

Blue Ridge Torch Club of Leesburg
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Presentation for November 15, 2016

Speaker: Nancy Downey, Age Segregation in America

From kindergarten to active adult communities, we now live much of our lives in separate generational worlds. We at Lansdowne Woods are part of this phenomenon. Come and hear when and why it all began, how it's impacting American culture, and learn about the advantages and disadvantages of sorting ourselves out according to age.

President's Notes

This year we are trying something a little different for our holiday party. The date/time will be our usual Third Tuesday (December 20) at 6:00, but the party will be a festive buffet dinner at the Clubhouse, catered by Crossroads, as usual. We will have our traditional book exchange (details next month, but the idea is to bring a nicely wrapped book, so start looking now!). As usual, the holiday party is for members and their spouses/partners/SOs, so if you haven't joined yet, you have a month to do so.

It may seem early to start thinking about this, but several of our club officers will have completed their two-year term in June. The club works on volunteer energy, and if you get something out of being a member, please consider "giving back" for a year or two. The work is not particularly arduous and it's fun to work with other volunteers to make our dinner meetings happen. Please think about it. There will be a more formal "call for candidates" next year, but if you have any questions about being an officer, give me (or any of the other officers) a call.

Vice President's Notes

Our program for this year is as follows. (It is, of course, subject to change.)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Presenter</u>	<u>Title</u>
December 20, 2016	Holiday Dinner with book exchange	
January 17, 2017	Anne Thomas	Aspects of Charleston, SC
February 21, 2017	Susan Merk	A Walk in Loudoun County
March 21, 2017	Tehmi Jamaspian	Spring Equinox Celebrations
April 18, 2017	George Viener	Tobacconist Art
May 16, 2017	Irene Kelner	The Voice of America
June 20, 2017	Summer Party	

Reservations and Cancellations

Gini Laughlin receives reservations by phone or email: 703-729-2647 or gininix.laughlin@gmail.com. If you want a change in the listed entrée, you should let Gini know when you make your reservation. If you need to cancel your reservation, please call Gini at least a day in advance of the scheduled event. Please do not call the restaurant to cancel.

Reservations for this month should be made not later than Friday, November 11.

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Region 3 News

Upcoming event: an exclusive travel and learning experience for Torch
members, family and friends

“Rainforest to Canal” Costa Rica and the Panama Canal

March 9-21, 2017

Anne H. Thomas, IATC, Director Region 3