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**LIR, INC WINTER MEETING**  
**FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2004**  
**CENTRAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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The Learning In Retirement, Inc. Winter Membership Meeting will be held on **Friday, January 16, 2004** beginning at **1:30 pm** in the gymnasium of **Central United Church of Christ** on the corner of Washington and Ashley.

Of course, you can register for all events *on January 6<sup>th</sup> or after—that's the day the LIR Office will be open after the Holidays—just call Office Manager Sharon Nelson between 10:30 am and 12:00 noon.*

Plenty of Parking is available in the parking lot at the side of the church adjacent to the gym doors and in the larger lot at the rear of the church.

*To help with the bookkeeping, please note the instructions on the registration forms, and, whether you sign-up at the meeting or before, please be prepared to pay by check!*

We will begin with the **Business Meeting** and **after** all the business is concluded, the table for renewing your membership (or becoming a new member) **will be opened**. Also, at this time, tables **will be opened** for you to sign-up for Spring Short Courses and Educational Travel Trips—*details of these events can be found elsewhere in this Newsletter.*

Included on the Business Agenda will be the introduction of our new President Clara Bryant, and the officers and chairpersons who will be assisting her during 2004, as well as words of appreciation for the wonderful year's work lead by our 2003 President Vera Rust. Several reports also will be given by various officers and/or chairpersons.

There is no charge for this event because no meal is involved, however, there will be light refreshments and plenty of good fellowship—so do come and join in the merriment.

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**COMING EVENTS**

- Jan 16—Membership Mtg
- Apr 1—Nelson Art Museum
- Apr 22—Purina Farms
- Apr 30—Spring Conference
- May 3-5—Pella, Iowa
- Jun 14-16—Ohio
- ?July/Aug?—Lyceum Theatre  
*Feb: Four Short Courses*  
*Mar: Four Short courses*

## EDUCATION TRAVEL

GEORGE CATLIN & HIS INDIAN GALLERY  
NELSON-ATKINS MUSEUM OF ART  
Thursday, April 1, 2004

Join us as we travel to the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City for the George Catlin and His Indian Gallery Exhibit that showcases more than 120 works of art from one of the most important collections at the Smithsonian American Art Museum in Washington DC. From 1830 to 1836, Catlin followed the trail of Lewis & Clark visiting 50 tribes west of the Mississippi river. He wanted to record the "manners and customs" of native Americans.

We will depart from the Wal-Mart parking lot at 7:30 am. Lunch will be in the Museum cafeteria *on your own*. Tables will be reserved for our group. Our tour is scheduled for 1:00 pm. After the tour we will be given free time to roam the Museum. We will arrive back home at approximately 6:15 pm.

**A non-refundable deposit of \$24.00** is due with your registration form. **There will be no second payment.** The \$24.00 will cover the total LIR cost of your trip including admission fee to the Museum and driver tip.

**Trip Coordinators:** Mary Lou Gillilan 893-3547 and Margaret Rockelman 636-2437.

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**WOLF FARMS & RALSTON PURINA FARMS**  
Thursday, April 22, 2004

At the Wild Canine Survival and Research Center at Washington University's Tyson Research Center in Eureka, Missouri we will learn about wolves—the endangered Mexican gray wolves, red wolves (one native to Missouri) and the swift foxes.

The indoor program, presented by a trained Docent, consists of a film and/or slide show, a short lecture, and a question and answer period. The lecture is based on pelts, paw prints, skulls, and radio collars. Unfortunately, we will not be permitted to go to the pens as the wolves will be having their young and must not be disturbed.

After a scrumptious lunch at the Hawthorne Inn, Labadie, Missouri, we will go to the Ralston Purina

Farms to explore the special role animals play in our lives. We have been promised a special dog show and demonstration.

We will leave Jefferson City at 7:30 am and return by 6:00 pm.

**A non-refundable deposit of \$20.00** is due with your reservation form. **Final payment of \$18.00** is due by **March 16, 2004.**

**Trip Coordinators:** Judy Heady 635-1811 and Winona Thomas 893-2990.

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**OHIO: A TRIP TO THE PAST  
& TO THE FUTURE**

**Monday, June 14 through Friday, June 18, 2004**

**Day 1:** We will leave Jefferson City at 7:00 am and travel to the Dayton, Ohio area for the night. We will stop in Terre Haute, Indiana for lunch. We have scheduled a visit to the Warm Glow Candle Factory Outlet along I-70 in Indiana. We will spend the night at the Best Western Wright Patterson Hotel. Damon's Restaurant is part of the hotel complex and will be convenient for the evening meal. All meals for this day are *on your own*.

**Day 2:** After a continental breakfast at the hotel we will travel to the Air Force Museum. A staff member will give us an overview of the Museum Complex. *You will need a government issued photo ID if you wish to tour the Presidential planes.* An IMAX Theatre is part of the Museum—you may wish to see a film—*there will be a charge for this.* Lunch will be at the Café in the Museum and *will be on your own.* Next we will go to the Columbus area for a tour of the Liberty Barn Church, gardens, and cemetery. Then we will proceed to the Bellville area to the Comfort Inn where we will spend two nights. We will have a dinner buffet at the adjacent Dutch Heritage Restaurant—this is an included meal.

**Day 3:** After a complementary breakfast at the hotel, we will travel to Holmes County, which is the heart of Amish and Mennonite Country. At Berlin, we will tour the Behalt Mennonite Visitor's Center where we will see a film and view the mural depicting the history of the people of their faith. Our next stop will

be at the Coblenz Chocolate Company in Walnut Creek where, through large viewing windows, we can see how the candies are made. We will have a drive-through tour of Sugar Creek's Swiss Village downtown. After a stop for lunch, we will go to Dover to visit the Warther Carvings, which will include a guided tour of Mr. Warther's hand-carved steam locomotives and trains. Also included is a visit to the knife shop. Our next stop will be in Kindron at Lehman's Hardware, supplier to the Amish and Mennonite families in the area. After arriving back at our hotel, dinner *will be on your own* at adjacent restaurants.

**Day 4:** After a complementary breakfast at the hotel, we will have a drive-through tour of Mohican Forest. At the Clearfork Gorge Overlook, we plan for a State Park Naturalist or a Forester to speak to us about the history of the forests and the part the CCC played in developing it in the 1930s. Next we will go to Malabar State Park for a tour of the home of Pulitzer Prize winning author Louis Bromfield. He was very interested in improving farming methods in the 1940s and 1950s. Following his death, the State of Ohio took over the farm and continues using it as a research and working farm—we will have a wagon tour of the farm. After a stop for lunch in this area, we will drive to Huber Heights to spend the night at the Holiday Inn Express. Dinner *will be on your own* at nearby restaurants.

**Day 5:** After a complementary breakfast at the hotel, we will begin our journey home. Lunch *will be on your own*. Our final attraction of this tour will be a visit to the Lewis & Clark State Historic Site #1 near Alton, Illinois where we will see a film and view exhibits including a replica of the keelboat used in the expedition. We will drive back to see the meeting of the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers. We plan to be back in Jefferson City at approximately 7:30 pm.

The trip package includes four breakfasts and one dinner, the cost of the bus, admission fees, and tips. ***Please note: there will be considerable walking and there may be some stair climbing!***

**A non-refundable deposit of \$82.00** is due with your reservation form. **Final payment of \$211.00** double or **\$369.00** single is due on **May 10, 2004**.

**Trip Coordinators:** Joe and Marilyn Bacon 893-3193, Vera Rust 893-2507, and Margaret Rockelman 636-2437.

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**PELLA, IOWA: TULIPS & BRIDGES**  
**Monday, May 3 to Wednesday, May 5, 2004**

Join us for a colorful spring trip to neighboring Iowa. Pella is a Dutch community filled with sights, tastes, sounds, and tulips—reminiscent of Holland.

**Day 1:** We will leave the Wal-Mart parking lot promptly at 6:30 am and plan to arrive in Pella for lunch *on your own*. We will have a self-guided tour of the Historical Village, including the 1850s Vermeer Windmill. Following a step-on guided bus tour of the City of Pella, we will check into our hotel—the Country Inn. After a brief rest, you will find snacks provided in the hospitality room. Dinner will be at the Royal Amsterdam Hotel featuring Dutch cuisine.

**Day 2:** Following a complementary continental breakfast we will visit the original homes of Dominic H. P. Scholte, founder of Pella. "Mareah Scholte" a re-enactor will entertain us with an interesting performance. We will conclude with a tour of the 23-room mansion. Lunch *will be on your own*. In the afternoon, we will view the Klokkenspel Carillon clock and tour the Pella Opera House. The evening dining (included) will be in the Tulip Tea Room.

**Day 3:** After a full continental breakfast we will depart for Winterset, Iowa—the scene of the book and movie, "The Bridges of Madison County." Our first stop will be Francesca's House where the movie was filmed, then, on to the birthplace of actor John Wayne. A delicious home-cooked meal will be served by members of First Methodist Church. Following a brief visit to see the town square, we will journey in the Covered Bridges for a "Story Book Tour," with a step-on guide. Back to Jefferson City--arriving home at approximately 10:00 pm.

**Hotel Info:** Country Inn & Suites, Pella, Iowa for two nights. Tel: 1-641-620-1111. **Accommodations:** Double room \$202.50, single room \$257.50.

**A non-refundable deposit of \$50.00** is due with your reservation form. **Final payment of \$152.50** double

or \$207.50 for single due Feb 1, 2004. All tips, gratuities, entrance fees, and meals listed are included in the cost.

**Trip Coordinators:** Marilyn Miller 636-8233, Lisa Moore 636-8541, and Dorothy Glassner 636-5672.

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**BLACKWATER  
& ARROW ROCK LYCEUM THEATRE  
???July or August 2004???**

On a warm summer day come with us and take a trip in an air-conditioned bus with your friends. Step back in time to when the "Railroad was King" and visit Blackwater, Missouri. We will be given a tour of the Downtown area, the Telephone Museum, and we can stop in the unique shops. Then we will tour the Iron Horse Hotel and have lunch in the Iron Horse Restaurant. After lunch we will board our coach for a short trip to Arrow rock and the Lyceum Theatre. Since the schedule for the theatre will not be available until March 2004, we cannot tell you which play we will see. Depending on the choice of plays, this trip will be planned for a Wednesday in July or August.

At this time, **cost will be about \$60.00 per person.**

We will plan to leave Jefferson City at 9:00 am and return at 6:00 pm. Sign up now if you think you will enjoy this day with LIR. We will contact you for your **first payment of \$25.00** when plans are finalized. **Final payment will be due four weeks prior to the trip date.**

**Trip Coordinators:** Laura Huot 635-0322 and JoClare Meyer 636-5762.

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**NEW OFFICE HOURS**

*Please Note: the Office will be closed over the Holidays. Office Manager Sharon Nelson will be back in the Office on Tuesday, January 6<sup>th</sup>. Her guaranteed office hours are 10:30 am to 12:00 noon, Mondays through Thursday. As tasks require, she will be in the Office at other times, but you'll take a chance of catching her there. Of course, the answering machine will be turned on at all times and if you leave your name and telephone number she will return your call ASAP!*

**A MESSAGE FROM OUR NEW PRESIDENT  
CLARA BRYANT**

As a member of the Board of Directors for LIR, I would like to say "Thank You" to Vera Rust for a job well done as the 2003 President of the LIR Board. Vera worked very hard to see that a Procedures Manual was in place; held special meetings; and, acted as my personal chauffeur to ensure that, as incoming President, I would know what was happening.

The Educational Travel Trips and Short Courses went well in 2003 and plans are in place for a successful 2004. Everyone involved has worked hard!

You, the members, can insure that 2004 is an even greater success by participating to the fullest. We all need something or somebody. If you are aware of individuals in that category, encourage them to join with you and become members of Learning In Retirement, Inc.

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**LIR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM**

As you may know, we have a Volunteer Program in which LIR members can volunteer their time and talents to assist Lincoln University. Presently these are the areas where help is needed:

- \*\*\* 20-50 volunteers to serve as mentors for the new Family Life Center grant.
- \*\*\* Ethnic Studies on Sundays.
- \*\*\* Early Childhood: typing minutes/secretarial work
- \*\*\* Updating Community Calendar and producing programs for JCTV
- \*\*\* Phone coverage/take messages—greet people during lunch hour for Education Department.
- \*\*\* Get notification mailings, proctoring tests and surveys, distributing test results.
- \*\*\* Large mail projects/data entry/phonathon for LU Foundation.

If you are interested in volunteering for any of the above, please call the office at (573) 681-6152 and Sharon will put you in touch with the LIR Volunteer Chairperson who, in turn, will match you up with the correct department through the Continuing Education Department of Lincoln.

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## LIR MEMBERSHIP FEES

The annual fee for membership in Learning In Retirement is \$40. Here's where it goes:

### Membership Fee Covers:

1. The opportunity to attend educational short courses at a minimal cost.
2. Attendance at Summer Membership Meeting—you get dinner at half the cost.
3. Attendance at Winter Membership Meeting—you get refreshments at no cost.
4. Attendance at Spring Conference—you get lunch at half the cost.
5. You receive two Newsletters at no cost.
6. You receive a \$20.00 Lincoln University Parking Hang Tag at no cost—if you lose it, it will cost you \$5.00 for a replacement.
7. The opportunity to join any or all of the LIR "Clubs" at no additional cost. Presently we have the Creative Writers Society, Book Club, Bridge Club, Bicycling Club, and the newly formed Photography Club. There will be others as interest is expressed.
8. Access to Lincoln University Library.

### Additional Items on which Your Money is Spent:

1. Maintaining the LIR Office in Soldiers Hall at Lincoln University for LIR business—this includes part-time office staff, telephone, computer, business and operating expenses as well as \$600.00 affiliation fee to Lincoln.
2. Donations to religious organizations for use of their buildings and facilities for Short Courses and Meetings
3. Rental on some other facilities for meetings.
4. Annual Scholarships for LU students: \$500 for ROTC Cadet and \$500 for LU continuing student.
5. Gift of appreciation to all presenters of LIR Short Courses.
6. Mileage reimbursement to out-of-town presenters who donate their knowledge and expertise.
7. Lodging and mileage reimbursement to Board Members who attend national/regional meeting.

I'm sure you will agree that membership in LIR is well worth the money!!

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## CHANGES IN SENIOR CITIZEN TUITION DISCOUNTS AT LINCOLN

Effective with the 2004 Spring Semester, the following changes have been initiated by Lincoln University for their Senior Citizen Tuition Discount program:

1. *The age requirement is changed from 60 to 65.*
2. *Cost is increased from \$12 to \$20 per semester.*
3. *Enrollment is on audit status only (that means no credit will be earned for this reduced cost).*
4. *Acceptance in the class is on a space available basis.*

This still is a wonderful opportunity to learn and to keep those "little gray cells" active thus ensuring that old "Al Zimmer" will keep his distance.

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### A FEW REMINDERS

\*\*\* Read your Newsletter very carefully as you prepare to sign up for Short Courses and/or Educational Travel. Detailed explanations of the Short Courses can be found on the reverse side of the *blue* Enrollment form.

\*\*\* Travel Guidelines can be found on the lower portion of the reverse side of the *green* Educational Travel Registration form.

\*\*\* Remember, after taking a Trip or a Short Course, always fill out your Evaluation forms—this is a great help to those who will plan these activities for the future.

\*\*\* **Always remember to wear your Name Tags**—when you are on a Trip they are important to show that you belong to the LIR group—when you are attending a Short Course they will help the presenter and facilitator to recognize you—and at all other events it's good to know the names of your fellow members.

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**SPRING CONFERENCE**  
**Friday, April 30, 2004**

This year our Spring Conference will be held at the McClung Park Pavilion. We'll begin our day about 8:00 am and close with a luncheon around 12:00 noon—we've booked the pavilion until 2:00 pm so you can stick around and chat with your friends and we'll still have time for the clean-up crew to put things back in shape.

We haven't finished the program yet, but we're working on it. Put the date on your 2004 calendar and plan to spend a great day with LIR!!!

Remember, if you're a member, you pay only half the cost of the luncheon!

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***Nota Bene to Members Only: On Oct 6, the LIR Board approved revisions to our Constitution—members will be asked to approve them at the Jan 16 meeting. The document is enclosed, please read it—the changes are in bold print.***

**WORDS OF APPRECIATION**  
***From your retiring president***  
**VERA RUST**

*It's been a wonderful year—2003—and I've enjoyed serving as your president through it all. With the help of so many willing workers, we've updated the Constitution and put together a Procedures Manual that will be an important resource for future presidents, officers, chairpersons, and all of our members.*

***THANK YOU*** for trusting this important office to me—I appreciate your confidence and extend my grateful thanks to everyone who has shared time, talent, and treasure for the good of LIR!

*This is NOT good-bye—I'll still be around—enjoying the educational travel and short courses and all the good fellowship that goes along with LIR membership. See you—*

*Vera*

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