

The Learning Times



SPECIAL EDITION FALL 2022

From The LIR President:

Hello, LIR friends. After a busy summer, we find ourselves at the beginning of autumn. It was not only a busy summer for LIR, but also a good summer, with a lessening of COVID restrictions and some successful events.

Our mid-year summer general membership meeting went well and was well attended. We added a few new members to our organization that day. Many folks were able to sign-up for classes, clubs, and trips for the fall, and we celebrated our 30th anniversary as an organization! In addition, the Scholarship Committee announced this year's recipients of the Gary Scott/LIR Scholarship and the ROTC Scholarship. Our general membership meetings twice a year also offer us a great opportunity for fellowship and sharing of friendship. My thanks to the Hospitality and Membership and Marketing Committees and their helpers for a successful meeting and for arranging a delicious meal.

The heart of LIR's success is a result of the volunteer efforts of members. Thank you to all who serve on the Board, the Committee Chairs, members of the Committees, and all others who enable LIR to provide quality educational opportunities for the enrichment of all. May each of you have a happy and healthy fall season as you enjoy the offerings that LIR provides.

Respectfully,

Stephen Buchholz, President

LIR Holiday Social:

Sunday,
December 4, 2022

1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Masonic Lodge
3211 Masonic Court
Jefferson City, MO

Special Travel Opportunities!

Two trips are still coming up this year:

These trips are currently full but have short wait lists. If you would be interested in either trip, please call the LIR office to get your name on the wait list—it just might be your lucky time!

November 9—*Getaway the CallaWAY*: Visit Auto World Museum, National Churchill Museum with organ recital, lunch at Westminster College, and relax at Serenity Valley Winery. (\$65)

December 16—*A Christmas Carol* at Lyceum, Arrow Rock, with early dinner at J. Huston Tavern. (\$100)

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE UPDATES

The following are classes the Curriculum Committee has planned for Winter/Spring 2023:

Four-Session Courses:

Movies for Grown-Ups — These are movies created by and about people over the age of 50 and honored by the American Association of Retired Persons.

The Uniqueness of Missouri, Part 2 — This popular course will continue with more Famous Missourians. We will also learn about the unique Missouri Conservation Commission, be entertained and educated about Fiddling in Missouri with Dr Howard Marshall, and learn about the uniqueness of State Technical College of Missouri and Lincoln University.

Three-Session Courses:

Reliving History — The first part of this history reenactment-themed series will feature the Lincoln-Gamble Reenactment and Songs of the Civil War Singalong. Next will be a presentation by Steve Meyer on reenactments in which he has been involved — the Lewis & Clark Expedition and the Civil War —and more!

Two-Session Courses:

Landmark Cases, U.S. Supreme Court — Tony Simones, of The Missouri Bar, will speak about four of the landmark opinions that the U.S. Supreme Court handed down in 2022.

One-Session Courses:

Heroes of the American West — Dr. Bruce Scovill, retired Lincoln University history professor, will talk about the many heroes of the American West.

The Jet Propulsion Laboratory — Chuck Lahmeyer, LIR member and retired employee of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, will talk to us about the Laboratory, located in Pasadena, California. “Spacecraft developed at JPL have flown to every planet in the solar system and the Sun, and beyond.”

Top Seven Things You Should Know About Wills and Trusts — Steve Newman, retired lawyer and LIR member, will talk about what we should know about wills. Representatives of the trust departments of Central and Hawthorne Banks will speak about trusts.

Can You Hear Me Now?! — In this timely class about hearing loss, we’ll hear from an audiologist, and then a representative from Clear Sound Hearing to learn about all the advances in the hearing aid industry.

Cookbooks — Missouri Food — Native American, Spanish, French, German, English, and Irish, to name just a few — all influences in Missouri’s history of FOOD. Come along with us as we explore the melting pot of culinary stew throughout Missouri.

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CURRICULUM COMMITTEE UPDATES

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Did You Know? — Little is known about African-Americans who served as legislators during the Reconstruction era. Come and learn more about this time in American history.

Ocean Cruises — Lois Bax will again share her wide travel knowledge, this time about ocean cruises.

Hispanic Awareness — South America. El Puente staff will share the culture, the food, the music, and more of South America.

Senior Inspirations: New Creative Series — Rick and Stacie Fessler will share their stories about how their book, “Maestro: Songteller of Savannah Valley,” part of the Mark Victor Hansen Library (co-creator of “Chicken Soup for the Soul”) series of six books, was developed, and how the whole series relates to our lives as seniors.

Would you like to keep your mind sharp & active while having fun at the same time?" If so, we have just the right game for you—Mah Jongg! It is a 2,000-year-old Chinese game, and one of the most popular games in the world. It is fun to play and easy to learn. With a little luck and skill, you will have mastered the game in no time. We do warn you though, it is highly addictive!

Come join the other LIR members who play Mah Jongg. We would love to teach you the game, and if you already know how to play, we look forward to you joining us for a fun afternoon. We play on the first and third Tuesday of every month from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Rita Grace, Clubs Chair

Travel News

Know B4 You Go: Travel Sneak Preview

To find out all the details of the 2023 trips, put **Monday, December 5, 1 p.m.** on your calendar now! This presentation will be held at the Clydesdale Room, Schepper’s Distributing (Budweiser) at 2300 St. Mary’s Blvd. in Jefferson City. The trip escorts will present full descriptions of each trip including dates, trip description and costs. Non-members are welcome to come and see what’s offered.

*REMEMBER: This is for your information only.
Registration takes place after the December 2022 newsletter comes out.*

Travel news for the coming year is found on page 4

TRAVELING WITH LIR JANUARY-JUNE 2023

Your LIR Travel Committee is hard at work planning some fun, educational opportunities for our next session! Here's what we have at this time.

February 18—*Escape to Margaritaville: The Musical*: Enjoy Capital City Production's version of this fun show at a Saturday matinee.

March 22—*Condo-Monium*: The American premiere of this old-fashioned farce at The New Theatre, Overland Park, KS.

April 13—*Wicked*: At The Fox, St. Louis, chosen by popular demand!

April 27—*A Leisurely Day in Small Town New Haven*: Repeat of one our most popular trips with a few updates.

May 18—*Taste of Cole Camp*: Visit different venues to experience some of Cole Camp's mouth-watering offerings and more.

June 1-2—*A Train, Some Jazz, a Baseball Museum, A Few Gangsters, and A Flying Carpet*: Travel by train to Kansas City and experience a Broadway Show (*Aladdin*), a guided mob tour, lunch at a world-famous BBQ, a Jazz Museum, and the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum.

June 22-23—*Civil War and More*: For a glimpse into Southwest Missouri during the Civil War, join us on this overnight trip. But...there's so much more to see and do in this overnight trip.

July 27—*Nature in the City*: Visit Kansas City to explore MO Department of Conservation's Discovery Center, the Jacob Loose Park & Kauffman Memorial Garden, all within a few blocks of each other. You'll find nature where you might not expect to!

The **Jammers Club** now has a venue: St. Joseph's Bluff Chapel, 1306 West Main Street. This musical group will meet on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month, 10:00 a.m. until noon. If you play an instrument and would like to participate in these jam sessions, please contact the office, 573-681-6152.

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MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

EDUCATION.....Short courses planned for LIR members' interests

TRAVEL.....Educational trips with old and new friends

CLUBS.....For a list of all clubs and meeting times, check the list of clubs found on page 16 of the January-June newsletter on the LIR website.

GATHERINGS.....Membership meetings twice annually, Holiday Social

COMMUNICATION.....Semiannual newsletters, LIR website, periodic emails
Spring and Fall newsletter updates

LIBRARY ACCESS..... Access to library cards for L.U.'s Page Library

PARKING.....Tag required for L.U. campus

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