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WINTER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, January 18, 2017

Snow Date
Wednesday, January 25, 2017

Doors open at 12:30 p.m.
Meeting at 1:00 p.m.

St. Martins
Knights of Columbus Building
Highway 50 W — Route T

President's Message

This is our year to celebrate!



For the past 25 years, Learning in Retirement has provided a unique niche in our community that offers educational opportunities for seniors. The inception of institutes for learning in retirement was fueled by the growth of Elderhostel's working with schools of higher education, such as Lincoln University, to provide community based programs for seniors. Because of the desire of Dr. Gary Scott, who was LU's Dean of Graduate Studies and Continuing Education, this type of institute within the Jefferson City area would become a reality. By 1992, the LU Institute would be the first in Missouri.

Just like a small flame that requires oxygen to grow, the institute idea grew within our community due to those individuals that came forward and offered their support. Sixty-five members joined the first year. During subsequent years membership grew, LU-LIR took over full management of the LIR Institute and registered as a not-for-profit corporation. Volunteers continued to step forward over the years to accept leadership positions on the Board, committee chairmanships and became active committee members that helped foster the growth and appeal of the organization.

LIR has experienced substantial growth throughout the past two and a half decades, with a membership reaching near 400 individuals. The continued addition of new interest clubs, a wide-array of courses and a variety of travel opportunities has added to member participation. Our organization should be proud that we are able to provide continuing learning opportunities and promote the sharing of ideas, knowledge and experience for retirees and seniors in Jefferson City and the surrounding area. I know that we can all say,

**“Happy 25th Anniversary LIR
and thank you for being part of our active lives!”**

Kathel Cooper
LIR President 2016-17

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Winter Membership Meeting

Happy New Year to all LIR members and prospective members!

Learning in Retirement will be celebrating its silver anniversary during 2017. To recognize this milestone, special events and activities have been planned throughout the year for our members. We encourage you to join LIR and participate in this year of celebration.

The Winter Membership Meeting will preview the schedule of planned activities and events including trips, classes, and clubs for winter and spring 2017. A program of entertainment is planned for your enjoyment. The Hospitality Committee will provide refreshments at the conclusion of the meeting.

Doors will open at 12:30 p.m. at the St. Martins Knights of Columbus Building on January 18, 2017. The meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. with President Kathel Cooper presiding. You are encouraged to visit the exhibit area prior to the meeting if you wish to sign up for a trip, class, or club. Membership dues may be paid at the meeting to activate your 2017 membership. Six lucky attendees will win door prizes – certificates for a free class in 2017. All members and prospective members are encouraged to attend and see what LIR offers in 2017.

To attend the meeting is free; however, each attendee is asked to make a reservation on the *Membership Meeting/Course Registration* form that is inserted in this newsletter, or you may call the LIR office at 573-681-6152 to confirm your attendance. Please join us for the meeting.

Cancellations-Inclement Weather Policy

LIR membership meetings, classes, and clubs will be cancelled due to snow or other inclement weather conditions if the Jefferson City Public Schools are not in session (weather related).

Local radio and television stations that allow community cancellations will be notified along with one or more of the following: a post on the LIR website; an "ALERT" group email to all members with email addresses, and/or a call tree. Education Travel trip cancellations occur ONLY when the contracted coach company cancels the trip due to its determination of highway safety. Travelers are contacted individually should a cancellation occur.

The make-up date for the Winter (January) General Membership meeting is typically the same day/time/location during the following week. Length and content of the meeting will be adjusted to accommodate the make-up situation. In the event that a second weather related cancellation occurs for the meeting, a business meeting ONLY will be held within one week of the cancelled meeting. Place and time to be determined.

Board of Directors – 2017

Elected Members

Kathel Cooper, President
Don Neumann, Vice-President
Ellen Richardson, Secretary (appointed)
Becky Washburn, Treasurer
Marigene Brewer
Stephen Buchholz
Kay Freidinger
Inge Gauck
Rita Grace
Marge Kudrna
David Linsenhardt
Robert Maxwell
Cathie Middleton
Tom Quinn

Ex Officio Members

Cheri Landers, Office Manager
Marigene Brewer, Clubs Chair
Carol Ellinger, Curriculum Chair
Judy Alexiou, Membership & Marketing Chair
Mary Kay Linsenhardt, Historian
Mary Ann Wiperman, Hospitality Chair
Barbara Maxwell, Newsletter Editor
Marge Kudrna, Travel Chair
Rita Grace, Web Administrator
Brandon Hildreth, Lincoln University Liaison

THANK YOU

We wish to once again thank our out-going 2016 board members, Theresa Sullivan, Marilyn Bacon, and Ellen Richardson for their dedication and professional service to Learning in Retirement over the past six years. We are truly grateful to have individuals, like these, who will step forward and accept elected positions in our organization. A special thank you goes to Ellen for accepting a one-year appointed position to stay on as secretary of our board.

WELCOME

A special welcome to our newly elected board members: Inge Gauck, Kay Freidinger, Rita Grace, and Stephen Buchholz, who will begin serving their first 3-year terms beginning in January. Also, a thank you and a welcome to Kathel Cooper for being re-elected to her second 3-year term.



Constitution/By-Laws Revisions

The following two proposed revisions will be presented and voted on at the membership meeting on January 18, 2017.

RE: Constitution revision – LIR Executive Committee nomination/election timeline

Article V – Organization and Offices

Paragraph 7: The Nominating Committees' recommendations for the Executive Committee and if necessary, the President's recommendation for an unfilled position, are presented to the Board and a vote cast at the **(May) August** Board meeting. Incoming officers assume their official duties on January 1st and serve until December 31st, of the coming year. (Change May to August).

RATIONALE: The timeline for the nomination/election of a Board member to the following year's LIR Executive Committee is not in alignment with the summer semi-annual meeting. The Executive Committee (officers) is elected from the membership of the Board. We cannot elect a Board member who is finishing his/her first 3-year term to an office until he/she has been elected to serve their second 3-year term that occurs at the summer semi-annual meeting. Therefore, it is recommended that the nominating and election of LIR Executive Committee (officers) by the Board not take place until the August Board meeting that follows the semi-annual meeting.

RE: Constitution revision-LIR Committee chair appointments

Article VIII – Committees

Paragraph 1: The President shall appoint all Committee chairpersons. Committee Chairpersons shall serve one-year terms, and shall be eligible for reappointment. ADD: **Chairpersons may serve up to six (6) one year terms.**

RATIONALE: The six-year term mirrors the same length of time that an elected Board member may serve (two three-year terms). It will also provide an opportunity for more members to serve in committee "leadership" positions. Vice-chairman will be able to closely work with chairman during this time period and be considered for chairmanship of the committee when available.

DUES REMINDER

Your 2017 membership fee of \$40 is due in January. Please fill out a Membership Application form found in this newsletter and bring your check to the Winter Membership Meeting on January 18, 2017, or mail to the **LIR Office, PO Box 105166, Jefferson City, MO 65110.**



LIR Celebrates 25 Years of Learning

2017 marks the 25th Anniversary of Learning in Retirement. To celebrate this momentous event, President Cooper established a committee that has planned special activities for members during the year.

Founding members and past presidents will be honored at the two general membership meetings with special handouts given to all members attending. Mary Kay Linsenbardt, LIR Historian, will have displays of past LIR meetings and events.

In addition to the Holiday Social held in December, a fall BBQ will be held at McClung Park. A minimal charge of \$5 will entitle members to a wonderful BBQ dinner with time to relax and visit with other members.

The Travel Committee has revived past trips that were previously enjoyed by members. The spring trips will feature *The Lion King* at the Fox in St. Louis and also an extended trip to the city of St. Joseph.

The Curriculum Committee has planned two special courses of four hours each with a box lunch included. Bob Priddy will present the spring course and Gary Kremer will give the fall course.

Clubs will also be involved in celebrating with special events or handouts for members.

Information on these and other activities can be found in the two regular newsletters and the special flyers throughout the year.

Mary Lou Gillilan and Judy Alexiou
Co-Chairs of the 25th Anniversary Celebration

CALLING ALL MEMBERS -- BECOME A VOLUNTEER



Learning in Retirement takes pride in the fact that volunteers have supported and been the backbone of our organization for the past 25 years. Dozens of members each year take on these "volunteer duties" so that ALL members can participate in a variety of clubs, courses, trips, and social events.

Now is the time to step forward and become a volunteer within LIR. You can call the LIR Office, notate it on the bottom of your membership application, or mention it to a board member! Currently we could use more volunteers on our Travel Committee, Hospitality Committee, and Membership Committee. Volunteering knows no age limit!

Payment Procedure Trips, Courses, Dues and Events

To streamline the payment process for trips, courses, and membership dues, the following payment procedure is recommended for efficient recording and processing.

TRIPS – A separate check should be issued for trips. Trips may be combined on one check, or a separate check for each trip may be submitted if that is your preference. Couples may combine payments on one check. Be sure to attach check(s), with trips noted, to the Trip Registration Form found in this newsletter.

COURSES – A separate check can be issued for one or all of the courses that an individual wants to attend. Please note what course(s) are being paid. The Membership Meeting and Course Registration Form is included in this newsletter.

MEMBER APPLICATION/DUES - A separate check should be issued for membership dues. A Membership Application form is included in this newsletter.

LU / LIR Parking Permits

Lincoln University parking permits for LIR members will be available for purchase at the membership meeting on January 18th or during regular hours at the LIR Office. Parking permits are good only for parking on the Soldiers Hall lot and are not needed at the Lorenzo Greene (South Campus) facility. Permits are valid from September 1, 2016, through August 31, 2017.

To obtain the permit, you need the following information: vehicle make, model, color, license plate number, and your drivers' license number. Cost of the permit is \$10.00

LET THE TRIPS BEGIN!

**Kansas City Union Station,
Pompeii Exhibit and The Roasterie**
Tuesday, March 21, 2017

Join LIR for a day trip to Kansas City Union Station for the Tour of Pompeii: The Exhibition, a date with a Harvey girl to learn about Union Station's history, and then on to The Roasterie, one of the nation's most renowned specialty coffee roasters, to learn about coffee from beans to brew.

Union Station is our first destination, beginning with the Tour of Pompeii. The exhibition examines the lives of the doomed residents both before and after the massive eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 A.D. Guests will relive the eruption through a 4D theatre before stepping into the gallery to view over 200 artifacts.

After an included lunch at the iconic Harvey's in Union Station, a "Harvey Girl" will take us through the history of the building, beginning with its 1914 opening through a gangster massacre, two world wars, and more.

Our final stop will be The Roasterie to learn about direct-trade coffee, roasting and brewing, including a tasting, and time in their gift shop.

On the way home, we will take a brief comfort stop and a chance to pick up a bite to eat on your own.

Departure time: 7:00 a.m. Return: 7:30 p.m.

Escorts: Kay Martellaro -- 680-6058
Kay Freidinger -- 645-3116

Cost: \$85 \$50 Due with Registration
Final Payment \$35 due February 14, 2017

TRIPS: JANUARY – JULY 2017

Beautiful: The Carole King Musical

Saturday, April 1, 2017
Kansas City Music Hall

Come join us as the fascinating life of one of pop music's greatest performers and songwriters takes center stage in *Beautiful: The Carole King Musical*.

The show begins just before Brooklyn native Carol Klein composes her first hit song, "Will You Love Me Tomorrow," in 1959 when she is 17, pregnant, and newly married to 20-year-old lyricist Gerry Goffin. In the decade that follows, King and Goffin produce a string of classic hits while forming a lasting friendship with another composing couple, Cynthia Weil and Barry Mann.

When Carole's personal life begins to fall apart, she responds by stepping out of the shadows with *Tapestry*, a deeply personal collection of songs that becomes one of the best-selling albums of all time. Dinner will be on your own at Corner Café.

Departure time: 9:30 a.m. Return time: 8:00 p.m.

Escorts: Vicki Ford — 694-0014
 Kay Martellaro — 680-6058

Cost: \$132 \$80 Due with registration
\$52 Final Payment due on February 27, 2017

Ste. Genevieve / Elephant Rocks / Maramec Springs

Wednesday & Thursday, April 5 & 6, 2017

Join us for this fun-filled and educational two-day trip. We'll spend our 1st day and night in scenic and charming Ste. Genevieve – Missouri's oldest town. A step-on-guide will provide us with information about the rich history of the town. We'll tour a gothic Catholic church and two historic homes.

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Lunch (included in the trip cost) will be at Audubon's, a restaurant that provides regional dining with an emphasis on farm to table suppliers.

Time is planned for shopping in many gift and antique shops or for visiting art galleries, museums, a restored mercantile store, a pewter factory, a hand-dipped ice cream shop, an old-time candy store, and more. All can be found in nine square blocks in the historic shopping district. For those not wanting to walk, the bus can take you back to the Welcome Center where we'll gather before going to our next venue.

A trip to Ste. Genevieve wouldn't be complete without a stop at one of the wineries in the area. We have chosen Cave Vineyards where we can participate in wine tasting (on our own), take in the scenic view from the outdoor patio, or take a short walk or tram ride to the cave where we can relax and enjoy our wine. There's plenty of tables and even music in the cave.

After checking into the Microtel Inn & Suites, we'll take a five-minute drive to Café Ste. Genevieve for supper (on our own). Then it's back to the hotel for a good night's rest!

Day 2 will begin with a continental breakfast, and then we're off to Elephant Rocks State Park. After a walking tour at the Park, we'll head to St. James for lunch at Sybill's (included in trip cost). Sybill's is housed in a country-style manor and includes a gift shop, artwork, and interesting decor. A short drive from the restaurant to Maramec Spring Park, we'll take two tours – the hatchery & spring and the 1st iron furnace. After that, we'll head home, arriving in late afternoon. Departure time: 7:00 a.m. Return: 5:30 p.m.

Escorts: Betty Doerhoff — 619-2920
 Bill Gerling — 220-4319

Cost: Single – \$195 Due with registration: \$95 - Single
 Double - \$160 Due with registration: \$85 - Double

Single: Final payment \$100 due by March 1, 2017
Double: Final payment \$75 due by March 1, 2017

TRIPS Continued

FROM THE ARCHIVES

Lion King: The Musical

St. Louis: The Fabulous Fox
Thursday, April 20, 2017

After four years, it's finally back!

Don't miss your chance to see this lively stage adaptation of the Academy Award-winning 1994 Disney film, *The Lion King*, the story of a young lion prince living in the flourishing African Pride Lands.

Born into the royal family, precocious cub Simba spends his days exploring the sprawling savanna grasslands and idolizing his kingly father, Mufasa, while youthfully shirking the responsibility his position in life requires.

When an unthinkable tragedy, orchestrated by Simba's wicked uncle, Scar, takes his father's life, Simba flees the Pride Lands, leaving his loss and the life he knew behind. Eventually accompanied by two hilarious and unlikely friends, Simba starts anew. But when the weight of responsibility and a desperate plea from the now-ravaged Pride Lands come to find the adult prince, Simba must take on a formidable enemy and fulfill his destiny to be king. A vibrant and exciting tale from the great creative minds at Disney, *The Lion King* is a story of love and redemption that nobody should miss.

From our mezzanine seats, you should be able to see the fantastic costumes and all the action.

After the show, we will go to Vito's Italian restaurant for an early dinner (included in the price).

Departure time: 9:15 a.m. Return time: 7:45 p.m.

Escorts: Vicki Ford -- 694-0014
 Carla Brandes -- 353-9654

Cost: \$162 \$100 Due with registration
\$62 Final Payment due on March 15, 2017



St. Joseph, MO: New & Old

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, May 23-25, 2017

Come travel to Missouri's first and last frontier located on the scenic river bluffs overlooking the Missouri River. St. Joseph is a contemporary city blended with more than 150 years of history – creating a city of contrasts and character you will never forget.

While in St. Joseph on Day 1, we will visit the **Glore Psychiatric Museum** housed on the grounds of the old State Lunatic Asylum #2. You will be fascinated by 400 years of psychiatric treatment and the history of this impressive facility. At the **Mt. Mora Cemetery**, you will see the resting places of three Missouri governors, three generals, a Pony Express rider and an English Knight.

Day 2 will be a busy one. We will open the day on the campus of Missouri Western State University to tour the **Walter Cronkite Memorial**, dedicated to the life of one of St. Joseph's greatest native sons and designed to honor the legendary CBS News anchor. We will also visit the **Bushman Planetarium** and tour the **Indoor Sports Complex (Chiefs Training Camp)**.

After lunch at Galvin's Dinner House, we will take a step back in time. At the **Patee House Museum/Jesse James Home, Pony Express Museum**, and the **Robidoux Row Museum**, we will see the headquarters for the Pony Express in 1860 and the finest hotel west of the Mississippi. We will hear about the creation, running, and demise of the Pony Express and see the circa 1840s housing units that met the housing needs of westward-bound pioneers.

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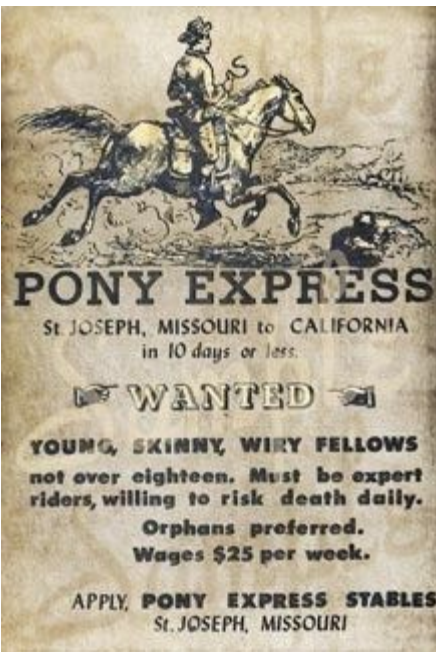
TRIPS Continued

Day 3: Before departing from St. Joseph, we will enjoy Kathy Reno, a step-on guide, as she shares the interesting sights and history of St. Joseph today. Our last venue will be **Tobiasons Stained Glass Studio**, which has over 50 years of experience in designing, fabricating, installing, and restoring old church windows throughout the country. Come see how they create these timeless, beautiful, and architecturally harmonious windows. You also will have the experience of creating your own “stained glass piece.”

After a quick lunch, we will depart for Jefferson City enriched in Missouri heritage.

During our stay, we will have lodging at Drury Inn—St. Joseph. Breakfasts, one lunch, and evening Kick Back receptions are included in the cost. All admissions and gratuities for the mentioned venues are also included.

Departure time: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 7:00 a.m.
Return: Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.



Escorts: Mary Kay Linsenbardt – 636-3727

Henry Dahl – 680-5139

Marge Kudrna – 694-8550

Cost: Single: \$385
\$200 due with registration (S)

Double: \$265
\$165 due with registration (D)

Single:
Final payment \$185 due by April 15, 2017

Double:
Final payment \$100 due by April 15, 2017

Jefferson City: Tourist for a Day

Tuesday, June 6, 2017

Come and join LIR friends as Tourists for a Day in Jefferson City. See what people come to Jefferson City to see and experience. Of course, our day will start with a tour of the Missouri State Penitentiary, which operated from 1836-2004. The steel gate will clank behind our group just as if we are inmates entering the prison. Prepare to hear history and interesting stories of the inmates and the facility.

We will also visit the Missouri State Penitentiary Museum in its new location. Lunch at Prison Brews concludes our emphasis on prison life.

During the afternoon we will enjoy the interpretation skills of a well-experienced step-on guide as we visit the Sanitary Landfill to learn what happens to all that “trash.”

While in the area east of Jefferson City, we will visit the Algoa Correction Center to learn about Puppies for Parole, which is a program where offenders train shelter dogs to make them more adoptable. With the success of this program, it has been expanded to all Missouri prisons.

We will continue the day as our step-on guide shows us some of the sights of Jefferson City beyond the Capitol and the Supreme Court Building. At the end of the day, we will enjoy a “slice of pie” in historic downtown Jefferson City.

Weather appropriate clothing and comfortable shoes (no sandals) are a must. Join us for some JC sites you can only see on a “coach.”

Departure time: 8:10 a.m. Return: 5:30 p.m.

Escorts: Joann Wulff – 291-0296
Felix Wulff – 690-3713
Marge Kudrna – 694-8550

Cost: \$62 \$32 due with registration
Final payment: \$30 due May 2, 2017

TRIPS continued

Clydesdales Breeding Operation and a Mystery Venue

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Warm Springs Ranch near Rocheport, MO

Join us on an adventure to Warm Springs Ranch, the headquarters of the Budweiser Clydesdales' Breeding Operation.

We will be treated to a guided tour of the behind-the-scenes operation and get up close and personal with the Clydesdales! On the tour, we will have the opportunity to interact with the Clydesdale handlers, see a harness, luxury trailer, and 1903 beer wagon. And no trip is complete without a photo – so smile for your photo with a Clydesdale! The tour takes approximately 1-1/2 hours. All walkways are paved and level for easy navigation by visitors.



At the end of the tour, we will be treated to a sample of Budweiser beer. Then we are off to a deli buffet luncheon at Les Bourgeois Bistro on the bluffs of the Missouri River. To complement our day of adventure, we have a mystery venue planned for the afternoon. So, if you are adventurous, sign up today to join us on a fun trip to see the Clydesdales, delight in lunch overlooking the Missouri River, and enjoy an afternoon surprise.

Departure time: 9:00 a.m. Return: 5:30 p.m.

Escorts: Kay Freidinger -- 645-3116
Kay Martellaro -- 680-6058

Cost: \$70 \$40 Due with registration
Final payment \$30 due by May 15, 2017

Million Dollar Quartet

Wednesday, July 26, 2017

The New Theatre, Overland Park, KS

Million Dollar Quartet is the smash-hit musical inspired by the famed recording session that brought together rock 'n' roll icons Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, and Carl Perkins for the first and only time. On December 4, 1956, these four young musicians gathered at Sun Records in Memphis for what would be one of the greatest jam sessions ever. *Million Dollar Quartet* brings that legendary night to life, featuring a score of rock hits including "Blue Suede Shoes," "Fever," "That's All Right," "Sixteen Tons," "Great Balls of Fire," "Walk the Line," "Whole Lotta Shakin' Goin' On," "Who Do You Love?," "Matchbox," "Folsom Prison Blues," "Hound Dog" and more.

This thrilling musical brings you inside the recording studio when these four major talents came together as a red-hot rock 'n' roll band for one unforgettable night. In addition to an afternoon of memorable music, travelers will enjoy a bountiful buffet luncheon served at the theater.

Departure time: 7:30 a.m. Return: 7:30 p.m.

Escorts: Mary Stieffermann Wilde – 619-1299
Carla Brandes – 353-9654

Cost: \$73 \$40 due with registration
Final payment of \$33 due by June 20, 2017



--Save the Date--

Cardinals vs. Royals Baseball Thursday, August 10, 2017

A full description will appear in the April Learning Times and summer newsletter.

Let's fill the coach with the Red and the Blue!

COURSES JANUARY — JUNE 2017

Free Courses Begin on Page 12

Miscellaneous Course Information

•Registration forms are provided in the LIR newsletter or on the LIR web site. Each course is \$12.00 unless otherwise noted.

Registration will be accepted by mail or at the Winter Membership Meeting on January 18, 2017. (See front page)

•Location of courses varies, depending on topic and size of class. Specific locations are named with each course in this newsletter.

FAMILIES AND THE LAW

Time: 10 a.m. to Noon

Dates: Tuesdays, February 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2017

Place: South Campus, LU, 900 Leslie Blvd

Second only to municipal (traffic) court, most people's experiences with the court system occur in family court. More than half of the cases filed in the Circuit Court of Cole County involve the intersection of law and people. This program will introduce you to various topics in the area of law known as "family law." Various family law attorneys from the Cole County Bar will present four sessions.

Session 1. Introduction to the Court System - general family law issues such as divorce, paternity, custody and visitation, child support, and orders of protection

Session 2. The Juvenile Court System – abuse and neglect, delinquency and status offenses

Session 3. Alternative Custody Arrangements – third party custody, guardianships and adoptions, grandparents' rights in family and juvenile law cases

Session 4. Local programs that support children in the system achieving independence

Presenters: Circuit Judge Jon Beetem, Members of Cole County Bar and others

Coordinators: John and Elaine Shimmens, 636-6606

THE IMPACT OF 20TH CENTURY WORLD WARS ON CLASSICAL COMPOSERS AND MUSIC

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

Dates: Wednesdays, February 8, 15, 22, & March 1

Place: South Campus, LU, 900 Leslie Blvd.

Think of human achievements of the 20th century in the arts, sciences, medicine, communications, transportation, technology, and human comfort. The century began for many with a spirit of optimism, and human life improved substantially in many parts of the world.

Yet, that very same century turned into a time of unprecedented brutality and devastation in many places. It has also been called "The Century of Total War." We learned that we belong to a species that could do amazing, positive things to make the world a better place. At the same time, we also learned that we could use our intellectual and technological powers to bring about destruction that could—and did—destroy the lives of incredible numbers of men, women, and children.

The wars affected people of all sorts, including serious composers of music. This class will explore how the wars affected classical composers personally and how they responded in their music.

The course will be divided into two sections, with the first section devoted to "The Great War" (World War I) and the second section devoted to World War II. In each section, we will listen briefly to examples of the patriotic music that was used to stir people to support their countries' war efforts, followed much more fully by examples of music that show the reactions of composers to the tragedies of the wars, which many of the composers experienced directly.

Out of the ugliness of the wars came the inspiration for the creation of music we can experience to probe what it means to be human.

Presenter: Warren Solomon 893-4407
whsolomon@mchsi.com

Coordinator: Joan Solomon 893-4407
jmsolomon@mchsi.com

COURSES JANUARY – JUNE 2017

MSHP CRIME LAB: THE REAL DEAL IN MISSOURI

Time: 1:30 to 3:30 PM

Dates: Thursdays, February 9, 16, 23, and March 2,

Place: South Campus, LU, 900 Leslie Blvd.

This class will showcase the work of the employees of the Missouri State Highway Patrol laboratory – people who are dedicated to finding the truth through science. Their work affects real people – the people of Missouri. Come and learn from the scientists who work every day in support of the Highway Patrol’s vision to “...ensure Missouri is a safe place to live or visit.”

Week 1: DNA Casework and CODIS

The DNA Casework section examines evidence for body fluids and for comparison to the profiles of individuals associated with the crime. The CODIS section processes samples from individuals obligated by statute to provide a DNA sample.

Week 2: Latent Prints and Trace Evidence

The latent print section locates, processes, and preserves friction ridge impressions and determines whether two friction ridge impressions originated from the same source. The trace evidence section tests hair, fiber, paint, glass, explosives, and fire debris.

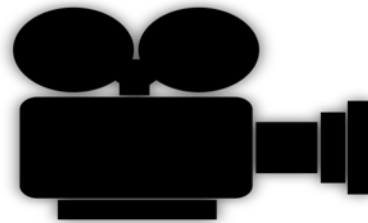
Week 3: Drug Chemistry and Toxicology

This section covers conducting chemical analysis of evidence confiscated during criminal investigations involving dangerous drugs and clandestine labs.

Week 4: Firearms and Toolmarks

This class examines evidence related to firearms, firearm components, ammunition, tools, toolmarks, footwear, and tire tread impressions.

Coordinator: Dr. David Linsenbardt 636-3727



MOVIES OF 1992 HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, LIR !

Come help us celebrate 25 years of LIR by watching movies released in 1992. Enjoy comedy, comedic capers, drama, and animated musical fantasy – four different successful movies made in 1992. The stars include Whoopi Goldberg, Robert Redford, actor/director Sidney Poitier, Brad Pitt, and the voice of Robin Williams. Whether you have seen these movies before or not, come and join us at the movies.

Time: 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Dates: Wednesdays, March 8, 15, 22, 29, 2017

Place: Missouri River Regional Library

March 8: *SISTER ACT*

A Vegas singer witnesses a mob murder, and the cops stash her in a nunnery to protect her from the hit men. The mother superior does not trust her and takes steps to limit her influence on the other nuns. The singer rescues the failing choir and begins to help with community projects. Eventually, the mob finds her whereabouts, and the chase is back on.

March 15: *SNEAKERS*

A group of security analysts is offered a job by the CIA, and when they are reluctant, they are pressured to disclose the identity of their leader, a 60s radical with outstanding warrants. A chip exists that will allow any computer to be cracked, and organized crime will soon control it, though sudden changes in their police records suggest that it is already operational.

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March 22: *A RIVER RUNS THROUGH IT*

The true story of two boys growing up in rural Montana who rebelled against their stern minister father. Their mornings were spent in school and religious study, while their afternoons were devoted to fly fishing for trout in the Blackfoot River. The oldest brother Norman eventually leaves home and becomes a disciplined, grounded professor, while younger brother Paul becomes a rebellious journalist and descends into gambling and liquor.

March 29: *ALADDIN*

Aladdin is the only person who can enter the cave of wonders and retrieve a magical lamp. Aladdin becomes trapped in the cave and accidentally discovers Genie, the resident of the lamp. When the lamp is stolen, Aladdin must rely on his intelligence to save his friends and the Kingdom.

Coordinator: Karen Sander 635-0931

CLASSICAL MYTHOLOGY: FROM AENEAS TO ZEPHYR

Time: 1:30 to 3:30 PM

Dates: Thursdays, March 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2017

Place: South Campus, LU, 900 Leslie Blvd.

In the ancient world, the Greeks (and later the Romans) amassed a treasury of stories to entertain their progeny, to recall their history, and to provide explanations for the natural world surrounding them. These stories are still part of our western modern literature, art, science, and language. "And by Jove, I intend to remind my listeners of the ongoing power of myth in today's world," promised our presenter, James Ferris.

Weekly topics:

1. Introduction of Classical Mythology and the Creation of Gaia and the Olympians.

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2. The Olympians
3. Saga: Epic mythology
4. The Greek Heroes, visual mythology, and favorite myths.

Presenter: James Ferris, Retired teacher

Coordinator: Dr. David Linsenbardt 636-3727

"BECOMING MISSOURI"

25th Anniversary Class

Time: 10:00 a.m. -- 3:00 p.m.

Date: Thursday, June 8, 2017

(Lunch included)

Place: St. Martin's

Knights of Columbus



This class is offered by the curriculum committee in celebration of the 25th anniversary of our Learning in Retirement organization. This class will be a one-day class and will feature Mr. Bob Priddy, a well-known historian and journalist, who covered the Missouri Senate as a reporter for many years. You may also recall his radio vignettes about interesting facts of Missouri, called "Across Our Wide Missouri." He has also published several books about Missouri and the art at the Capitol.

In his presentation, Mr. Priddy will discuss who we were, who we are now, and how we got where we are today. This promises to be a very informative and entertaining session and should be enjoyed by all attending. A box lunch is included in the fee.

Schedule: 10:00 a.m. - Noon, Presentation by Mr. Priddy
Noon - 1:00 p.m., Box lunch for participants
1:00 - 3:00 p.m., Presentation by Mr. Priddy

Cost: \$15.00 per participant (includes box lunch and drink)

Coordinator: Dr. David Linsenbardt 636-3727

Course Cancellation Policy

The registration fee may be refunded if the LIR Office 681-6152 receives notification one week prior to the start date of the first class. Refunds are processed after the session is completed.

Should an emergency occur after the deadline that prevents the registrant from attending the course, the LIR Office should be notified as soon as possible. Refunds will be considered on a case-by-case basis by the curriculum chair and the office manager.

FREE COURSES JANUARY—JUNE 2017

Free Courses

This issue of *The Learning Times* has several one-day free classes. These will be indicated with asterisks before and after the title, for example,

Title

Please register for these classes to ensure enough chairs are provided.

HOME COMPUTER SECURITY PLUS

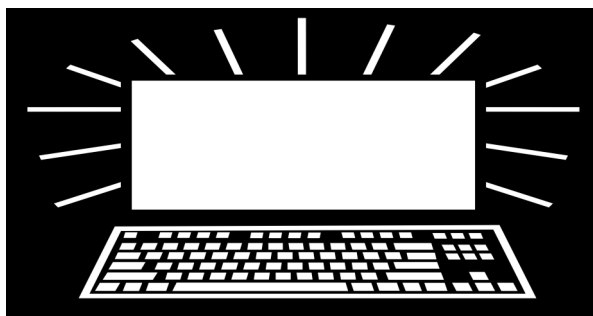
Time: 10 a.m. to Noon
Date: Tuesday, January 31, 2017
Place: Masonic Lodge, Masonic Court off Truman Blvd.

Computer and cyber security is very much a problem, not only for business and the government, but also for individuals. Banking by computers has also been threatened by hackers. Cell phones now do significantly more than just messaging.

We shall explore a number of ways to protect your computer and other devices on your home network from digital security threats. We shall also explore browsing the internet safely and managing online accounts with strong unique passwords.

Computers, phones, and tablets are complex. Security is a significant problem. Join us as Steve Warfield from Lincoln University's IT Department gives us tips to help us keep our devices and our information secure.

Presenter: Steve Warfield, IT Dept., Lincoln University
Coordinator : Carol Ellinger, 893-2331



PAINTING FOR PEACE IN FERGUSON

Time: 10:00 a.m. to Noon
Date: Monday, February 20, 2017
Place: Page Library, Room 100, Lincoln University,
712 Lee Dr.

The book *Painting for Peace in Ferguson* is dedicated to the people of Ferguson and St. Louis as they begin the steps of healing and creating a stronger and better community. Join the discussion. Learn how the inspired community of Ferguson and greater St. Louis, since 2014, have helped and are continuing to help to heal through art.

Author, journalist, and marketing professional Carol Swartout Klein, who grew up in Ferguson, witnessed how profoundly the concern and understanding of the affected community helped to effect a positive change.

More than 300 volunteers of all ages, races, and backgrounds worked repairing and painting Ferguson. They, the community, began a movement that raised the spirits and self-respect for themselves and the entire area.

As observers, we and many others far from Ferguson and St. Louis have taken notice. Ms. Klein and her community have earned recognition and accolades for the artwork, this beautiful book *Painting for Peace in Ferguson*, and the positive steps they have taken toward healing.

Come, join the conversation.

Presenter: Carol Swartout Klein
Coordinator: Addie Baker, 954-699-1191

FREE COURSES JANUARY — JUNE 2017



CHANGING BIG CITY NEWSPAPERS: **THEIR PAST, PRESENT, AND LIKELY FUTURES**

Time: 10 a.m. to Noon
Date: Thursday, April 6, 2017
Place: South Campus, LU, 900 Leslie Blvd.

Like everything else in our world, the news media have undergone tremendous changes in recent years. While twenty years ago few people knew the word "Internet," today many people use it as their major source for news and other information. This LIR class will focus on issues related to the role of the newspaper in today's society, how it has changed, and how it is continuing to change with a special focus on major metropolitan city newspapers.

Our presenters will be experts on the topic: Terry Ganey and Virginia Young, both of whom are former journalists with the St. Louis *Post-Dispatch*. Mr. Ganey has had all kinds of assignments with the newspaper, including national and international assignments.

Ms. Young most recently had as her assignment the news beat in Jefferson City, with a focus on state government. The careers of both journalists have been sufficiently long that they have a solid perspective on how the paper has changed over the years. They are also insightful on where the paper seems to be going.
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They will share with us their own professional experiences, paying special attention to such matters as how the paper has changed over the years, the challenges they and other newspaper journalists have faced, the future of newspaper journalism, and the importance of metropolitan newspapers for us as citizens in a democratic republic.

Presenters: Terry Ganey and Virginia Young

Coordinator: Warren Solomon, a subscriber to the Post-Dispatch from the 1960s to the present, 893-4407, whsolomon@mchsi.com

*** WOLFNER LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND*** **SERVING MORE THAN THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED**

Time: 10 a.m. to Noon
Date: Tuesday, April 18, 2017
Place: South Campus, LU, 900 Leslie Blvd.

Currently, more than 11,000 Missourians actively use Wolfner Library in Jefferson City. Wolfner Library is a free library service for Missourians who are unable to use standard print materials due to a visual disability OR a physical disability such as Parkinson's.

The library's collection includes fiction and nonfiction audio and braille books for all ages. Over 70 magazine subscriptions are available, and the library loans playback machines to those using audio books. Wolfner mails materials to and from library patrons at their homes, postage paid. No fee is charged for the services.

Donna Regal, Ph.D., Director of Wolfner Library, will discuss how reading material is prepared and presented. She will explain how to apply for this service for yourself, a relative, or an acquaintance. She will also discuss how you can become a volunteer at the library.

Presenter: Dr. Donna Regal, Director of the Wolfner Library
Coordinator: Theresa Sullivan, 635-6404



FREE COURSES JANUARY – JUNE 2017

MAN'S EFFECT ON THE PLANET

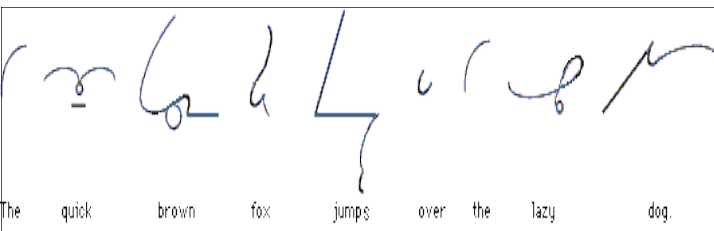
Time: 10 a.m. to Noon
 Date: Monday, April 24, 2017
 Place: South Campus, LU, 900 Leslie Blvd.

We humans have had an effect on this earth since our arrival. Some scientists give us credit for the extinction of numerous animal species, depleting forests, rerouting rivers, destroying the ozone layer, and even affecting the weather.



Mike Urban, Ph.D. in Geography from the University of Illinois, is an Associate Professor and Department Chair in Geography at the University of Missouri. He has specialized in how rivers and human activity have changed our landscape. He has published numerous research articles in scholarly journals. Dr. Urban will discuss how we are affecting our planet and how we can prevent serious consequences. Many scientists believe these consequences are caused by our unwise use of resources.

Presenter: Dr. Michael Urban, Ph.D., Professor,
 University of Missouri
 Coordinator: Theresa Sullivan, 635-6404



*** SHORTHAND***

INTRODUCTION, ReINTRODUCTION NOT FOR WOMEN ONLY!

Time: 10:00 a.m. to Noon
 Date: Thursday, April 27, 2017
 Place: South Campus, LU, 900 Leslie Blvd.

Come review and practice an old skill or learn about it. Yes, it is **Shorthand** -- a method of writing rapidly. Many of you may have learned it a few years ago and may still be using it for notes. Some of you may have heard about it and would just like to see it in action. This will be a review of an old language or an introduction to it if you have not previously taken a shorthand class. Verna Luebbert, a retired business education teacher and member of LIR, will show you the fun of shorthand.

Presenter: Verna Luebbert, 635-8060
 Coordinator: Betty Mudd, 634-2212

LOTTERY AND GAMBLING IN MISSOURI

Time: 10:00 a.m. - Noon
 Date: Thursday, May 11, 2017
 Place: Missouri Gaming Commission, 3417 Knipp Drive,
 Hearing Room

We have had legalized gambling in Missouri for many years. The major forms of gambling are regulated by the Lottery Commission and the Missouri Gaming Commission. Whether you participate in the lottery, casino gambling, or charitable gambling, you should know how it is regulated, how the proceeds are used, and how problem gamblers are assisted by these commissions. How much of the lottery proceeds actually go to education? How much of lottery revenue is returned as prizes?

In addition to the lottery, 13 casinos operate in Missouri. How are they licensed and regulated? What steps do they take to prevent gambling addiction? What kinds of games are offered?

Finally, many churches and charitable organizations hold Bingo games. Do organizations need to have a license to hold these events? What are the restrictions on the operators of such games?

The Lottery and Gaming Commissions will answer these and many other questions.

Coordinator: Bill Gerling: 220-4319

*** HANDS-ON ART PROGRAM***

Time: 10:00 a.m. to Noon
 Date: Wednesday, May 17, 2017
 Place: South Campus, LU, 900 Leslie Blvd.

The winner of this year's Learning In Retirement scholarship, Makayla James, a Lincoln University senior art student, will dazzle us with a hands-on art class. Come prepared to try out your art talent as she takes us through the process of obtaining knowledge of the human figure and then portraying that human figure. She will also share some of her showcase projects, including those recently displayed at Lincoln's Homecoming.

Makayla is a native of Vienna, Missouri, and is working toward a Bachelor of Science in Art Education. This class is partially a hands-on class. You are invited to participate.

Presenter: Makayla James, Art Student and
 Scholarship Winner, Lincoln University

Coordinators: Bill and Verna Luebbert, 635-8060

CLUBS

CLUBS ARE FREE!

You are invited to join, at no extra cost, any of our LIR clubs by calling Marigene Brewer, LIR Club Coordinator, at 636-8183, or you can call any of the clubs' facilitators.

If you are interested in starting additional clubs, such as crafts, investments, travel, or some other, please direct your suggestions to Marigene.



DO BOOKS INTEREST YOU?

The book club members have chosen the books they will be reading in the next several months. If they appeal to your reading interests, please sign up at the membership meeting and join the group on the fourth Monday of the month.

January The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald
February Bettyville by George Hodgman
March Watchers by Dean Koontz
April First Women: The Grace and Power of America's Modern First Ladies
by Kate Andersen Brower
May Girl on the Train by Paula Hawkins
June H is for Hawk by Helen McDonald
July Oregon Trail by Rinker Buck

The book club will also be giving a free class on banned books in September for Banned Book Week.

Save the Date: September 25, 2017

CLUBS

Bocce Ball: Mondays, Sept-Nov & April-June
Two Sessions: 9 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.

Facilitator: Linda Schwartz 635-5392

Location: Prison Brews, Ash Street

Book Club: 4th Monday, 1-2 p.m.

Facilitator: Barb Maxwell, 619-5921

Location: LIR Classroom 8

Callers: Theresa Sullivan 635-6404 &

Arlene Stayton 660-433-2415

Bridge Club I: 2nd Monday, 1 p.m.

Facilitator: Keith Krueger, 462-0779/659-3834

Location: LIR Classroom 8

Bridge Club II: 1st Monday, 1 p.m.

Facilitator: Mary Ann Ruth, 659-7875

Location: LIR Classroom 8

Canasta: 2nd Tuesday, 10 a.m.-Noon

Facilitator: Barbara Barnard, 896-9485

Location: LIR Classroom 8

Creative Writers: 2nd Thursday, 10 a.m.

Facilitator: Denise Kliethermes, 395-4662

Location: LIR Classroom 8

Caller: Dorothy Tighe, 491-3927

Dominoes 1: 1st & 3rd Mondays 10 a.m.– noon

Facilitator: Sue Alberti 635-2436

Location: LIR Classroom 8

Dominoes II: 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 1-3 p.m.

Facilitator: Shirley Denkler, 635-7754

Location: LIR Classroom 8

LIR Jammers: 1st & 3rd Monday, 9-10:30 a.m.

Facilitator: Peter DeSimone 393-0940

Location: Theresa Sullivan's home

Pinochle: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 10 a.m.

Facilitator: Cathie Middleton, 761-1425

Location: LIR Classroom 8

Pitch: 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 1 p.m.

Facilitator: Bob Maxwell, 418-8864

Location: LIR Classroom 8

Scrabble: 3rd Monday, 1 p.m.

Facilitator: Marigene Brewer, 636-8183

Location: LIR Classroom 8

Caller: Marilyn Miller, 636-8233

Walking/Hiking: Thursdays 8:30 a.m. Summer,
9:30 a.m. Winter

Facilitators: John & Ellen Richardson, 893-4909

Location varies



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Mark your calendars for the Summer Membership Meeting
July 19, 2017
St. Martins Knights of Columbus Building