

# LRI news

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## CALENDAR

### MAY

Mon., May 9, 1-2 p.m., last "French Over Lunch"

Thurs., May 12, Spring classes end

Fri., May 20, 10 a.m., Board of Directors Leadership Conference

### JUNE

Fri., June 3, 10 a.m. ANNUAL MEETING

Mon., June 6, Summer classes begin

Tues., June 7, 11:30 a.m.,  
Special Event: Visit with a Ham Operator

Mon., June 13, 10 a.m.,  
Special Event: Tour Reston with Robert Simon

Fri., June 17, 10 a.m.,  
Board of Directors meeting

Mon., June 20, 9:30 a.m.,  
Special Event: Lecture on U.S. Capitol

Mon., June 27, Special Event: Tour of U.S. Capitol

Thurs., June 30, Summer classes end

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As many of you know, for some years I was in charge of Voter Registration and Elections in Fairfax County. In that capacity, I went to every senior high school class, urging them to register and participate. I would tell them, "If you don't get involved, you have no right to complain."

I'm saying the same thing to you. We need your active participation in running LRI. It's your school...participate.

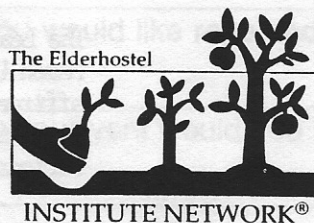
On June 3 at 10 a.m. at Tallwood we're having our Annual Meeting, when we will elect our Board of Directors for the year. We'll have a "State of the Institute" report by the President and talk about the future. There will be a door prize, too...a gift certificate for Super Crown Books. Bring a brown bag lunch; LRI will supply some goodies, too, and we'll picnic together.

One other thing. On page 3 of this newsletter, I ask three questions. Will you please fill in the form and bring it to the Annual Meeting on June 3. It will serve as your entry for the door prize. (If you absolutely cannot come, fill in the three questions and either drop the form by the office or mail it.)

Thank you very much. Remember, participate. We need you. You are LRI.

Lilyan Spero  
President

SEE THE SUMMER CATALOG FOR  
INFORMATION ON COURSES AND SEND  
IN YOUR REGISTRATION FORM AS  
SOON AS POSSIBLE.



### Thank You to...

...Alma Eklund for donating the large coffee pot for the main classroom at Tallwood...to Bill Cooley for painting the handicapped symbols on the parking lot...to Marjorie White for the phonograph/radio/cassette player and speakers...to Lilbourne Sheats for doing some repairs on the phonograph and for building the speakers podium...to Paul Gruendl for assembling a new TV/VCR stand...to the Dewires for the lovely flowers outside the LRI office and to the unknown person who planted flowers by the large classroom.

LRI also appreciates the donation of an "In Focus" computer projection system from Mr. A. J. Provenzano, Vice President of Logistics Management Institute. This equipment projects information from the computer onto a large screen. We hope to put the system to good use in computer classes this summer.

### Members Here and There

Jim O'Keefe, long-time member and volunteer, and his wife are moving to Virginia Beach this month. Maybe Jim will get an LRI started in that area.

Beverly George was featured in a recent "Golden Gazette" in recognition of her volunteer work for the Seniors in Action program of the Area Agency on the Aging.

Let's all welcome our new members. In recent months these people have joined LRI.

Kitty Arone  
Nancy Bernhard  
Henry Boulter  
Maxine Boulter  
Carmel Cavanaugh  
Francis Cooney  
Carol Downing  
Fern Fudge  
Neem Gillmore  
Joan Harris  
Josephine Hirsch  
Margaret Hodgson  
Edward LaClare  
Mary LaMarche  
Irving Levitas  
Henry Morris  
Marvina Munch  
Dorothy Peters  
Barbara Perkins  
Mary C. Ryan  
Dorothy Staebler  
Edward Tym  
Caroline Ward

### Baltimore Network Conference

The first Mid-Atlantic Conference of Institutes for Learning in Retirement was held on March 28-30 in Baltimore. Those from our LRI who attended report that they gained some useful ideas for our LRI and also came away thinking that we've already accomplished quite a lot in our first three years. Lilyan Spero and Ed Swoboda were participants on a panel on financial aspects of running an LRI, and they got much praise for their presentation. So did Audrey Markham for her contributions to a panel on membership promotion through special events. Others who attended various panels were Laura Cambern, Judith Lieberman, Mary Collinson, Carol Ferrara and Marjorie White.

### Congratulations to Mary Beben

For the second time, Mary T. Beben has won an award in the NOVA spring writing contest. She won in 1993 for her poem "Frontier Priest" and in 1994 for a poem she titled "To Moscow From My Heart." Mary is now attending NOVA, studying psychology. She says that Ellen Anderson's Poetry Writing Workshop at LRI helped spark her interest in continuing her education.

**REMINDER** If you have filled in and returned your questionnaire about your skills and interests, the Membership Committee thanks you. If not, please fill it in and return it as soon as possible. The information is of great importance to LRI's future.



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The LRI office will be open Tuesday through Friday from 9:30 to 12:30 during July and August. You can leave telephone messages anytime.

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## ANNUAL MEETING

Friday, June 3, 10 a.m.

at

Tallwood  
4210 Roberts Road  
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- Hear the *State of the Institute* Address
- Learn about plans for the future
- Vote for new members for the Board of Directors
- Meet other LRI Members not in your classes

### Door Prize!!!

\$50 gift certificate for Super Crown Books

### Picnic Together at Tallwood

Bring your brown bag lunch and a folding chair or blanket.  
Drinks and desserts will be provided.

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### Entry Coupon for Door Prize

Please complete this form and bring it to the Annual Meeting on June 3  
or mail it to the LRI office.

Your name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

1. What is the best class you took this year (6/93-6/94)?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. What class have you taken that you would like repeated or continued?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. What class or kind of class or Special Event would you like offered in the future?

\_\_\_\_\_

WHEN YOU WISH UPON A STAR...



LRI has needs that often can't be fit into the current budget. If you can donate any of the items listed below, please contact Carol Ferrara.

- Microwave oven
- Small refrigerator
- Benches for the walkway
- Picnic table and benches
- IBM-compatible computers  
and computer programs
- Croquet set
- Dictionary
- Atlas
- Zip Code Directory

A little manual labor is also needed in the form of volunteers to plant flowers in the rear yard.

And, of course, donations of money are most welcome. If you can add \$5 or \$10 when you send in your course Registration Form, we can begin to build a kitty for some extras we will all enjoy.

Remember that LRI is a 501(c)3 organization, which means that all donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

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