

October LLI Forum

**Tuesday, October 5, 2010, at 10 a.m.
(Social Time at 9:30 a.m.)**

***Domestic Violence: Understanding
the Issues, Working for Solutions
Among Police, Prosecutors, Victim
Assistance Personnel, and the Judiciary***

Our speaker Karen L. Bune, an adjunct professor at Marymount University and George Mason University, has worked in the criminal justice system for three decades. She also works as a Victim Specialist in the State's Attorney's Office for Prince George's County. Professor Bune will cover the cycle of abuse, abuser characteristics, threat assessment, legislation reform, such as repeal of the Spousal Privilege Law in Maryland, and the ways that various law enforcement officers, social workers, prosecutors, judges, and other personnel work together. Victims of crime are often swarmed upon by over-active members of the press; Ms. Bune has been an international pioneer in protecting the rights of victims and developing programs to help victims overcome the trauma and rebuild their lives.

Please Note: *Parking is in the pay parking garage (\$1/hour). Parking in the B and C lots is by permit only.*

LLI Forum Forward

On November 2, 2010, the *Washington Bureau Chief of Arab News* will speak on the topic "Understanding Islam and Overcoming Stereotypes."

Seeking Forum Topics/Speakers

Your Forum Committee welcomes suggestions about topics and speakers that would have widespread appeal for future Forums. Please contact Joseph Pincus at 703-569-0973 or email - joseph@pincus.org. If we cannot use your idea for a Forum, we will pass along the information to the LLI curriculum committee.

Schedule Changes

Date change: The class sessions for Fall Course 10F21P ("Russia: Empire or Nation?") will be held on October 6, 20 and 27. There is no session on October 13 (please refer to your "Fall 2010 Program" for time and place.)

Time Change: The Fall Course 10F30P ("From Solomon to Gaudi") will end 30 minutes earlier than posted and will be from 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. Please note the course is still the usual 1½ hours.

Lunch Bunch

John Bogart bogartje@cox.net

Following the October 5 Forum, join the Lunch Bunch at **Esposito's Restaurant** at 9917 Fairfax Blvd., Fairfax, VA – Phone (703) 385-5912. It is directly across the street from Skidoo's Restaurant and specializes in moderately priced Italian foods.

Directions from NOVA: Left on Rt. 236 toward Fairfax, then right on Prosperity Ave. Then left on Arlington Blvd., past Fairfax Circle, to restaurant on left before Rebel Run Drive.



Calendar of Events

October 2010

- 5 Forum (Tues.)
- 8 LLI Board Meeting
- 8 November Newsletter deadline
- 12-15 PA Trip: "Artists, Architecture & Authors"
- 18 Newsletter mailing

November 2010

- 2 Forum (Tues.)
- 12 LLI Board meeting
- 12 December Newsletter deadline
- 22 Newsletter mailing

December 2010

- 2 Day Trip: Rockville/ Montgomery County
- 3 Winter Update
- 7 LLI Holiday Luncheon
- 13 Winter update mailing



IMPORTANT: Report Address Changes

Laura Charron, Administrator

To be assured of receiving important notices concerning classes and trips, **please remember** to notify the LLI office as soon as possible of a new e-mail address as well as a change in mailing address and/or telephone number. Notify the office by phone at 703-503-0600, or e-mail at llinova@juno.com.

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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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President's Message

I truly hope you are enjoying LLI as much as Bonnie and I. It is a friendly, supportive, productive and stable group and it is a pleasure to be part of this organization. Many of you have stepped forward to assist in the numerous volunteer opportunities needed to get the job done. Attendance at classes is improving with our new reminder system and participants are letting the coordinator know when they have a change in plans and are unable to attend. The number and variety of class offerings is growing, but almost never is one canceled due to lack of participants. Some classes have a wait list.

The forums are well attended and offer a welcoming atmosphere and fascinating topics. There are excellent teams making all this happen. We have a number of guests joining us and several became members last month. Our informal lunches afterward are well attended, with more opportunity to meet and greet. The Special Interest Groups continue to function well.

The travel activity needs an overall coordinator, but individuals continue to step forward to coordinate specific trips. Our finances continue to do well as we closely control expenditures, and the board has been challenged to maximize the use of the surplus funds for the most effective use by the members. The travel input exceeded expenses and this year we were able to add the small amount of surplus to the scholarship fund.

Our special events are always fun and we are looking forward to the holiday party in December. Each member I have talked to has joined with us in anticipation of another great year. Happy Learning!

Paul Hopler

Volunteer Opportunities

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LLI needs your help. Please evaluate these opportunities to contribute your time and energy; then choose one and join the fun! Contact the designated person for more information.

Volunteer Coordinator: Merry Macke

Forum Greeter Coordinator: Colletta Hammond

Speaker Forum Committee: Joseph Pincus

Community Outreach

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In October, Marianne Moerman will be taking our food donations to the Arlington Food Assistance Center, a community leader in providing and promoting dignified access to nutritious food for all. Even in a wealthy county like Arlington, there are far too many hungry and needy people, so please, LLI members, do give generously. Cereals are a great need and protein canned goods, such as tuna fish, are always in short supply. Pasta and peanut butter are wonderful, too. So please pick up something extra for the food pantry next time you are at the grocery store. It is easy to do and makes such a huge difference in the lives of many, many families.



Bev Portman reports that she delivered an impressive 178 pounds of food (nearly a record) to Food for Others after our last Forum. Food had been in short supply for the previous 3-4 weeks so our donations were greatly needed. Thank you!



Membership Renewal Reminder

The mailing label on each newsletter includes your membership renewal date. You must renew and be a member in good standing in order to register for courses and to participate in LLI's many other activities. Complete the membership form (last page in the current course catalog), check "renewal," indicate any new information, and mail it to the LLI office with a check in the amount of \$110 for each person wishing to continue membership with LLI.



It is important to include the form with your check, for ease in crediting your membership renewal in our database.

Special Interest Groups

Please sign up at the Special Interest Groups table at the October and November Forums to have your name included in the E-Mail notification lists for the various SIGs.

Proposed New Special Interest Groups if enough interest develops

SPANISH CONVERSATION: It is proposed to establish a new Special Interest Group for Spanish Conversation, provided enough interest is shown. It would consist, perhaps, of monthly sessions to practice speaking Spanish in a conversation setting. If you have an interest in such a Program, please call or email Merry Macke, 703-451-3248, merry.macke@verizon.net. We also would like a few volunteers to occasionally help in leading some of the sessions.

PHOTOGRAPHY: An interest has also been expressed by a few to forming a new Photography Special Interest Group. It would consist, perhaps, of monthly discussions of topics such as picture taking tips (composition, etc.), tips on using a camera, downloading pictures from a camera to a computer, and editing photos on a computer. If you have an interest in such a group, call or email Peter Schwarzkopf, 703-998-0769, pschwarzkopf@verizon.net. We also need volunteers to lead the topic discussion at the monthly meetings.



LLI Arts & Smarts

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October 15, 2010: *Edvard Munch Master Prints*, National Gallery of Art. This artist's greatest legacy is his series of major prints depicting basic human themes of attraction; love and union; jealousy and separation; birth and awakening; and anxiety and death. The central ideas and accomplishments of Edvard Munch are illuminated in an exhibition that brings together sixty of his rare color prints and hand-colored variations of these prints. For further information on the time and meeting place, please call or email Donna Trogler.

*Deadline for the
November newsletter
is October 8, 2010.*



LLI Bridge Group

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October Play Dates: In October, we will play on **Thursday, October 7,** and **Wednesday, October 20.** **Location:** Mason District Governmental 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. We are always looking for new players, and 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 that we can provide sufficient card tables.

Recent Results — Time to catch up on some results. On June 9, the top four players were Elaine Cherry, Nate Rosenbaum, Lynda Brittain, and Carol Aron. On June 23, the top four finishers were Jack Acey, Mary Underwood, Sandy Haberlin, and June Chalou. For the 6 month period ending in June, the top players were Mary Underwood, Nancy Sherman, Jessica Burmester and Elaine Cherry (tied), and Bob Huley. On July 22, the top four were Doug Johnson, Mindy Rojahn, Jessica Burmester, and Lynda Brittain. On July 28, the top four finishers were Raymond Burmester, Nancy Sherman, Doug Johnson, and Mary Underwood and Arline Sachs (tied). On August 5, the top four were Nate Rosenbaum, Bob Huley, Jack Acey, and Elaine Cherry. Finally, on August 19, the top four were Jack Acey, Doug Johnson, Bob Huley, and Nelva Berend. Congratulations to all.



LLI Community Theater

Norma Hughes, 703-960-6279,
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A listing of theater offerings for the 2010-2011 season was recently sent to LLI members who request notification. Norma Hughes will start the new season by "hosting" the comedy "Waiting in the Wings" by Noel Coward, being presented by the Providence Players on **Sunday, October 10** at 2 p.m. All those interested in attending should contact Norma by Friday October 1; she will email further information regarding purchasing tickets (persons are responsible for purchasing their own tickets), directions to the theater and the restaurant for after-theater socializing. This play is bound to be a laugh a minute. Check the list of upcoming plays and select one for which you would like to be the "host."



LLI Current Events Group

Marion Jacknow, 703- 698-8702,
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The Current Events Group will continue to meet monthly for continued interesting and educational discussions. Topics reflect the current social, political and worldly events surrounding the time of the meeting. Please join us to share your ideas and/or to learn more about current events - whatever is your pleasure.

Date/Time: Friday, October 1, 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Place: Mason District Governmental Center, Small Conference Room, 6507 Columbia Pike Annandale, VA 22003. For more information, call or email Marion Jacknow.



LLI Favorite Books Club

Connie Fullerton, 703-764-3779,
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Date: Thursday October 21

Time: 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Place: New participants, please phone Connie for October's meeting place.

October's selection is "Lydia Cassatt Reading the Morning Paper" by Harriett Scott Chessman. Lydia posed for five of the paintings by her sister, American Impressionist Mary Cassatt; these form the focus of each of the five chapters in the novel. This is a moving introspection by Lydia as she explores the relationship between the sisters, the world of art, and her own waning health.



LLI French Conversation Group

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The October meeting of the French Conversationalists will take place on **Tuesday October 19** at 10 a.m. We will be meeting at the home of Lois Czapiewski. Directions will be sent at a later date. Please bring your copy of Barron's "French at a Glance". If you have questions, contact Sally Reynolds.



LLI Gourmands

Mary Underwood, 703-329-8391,
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In August, 11 Gourmands dined at the East Moon Asia Bistro in Kingstowne, an event planned by Marcia Toepfer. The September event, planned by Alina Otal, was at Nizam's which features Turkish cuisine. Sally Reynolds and Anne Austin have planned the October event for **Thursday, October 7**, at 11:30 a.m. at a new restaurant, Open Kitchen Bistro in Falls Church. Because the kitchen is an integral part of the Bistro, the Gourmands can observe their luncheon selections being prepared. The address is 7115 Leesburg Pike, #107, in the West Metro Plaza (phone 703-942-8148). Please RSVP to Sally Reynolds at saldonreyn@aol.com or 703-352-7494.



LLI Nimble Fingers

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The next meeting of Nimble Fingers is scheduled for **Friday, October 8**, 1:00 to 2:30 p.m, in the Small Conference Room of the Mason District Governmental Center. Bring a small needlecraft project of any type to work on. New participants are always welcome. For further information, or if you are new to the group, please contact Bev Portman.



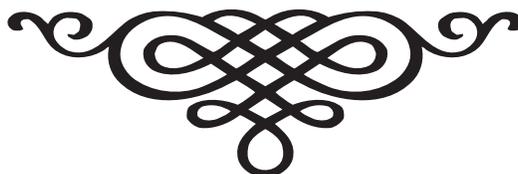
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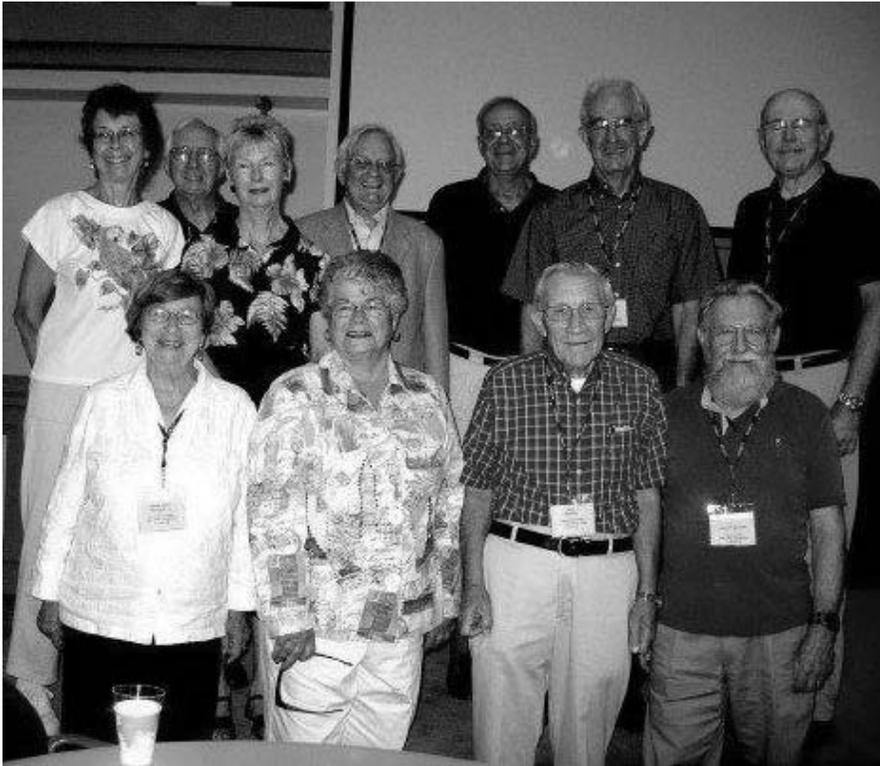
Schedule for October. Meet at noon for 1-hour walk.

October 8: Occoquan Park. Take 95 South to Exit 160. Take 123 north over the bridge, and then the first right into the park. Drive for awhile until you see the main building. We will park beneath the building by the water. We will follow the Cross County Trail (CCT) north and then circle around through the woods.

October 22: Meet at Americana Park right off Little River Turnpike (southwest) by 495. If hot, we'll go south on CCT. If we are looking for sun, we will go north passing under a number of bridges, but then finding a lovely walk. We may run into a deer with a crippled front leg. She is a pet of the neighborhood. Contact Merry if you have any questions.



From the LLI Scrapbook



LLI Board of Directors 2010- 2011

Front row (left to right): Marianne Moermann, Norma Hughes, Moe Moser, Phil Runge.

Second row (left to right): Merry Macke, George Chalou, Mary Underwood, Paul Hopler, Ed McKnight, Terry Brittain, Bob Huley.

Absent were Arlene Gribben, Karren Scott, Chuck Hulick, Dick DiBuono and Peter Schwarzkopf

Upcoming Tours by the Trip Committee

PLEASE NOTE: Detailed information regarding each of the trips described below is being sent to all members as a separate mailing.

Thursday, December 2, 2010, HOLIDAY TOUR AND DINNER. A docent-led holiday tour of Montgomery County/Rockville, MD that includes stops at historical sites, followed by dinner at The Inn at Brookville Farms in Olney. Cost for members is \$85; for nonmembers, \$95. Anne Austin is the Trip Leader (ABBAustin@gmail.com; 703-569-5994).

October 7 – 11, 2011, APPALACHIA CULTURE & INTERNATIONAL STORYTELLING. A tour to the Appalachian areas of Virginia and Tennessee. Individual cost (includes transportation, meals and lodging) is \$827 per member/double or \$997 per member/single. Nonmembers' cost is \$877 to \$1047. Additional information and registration forms will be available at the October and November Forums for immediate sign-up on a first-come, first-serve basis. (Bring your checkbook.) Barbara Woods is the Trip Leader (bwoodscgc@hotmail.com; 703-569-1278).

SCAM Alert – E-Mail Fraud

Be aware of a new SCAM: Criminals are now able to hack into an existing e-mail account for the purpose of obtaining an individual's list of contacts! The scammer then sends an e-mail from that individual, presumably a friend, to someone in the contact list requesting money. This looks legitimate as the e-mail is coming from a friend's account, but it is actually the scammer. An example of this clever ruse is when the e-mailer tells her friend that she is traveling in another country and was robbed, and needs money from her friend to "pay her hotel bill" so she can travel home. (A scam may also be easy to detect by misspellings and/or incorrect English in the e-mail.)

Be extremely cautious and always verify any suspicious or unusual requests from "friends" or others for personal identification, passwords, account numbers or money requested over the phone or via e-mail. If you did not initiate the need for such information, it probably is a SCAM.



During the June Forum, Paul Hopley recognized our Administrator, Laura Charron for her ten years of continuing service to the LLI members and the Board of Directors.

Paul Hopley (l.), thanking guest speaker Brian Kelly for his counter-espionage presentation at the June Forum.



Grecia Balboa Seas (l.), winner of LLI's 2010 prestigious \$2,000 Knox Singleton Leadership award with Committee Chairperson, Doris Balinsky. Names of winners since 2000 are listed on the plaque, which hangs outside the Provost's office in the Godwin building.

2010 LLI Scholarship winners and committee members. Back row (l. to r.): Rahat Hussain, Jane Jones, Grecia Balboa Seas, Ed McKnight, Marianne Moerman, Doris Balinsky. Front row (l. to r.): Marika Heinicke, Ann Pimley, Eunjin Ginny Hong, Fan Feng. Absent: Christian Rivero.



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