

Russian Cultural Center Featured at May 7 Forum

Representatives from the Russian Cultural Center will address the May 7, 2001 Forum at 10:00 a.m., to inform us about the different cultures of Russia since the 1990s. Russia is a large country, inhabited by many different ethnic groups with diverse customs and traditions. It is a country that has contributed substantially to the world of arts, science, and space programs. Come and learn what is happening there.

As many LLI members have traveled, or will be traveling, in Russia, it should be an interesting presentation for everyone. See you on May 7th!

Change in LLI Office E-mail Address

The LLI office's e-mail address is now llinova@hotmail.com.

Italian Art Lecture Offered

In preparation for their trip to Italy, the Study/Travel Group will hear a special lecture from Dr. Tom Hardy, Professor of Art History at NVCC. The lecture will be held in Room 215 McDiarmid Bldg., on Thursday, May 3 at 10:30 a.m. There is room for a few extra attendees for those who might be interested. Call or e-mail Alan Mayer ((703) 354-0239; e-mail: amayer0239@aol.com) if you would like to attend this free lecture.

Spring Concert

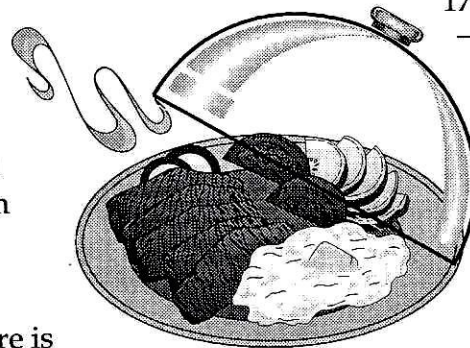
The NVCC-Annandale Symphony Orchestra's Spring Concert will be held on Friday, May 4 at 8:00 p.m. in the Cultural Center's theater. Cost for seniors is \$7.00. Call (703) 323-3314 or (703) 323-3489 for information or to make reservations.

The Lunch Bunch

The Lunch Bunch will gather after the May Forum at Café Italia, Route 236 (Main Street) in Fairfax, next to First Union Bank – just a little beyond the intersection of Route 123 (old courthouse area). Call John Bogart at (703) 273-2547 for further information.

Reminder – Annual Pot Luck Appreciation Luncheon

If you haven't done so already, be sure to call Elaine Waggener ((703) 560-5425) and sign up for the *Annual Pot Luck Appreciation Luncheon* for all the teachers of LLI courses – Thursday, May 17, 2001, at 12 noon



– at the Little River United Church of Christ, 8410 Little River Turnpike, Annandale, VA (across 236 from NOVA).

What and how much to bring? If your last name begins with: *A through H*, a salad (call Marie Baglio (703) 532-4285); *I through R*, a main dish (call Bo Kelley (703) 978-2993); and *S through Z*, a dessert (call Elaine Waggener (703) 560-5425). **Please bring enough to serve 10.** You may call Marie, Bo, or Elaine any time before May 11 to sign up, but please bear in mind that the sooner they know how many will attend, the easier it will be for them to plan.

Please come to honor our teachers and enjoy a terrific lunch with your LLI friends and colleagues.

Nominating Committee Report

The Nominating Committee, with the concurrence of the Board of Directors, presents the following slate of candidates for election to the LLI Board for a term of three years. According to the by-laws, one-third of the Board is elected each year; therefore, there are five positions to be filled. The election will be held at the June 4 meeting, and additional nominations will be accepted from the floor.

Candidates for the five positions are:

Doris Balinsky, who grew up in South Africa and has lived in the US since 1975. She holds a Ph.D. in biochemistry from London (England) University. When Doris moved to the Washington area in 1985, she became a scientist administrator, first at the US Department of Agriculture, and later at the National Institutes of Health. Doris led tours as a docent at the National Museum of African Art. She has taught a number of LLI courses, and conducted wildflower walks.

L. Virginia Fernbach. Prior to a diversified career in the corporate world with a major financial institution, Virginia worked as a faculty member and educator in hospital, public health, and other organizational settings, including one year in Southeast Asia. She holds a B.S. degree from Teachers College, Columbia University, and an MA from New York University, and has completed additional graduate work. She is an author, as well as a guest lecturer at several universities.

Lorin Goodrich is currently LLI vice president, and has been a Board member for the past three years. He performs numerous duties, including making classroom arrangements for LLI courses. Retired from the Federal Government, Lorin and his wife, Janet, have ushered at the Kennedy Center and the Warner Theater. President of the Annandale chapter of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Lorin conducts tours of the Newseum's broadcast studio, and volunteers at the Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind.

Don Reynolds. After enjoying a career in journalism and marketing for more than 40 years, Don retired to Northern Virginia, where he and his wife, Sally, joined LLI. Don was raised in northern Westchester County, NY, and graduated from Rider University following three years of military service in the European Theater during World War II. His last tour of duty after VE day included a history-writing team assignment with the Theater General Board in Germany and Paris.

Richard Risk is an original member of LLI, and served on the Board between 1996 and 2000. He is current chair of the Budget and Finance Committee, and has served on the audit and nominating committees. Retired from the Environmental Protection Agency in 1995, Richard conducts poetry classes and a course in science for the non-scientist for LLI, and has served as discussion leader for the US Policy course.

The President's Corner

Happy spring everyone! With our Spring Program nearing completion, we are looking forward to a much expanded Summer Program. Helen Clark and her Program Committee have done an excellent job of putting together interesting, new offerings geared to summer activities. For instance, we will be holding a first-ever picnic on Sunday, August 5 at Mason District Park prior to attending a concert by the Navy Band. Mark your calendars for that one.

At the LLI Board meeting on April 6, a couple of notable actions were taken:

With membership surpassing 300, several alternatives were discussed. The consensus is that, as a volunteer organization, further growth will put a strain on class offerings and add to our administrative burdens. The Board decided not to impose a cap at this time, but to wait and see if attrition will balance new member applications over the next few months. LLI will cease advertising and mail-outs for the time being. This issue will be reviewed again in September following the Fall Kickoff. Our target is to stay at about the 300 level.

In connection with the membership issue, the Board agreed to discontinue the \$150 special membership rate for couples living at the same address, which was instituted four years ago as a means of attracting new members. Effective July 1 the membership dues will be \$100 per person. This is still the best bargain in town. LRI (George Mason University) is raising its dues to \$280 per person next year.

We have an interesting speaker from the Russian Embassy for the May 7 Forum.

Hope to see you there.

Alan Mayer

Special Interest Groups

Game Group

The *Games Group* is changing its title to the *Bridge Group*. We meet twice monthly, on the second and fourth Wednesdays, at the Mason District Government Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (bring a bag lunch). Because the meeting dates cannot be confirmed with the Government Center until a month in advance, please call Bob or Gladys Bucklew, Chairpersons, at (703)631-7889 if you wish to attend. Such calls not only confirm the meeting date for you but also afford us the opportunity to obtain sufficient card tables for attendees. All are welcome, and we have Scrabble and other card games for any "extra" players. **Note:** If there are "extra" people, bridge play is rotated (four hands per game) among all present. We hope you can join us!

Theater Group

Correction: The performance of American Century Theater's *Hotel Universe* is on May 5, Saturday, at 2:30pm, not Sunday as previously indicated.

Sunday, June 24, 2001 – 3:00 p.m.: Little Theatre of Alexandria, 600 Wolfe Street, Alexandria, VA — *Proposals*, Neil Simon's critically acclaimed comedy that reunites the Hines family in their Pocono oasis during the sizzling summer of 1953. Experience the warmth and humor of this reunion where unresolved family issues and romantic entanglements intertwine, bringing laughter and tears. **Tickets:** \$10.75 per person. Reservations must be received by LLI no later than June 3.

Discussion Group

Everyone Welcome!

Date: Friday, May 4

Time: 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Location: Ernst Cultural Center,
Seminar Room A.

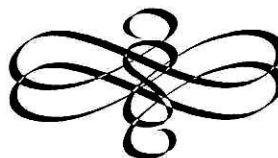
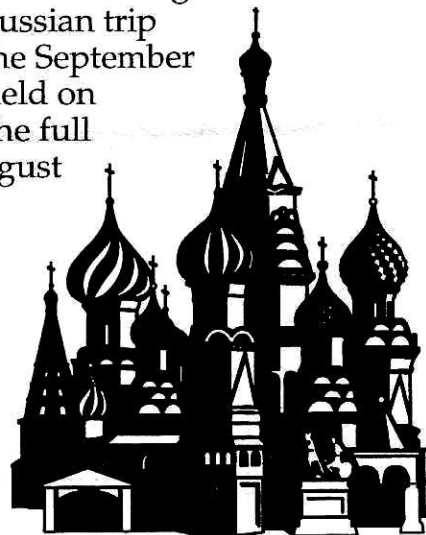
Topic: World Population Growth

Resource person: Dr. Carl Steiner

Organizer: Tom Buchanan (703) 281-4894

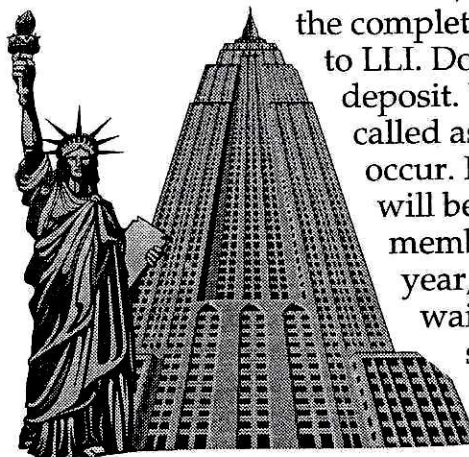
LLI Study/Travel Update

There has been a date change for one of the Russian trip study classes: the September 5 class will be held on August 23. So the full schedule is: August 14, 23, and 28, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., in Room 3 of the Chapel Square Center. For details, call John Bogart at (703) 273-2547.



Trip Update

The December New York trip is filled. If you would like to be on the waiting list, please call the LLI office at (703) 503-0600 or Louise Sousek at (703) 323-9144 for an application and waiver form, and return the completed documents to LLI. Do not send the deposit. You will be called as vacancies occur. Preference will be given to LLI members. Last year, all those wait-listed and still interested were accommodated.



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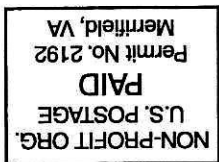
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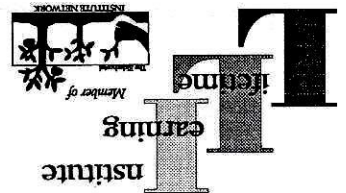
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LLI Represented at Older Worker EXPO

LLI had an exhibit on March 30 at the Fairfax County Government Center during the "Older Worker Employment, Technology & Education EXPO." Over 40 people expressed interest in receiving more information, and at least two people are considering teaching courses. The exhibit was staffed by Gordon Hamlet, Martie Klee, Ted Krivoruchka, Phil Reeves, Ann Rourke, Phil Waggener, and Noreen Wayland.

LLI Web Page

Memphis Norman's work on developing a web page for LLI is paying off. Go to <http://communities.msn.com/LLINOVA> and take a look. More information is being loaded. He also is working on getting the web page linked to the college's web site.

Have You Checked Out...

- > Inova's Senior Health Access Resources and Education (SHARE) program? Membership is open to adults age 50 and over, and members qualify for discounts for exercise and other classes. Call (703) 204-3371.
- > The Social Security Administration's website <http://www.ssa.gov>? You can sign up for their "FirstGov for Seniors Newsletter," check out other information, and even obtain forms online.

