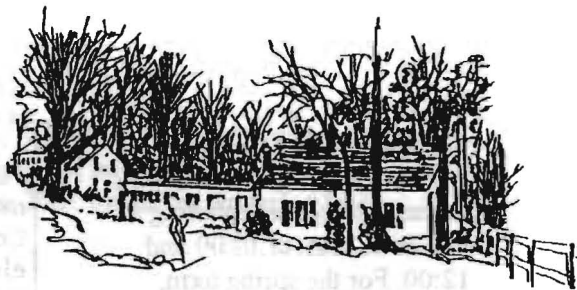


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DATES TO REMEMBER

Walking Group meets from 8:15 to 9:15 on Tuesdays at Lake Anne Church.

NOTE: See the Winter Catalog for Special Events scheduled for Wed., Jan. 30; Fri., Feb. 1; Fri., Feb. 8; Wed., Feb. 13; Wed., Feb. 20; Fri., Feb. 22; Sat., Feb. 23; Sat., Mar. 16; and Mon., Mar. 18.

JANUARY

Mon., Jan. 28, Winter term begins
Wed., Jan. 30, 2:00 Bridge Club

FEBRUARY

Wed., Feb. 6, 2:00, Program & Special Events joint committee meeting
Wed., Feb. 6, 2:00, History Club
Wed., Feb. 6, 2:00, Fiction Writers Club
Wed., Feb. 6, 2:00, Bridge Club
Wed., Feb. 13, 2:00, Book Club
Wed., Feb. 13, 2:00, Bridge Club
Fri., Feb. 15, 10:00, Board meeting
Wed., Feb. 20, 2:00, Bridge Club
Fri., Feb. 22, 10:00, Reston Support Committee
Fri., Feb. 22, Winter term ends
Fri., Feb. 22, Spring Catalog mailed
Wed., Feb. 27, SPRING REGISTRATION BEGINS
Wed., Feb. 27, 10:00, Investment Forum
Thurs., Feb. 28, 10:00, Bridge Club

MARCH

Wed., Mar. 6, 10:00, Investment Forum
Wed., Mar. 6, 1:30, History Club
Wed., Mar. 6, 1:30, Fiction Writers Club
Wed., Mar. 6, 1:30, Program & Special Events joint committee meeting
Thurs., Mar. 7, 10:00, Bridge Club
Fri., Mar. 8, 10:00, Reston Support Committee
Wed., Mar. 13, 10:00, Investment Forum
Wed., Mar. 13, 1:30, Book Club
Thurs., Mar. 14, 10:00, Bridge Club
Fri., Mar. 15, 10:00, Board meeting
Mon., Mar. 18, SPRING REGISTRATION ENDS
Wed., Mar. 20, 10:00, Investment Forum
Thurs., Mar. 21, Confirmation letters mailed
Thurs., Mar. 21, 10:00, Bridge Club
Tues., Mar. 26, 10:30, New Member Coffee
Wed., Mar. 27, 10:00, Investment Forum
Thurs., Mar. 28, 10:00, Bridge Club

President's Letter

We often talk of "our" LRI. That sense of ownership can be a source of great pride and satisfaction when we look back over ten years of solid accomplishments. Figures tell only part of the story. Yes, we've grown to 650 members, bought two modular units for classrooms and equipped them, added a site at Reston, expanded the number of course offerings to over 40 each term.

What is even more important than numbers is the kind of people who join this volunteer organization and give of their time and talent. Our courses and special events exist because members have the ideas, develop them, support them. Many of our teachers are members. Clubs are run by small groups with shared interests. Publications are produced by members. Our part-time staff depends heavily on faithful volunteer members for office help.

One of the joys of belonging to a membership organization is the opportunity it gives all of us to participate, to find the niche where we can contribute to its success. From the beginning, LRI has been blessed with members with a wide variety of skills and ideas. That is what got us where we are today.

If you haven't yet done any volunteer work for LRI, I urge you to look around and see where you'd like to be involved. Maybe you can give the Program Committee a suggestion for a course or a teacher. Maybe you'd like to help the office staff. The Membership Services Committee would welcome your assistance at the next social event. Have you spotted something that needs doing or needs doing better? Let me or the staff know. We need your ideas.

Members give not only time and talent. As you'll see from the long list on page 3, many members contribute to "Friends of LRI," a fund that helps balance the budget today and provide for the tomorrow of our organization. I want to thank those who made contributions last year and urge all members to be as generous as you can in 2002.

With all the outstanding courses in our winter term, I believe that if there ever were a competition among LRIs, our offerings would make us "finalists."

Let's keep the future bright for "our" LRI.

Ed Mentz

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Clocks and Calendars

For the four-week winter term, morning classes are starting a half-hour later, at 10:00 and 12:00. For the spring term, which begins April 1, class starting times will revert to the regular schedule: 9:30, 11:30 and 2:00.

Also, note the Dates to Remember column on the previous page. Between terms the Investment Forum meets on Wednesdays at 10:00 and the Bridge Club meets on Thursdays at 10:00.

New Board Members

Ray Beery and Lydia Macdonald have resigned from the Board of Directors. Both have given long and valued service to LRI. Don Yesukaitis has been appointed to fill Ray's term, which ends in May. Eileen Duggan will fill Lydia's term, which ends in May 2004.

And New Committee Chairs

Art Cook is the new chairman of the Membership Services Committee. After three years as chairman of the Development Committee, Bob Bohall is turning that position over to Eileen Duggan.

Budget Approved

At its regular monthly meeting in December, the Board approved the budget for calendar year 2002. A copy of the budget is attached to the December minutes posted in the Tallwood social room.

New Exhibit at LRI

Be sure to visit the Tallwood social room annex to see the photography exhibit "Shades of Gray: Memories of Six Years in

Board Nominations

Palmer McGrew is Chairman of the Nominating Committee for the 2002 election to be held at the annual meeting on May 24. Look for more information on this in the weekly *LRI Notices*.

Japan." The pictures were made by Dick Hibbert, who has taught art classes at LRI for several years. Dick is a graduate of Oregon State University and the University of Oregon School of Architecture. He was the chief architect for Navy housing. He previously taught photography in the Fairfax County Adult Education program and currently is a private architectural consultant. He and his wife have hosted LRI groups on tours of their underground house in Fairfax, which he designed.

Attention, Fiber Artists

Do you make quilts or macrame or embroidery? Do you crochet, knit, weave, tie dye, cross stitch or needlepoint? If you'd like to display your work in the Tallwood social room annex, contact Marvina Munch (703-356-7989).

Bill Helmantoler, Author

LRI member Bill Helmantoler is the author of a short story published in a new book compiled by National Public Radio titled *I*

Thought My Father Was God, edited by Paul Auster. Bill's story, "The Last Hand," is about a poker game in World War II. Of 5,000 stories submitted to NPR, Bill's story was one of 179 chosen for publication. He was invited to read it at the Folger Library and on NPR. The story and pictures of Bill and his family are on the NPR web site (www.npr.org/programs/watc/storyproject/index.html). The book is also available at libraries and bookstores.

Marion Gurfein and the LoC

During World War II, LRI art teacher Marion Gurfein mailed hand-painted funny cards and tiny monthly newspapers she called "The Goofein Journal" to her husband, Joe (a former LRI teacher), during the nearly three years he was away. The newspapers contained headlines, poetry, cartoons, fake ads and pictures of the baby Joe didn't meet until she was two years old. Learning that the Library of Congress was asking for letters, photos, etc., of WW II, she offered those Joe had brought home, and she reports that the LoC not only wants them but promises to make them always available for family members. Marion has had a busy month, getting ready for a small exhibit of her watercolors of New York City that's now at the Aurora Hills library in Arlington.

In Memoriam

LRI lost a long-time and very active member when Shirley Hyland died January 13. Shirley volunteered in the office, served as class liaison, helped develop programs, and was active in the History Club, the Book Club and the Bridge Club. Her family knew of her dedication to LRI and suggested that contributions in her memory be sent to LRI.

CONTRIBUTORS TO "FRIENDS OF LRI"

The lists below show those who contributed during the calendar year 2001, except for 19 who asked that their names not be listed. Those whose contributions for the year 2001 totaled or exceeded \$100 are shown as Supporters.

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Welcome, New Members

Jean Boltz	Pat Leet	Ann Richards	Charlotte Stannard
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Mary Johnson	Angie McHale	Ira Schwartz	Jim Young
Barbara Kyriakakis	Jim Neffert	Dotty Sohl	
Nancy Leedy	Rosemary Ostling	Tomi Solak	

LRI's New Literary Magazine

The first issue of an LRI literary magazine called *Fairfax Ink* has just been published. The collection of short stories, poems and other writings by LRI members was edited by Peter Poole, who has taught writing courses at LRI and is the coordinator for the Fiction Writers Club. The magazine provides LRI

members with an opportunity and an incentive to create and publish writing of a high standard. The plan is to publish the magazine twice a year, and contributions are now sought for the summer issue. A sample copy of the new publication is available in classrooms. You can get your own copy from any staff member for a \$2 donation to LRI.

Our Backyard

The landscaping done in the fall at Tallwood by a group of LRI stalwarts under the guidance of Ray Solomon looks great even in the dead of winter. GMU contributed to the purchase of plants and mulch. In the spring the focus will be on improving the front of the building.

Closing Policy: LRI is closed when Fairfax County Public Schools are closed for the day because of inclement weather or extraordinary circumstances. We are open when schools start late.

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