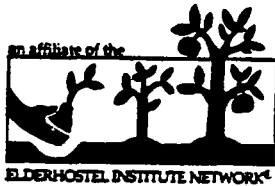


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All programs for the summer term are at Tallwood, 4210 Roberts Rd., unless otherwise specified. Please fill out the attached Membership and Registration Application and return it to the office by May 20. Call the office if you have questions about membership or the summer program.

Introduction to the World Wide Web

- 1. Tuesdays, June 4 and 11, 1:00-2:30**
- 2. Tuesdays, June 18 and 25, 1:00-2:30**

If you have a computer and modem and are beginning to dabble in the Internet, this course is for you. The first session of each two-week section will be a lecture at Tallwood, and the second session will meet the following week in the GMU computer lab in Robinson Hall, Room A109. You will get a review of the GMU MasonLink computer information system, using the Netscape graphical web browser. The Netscape software will be available to you, free of charge, for installing on your own computer at home. Class size is limited to 20, the number of terminals available in the GMU computer lab. This course is for LRI members who already have a GMU computer account. If you don't have one, see Carol Ferrara about the procedures. Sign up for either section number 1 or section number 2. Please include your e-mail address on the Registration Form.

Instructors: Allen Montecino led the effort to obtain GMU support for LRI's computer accounts, taught LRI's first electronic mail course and is the pagemaster for our home page on the Internet. A retired military officer, he has a master's degree in American history, a subject he has taught at LRI.

Ray Beery has an M.B.A. in computer applications and logs many hours on the PC in his home office. He works with GMU's University Computing and Information Service, teaching office automation to faculty and staff. He is twice retired: from the Air Force and from Computer Sciences Corp.

3. Advanced Poetry Workshop

Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18 and 25, 11:30-1:30

This continuation of the spring course is for those who want to create their own poems in a supportive environment during June. Students may submit new poems each week for class critiques and suggestions for potential markets for sale of poems. Class limited to 10.

Instructor: Ellen Anderson continues to lead this group, drawing on her experience as a published poet who has taught at Northern Virginia Community College and the Arlington County Adult Education Program and been a speaker at writers' workshops. She is listed in *Writers in Virginia* and is a member of the Poetry Society of America.

4. The Flat Tax: A Viable Alternative?

Tuesday, June 4, 11:30-1:00

Everyone pays taxes, based on benefits received and ability to pay. The impact of taxes is important to the economy because taxes on certain activities affect consumer and business spending and saving decisions. Dr. Donald C. Snyder, Associate Professor of Economics at the University of Maryland University College, will review how the current tax system operates, in particular the income tax, and the recent proposals to substitute a flat tax for the current progressive income tax.

Moderator: **Helen Lapitsky** majored in languages and minored in history at the University of Michigan and worked for 36 years in international trade for a multinational corporation in Chicago.

5. A House and a Hobby

Wednesday, June 5, 9:30-11:00

In 1954 Vince and Magda Boylan bought a house in Falls Church. Over the years since then Vince has used his woodworking hobby to adjust the house and its furnishings to the needs of a growing family. With slides and narrative he will describe some of the projects, especially the furniture pieces. Several of the more portable items will be displayed.

Presenter: **Vince Boylan** is an early LRI member, served on the Board of Directors, presented a Special Event and coordinated a panel discussion of World War II experiences. He is a retired C&P (now Bell Atlantic) corporate planner. Following retirement, he pursued a lifelong interest in history by getting a master's degree from George Mason University.

6. National Bonsai Penjing Museum

Friday, June 7, 10:00

Opening in May, this new international cultural museum at the National Arboretum will feature special bonsai exhibits that rotate seasonally, a Chinese garden pavilion, an international pavilion and an educational wing. On this docent-guided tour you will be able to trace the history of bonsai in China, Japan and the U.S. Use the Arboretum entrance located at 24th and R Streets in Northeast Washington (take the Roosevelt Bridge, continue on Constitution Avenue to left on Maryland Avenue to left on Bladensburg Avenue and then to R Street on the right.) We will meet in the parking lot at this entrance or in the Administration Building if it is raining. No rain date, so bring an umbrella.

Coordinators: **George and Janice Dewire**

7. 50 Years Ago: Remembering the Post-War Decade

Monday, June 10, 9:30-11:00

Be part of a 90-minute discussion of our living history from the days of reconvertng the economy, consumerism, GI Bill, housing shortages, inflation, Korean War, Cold War, and on and on! This is a sequel to the series on WWII offered in 1995. When you sign up, commit yourself to bring 10 minutes of memories to present to the rest of the class.

Moderator: **Marion Burgett**, an LRI Board member, began volunteer efforts as a USO hostess and shifted to community and church work after WWII. Currently, she instructs other volunteers in Tax-Aide classes for AARP.

8. The Flying Circus of Physics

Tuesday, June 11, 9:30-11:00

Dr. Robert Ehrlich, GMU professor of physics and astronomy, will present a collection of simple demonstrations designed to bring the principles of physics to life using everyday apparatus.

Moderator: **Janet Meisenhelder** was a technical program manager for the Defense Nuclear Agency. She also was a scientist with the Argonne National Laboratory and holds a master's degree in chemistry from the University of Delaware.

9. Jest for Fun

Thursday, June 13, 11:30-1:00

Summer is a good time to relax and enjoy humorous anecdotes and good jokes. A "light" class may help prepare and fortify you for the fall's political rhetoric. Join other LRI members and bring one or two jokes to share.

Moderator: **Bunny Abel** has been a member of LRI for three years. She is a retired teacher for Fairfax County schools and has a master's degree in elementary education.

10. The Prime Time World of Macroeconomics

Monday, June 17, and Thursday, June 20, 9:30-11:00

View and discuss a video created by two 20-something recent grads who market a series under the "Cerebellum" label. You may have seen the feature story on them in the April 8 "Washington Post." Borrowing a page from Cliff Notes and another from Monty Python, Cerebellum's college-level video tutorials take a whimsical approach to such tough subjects as accounting, statistics and calculus. The videos, under the title "The Standard Deviant Series," are study tools that cater to a generation of students who cut their academic teeth on "Sesame Street" and are coming of age during the electronic media boom. We can all consider ourselves part of that group--vicariously, that is.

Moderators: **Scott Palmer** has a B.S. from the Naval Academy and an M.B.S. from American University in management technology. He is twice retired, from 20 years as a Navy line and intelligence officer and as a technical editor and military systems analyst.
Ray Beery (see biographic note above)

11. Baltimore Harbor Cruise and Lunch

Wednesday, June 19, 9:15-5:30

Our day in Baltimore includes a two-hour harbor cruise with lunch aboard the "Bay Lady" and a chance to browse through the Harborplace shops and visit the aquarium. The bus will leave from the parking lot behind the University Mall (Braddock Rd. and Rt. 123) at 9:30; members should be there at 9:15. We board the "Bay Lady" at 11:30. The return bus will leave at 4 and return to University Mall at approximately 5:30. Friends can be invited. The cost for the bus, boat tour and lunch, and drivers' gratuities (but not the optional aquarium visit) is \$30 per person, payable with your Registration Form.

Coordinator: **Al Giles**

12. Pat Bennett's Hybrid Lily Garden

Wednesday, June 26, 10:00

We will again visit the exquisite day lily and hosta gardens of Pat Bennett, a recognized expert on hybrid lilies whose garden will be on the national garden tour this summer. Take Ox Road (Rt. 123) south past Burke Lake Road to right on Henderson Road (Rt. 643), and left to 7910 Manor Drive. Parking is roadside, so try to car pool; a list of those attending will be sent after Registration is complete.

Coordinator: **Alma Eklund**



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The membership fee is \$200 for a full year.

Check applicable boxes:

- My membership is current through summer term (address label dated 9/1/96 or later).
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- Enclosed is my \$200 new-member fee \$ _____
- Enclosed is \$30 per person for *Baltimore Harbor Cruise & Lunch* \$ _____
- Enclosed is a voluntary contribution \$ _____
 (Contributions are tax-deductible to extent allowed by law)
- Total amount of check enclosed (payable to LRI) \$ _____
- I would like to volunteer. Please have someone call me.

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