join our luncheon organizer John Bogart at the **Old Country Buffet** for a noon-time repast. This serve-yourself restaurant offers a wide selection of soups, salads, entrées, and desserts — a complete meal for less than \$10. The **Old Country Buffet** is located in the Fair City Mall (opposite the high school) on Route 236 about one-half mile west of the Annandale campus. Let's all meet there at noon on Monday, October 4. Good food, good conversation with friends.

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Remember the Brandywine Valley Holiday Trip

Reserve your place on this 3-day/2-night trip to this historic valley in the Delaware-Pennsylvania area, December 7 through 9. Send your \$75 deposit (per person) to arrive at the LLI Office by October 15. The remainder is due on November 17. Make checks out to the *Lifetime Learning Institute*.



Baltimore Day Trip

The bus to the *Baltimore Museum of Art* on October 15 still has some empty seats. See the exhibit of Impressionist Portraits from the American Collections, including works by Paul Cézanne, Edgar Degas, Claude Monet and other artistic luminaries. Send your \$30 for this trip as soon as possible.

Call If You Can't Make It

Please let your class leader know before time if you do not plan on attending his or her next presentation. The instructors' telephone numbers are listed in the 1999 Fall Program under the course descriptions. This courtesy is especially applicable when the class has a small registration. Thanks!



The President's Corner

Well, we are off and running. And from the looks of it we are in for an exciting year. Our Kickoff meeting on August 30 was the biggest ever. Some 200 people showed up. Class registrations are up, membership will soon hit our target for the year and lots of folks are volunteering to pitch in and help.

Our first monthly Forum on September 13 also was a record breaker...over 100 members and guests came to hear an interesting lecture by George Mason University Professor Dr. Brack Brown. His description of the historical backdrop to current events in Central Europe gave new meaning to the news of the day.

Be sure to mark your calendars for our monthly Forums on October 4 when we will be hearing from the Executive Director of the Interstate Commission of the Potomac River Basin on some of the environmental problems in our region. On November 1 Senator Joe Gartlan will address us on the changing face of politics in Virginia. Come and bring a friend or neighbor. There are a lot of potential members out there who just haven't heard of us.

Besides our courses and seminars there are other exciting events in the planning stage. Dinner theater outings, classic film events as well as bus tours to interesting places.

All this proves that retirement can be fun and productive as we continue to grow and expand our horizons.

Alan Mayer

Program Updates

Page numbers refer to pages in Fall 1999 catalog

Page 2 — 9902 Study/Travel 4

The fourth session will be held on November 8.

Page 2 — 9904 Market Basket

Send check for \$18 payable to Louise Souk when registering.

Page 3 — 9906 World's Great Cities

Tuesday is November 16 (date of talk on Munich).

Page 6 — 9916 LLI Festival of Foreign Films

Location is changed to **The Cultural Center, Building CE, Annandale Campus, NVCC**. All sessions will be held in Seminar Rooms A & B except: October 13 will be in the Theater; October 27 will be in the Forum.

Page 10 — 9927 Meteorology

This course will meet in Seminar Rooms A & B in Building CE, The Cultural Center, on the NVCC Annandale Campus.

Page 11 — 9928 India/Pakistan

This course has been cancelled.

Page 12 — 9931 Canada

This course will meet in Seminar Rooms A & B in Building CE, The Cultural Center, on the NVCC Annandale Campus on October 21, November 4, and November 11. On October 28, the course will meet in the Forum in Building CE, The Cultural Center, on the NVCC Annandale Campus.

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"Day/Weekend Trips" should read "Day/Overnight Trips"

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Make checks (for travel) payable to LLI, not to Louise Souk.

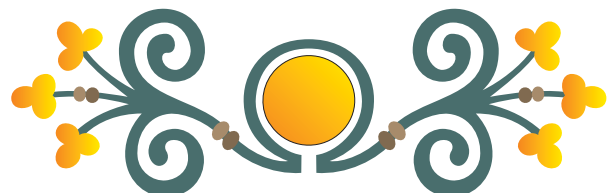
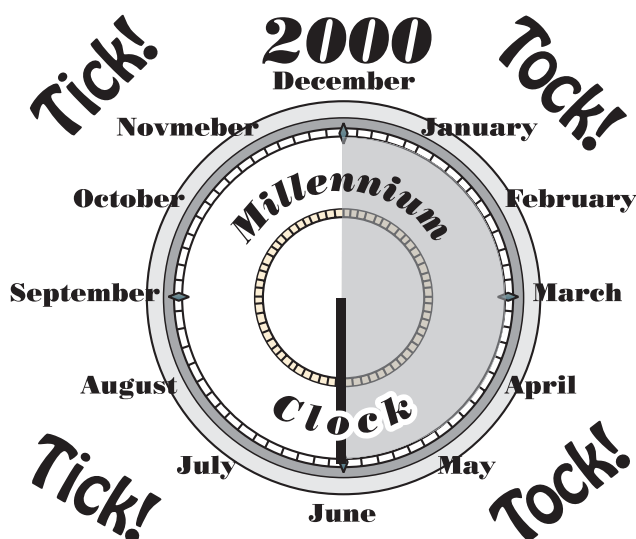
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Correct date of the October Day Trip is

DT-1015 Baltimore Museum of Art — October 15

Pages 25 & 27 — December Trip (Tuesday – Thursday)

There is a single supplement of \$100.



Ernst Community Cultural Center Calendar for October

Virginia Numismatic Association 41st Annual Coin Show and Convention

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| Friday | 1 | 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. |
| Saturday | 2 | 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. |
| Sunday | 3 | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. |

Gymnasium.

Potomac Area Cat Enthusiasts

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| Saturday | 9 | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. |
| Sunday | 10 | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. |

Gymnasium. Admission: \$5 general, \$3 seniors and children under 12. For more information, call (301) 589-0263.

American Music Stage / "Little Shop of Horrors"

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| Friday | 15 | 7:30 p.m. |
| Saturday | 16 | 7:30 p.m. |
| Sunday | 17 | 2:00 p.m. |
| Friday | 22 | 7:30 p.m. |
| Saturday | 23 | 7:30 p.m. |
| Sunday | 24 | 2:00 p.m. |

Theater. Admission: \$12 adults, \$8 seniors, \$7 children. Group rates available. For more information and reserved seats, call (703) 425-9280.

Women in Jazz

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| Sunday | 17 | 7:30 p.m. |
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Theater. Admission: Suggested donation — \$15 adults, \$7.50 students and seniors.

The Older Employment, Technology & Education Expo

Attendees aged 50 and over may speak with recruiters from more than 60 companies, résumé critique, vocational counseling, etc.

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| Friday | 22 | 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. |
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Cultural Center. Admission: Free. For more information, call (703) 846-8377.

The Washington Balalaika Society / "Russian Mosaic"

An evening of musical song featuring the 45-member orchestra with Russian folk instruments.

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| Sunday | 24 | 7:30 p.m. |
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Theater. Admission: \$15 general, \$13 seniors and students. For additional information and advance tickets, call (703) 648-9533.

Virginia Craft Festivals: The Virginia Craft and Folk Art Show

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| Saturday | 30 | 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. |
| Sunday | 31 | 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. |

Featured: more than 100 juried crafts-people.

Cultural Center. Admission: \$6, good for both days. NVCC students, \$4 with ID. For more information, call (703) 883-4760.

LLI Tour Visits Belle Grove Plantation and Glen Burnie Estate

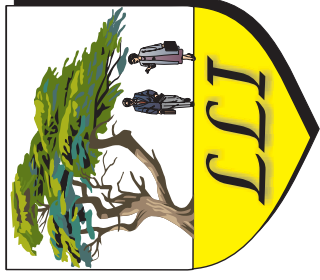
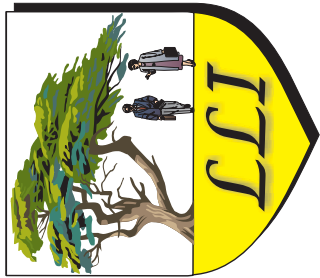
Approximately forty LLI members and guests enjoyed a special day trip on August 27 touring historic places in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. We first visited Belle Grove Plantation. This lovely area had significant military importance during the civil war because of its location in the Shenandoah Valley. General Phillip H. Sheridan defeated General Jubal A. Early and destroyed the Shenandoah Valley's ability to feed General Robert E. Lee's army besieged at Petersburg. This success led to the security of the Nation's capital, Washington, D.C., and permitted the Union armies to concentrate their efforts against Lee's Petersburg defenders. This plantation is one of the most imposing and important structures of its time remaining in Virginia's historic Shenandoah Valley.

What a great lunch we all had at the Wayside Inn! Many are still talking about how good it was! Sorry if you missed it!

We then traveled to the Glen Burnie house which is located in the historic area of Winchester, VA. Here we had an opportunity to tour the historic house and explore some of the 25 acres of beautiful gardens appearing as they were when the last family member, Julian Wood Glass, Jr., occupied the house. Julian Wood Glass was the founder of the city of Winchester, VA. His vision to create a tranquil place for citizens to enjoy is the hallmark of Glen Burnie.

To join LLI members and guests on their next bus tour, please contact Louise Souk at the LLI office, Northern Virginia Community College, Annandale Campus at (703) 503-0600.

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