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DATES TO REMEMBER

The Walking Group will meet from 8:15 to 9:15 on Tuesdays at Lake Anne Church.

JULY

Fri., July 6, 10:00, Program Committee
Wed., July 11, 8:00-5:30, Winterthur trip
Wed., July 11, 10:00, Book Club at Ellen Gale's
Wed., July 11, 18, 25, 10:00, Investment Forum
Fri., July 13, 10:00, Reston Support Committee
Fri., July 13, 27, 10:00, Bridge Club
Fri., July 20, 10:00, Board meeting

AUGUST

Wed., Aug. 1, 8, 15, 10:00, Investment Forum
Fri., Aug. 3, 10:00, Program Committee
Wed., Aug. 8, 1:30, Book Club
Fri., Aug. 10, 10:00, Reston Support Committee
Fri., Aug. 10, 17, 24, 31, 10:00, Bridge Club
Fri., Aug. 17, 10:00, Board meeting
Fri., Aug. 17, FALL CATALOG MAILED
Wed., Aug. 22, FALL REGISTRATION BEGINS

SEPTEMBER

Wed., Sept. 5, 1:30, Writers Group
Wed., Sept. 5, 12, 19, 26, 1:30, Bridge Club
Wed., Sept. 5, 12, 19, 10:00, Investment Forum
Fri., Sept. 7, 10:00, Program Committee
Mon., Sept. 10, FALL REGISTRATION ENDS
Wed., Sept. 12, 1:30, Book Club
Fri., Sept. 14, 10:00, Reston Support Committee
Fri., Sept. 21, 10:00, Board meeting at Lake Anne
Mon., Sept. 24, FALL TERM BEGINS
Fri., Sept. 28, 4:00 to 6:00, 10th Anniversary
Reception

NOTE: The Krasnow Institute will be using all LRI facilities except TA-1 and office space from Thursday, July 5, through Thursday, August 9.

REMINDER: Do not park in swimming pool lot in July and August.

Summer Office Hours: 9:00 to Noon

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President's Letter

As we begin a new LRI year, let me thank you for the privilege and honor of serving as your President. I will do my best to serve your interests in the year ahead. Lest it go without saying, I'm always interested in your input via note, e-mail or phone call.

As you read the other items in this issue, it is clear that there is much going on at LRI. We have great opportunities to expand our intellectual and cultural horizons as well as the joys associated with making new friends.

A few items of current interest:

1. We are looking for a volunteer to head both our Facilities Committee and our Membership Services Committee. Please call me if you are interested or know someone who might be.

2. On June 15 several of us met with top-level GMU officials as part of a continuing dialog. It was cordial and productive. A copy of the meeting summary is available in the LRI office.

3. On June 19 a special Board meeting was held concerning the advisability of potential LRI sites at either the Arlington or Prince William campus of George Mason University. A summary of that meeting will be circulated to the membership.

I hope each of you has a wonderful summer and returns refreshed and ready for an exciting fall semester at LRI.

Ed Mentz



Broadening Horizons Together

New Board Members

At the LRI annual membership meeting on May 25, the following members were elected to the Board of Directors:

Art Cook
Michael Coyne
Janice Dewire
Lydia Macdonald
Kathryn Russell
Ray Solomon

At a special meeting on June 1, the following officers were elected for the coming year:

Ed Mentz, President
Palmer McGrew, Vice President
Allen Montecino, Treasurer
Bob Bohall, Secretary

Departing the Board are five members with a combined 28 years of service to LRI! Our thanks to Jackie Bivens, Janet

Meisenhelder, Murray Minster, Lilyan Spero and Craig Zane. Their contributions to LRI include serving as officers, chairs of committees and members of numerous committees; as teachers, moderators and class liaisons; as course and special events developers. Much of our success is due to people like these who are willing to take on the many volunteer tasks that make LRI possible.

Board To Host Reception

As part of our 10th anniversary celebration, the Board of Directors is inviting community leaders and special friends of LRI to a wine and cheese reception at Tallwood on September 28. The reception will highlight LRI's

ten years of serving the seniors in our area. Interested members are welcome to attend.

LRI Gallery

We've all been enjoying the changing exhibits of art work by LRI members and instructors in the Tallwood social room annex since the spring term. None are priced, and LRI is not involved in selling them, but you can get in touch with the artist directly if you are interested in making a purchase.

Your Contacts Are Important

The Development Committee now has a database of 85 firms and foundations that are potential donors to LRI. Each organization will be contacted soon to identify the appropriate persons to provide with LRI material. If you have leads to organizations and/or specific persons that you think should know more about LRI, please call Eileen Duggan (703-534-4964) or Bob Bohall (703-273-1146)

"Women of Note and Notoriety"

That's the theme the History Club has adopted for its fall meetings, which are the first Wednesday each month at 1:30. All LRI members are welcome to attend. To suggest other women to add to the roster, call or e-mail the club's new coordinator, Tom Hady (703-569-9395; Thady@worldnet.att.net). Among the women to be considered:

- Georgiana, Duchess of Devonshire. A free spirit living in the late Regency period, renowned for its lax moral and sexual standards.
- "Bloody" Mary Tudor. An unhappy, religious woman who caused much suffering and inadvertently aided the cause of Reformation in England.
- Eleanor of Aquitaine. Married first to a French king and then to an English one, leaving the latter because of his infidelity and going on to play a major role in history.
- Catherine the Great. A "benevolent despot" who engineered Russia's expansion south and west.
- Maria Theresa. A ruler with great common sense, a cross between Queen Bess and Queen Victoria.
- Marie Antoinette. The "Let them eat cake" lady.
- Abigail Adams. Wife and intellectual equal of one President, mother of another, and half of one of the greatest correspondence series in American history.
- Anne Hutchinson. A bright and energetic woman who was banished from Boston in 1638 by Puritans who thought she was a dangerous religious zealot.
- Nancy Randolph. A player in 18th-century scandals or a woman wrongly accused?

Book Club Selections

At its July 11 meeting, the Book Club selection will be *Waiting*, by Ha Jin, with Barbara Willson leading the discussion. This meeting will be at 10:00 at Ellen Gale's home, 8215 Briar Creek Dr., Annandale. (Her phone number is 703-978-3360.)

For its August 8 meeting the selection will be *Of Love and Shadow*, by Isabel Allende, with Doris Weisman leading the discussion. The August meeting is at 10:00 at Tallwood.

LRI Joins the Chamber

LRI has joined the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce and will have a representative at

CONTRIBUTORS TO "FRIENDS OF LRI"

The lists below show those who contributed during the current reporting period, April 1 through June 14, 2001. Those whose contributions for this period totaled or exceeded \$100 are shown as Supporters. There were three anonymous contributors.

Friends of LRI Supporters

Marietta Bernot
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Clifford Warfield

Get Out Your Cameras!



Two photography exhibits are planned for the fall term in the Tallwood social room annex. The first month will feature "Cities of the World" by Jack Underhill, an LRI instructor. Then from October 22 to November 16 there will be a group photo exhibit by LRI members. Flyers about the requirements were available in classrooms during the June sessions. If you need a copy, call or stop by the office. Briefly, here are the requirements:

- Subjects: Children/Babies, Landscapes, Abstract, Architecture, War Years, Adults (Informal Portraits), Still Life, Animals, Scenes, Families/Generations

- Photos not smaller than 8" x 10" or larger than 11" x 14"
- Black and white or color, film or digital
- Framed or matted or mounted on a rigid backing with at least 1" border around the photo
- Two per person per subject
- Maker's name, photo title, subject on back of mount

Delivery dates: Oct. 16, 17, 18 from 1:00 to 2:00 or Oct. 19 from 10:00 to 3:00 in the Tallwood social room annex.

If you have questions, call Marvina Munch, 703-356-7989.

many of its meetings. This should help companies in the area become more aware of what LRI offers for their retirees and others. LRI membership in the Chamber may also provide a source of program ideas and instructors, help our efforts at multicultural diversity, and increase the awareness of the business community in LRI development.

Splitting Your Dues

As previously announced, beginning with the fall 2001 term, the annual dues for membership in LRI will be \$260. If this is a fi-

nancial hardship when your renewal comes up, you may pay one-half (\$130) when you register for that term and pay the other half the following term.

Check LRI's Home Page

Our web site (www.gmu.edu/departments/lri) now has a link to the three-month LRI schedule. You'll also find the course and special events schedule posted a few days before catalogs are mailed, so if your mail delivery is slow, you can check the web site to see what courses you want and then stop by the office to register

when registration opens.

To learn about what's going on at the University, click on @GMU under Happenings in the left column. That takes you to Today @ Mason, where you can navigate to many things, including the movies scheduled for the Johnson Center. (You will need to have Java and JavaScript enabled in your browser to get to the Events section, which is where you will find the movies.)

Want to have your home page linked to LRI's home page? Send your request via e-mail to Allen Montecino (amonteci@gmu.edu).



Welcome, New Members

Maryellen Bashioum
Robert Clawes
Ann Danzi
Suzanne Harsel
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