

Handbook & Member Directory

The Handbook was mailed October 29 and most LLI members should now have their copy. Several new policy procedures were adopted by the Board of Directors during the past year. Please take a moment to become familiar with the new procedures which are included in the front of the Handbook. In addition, review your personal listing for accuracy. If any changes are needed, **it is important that they are submitted in writing**; send them by e-mail to LLI's Administrator, LauraGCharron@aol.com or llinova@juno.com, or by U.S. mail addressed to the office at LLI/Nova, c/o Continuing Education, 8333 Little River Turnpike, Annandale, VA 22003. While every effort is made to publish the correct personal information, sometimes errors may occur, particularly if the information is received by telephone or is passed through several people. Submission in writing should alleviate such problems.



Holiday Party

December 12

Kathy Hall

*Mark your calendars and reserve the date,
December 12th you can't be late
We'll have lots of laughs & much fun too
So mail your registration form in a day or two.
Come for the entertainment and door prizes, too.
We've been working hard to make it fun for you.
The food and the decorations mustn't be missed.
See you on December 12th for our holiday fest.*

Knights of Columbus
5115 Little Falls Road
Falls Church, VA

How to Resolve Conflicts Effectively

Our speaker at the Wednesday, January 2, 2008 Forum is Professor Nan Peck, who has 25 years of experience teaching in the Speech and Communications Department of the Northern Virginia Community College, Annandale campus. She will address types of conflicts, skills needed for effective negotiating, ways of avoiding conflicts, and promoting harmony. One of her sub-topics, will be the different ways that men and women tend to fight in conflict situations. There will be plenty of time in her presentation for audience participation.

On Tuesday, February 5, 2008, we will hear from a senior official of the Census Bureau about planning the content for the next census and the changing trends and wealth of information we have learned from the census.

**No December Forum,
Next Forum:
January 2, 2008**

Lunch Bunch

John Bogart bogartje@cox.net

After the January Forum we will lunch at the **Silverado Restaurant** located at 7052 Columbia Pike Annandale, VA 22003. Phone 703-354-4560. This is one of the more popular restaurants in Annandale with excellent food.

Directions: From NOVA, turn right on Little River Tpk. to Annandale, take a left onto John Marr Dr. and a right onto Columbia Pike. The restaurant is in the shopping center on the left, shortly after entering Columbia Pike. I have asked for the dining room to the left when entering the restaurant.

Calendar of Events



December 2007

- No Forum
- 6 Trip: Goddard Space Center & Brookside Gardens
- 7 Winter Update deadline
- 12 Holiday Party
- 14 Board meeting
- 17 Update mailing

January 2008

- 2 Forum (Wed.)
- 11 Board meeting
- 11 Feb. newsletter deadline
- 22 Newsletter mailing

February 2008

- 5 Forum (Tues.)
- 8 Board meeting
- 8 Mar. newsletter deadline
- 18 Newsletter mailing

March 2008

- 4 Forum (Tues.)
- 7 Apr. newsletter deadline *
- 14 Board meeting
- 17 Newsletter mailing

* date precedes board meeting by one week.

April 2008

- 1 Forum (Tues.)
- 4 Trip: Marine Corps Museum
- 11 Board meeting
- 11 May newsletter deadline
- 21 Newsletter mailing



May 2008

- 6 Forum (Tues.)
- 9 Board meeting
- 9 June newsletter deadline
- 13-16 Trip: Lancaster, PA Dutch Country
- 19 Newsletter mailing

June 2008

- 2 Forum (Mon.)
- 5 Trip: Frederick County, MD; Monocacy Aqueduct, covered bridges & Catocin Iron Furnace
- 13 Board meeting

July 2008

- No Forum, no newsletter
- Board planning retreat

August 2008

- 7 Sept. newsletter deadline
- 18 Newsletter mailing

September 2008

- 2 Forum (Tues.)
- 12 Board meeting
- 12 Oct. newsletter deadline
- 22 Newsletter mailing
- 23-25 Trip: New York City

October 2008

- 7 Forum (Tues.)
- 10 Board meeting
- 10 Nov. newsletter deadline
- 20 Newsletter mailing

November 2008

- 5 Forum (Wed.)
- 14 Board meeting
- 14 Dec. newsletter deadline
- 24 Newsletter mailing

Members

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

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LLI Office Closure Announced

December 24 thru January 2, the campus buildings will be closed and we will not be able to access our office. **However, the Cultural Center will be open for the LLI Forum on January 2.**

LLI Board of Directors

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LLI Cancellation Policy for Bad Weather Conditions

LLI classes are cancelled if the Fairfax County Public School System (FCPSS) cancels classes. Two-hour morning delays will cancel LLI morning classes. Early dismissal cancels LLI afternoon classes. Location of LLI classes does not impact cancellation policy. Both on campus and off-campus LLI classes follow the ruling of the FCPSS, not NVCC. **PLEASE READ THE COMPLETE POLICY IN THE COURSE CATALOGUE.**

President's Message

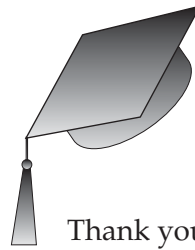
As we approach the holidays, the pace of life seems to quicken for all of us. That certainly is the case for the members of our Holiday Party committee who are busy finalizing arrangements for what will be a joyous celebration of the holiday season for all of us. If you haven't made your reservation yet, do it quickly.

What follows are facts about our Institute and some acknowledgements of member's efforts that I want to share with you. — This issue of News and Views is the first to be published by our new editor, Norma Hughes, who replaces Norma Reck. We thank Norma R. for her efforts in that important post over the past several months and thank Norma H. for volunteering to fill the vacancy created when Norma R. resigned. Those who know our vice-president, Curt Kornblau, are happy to find him fully recovered from his injuries and back in the fold of LLI. I especially am glad to have him back serving as an officer and member of the Board of Directors. I want to thank the Audit Committee — Len Lundberg, chair, Jean Hetsko and Marv Burge — for their work in completing the audit of LLI's finances in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007. Their report has been referred to the Budget and Finance committee for its review and recommendations to the Board of Directors. The initial response of the membership to the recent letter requesting donations to our Student Scholarship fund is most gratifying. If you haven't already done so, please consider making your contribution to this good cause. The Board of Directors voted to award honorary life membership to Marjorie Singleton, widow of our founder, Knox Singleton. We look forward to Marjorie's continued participation in LLI. Professor Matthew Bell certainly entertained and enlightened those who attended the last Forum meeting about the restoration of the ancient Roman city of Stabiae in Italy. There will be no Forum meeting in December; the next one will be held the day after New Year's Day, January 2.

I wish everyone good health and good cheer during the holiday season and throughout the coming year. I hope to be able to state these wishes in person to all of you at the Holiday Party on December 12.

Happy Holidays!

Dick DiBuono



LLI Student Scholarship Fund

Doris Balinsky

Thank you to the 83 members who have already made contributions to the LLI Student Scholarship Fund. If you have not yet made your contribution, there is still plenty of time to make a tax-deductible donation for 2007. The money will enable us to provide scholarships to support nine bright young students in furthering their studies and achieving their career goals.

Pennsylvania Dutch Country and Amish Lifestyle Trip

May 13-16, 2008



The signup date for the Pennsylvania Dutch Country trip has been extended, so there is still time to sign up, if you act quickly. The trip includes a ride on the Strasburg Railroad as it travels through the countryside; a guided tour of Amish Country; a dinner theater; and a visit to an Amish home. There will be stops and tours of a Mennonite bakery, a famous Pennsylvania pretzel factory and the quaint shops of Litiz. We'll also tour Wheatland, the home of President James Buchanan; the Ephrata Cloisters; and the Landis Valley Farm Museum. On the trip up, we'll stop to tour the Harley Davidson factory in York, PA. Cost: members \$633, non-members \$673.

If you need a flier and registration form, please call Louise Souk 703-323-9144 or Deanna deMember 703-866-0907. **Registrations must be received in the LLI office by January 20.**

Newsletter Input

Winter Update deadline for input is December 7, 2007. Deadline for February newsletter input is Friday, January 11, 2008. Norma Hughes and Lynda Brittain are the new co-editors. At this time, please forward your news items to Norma at nah.home@verizon.net, or call her at 703-960-6279.

Special Interest Groups



LLI Bridge Group

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October Play Dates

In December, we will play on Wednesday, December 5, and Wednesday, December 19. Note, while both are Wednesdays, they are the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, not our usual schedule (2nd and 4th).

Location: Mason District Government Center.

Time: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring a bag lunch. You do not need a partner because we rotate partners so you will play with everyone. 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 we can provide sufficient card tables.

October Results First, second, and third place finishers on October 10 were Mary Underwood, Bob Huley, and Nancy Sherman. Congratulations to all.



Community Theater Group

Helen Clark 703-573-1671

Plan to attend "Red, Hot and Cole" at the Alden Theatre, 12234 Ingleside Avenue,

McLean, VA, on Sunday, January 27 at 2 p.m. The show celebrates the life of Cole Porter and features over 25 Cole Porter standards that many of us remember and can sing to today. Call the Theater directly 703-790-0123 (the box office opens Tues. thru Sat. at noon) to make your own reservations and meet other LLI members at the theater. Tickets are \$17 for McLean non-residents or \$14 for seniors. After the theater perhaps we could get together for coffee or possibly dinner.

LLI Current Events Group

Date: Friday, 7 Dec 2007

Time: 10 am to 11:30 am

Place: Mason District Governmental Center, Small

Conference Room

Topic: Safety of Imports from China? How do you feel about the recent safety issues in foods, drugs, chemicals, and toys? Are there actions we can take as individuals?

Come if you want to share your ideas or learn more about current events. We want to give all, who wish, a chance to speak. After an hour, we choose the

next topic. Then we have open discussion on current events of interest to anyone.

For more information, Email Shirley Lotz at svlotz@cox.net or call her at (703) 978-2977.



Favorite Books Club

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Selection — "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" by Mark Twain. This 1884 book was Mr. Twain's sequel to "Adventures of Tom Sawyer." Twain includes satiric treatment of racism, religious excess, and rural simplicity in this well known American classic. All of our book discussions are on the 3rd Thursday of the month. The next meeting is on January 17, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., at the Mason District Governmental Center, 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale.

Gourmands

Sarah Bell 703-978-4763
Mary Underwood 703-329-8391



Sixteen Gourmands dined on a medley of Thai dishes at Duangrat's Thai Restaurant on November 8, an event planned by Penny Valavanis.

On Wednesday, December 5, the Gourmands will lunch at Bamian, an Afghan Restaurant at Bailey's Crossroads. Contact Karren Scott (703-313-7127) if you want to join your fellow Gourmands for this. On Thursday, January 10, 2008 the Gourmands will again have a cooking class with the "Queen of Scones" at her home in McLean. Gourmands will make tea sandwiches—breads and spreads. These will be eaten with a "proper tea." Contact Mary Underwood (703-329-8391) if you are interested in participating in this event. The cost is \$25. Because the class is in a home, space is limited to 15.

Walkabouts

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We walk from 12 noon to 1 p.m. on the following Thursdays:

December 13 and 27

Contact Liddell for locations.

From the LLI Scrapbook

Nicoletta, Assistant Coordinator,
U.S. Office, Restoring Ancient
Stabiae Foundation.



University of Maryland Professor
Matthew Bell, archaeologist.
November 7 Forum speaker on
Restoring Ancient Stabiae.

LLI President Dick DiBuono (*r.*)
presenting thank you gift to
Lorin Goodrich in recognition of
serving on the Board of Directors
and chairing the Forum
committee.



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