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Special Events Proliferate this Season

EARLY FALL EVENTS PROVE TO BE VERY POPULAR

The Special Events Committee really outdid themselves during the past two months with a lineup of tours and lectures. Demand exceeded capacity on the initial Arlington County Detention Facility tour and a second date was added. Tours of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and of the Octagon House Museum and Winslow Homer exhibit at the National Gallery were well attended. Two lectures at Arlington Central Library attracted a crowd to hear Middle East scholar Thomas Lippman and Capitol Hill insider Robert Guttman speak. Special Events Chair Karin Price expressed pleasure that her team's efforts have been so well received.

NOVEMBER THRU FEBRUARY EVENTS PLANNED

Another series of tours and lectures are offered in upcoming months. In November, a second tour of the Arlington County Detention Facility is balanced by a lecture by the authors of *Invisible No* More: The Secret Lives of Women Over 50. December brings a tour at the Sackler Museum, a lecture on the Middle East, and a holiday concert by the Alexandria Choral Society. In January, members are offered a tour of the Silk and Leather: Splendid Attire of 19th Century Central Asia exhibit at the Textile Museum and a lecture by the author of On Hitler's Mountain. A tour of the Warhol exhibit at the Corcoran and a lecture from author Ralph Eubanks round out February. And then there is March! For more details, look inside this newsletter.

Upcoming ALRI Events

Nov 14 - Invisible No More lecture

Dec 2 - Sackler tour

Dec 5 - Kieswetter lecture

Dec 11 - Choral concert

Jan 25 - Textile Museum tour

Jan 30 - Hitler's

Mountain lecture

Feb 10 - Open House

Feb 15 - Corcoran tour

Feb 20 - Eubanks'

lecture

Mar 6 - Classes begin

Mar 8 - Renwick tour

Mar 24 - Cultural Workshop

Bring Your Friends to ALRI's Spring Open House at GMU

Plan to attend the Spring "Meet the Instructors" Open House on Friday, February 10th from 9:00 a.m. to noon at George Mason University's Arlington Campus. New for this Open House is that it is open to non-members for the first time. We encourage you to bring your friends, neighbors, and relatives who meet ALRI's basic age requirement and who might be interested in joining. It is an excellent opportunity to meet members of the Institute, to learn more about ALRI as an organization, to see first-hand the quality of the instructors and courses, and to hear about our clubs and special events.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

What's the big news this quarter? At its October Board of Directors meeting, the Board established a Publications Committee. Creation of this committee has been a consideration for the Board for some time, becoming more necessary as the Institute has grown and has developed a greater need for better and more publications.

The new Committee's role is critical to ensure coherent management and production of all our publications from the newsletter and catalog to promotional materials like our brochure. Staffing the new committee presents challenges since it, like Information Technology Support, requires certain skills and experience to perform well.

That's your cue to step up. We need your help if we are going to develop a publications component in ALRI capable of producing the kind of materials that represent the Institute as the professional organization it has become over the last three years.

The ALRI membership is made up of bright, experienced, curious, educated members with a wide range of abilities and interests. As a non-profit volunteer-run organization, ALRI must rely on its membership for contributions of expertise and time. The publications you have enjoyed are the work of a very small and dedicated cadre of people who must do the work of twice their number. That is one major reason why the Publications Committee is critical. A small number of volunteers, scattered among several other committees, cannot continue to carry the burden of all the publications indefinitely. We believe volunteer work should be enjoyable, not hard work.

How can you contribute? If you are not already involved, but are willing to become engaged in any aspect of the publications process, whether writing, editing, design, printing, developing new marketing materials, proofreading or desktop publishing, please give me a call at 703-516-7030 or email me at jj4600@verizon.net. If you enjoy building and managing new activities and are willing to work with a fine group of volunteers in **managing** the publications process, again please give me a call!

What the public sees about ALRI in print creates an impression of the Institute and its programming. A favorable impression helps recruit new members and retain current members. Members are what keep ALRI alive. It is time for ALRI to have a more coherent and professional approach to its public persona, so won't you step up to this challenge? If you do, then you can help answer the question, "What's new?"

John Sprott

Meet our newest Board Member... Karin Price, Special Events Chair

Karin was born in Germany, experienced the end of World War II there, and grew up in the east part of the divided Germany. Her family managed to escape to West Germany where Karin eventually became a fashion designer. At the age of 27, she decided to see some other parts of the world. She moved to South Africa and liked it so much that she married there, opened her own clothing company and raised two children. Six years ago, a new marriage brought her to the USA. In establishing her new life, she involved herself in volunteer work in Arlington County. In 2004, Karin was one of three people to be given the Community Hero Award for 2004 for her work with Offender Aid and Restoration of Arlington County. Now she has added some more volunteer duties to become chair of ALRI's Special Events Committee. Welcome, Karin!

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COMMITTEE NEWS

On-Line Processing in a Nutshell

The ALRI on-line processing system got off to a good start. About 38 percent of course registration and membership fees were paid on-line, which is higher than we had expected. Looking ahead, we hope to raise that percentage to approach the roughly 80 percent of our members with e-mail accounts and internet access. If you have not used our on-line system to register for classes and make payments, we encourage you to do so. Paying on-line is safe, quick and cheap – there are no postage costs. Our on-line system also automatically updates our database so it saves ALRI volunteers the time needed for manual data entry. In the meantime, here are some tips for a smoother on-line experience:

Check your e-mail messages. When you request a password, we send you an e-mail message back with a new 8-digit numerical password and user name. You can't access our on-line system until you retrieve this information from your e-mail inbox.

Use your password and user name. You don't have to request a new password each time you want to register for a class or make a payment on-line. You can log onto our system by using the password and user name you have already received from us.

Change your password to a phrase you can easily remember. The phrase can be any combination of letters, numbers, spaces or other punctuation characters. It does not matter whether you use upper or lower case letters. Once done, you can use that phrase as your password for all subsequent on-line transactions. You can change your password by clicking the

Change Password button on the left of our web-site screen under the On-Line Transactions button. You will need your old 8-digit numerical password to make the change.

Remember the exact spelling of your user name.

This is the name we e-mailed to you when you first obtained a password. You will need this user name to log on to our system. If you omit your middle initial when requesting a password, your user name will also omit the initial. If you then attempt to log on with your middle initial, you will get an error message. A good rule of thumb is to always use your middle initial when requesting passwords and logging in.

Update your personal information on-line. You can do this by clicking the Edit Membership Record button on the left of our web-site screen under the On-Line Transactions button. After logging in, you will be able to update your address, telephone number, e-mail address, preferred name and information sharing preferences.

Can't remember your password? No problem. Simply click the Get Password button on the left of our web-site screen under the On-Line Transactions button and get a new 8 digit numerical password sent to you by e-mail.

We are constantly working on our on-line system to iron out the inevitable kinks and improve our services to you. Your comments about our on-line system and any suggestions for improving it are most welcome. Please send them to me by e-mail at mcleank@comcast.net.

Ken McLean

Chair, Information Technology Support Committee

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MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Jean Adams

Joan W Allen

You may have seen volunteers from the Membership Committee in August handing out informational material and manning tables at the Arlington County Fair and the Clarendon Farmers Market. Our participation in both was considered a great success and we look forward to next year's events.

The September "Meet the Instructors" meeting turned out to be the best yet – the coffee arrived on time and there was enough of it, the speakers were interesting, and members seemed to enjoy socializing. It was nice to see so many new members present. Once again, Nancy Palmerino and volunteers Pat Chatten, Michiyo Masaike, Harriet Levine, Priscilla Becker, Sharon Jourdan, and Gary Lee did a great job in organizing the room and the refreshments. We also thank those who manned the tables – Ann Kelleran and Barbara Sakamoto on Membership; Margaret Susank and Dela Ng on the ITS table; as well as

Karin Price and her volunteers from Special Events: Andrea Vojtko, Helen Esserian, and Marya Rowan.

In September, the Recruitment/Membership Services team – Barbara Sakamoto, Carol Kiranbay, Sharon Bisdee, Jeanne Sprott, Ann Kelleran, Marge Alia, Arlene Kigin, and Pat Chatten – made reminder calls to those members whose membership was due for renewal. Many members had forgotten to send in their renewals and appreciated the calls.

The October Newcomers' Get-Together was held at Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church in South Arlington. We were disappointed that more newcomers didn't attend. However, the get-together was lively and enjoyable with the twenty new members who were able to join us. Kudos to Pat Chatten and Nancy Palmerino and the other volunteers from Membership who helped to make it such a nice get together. Below are the members who have joined us since mid-summer.

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Rodger Bailey Ursula M Banzhaf Linda L Bell John L Canova Ellen M Canova Margaret M Christie Carol J Cochran Patricia A Collins Timothy C Crean Bella Dantsker Wendy DeMegret Dawn M Donald Kathleen L Donovan Margaret Dougherty John Ellis Gail E Evans Maria Isabel Fernandez Salvador Jack Finarelli Anne C France June Gallagher Robert Gallagher Marsha M Glover Carolyn S Greenfield

Joy J Guenther Helen P Hanna G. Phillips Hanna Elizabeth Hanna Claire M Hasselbeck Ann D Hershner Joy E Hoffmann Rosemary M Hubbard Elizabeth M Isham Mary Anne Kanter Idaclaire Kerwin Joyce L Kiely Susan Knapp Kathryn Krubsack Terence Kuch Jerusha Lamptey Anne Lange Mary Lou Lesser Estela M Long Nicholas T Lutsch Geraldine C Lvda Thomas W Maher Mary Ellen Mallonee Arlene M McCann Diann McCormick

Mabel A Mestre David Peacefull Janice E Pritchard Ann W Rayburn Susan S Roth Deborah L Shiver Carolyn Shore Benjamin R Shore Dennis Siebert Whitney S Slater Regina W Smith Victor G Stotland Sharon Z Sundial Dorothy F Swansen Terry N Townsend Beverly J Vickland Helen E Walsh Eva J Watkins-Bell Sharon L Webster Eileen Weklar Jane W White Marilynn W Wilson Anne Windom Mary A Wolfe

COMMITTEE NEWS



Registration was brisk at the Fall "Meet the Instructors" Open House. ITS Committee members Dela Ng and Margaret Susank enter members' registrations on-line.

Academic Programs

The Academic Programs Committee is meeting weekly to prepare for the spring term courses. We have a number of courses that are being repeated such as *Naturalist's Tour of Arlington*, *Essentials of Islam*, *Dance as Art*, and *Power of the Press* and are pleased to have a number of new courses. Bob Stone will teach a new Civil War course, *Lee Invades the North*; other new offerings include *Geopolitics of the Bible*, *Environmentally Friendly Gardening* and a course on Ethics.

We hope you will take advantage of the many courses that are being offered by our highly qualified instructors.

Connie McAdam Chair, Academic Programs Committee







CLUB NEWS







Six ALRI clubs are currently operating. If you are interested in joining these clubs, e-mail the specific point of contact for each club through

ALRI@ArlingtonLRI.org or call (703)228-2144 and select "5" for Clubs. Bernice Foster and Gary Lee, ALRI Club Coordinators, can answer questions on forming new clubs and can be reached through ALRI's phone or email.

Travel Club: Meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 2:30 p.m. at the Langston Senior Center, 2121 N. Culpepper Street in Arlington. Programs on Rome, Venice, Egypt, New Zealand and an African safari have been presented. A trip to the Italian cities of Florence and Venice with Tom Wukitsch is being discussed for next June, with final details still to be determined. Point of Contact: Sharon Schoumacher. Current Issues Club: Meets on the third Tuesday of each month from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. at the Lubber Run Recreation Center, corner of N. George Mason and Park Drives in Arlington. All ALRI members are invited to attend. Point of Contact: James Walsh. Cinema Club: Meets once a month in the afternoon

at an Arlington theater at which time the date and movie for the next month are selected. Members take turns communicating additional schedule details to the group as information becomes available. Members meet after the movie at a nearby eatery for coffee and a discussion of the film. Point of Contact: Judy Yavner.

Ethnic Lunch Club: Meets at a different ethnic restaurant each month, usually on the third or fourth Thursday. Our mission is to try a different cuisine each month. So far, we have tried Indian, Thai, Chinese, Afghan, Vietnamese, and Burmese. Point of Contact: Arlene Kigin. Bridge Club: Meets once a month at 6 p.m. in the home of a member at which time the following month's plan is developed. The host selects food or refreshments, and attending members pay the host \$5 to cover the cost. Usually, enough people for two tables attend. Point of Contact: Bernice Foster.

Book Club: Meets every other month on the second Monday from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at a member's home. Membership is limited to ten people; a wait list is maintained. Focus is nonfiction and possibly historical fiction. Point of Contact: Marge Alia.

MORE NEWS

Special Events Chair Requests Your Input

This newsletter gives me an opportunity to thank all ALRI members who joined us in one or more events in the past few months. We as a team like to propose a great variety of events, venues, speakers or authors and hope that you will sign up for one or all of the events we have planned for the next 3 months. We also encourage you to come forward with ideas or connections for future tours, visits or public lectures.

Karin Price

Board Position Open

ALRI continues to search for a willing candidate to fill the ALRI Board Secretary position. To make the job more enticing, Sharon Jourdan has kindly agreed to be the Board Note Taker and relieve the Secretary of this task. This is an important Board leadership position so if you are interested in becoming a part of the ALRI leadership team and taking on the duties of the Secretary, please give John Sprott a call at 703-516-7030 or e-mail him at jj4600@verizon.net.

Plug for a Club

I've been enjoying the Current Issues group which has been meeting once a month on Tuesdays, 1:30 to 3pm at Lubber Run. James Walsh is the coordinator and he is a good source of information. Subjects have ranged from social security to Iraq to the Supreme Court. In October we discussed "What will 2020 be like?" and, on the whole, we came up with problems but also with improvements in some areas. We are a well-tempered group with some very knowledgeable and articulate participants. Some people say they don't have much to contribute (they usually do) but we all go away feeling that some of our ideas have been challenged or we have learned something that we didn't know before. Hope you join us.

Betty Saxer

Volunteers Needed

The Academic Programs Committee is actively seeking members of ALRI who have attended classes for at least one term and who have an interest in the Committee's mission to recruit instructors and to organize courses for ALRI's spring and fall terms. Volunteers on the Committee accept assignments on one or more of the Committee's four internal teams: recruitment, editing, word processing, and evaluations. They should have access to a computer and an e-mail address for Committee contact. The Committee holds 8 to 10 meetings during the several months prior to each catalog preparation, and members also attend occasional meetings, as required, between recruiting seasons. If interested, please contact Connie McAdam through the ALRI office at 703-228-2144 or email ALRI@ArlingtonLRI.org.

From the Administrator's Desk

The fall has kept me busy, but that is why I love this job. There is always something needing some attention, whether it is a quick classroom switch or another box of envelopes consumed or a member with a question about the new online registration procedure. I hope that I have been responsive to your needs in this season of change. Many thanks go to my ever-helpful office volunteers who have kept our cubicle at the Clarendon Education Center running smoothly while I cover the desk in our office at GMU-Arlington. Ann Wolfe, Connie Collins and Fran Jeffrey answered my call for more Office Management Staff in our cubicle; they join veterans Ann Kelleran, Carolyn Gosling and Hannelore Bannister.

Marjorie Varner

DETAILS ON UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

November 14 - Meet the Author Series Lecture

Invisible No More: The Secret Lives of Women Over 50 by Renee Fisher, Joyce Kramer and Jean Peelen The afternoon offers a frank discussion of the experiences of three friends.

3:00 to 4:30pm at Arlington Central Library. Free and all are welcome.

December 2 - Tour of the Smithsonian's Sackler Gallery Exhibit

Style and Status: Imperial Costumes from Ottoman Turkey

A docent-led tour of great achievements of Ottoman Textiles during the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries.

The tour starts at 11:15am. Free but limited to 20 participants.

December 5 - Meet the Speaker Series Lecture

"The Middle East Cauldron: Prospects for Peace and Security" by Allen Kieswetter, Adjunct Scholar at the Middle East Institute

3:00 to 4:30pm at Arlington Central Library. Free and all are welcome.

December 11 - Alexandria Choral Society's Annual Holiday Concert

'Tis the Season

The Alexandria Choral Society, ACS Children's Chorus and the Metropolitan Brass Quintet celebrate the holidays with old and new seasonal music.

2:00pm at George Washington National Masonic Memorial in Alexandria.

We will negotiate a group ticket price.

January 25 - Tour of the Textile Museum's Special Exhibit

Silk and Leather: Splendid Attire of 19th Century Central Asia

The exhibit shows the beauty and diversity worn by the elite and ruling class in Central Asia during the 1800's.

The docent-lead tour starts at 10:15am. Admission is free but a \$5 donation is recommended. Limited to 20 participants.

January 30 - Meet the Author Series Lecture

On Hitler's Mountain - Overcoming the Legacy of a Nazi Childhood by Irmgard Hunt

It's the story of an ordinary family's survival in insane times. The book tells about a period in history that is becoming increasingly remote but lessons from that time may have explicit applications today. 3:00 to 4:30pm at Arlington Central Library. Free and all are welcome.

February 15 - Tour of the Corcoran Gallery's Special Exhibit

Warhol Legacy

The ALRI-hosted, docent-led tour features more than 150 paintings, photographs, drawings, sculptures, works on paper and films from the renowned permanent collection of the Andy Warhol Museum, Pittsburg.

Tour begins at 11:00am. Admission \$6 for seniors, limited to 10 participants.

February 20 - Meet the Author Series Lecture

Ever is a Long Time, a Journey into Mississippi by Ralph Eubanks

The author will discuss his book and experiences with us.

3:00 to 4:30pm at Arlington Central Library. Free and all are welcome.

March 8 - Tour of the Smithsonian's Renwick Gallery Exhibit

George Catlin's Indian Gallery: Nineteenth Century American Life

The refurbishment of the building in 2000 offers a salon-style, top-to-bottom and side-by-side display, recreating the elegant setting of a nineteenth-century collector's picture gallery.

Tour begin 11:00am. Admission is free but limited to 20 participants.

March 24 - NEW! A Workshop

Cultural Competency Workshop by Angie Carrera

This workshop will give ALRI members a chance to expand their cultural awareness and to participate interactively.

Workshop from 9:00am to 1:00pm in the Clarendon Education Center. Details to be announced.

To register for the tours, call 703-228-2144 and press "3" for Special Events

e-mail at ALRI@ArlingtonLRI.org (use "Special Event reservation" in the subject line)

For detailed information on all events check our website at www.ArlingtonLRI.org

VOICES FROM THE CLASSROOM

From Robert Stone's class Grant vs. Lee:

The Overland Campaign

Bob Stone presents, in nine 1-1/2 hour segments, a masterfully researched and documented exposition of those fateful days in May 1864 when General Grant attempted to confront and conquer General Lee. The battles in and around the Wilderness, Chancellorsville, Spotsylvania, Beaver Dam, and Yellow Tavern (and more) come to life in this class with details, large and small. All that's missing are the smell of cordite and the background music of Ashokan Farewell. The course is an enjoyable "must" for anyone having an interest in the Civil War.



"Anyone who doesn't feel our health care system has problems should take this course."

From the multi-instructor class The Power of the Press

The Fourth Estate. Tie together history, ethics, law and contemporary issues and you explore the world of today's - and tomorrow's media. Reporters from The Washington Post are bringing their insights on today's complex issues to ALRI. Putting new meaning into "Meet the Press," class members "ask the reporters" in freewheeling give-and-take sessions. The reporters have repeatedly remarked on what a well-informed, interested, and challenging group were in the class. Of course, I told them - these are Arlingtonians and this is the Arlington way.

Jack Norman

A Semester in Review.... sonnet-wise

Nick Lutsch

Wanting to keep all my brain cells alive, I took some cool classes at ALRI. On Tuesday - international films we dissect, Connote clues about crises to which we were subject. On Wednesday - newspaper reporters and staff, Related their ethics, decisions and craft, We questioned and argued about items they printed, 'Twas finally admitted, Plame stories should have been stinted.

And then - on each Thursday Vesuvius erupts, But not before Pavarotti's Funiculi' sly-ly corrupts. Lastly, not leastly, by Frost I'm surrounded, Mending wall, what fifty said and less traveled, is propounded.

To open a mind is a wonderful thing, Come join us, indulge in this wonderful fling.

M. Ann Wolfe

From Tom Connally's class Health Care for You and Your Country

Anyone who feels that the health care system in this country has serious problems should take this course. Even more important, anyone who doesn't feel that our health care system has problems should take this course. The class is well-organized and informative. Dr. Connally has studied these issues for many years. He is able to sustain our interest while presenting an inherently complex topic. The class covers the facts and parameters relevant to finding an appropriate balance of costs and benefits while providing a just allocation of available resources. We will all be significantly impacted by the ultimate political resolution of these issues.

Bruce Robinson

VOICES FROM THE CLASSROOM

Confessions of an ALRI "Junkie"

I think I may be an ALRI "junkie." When I look through the catalog, so many classes look so interesting, I can't resist. This semester, I am taking five classes, and each one is fascinating and informative in different ways. Stephen Dachi is a wonderful instructor who is able to explain complex issues like the Global Economy in a way that is easy to understand, and he makes us laugh at the same time! This year, Tom Wukitsch is covering *Vesuvius and Pompeii* in his Roman History lectures. Art, architecture, daily life in this ancient city and the latest discoveries about volcanoes make this class a treasure. The Power of the Press is a new course this year, with speakers from The Washington Post. So far, we've covered Ethics in Journalism and First Amendment Issues, and the information and discussions have been lively, to say the least! Speakers have been very informative, with a wealth of experience to share with the group. Comedy in the City, with Tom Dunlap, is giving us new ways to look at comedy and to explore what we truly find humorous. This group is great fun, as we laugh and talk about the Woody Allen movies, the Seinfeld episodes and J. D. Salinger's Franny and Zooey. And last, but not least, is *Dance as an Art Form*, taught by GMU dance instructor Dan Joyce. This is something that I don't know much about but just enjoy. The class is small but very devoted (no absences!), the commentary by Dan Joyce is enlightening, and the video clips of major dancers that influenced Western dance are a joy to see.

Sharon Schoumacher

From Cherie Bottum's Creative Writing class

Cherie Bottum's course is unlike any other. She has a clear plan for getting those with little writing experience writing, and for getting those with more experience writing better. She encourages and guides with a firm but gentle hand and suggests writing exercises that focus the mind and the pen (or keyboard), such as writing and submitting a letter to one's favorite, or least-favorite, newspaper editor. Her classes energize and motivate, and they're fun, too!



Terence Kuch



Tom Dunlap of Comedy in the City

From the multi-instructor class *Planning in Arlington*

How much do you know about your neighbors in Arlington? Are you aware that the last census revealed 62% have lived in the county less than five years, almost 70% are under age 45, only 30% of those employed work in the county, 55% drive to work alone and 43% are employed in service industries? During the Planning in Arlington course, we found that these are just a few of the many facts to be considered by those responsible for the zoning, transportation and economic development of the county. We come to view those tall buildings mushrooming about metro stops in Ballston, Clarendon, and Pentagon City as essential pieces in the long-range plan for Arlington, rather than examples of unrestricted growth. The course is taught by county planners and administrators, and the excellent handouts they provide are colorful and informative. I find the course offers a great opportunity to explore the past, present and future of my home county.

Joan Reed

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Arlington Learning in Retirement Institute

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