



The Learning Times

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President's Message

WINTER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday, January 20, 2016

Snow date

Wednesday, January 27, 2016

Doors open at 12:45 p.m.

Meeting at 1:30 p.m.

St. Martins

Knights of Columbus Building

Highway 50W – Route T

Energized!

That's how I feel as we start 2016 with a full slate of classes, trips, and clubs for our LIR membership. Our membership of over 400 members representing some 25 communities in and around Jefferson City makes me realize how important our organization is for seniors. We fill a niche that includes informational courses, interesting trips, a variety of clubs, and a super group of individuals who like to socialize, make new friends, and volunteer in their areas of expertise. As we enter our 24th year, I am also very honored to have been selected to be president of this great organization!

This past fall, I attended several travel and curriculum planning meetings where the committee members discussed ideas that soon developed into the super line-up of classes and trips contained in this newsletter. Carol Ellinger, curriculum chair, and Marge Kudrna, our new travel chair, have gone the extra mile to make sure we have the quantity and quality of trips and courses to meet your interests.

New this year is a trip being offered initially to new members. This trip is a direct result of new member comments about the difficulty in finding trips that are still available. You will find more information and a description of this "New Members Trip" within the Trips section of this newsletter. We hope to offer more of these trips in the future.

Our clubs line-up and participation continues to grow with two new clubs added last year. Marigene Brewer, clubs chair, along with travel and curriculum, welcome new suggestions for clubs, trips, and courses, so don't hesitate to call the LIR office or a board member to voice your interest in a specific topic or place.

It is my hope that each of you will also feel *energized* when you become involved in LIR and take advantage of all it has to offer!

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Kathel Cooper
LIR President, 2016

Board of Directors – 2016

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Rita Grace, Web Administrator

Brandon Hildreth, Lincoln University Liaison

LU / LIR Parking Permits for 2015-2016

Lincoln University parking permits for LIR members will be available for purchase at the membership meeting on January 20, or after that date at the LIR Office. Parking permits are good for parking on the Soldiers Hall parking lot. The permits are valid from September 1, 2015, through August 31, 2016.

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

Winter Membership Meeting

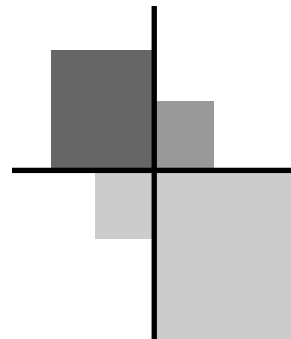
January ushers in a new year and new opportunities for you as an LIR member or prospective member. This is an exciting time for you to make plans to join your fellow LIR members in selecting and registering for scheduled trips, classes, and clubs.

The Winter Membership Meeting will introduce the new lineup of planned activities and events for winter and spring 2016. A program of entertainment has been planned for your enjoyment. The Hospitality Committee will provide delicious snacks for you to enjoy at the conclusion of the meeting.

Doors will open at 12:45 p.m., and the meeting will be called to order at 1:30 p.m. by our 2016 president, Kathel Cooper. If you wish to sign up for a club, class, or trip, you are encouraged to do so in the Exhibit Area *prior to the meeting*. Membership dues may be paid at this meeting, and we encourage you and all prospective/new members to attend to see what LIR offers.

There is no cost to attend the meeting; however, each attendee is requested to make a reservation in order to provide adequate seating and refreshments for all. Please make your 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.

Door prizes for free courses will be awarded to five lucky members! Join us Wednesday, January 20, 2016, at the St. Martins Knights of Columbus Hall.



Past President's Farewell

This has been a wonderful year for LIR! I have felt privileged to be your president and to attend many of the wonderful classes and trips planned for our members.

I want to thank my board and chairs for a great year, especially those board members who will be going off the board this year: Dan Herman, Donna White, PeeWee Forck, and Sue Alberti, who served an additional year as Treasurer. Rosemarie Turner will be stepping down as Travel Chair and Celia Smith as Parliamentarian.

Our organization remains strong and vibrant due to **you**, the volunteers who serve on our committees, plan our trips, facilitate our clubs, and coordinate our classes.

I look forward to seeing you at our January Membership Meeting, on one of our upcoming trips, and/or in our classes or clubs.

Judy Alexiou, Past President (2015)

Cancellations-Inclement Weather Policy

LIR membership meetings, classes, and clubs may be cancelled due to inclement weather 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: the LIR website; an "ALERT" group email to members, and/or a call tree. Education travel cancellations occur **ONLY** when the contracted coach company cancels due to its determination of highway safety. Travelers are contacted individually if a cancellation occurs.

The Winter (January) General Membership Meeting is scheduled with a make-up date, typically the same

Take a bow – and thanks!

to outgoing president, Judy Alexiou, for her outstanding leadership this past year. She handled several difficult tasks with utmost professionalism.

to Sue Alberti for serving an additional year as treasurer, making the transition much easier for incoming treasurer, Becky Washburn.

to Celia Smith, who guided us through parliamentary procedures during our board meetings the past couple of years.

to outgoing board members PeeWee Forck, Dan Hermann, Judy Alexiou, and Donna White for their guidance and decision making.

a special thank you to Rosemarie Turner. Rosemarie is stepping down from the chairmanship of the Travel Committee after guiding it since 2006. Many of our members have enjoyed the thousands of miles that she has helped plan and traveled over the years.

Take a bow – and welcome

to incoming board members (first term) Cathie Middleton, Don Neumann, and Marge Kudrna, and (second term) Marigene Brewer.

day/time/location during the following week. Length and content of the meeting will be adjusted to accommodate the make-up situation. Should a second weather-related cancellation occur for the membership meeting, a business meeting **ONLY** will be held within one week of the cancelled meeting.

Payment Procedure Trips, Courses, Dues and Events

To streamline the payment process for trips, courses, membership dues, and catered luncheon fees 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.
- **NEW MEMBER APPLICATION/DUES:** A separate check should be issued for membership dues. A [Membership Application](#) form is included in this newsletter.

DUES REMINDER

Your 2016 membership fee of \$40.00 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 20, 2016, or mail it to

LIR Office,
PO Box 105166,
Jefferson City, MO 65110



Know B-4 U Go –Talk Time

January 12, 2016

Bring your questions about any of the scheduled trips to our “Talk Time,” and the Travel Committee will have the answers! Refreshments will be served, and we’ll have plenty of hot coffee. Non-members are welcome to attend; however, to register for a trip, you must be an LIR member. It’s a great time to socialize, meet new friends, and receive additional information about the scheduled trips.

Date: 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 12, 2016

Place: LU South Campus, Lorenzo Green Hall,
900 Leslie Blvd

ANNOUNCING NEW MEMBERS’ TRIP New This Year

New this year is a trip offered initially to members who are new during 2015 and 2016. Registration will remain open to new members until February 1st -- which follows our January 2016 General Membership meeting, BUT other members should sign up now to fill seats not claimed by new members.

TRIPS: JANUARY - AUGUST 2016

Lincoln University--150 Years Later

Wednesday, March 9, 2016

Lincoln University was founded in 1866 by the 62nd and 65th US Colored infantries and their white officers for the special benefit of freed African-Americans. Join us as we celebrate Lincoln University's 150th anniversary. Our morning will start at 8:30 a.m. when we board our bus at Walmart. Lincoln University staff will greet us in the Blue Stop Shop, and our tour begins with a history presentation of the college.

Lunch will be on campus, after which we will have a student panel, followed by a discussion by the Lincoln University Police Department. Our afternoon will continue with a tour of the Lincoln University Health Center, Career Services, and Memorial Hall.

A quick stop at Central Dairy is scheduled before heading back to our cars by 4:15 p.m.

Departure time: 8:30 a.m. Return: 4:15 p.m.

Escorts: Donna White 659-8495
Randy Ford 635-0210

Cost: \$25.00 One payment, due with registration

Mark Twain Tonight!

Reprised by Hal Holbrook

Saturday, April 2, 2016

This is your chance to see Missouri's native son, Mark Twain, reprised by Hal Holbrook at the Jesse Hall Auditorium in Columbia. Mr. Holbrook's portrayal of the legendary American author, humorist, and storyteller is magnificent. Don't miss this opportunity to see this critically acclaimed and longest-running show in American theater history.

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The cost of your trip includes a buffet dinner (hamburgers, grilled chicken, cottage cheese, cole slaw, french fries, fruit cobbler) at The Heidelberg.

Departure time: 3:45 p.m. Return: 9:45 p.m.

Escorts: Kay Martellaro 893-7889
Marge Kudrna 635-0370

Cost: \$95.00

\$55.00 due with registration

Final Payment: \$40.00 due March 11

Dogwood/Azalea Festival

Charleston, Missouri

Plus New Madrid and Ste. Genevieve

Friday, April 15, through Sunday, April 17, 2016

Come join us for a fun-filled three-day, two-night trip to the southeastern part of Missouri. Our journey will take us first to the New Madrid Country Club for a delicious lunch, followed by a tour of the historical "It's Our Fault" Museum. Later, we will experience the 1/5th mile Mississippi River Walk in New Madrid, where we will see the river as it winds around the New Madrid Bend, a point of strategic significance during the Civil War.

As our first day comes to an end, we will head to the Pear Tree Inn in Sikeston, MO, where we will spend two nights. Free snacks are available at the Inn before we enjoy dinner at Cheers Bar and Grill, a favorite restaurant of Sikeston locals.

On Saturday after a delicious breakfast at the Pear Tree Inn, we will board the coach for an exciting day in Charleston. Each year in mid-April, Charleston hosts its annual Dogwood-Azalea Festival. This is a wonderful time when the entire town glows in the beauty cast by millions of colorful dogwood and azalea blossoms. A step-on guide will board our bus for a tour of Charleston.

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We will visit the Warren E. Hearnes Museum to view items from Missouri Governor Warren Hearnes 22 years in elective office. Our coach will then take us to Dr. E. Charles Rolwing Park where we can stroll through the park to see woodcrafts, jewelry, and other quality crafts on display and for sale, along with food booths and entertainment. Highlights, along with many other exhibits, include the Step Back in Time Pioneer Days exhibit where we will visit folks from a by-gone era, and a plant sale where the local garden club will offer many varieties of azaleas and other plants for sale. As a group, we will visit the quilt show and the Moore House, a lovely three-story Victorian home built circa 1899, which remains one of the county's loveliest links to the past.

Later in the afternoon, we will board the coach to attend the Piano Praise Concert at the First Baptist Church where 16 pianists on eight pianos and one organist will perform. This promises to be a truly magnificent performance. After the concert, we will go to the Charleston High School to enjoy a fish fry dinner with all your favorite trimmings that is a must-do for festival goers.

Following dinner, we will enjoy the Charleston Candlelight Walk that begins at dusk. White luminaries line the dogwood-azalea trail, and banks of azaleas glow under the spotlights. Beautiful homes, friendly residents, and entertainment are provided along the way. What a perfect way to end our visit to Charleston, a beautiful city at the top of Missouri's "Bootheel."

On our way home Sunday morning, we will stop at the Ste. Genevieve Welcome Center. We will meet our step-on guide, who will take us on a one-hour tour of Ste. Genevieve. Following the tour, we will enjoy a lunch/brunch at Audubon's and take time to visit a few of the antique and specialty shops before we board our coach for our trip home. We anticipate arriving in Jefferson City by 4:15 p.m. Schedule of the festival activities dictates that we must stay over Saturday evening.

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Cost includes all admissions and activities, tour-related taxes and gratuities, two nights lodging, two breakfasts, two lunches, and two dinners. Lunch at the festival on Saturday will be on your own.

Departure time: 7:00 a.m., Friday, April 15, 2016
Return: 4:15 p.m., Sunday, April 17, 2016

Escorts: Kay Freidinger 636-8919
Mary Stiefermann Wilde 635-1066
Marge Kudrna 635-0370

Cost: Double \$254.00 Single \$348.00
\$150.00 due with registration
Final payment due March 1
Double \$104.00 Single \$198.00



RAGTIME: The Musical

Muriel Kauffman Theatre
Kansas City, MO
May 21, 2016

This Kansas City trip brings two new exciting experiences -- the spectacular Kaufman Center and the musical *Ragtime*! The theatre's architectural design will certainly impress you. Its beauty and the spectacular seating design arranged in a semi-circle brings the audience closer to the performance, adding to everyone's enjoyment.

Ragtime is one of the most acclaimed musicals of modern times and winner of four Tony awards during its 1998 Broadway debut, a grand diorama of early 20th Century American life featuring appearances from some of the most important figures of the day, including Houdini and Henry Ford, and all shot through the music of ragtime. It paints a picture of American life by weaving together the stories of three separate and very different families. There's the upper-class white Protestant family living in New York, the African-American family headed by ragtime musician Coalhouse Walker, Jr., and the poor European migrants Tatch and his daughter, who arrive at Ellis

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Island for a better life. This patchwork of characters cross paths and overlap each other in surprising ways, their seemingly disparate strands coming together in a profound depiction of the American experience. Travel with us for an enjoyable May day in KC.

Following the show, we will have dinner at the Hereford House in Independence.

Departure Time: 10:30 a.m.

Return Time: 10:15 p.m.

Escorts: Rosemarie Turner 635-3175

Henry Dahl 635-2139

Cost - \$137.00

\$65.00 due with registration

Final payment \$72.00 due April 12, 2016

Plant & Animal Tour Purina Research Farm & Shaw Nature Center

Wednesday, May 25, 2016

Animal Lovers, Nature Lovers – this trip is for you. The first stop is the Purina Research Farm. This is the world's largest commercial research farm, covering 738 acres in the Missouri countryside near Gray Summit. It is not a show-place, but is maintained just like the average farm to provide a practical testing ground for formulas that eventually become PURINA CHOWS.

Here we will enjoy a variety of activities, including wagon rides, animal barn, milking demonstration, canine performances of agility, diving dog and flying disc.

We will enjoy lunch at Hawthorne Inn in Labadie, Missouri, where for over 20 years, the Inn has been serving Franklin County and surrounding areas with award-winning food. After lunch, we will visit the Shaw Nature Reserve sitting on 2,400 acres; the grounds of the Shaw Nature Preserve are

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an unparalleled classroom on the Meramec River in the region known as the Ozark Border. Since Shaw Nature Reserve sits at the juncture of several major Midwestern habitats, the diversity of both plant and animal life is great. From gardening practices to nature study and everything in between—Shaw Nature Reserve offers a full range of learning opportunities. A step-on guide will give us a tour of the Reserve.

We will also enjoy the wilderness garden, hiking trails, or the Bascom House, an elegant brick home built in 1879 by former Confederate Col. Thomas W.B. Crews.

Departure time: 7:30 a.m. Return: 7:15 p.m.

Escorts: Mary Stieffermann Wilde 635-1066

Marge Kudrna 635-0370

Cost: \$55.00

\$30.00 due with registration

Final Payment \$25.00 due April 15, 2016



All Things LINCOLN

June 8, 9, 10, 2016

Join us for a three-day, two-night tour of the Springfield, IL, area. We will leave JC on Wednesday, June 8, at 8 a.m., heading to Lincoln's New Salem Village near Petersburg, IL. We will have lunch in the area before reaching our destination, where interpreters dressed in frontier garb portray pioneers in this recreated 1800s village of timber shops and houses where a young Lincoln once lived.

After touring New Salem, we will continue on to Springfield where we will check into Comfort Suites — our home for the next two days. Dinner will be on your own at Smokey Bones BBQ near our

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hotel. After dinner, we will participate in the 90-minute Lincoln's Ghost Walk: Legends and Lore Tour of Springfield.

Thursday morning after breakfast at the hotel, our guide will rejoin us for a tour of the Old State Capitol where Lincoln made his famous "House Divided" speech, then on to the White House.

We will board our coach and head north to Lincoln, IL, where we will have lunch and tour the Lincoln Heritage Museum on the Lincoln College campus. On our way back to Comfort Suites, we'll stop at the Lincoln Memorial Gardens. Dinner will be at Malbaners Restaurant (included).

Friday morning after breakfast at the hotel, we will visit the Lincoln Presidential Museum and Library. Before leaving Springfield, we will stop by the Lincoln Tomb and War Memorials. Lunch and dinner stops will be made on the way home. Plans are to arrive back in Jefferson City by 7:30 p.m.

Departure time: 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 8
Return: 7:30 p.m., Friday, June 10, 2016

Escorts: Vicki Ford 635-0210
Marla Buechter 636-5425
Marge Kudrna 635-0370

Cost: Double - \$306.00 Single - \$427.00
\$200.00 due with registration

Final payment due May 4, 2016
Double: \$106.00 Single: \$227.00



Hear Ye! Hear Ye! - New Members

History, Nature & Shopping

Thursday, June 23, 2016

Many of our trips fill up quickly so we are giving **NEW MEMBERS** an opportunity to sign up first for this fun trip! Members (prior to 2015) may also sign up (and will immediately go to the wait list), and will be added to the confirmed list after Feb. 1 to fill available spaces.

Our first stop will be at Bothwell Lodge State Historic Site in Sedalia. This 12,000-square-foot lodge contains 31 rooms on three levels and illustrates many cultural and architectural changes of the period from 1890 through 1929.

John Homer Bothwell moved to Sedalia in 1871 to open a law office and soon became very involved in promoting the community. He was a state legislator for eight years, unsuccessfully ran for governor in 1904, and his influence helped to make Sedalia the permanent location for the Missouri State Fair. In 1969, the property was offered to the state of Missouri and is now administered by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

When we arrive at Powell Gardens, we will enjoy lunch in the Cafe Thyme before a guided tour. We will stroll through Powell Gardens, Kansas City's botanical garden, experiencing the open terrain of the rolling 915-acre garden in Kingsville, Missouri. The garden features 6,000 varieties of plants with 225,000 plants in seasonal displays and stunning architecture.

While enjoying the flowers, you can also visit the Marjorie Powell Allen Chapel, the Missouri Barn to view the flower/vegetable Quilt Gardens from the 45-foot silo, the Insectary Gardens surrounding a fountain, the Water Garden with its Monet-inspired planting palette of water lilies, lotus, and giant Victorias, and so much more. This trip will include an amount of walking at the gardens.

We move on to the cottages of Cockrell Mercantile Company, which boasts a store full of gourmet delights. While visiting the five cottages, you will be amazed by the collection of kitchen gadgets, gourmet foods, cook-

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ware, linens, candles, scents, Fiestaware, flower pots, garden/porch décor, and even Vera Bradley -- everything to amaze the gift shopper's delight!

Departure time: 7:15 a.m., Wednesday, June 23
Return: 8:15 p.m.

Escorts: Betty Doerhoff 619-2920
Marge Kudrna 635-0370

Cost: \$65.00
\$35.00 due with registration
Final payment \$30.00 Due May 25, 2016

Chicago: The Musical

July 27, 2016

New Theatre, Overland Park, Kansas

Chicago is currently in its 19th year on Broadway -- the longest-running American musical in Broadway's history and winner of six Tonys. Chicago is set in the roaring twenties.

Roxie Hart, Chicago chorus girl, murders a faithless lover and convinces her hapless husband Amos to take the rap -- until he finds out he's been duped and turns on Roxie.

Convicted and sent to death row, Roxie and another "Merry Murderess," Kelly, vie for the spotlight and the headlines, ultimately joining forces in search of the "American Dream" -- fame, fortune, and acquittal. Wildly entertaining, with a razzle-dazzle score!"

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

Escorts: Marjorie Smith 893-3118
Betty Doerhoff 619-2920

Cost: \$72.00 \$37.00 due with registration
Final Payment \$35.00 due April 20, 2016



Minor League Baseball-- Springfield Cardinals Sunday, August 14, 2016

Ready for baseball in 2016? How about the Cardinals AA minor league team in Springfield, MO? This day trip will leave at 9:30 a.m., arriving at Hammon's Field just before the gates open at 1 pm.

Enjoy an all-you-can-eat buffet in the Champion's Club and watch the Cardinals take on the Midland (Texas) Rock Hounds. Maybe we'll be able to see a St. Louis Cardinal doing some rehab--up close and personal.

After the game, we will board our coach for a return to Jefferson City (with the possibility of an ice cream stop on the way home).

ROYALS fans, don't worry! We're hoping for a KC game/trip in September.

Departure time: 9:30 a.m., Sunday, August, 14, 2016
Return: 8:15 p.m.

Escorts: Vicki Ford 635-0210
Randy Ford 635-0210
Marge Kudrna 635-0370

Cost: \$87.00 \$50 due with registration
Final payment \$37.00 due July 6, 2016

**--Save the Date--
Drowsy Chaperone: The Musical
Robert G. Reim Theatre, Kirkwood, MO
August 21, 2016
A full description will appear in the
Summer 2016 newsletter.**

COURSES JANUARY — AUGUST 2016

Course Cancellation Policy

The registration fee may be refunded if the LIR Office (573-681-6152) 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.

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 at the Winter Membership Meeting to be held on January 20, 2016.
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•Location of courses varies, depending on topic and size of class. Specific locations are named with each course in this newsletter.

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.

Rocks of Ages -- Geology for the Common Man

Dates: Tuesdays, February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2016

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

Place: Lincoln University South Campus, Leslie Blvd

Geology is a subject that is all around us. It encompasses the whole world, in fact the entire universe. Geology shapes the environment and underlies the very ground that we walk on. Missouri has some of the most interesting geology to be found anywhere if we just take time to notice it. Did you know that Missouri has more caves than any other state? Did you know that there is no limestone in Jefferson City?

We will consider local rock formations and the types of minerals and rocks that make up these formations. Then we will move on to more distant horizons and even touch on other planets and stars. Other topics will include volcanoes, earthquakes, plate tectonics, fossils, rivers, ocean bottoms, and tsunamis. Possibly, we will visit a local sinkhole.

Presenter: Chuck Lahmeyer, retired engineer, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, member LIR

Coordinators: John and Elaine Shimmens, 636-6606

Founders of Faith

Date: Wednesdays, February 3, 10, 17, 24,
and March 2 **NOTE: 5 CLASSES**

Time: 10:00 a.m.--Noon.

Place: Masonic Hall, 3211 Masonic Court,
off Truman Blvd

This class will include an examination of the lives and teachings of Jesus, Moses, Muhammed, Buddha, and Confucius, the founders of the world's largest faiths.

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COURSES JANUARY — AUGUST 2016

Dr. Cliff Cain is a very knowledgeable, organized, and entertaining speaker. He is one of our most popular presenters, and rightly so. Everyone will enjoy this class.

Presenter: Dr. Cliff Cain, Ph.D., Harrod-C. S. Lewis Professor of Religious Studies, Westminster College

Coordinator: Dr. David Linsenbardt, 636-3727

Travelogues

Dates: Thursdays, February 4, 11, 18, 25, 2016

Time: 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Place: Lincoln University South Campus, Leslie Blvd.

Travel the nation and the world—Greece, India, Russia, South America, the United Kingdom, Alaska, even the homes of seven U. S. Presidents. BUT don't pack your bags, not yet. Just come join us, listen, and enjoy vicariously the places and adventures of those who have traveled far and near. Maybe you will be tempted to travel, too.

Coordinator: Joan Solomon, 893-4407

The Bill of Rights

Date: Tuesdays, March 8, 15, 22, and 29

Time: 10 a.m. - noon

Place: Lincoln University South Campus,
900 Leslie Blvd.

This course will be the first of two courses focused on the United States Bill of Rights. This spring 2016 course will focus on the following questions:

- How and why did the United States Constitution come to have a Bill of Rights?
- How does the Fourteenth Amendment, passed many years after the Bill of Rights, have a special relationship to the Bill of Rights?

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- How does the Bill of Rights affect the rights of the accused and those convicted of criminal offenses?

Don't expect this course to be one where you will just sit back and listen to lectures. This is a course where we will explore issues related to the Bill of Rights in an effort to understand the challenges courts face in interpreting specific cases related to the Bill of Rights.

Our second course, to be taught in either the fall of 2016 or the spring of 2017, will focus on the First Amendment and those other amendments in the Bill of Rights that do not relate to the rights of the accused.

Both presenters have taught LIR classes in the past.

Presenters: Millie Aulbur, Director of Citizenship Education, The Missouri Bar
Doug Abrams, Professor,
Missouri University School of Law

Coordinator: Warren Solomon, 893-4407,
whsolomon@mchsi.com

Batter Up!

Dates: Wednesdays, March 9, 16, 23, 30, 2016

Time: 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Place: Missouri River Regional Library, 2nd Floor
Baseball spring training is in full swing and getting ready for the season. We can get ready for the season by watching four of the many baseball movies made. Grab a chair and Batter UP!

March 9: **The Natural**: A 1984 film about an unknown middle-aged player named Roy Hobbs with a mysterious past who appears out of nowhere to take a losing 1930s baseball team to the top of the league in this magical sports fantasy. With the aid of a bat cut from a lightning-struck tree, Hobbs lives the fame he should have had earlier when, as a rising pitcher, his career ended.

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March 16: **Eight Men Out:** A 1988 film about the 1919 disgruntled members of the Chicago White Sox who threw the World Series against Cincinnati. The Sox were considered the better team and their loss raised eyebrows. Many of the players are conflicted by what they have done, and some decide to do their best towards the end of the series to win. In the end, they lose, and for two years, their secret is safe, but when two of them confess, it leads to a trial.

March 23: **Field of Dreams:** A 1989 film about Iowa farmer Ray Kinsella who hears a voice in his cornfield tell him "If you build it, he will come." He interprets this message as an instruction to build a baseball field on his farm, upon which appear the ghosts of Shoeless Joe Jackson and the other seven Chicago White Sox players banned from the game for throwing the 1919 World Series. When the voices continue, Ray seeks out a reclusive author to help him understand the meaning and purpose of his field.

March 30: **A League of Their Own:** A 1992 American comedy-drama that tells a fictionalized account of the real-life All-American Girls Professional Baseball League. The film, directed by Penny Marshall, stars Tom Hanks, Geena Davis, Madonna, and Lori Petty.

Coordinator: Karen Sander, 635-0931

Introduction to Genealogy

Dates: Thursdays, March 10, 17, 24, 31, 2016

Time: 10 a.m. – Noon

Place: Clydesdale Room, N. H. Schepper's Building, 2300 St. Mary's Blvd

Class I will focus on building a family tree by creating a timeline or a family's Social and Historical Context through research of birth and death, church, and cemetery records.

Class II continues organizational skills from data collected from on-line newspaper sources and census records.

Class III uses on-line sites such as ancestry.com and Heritage Quest through the local library as well as accessing the largest repository of genealogy records from the local LDS Family History Library.

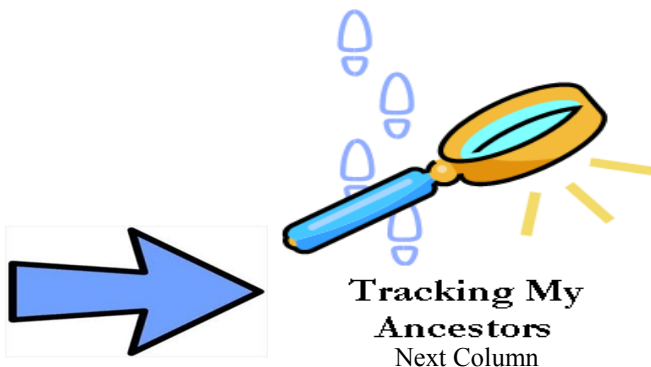
Class IV covers searches at the State Archives for Court and Land Records and Immigration and Naturalization Records.

Presenters will include experienced genealogists and historians who will present case studies of ancestry research, leading attendees step-by-step through the various resources.

This course will be especially helpful for beginners in family history, but also for those who need refresher classes in locating various resources.

Attendees may bring laptops/tablets to familiarize themselves with a variety of online resources.

Coordinator: Rhonda Faris, 573-616-1402



COURSES JANUARY — AUGUST 2016



Libraries — Past, Present, and Future

Dates: Thursdays, April 7, 14, 21, 28, 2016

Time: 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Place: Featured local libraries

Jefferson City enjoys a rich variety of libraries. Join us for a program celebrating the heritage of libraries and trends for the future. Each week we will have the opportunity to learn about and tour a different library. We will meet directors, administrators, and staff to learn about the unique services, collections, and clientele served.

We will begin with the Missouri River Regional Library and an examination of the original concept behind libraries as well as a thorough look at all the services our local library offers. Then we will visit the State Library, including the Wolfner Library for the Blind and the State Archives

The third week we will tour the Supreme Court and Legislative libraries, learning about their research capabilities and the other special purposes they serve.

Finally, we will be treated to a look at the Inman E. Page Library and Ethnic Studies Center at Lincoln University.

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The month of April includes a celebration of National Library Week, making it a great time for this “up close” learning experience of all that these libraries have to offer.

Presenters: Administrators, librarians, and staff of the local libraries

Coordinators: Kathy Penfold, 635-8374
Betty Mudd, 634-2212

FREE COURSES

*****An Introduction to Quilting*** ***Old and New*****

Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2016

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

Place: Lincoln University South Campus, Leslie Blvd

QUILTING-An old art revived or an art turned into a necessity turned into an art? What is it? Come join us for two hours of show and tell about quilting old and new. What was the origin or original purpose of quilting? Was it originally an art form? How did it devolve into a necessity? Is it now a fad or an art form? Why are home-made quilts so very much in demand and so valuable today? Are they the same as the original quilts in pattern, skill, design, value? You will learn old techniques, and then we will bring you into the modern era of quilting. This is NOT a course in how to quilt.

Presenters: JoAnn Scheidt and Barbara Barnard,
Members of LIR

Coordinator: JoClare Meyer, 636-5762

COURSES JANUARY — AUGUST 2016

*** Aging Confidently ***

Date: Wednesday, April 20, 2016

Time: 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Place: Lincoln University South Campus, Leslie Blvd.

We hope to stride confidently into retirement, but we have so many small things of which we must be aware. Many of those could become problems as we mature. Retirement should not make us into couch potatoes, BUT as we age, we must do so with confidence that we are making the right choices.

Balance becomes more difficult. Core strength/posture becomes critical to staying healthy. Incontinence creeps in. Hydration, eating, or cooking can become a chore. Food: what kinds? What are best and what can we fix and eat easily yet nutritiously. What do we need? What choices do we make so that we may continue to enjoy good health as we confidently grow “more mature” (surely not older). Join us as we explore these issues. Let’s age confidently by being knowledgeable about our health needs.

Presenters: Cynthia Gallatin, OTR, Active Rehab
Dr. Chris Link or one of his staff,
Integrative Medicine

Coordinator: Linda Bohrer, 896-8425

The King James Bible ***Its Story and Influence***

Date: Tuesday, May 10, 2016

Time: 10 a.m. - noon

Place: Lincoln University South Campus, Leslie Blvd.

The 1611 King James Version of the Holy Bible is one of the foundational documents for much of western thought over the last four hundred years.

Many linguistic expressions in use today first appeared in it, and its influence on writers, scholars, politicians, composers, and others of the Judeo-

Christian tradition has been profound. Few of us, however, are aware of its origin and development, let alone the political intrigues surrounding its translation.

Kent Trimble, our presenter, is president and owner of Dulle-Trimble Funeral Home, and an ordained United Methodist minister with a Master of Theology degree from Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University. Mr. Trimble has received numerous awards for professional and community service and has served on many local boards. Expect this presentation to be scholarly and engaging with some humor included.

Presenter: Kent Trimble

Coordinator: Warren Solomon, 893-4407
whsolomon@mchsi.com

*** Abraham Lincoln *** ***Man and Myth ***

Date: Monday, May 23, 2016

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

Place: Lincoln University South Campus, Leslie Blvd

President Abraham Lincoln, Man of the People: What knowledge and myths do we know about the man, his policies, and his death?

Learning in Retirement is planning a June trip to Springfield, Illinois, to see “All Things Lincoln,” so members of the LIR Book Club will review a few of the enormous number of books about this outstanding president: Books like Doris Goodwin’s Team of Rivals (a New York Times best seller), Lincoln by Russell Freedman, and Man-Hunt—12 Day Hunt for Lincoln’s Killer by James L. Swanson. And it will be fun to explore the wit and wisdom of Lincoln.

This course is not only for those going on the trip but for all who love and thirst for more about Abraham Lincoln, beloved and maligned in his lifetime, beloved and oft misunderstood in his legacy.

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COURSES & CLUBS

And as a **special treat**, Steve Buchholz will share with the class an original program of the 1860 Republican Convention that nominated Lincoln, a wonderful piece of historic memorabilia. Steve's great, great, great (perhaps more greats) grandfather was a delegate from Missouri to that convention. Come learn more about Lincoln.

Presenters: Learning in Retirement Book Club Members

Coordinator: Theresa Sullivan, 635-6404

LIR JAMMERS

LIR Jammers are still looking for instrumental musicians to form a group to just enjoy jamming, and as the group progresses, maybe playing for LIR events. Contact Mike Brewer: oldfarmer@gmx.us or Peter DeSimone: pdsimone@embarqmail.com.

Book Club Reading List

The Book Club has selected the following books for reading in the first five months of 2016:

INFIDEL, Ayaan Hirsi Ali

GO SET A WATCHMAN, Harper Lee

LILA, Marilynne Robinson

LITTLE BLACK LIES, Sharon Bolton

Various books about Abe Lincoln

The group chooses books after discussion of suggested titles. If you are interested in participating, call Arlene Stayton, 660-433-2415.

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, music, travel, or some other, please direct your suggestions to Marigene.

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: Arlene Stayton, 660-433-2415

Location: LIR Classroom 8

Callers: Teresa 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 I: 1st & 3rd Mondays 10 a.m.– noon

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

Facilitator: Sue Alberti, 635-2436

Location: LIR Classroom 8

Genealogy: Genealogy Club is no longer meeting; classes in genealogy are being offered instead.

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

Facilitator: Cathie Middleton, 761-1425

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 Location varies.

Facilitators: John & Ellen Richardson, 893-4909

You may sign up for clubs at the membership meeting or by calling Marigene Brewer or the facilitators.



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Mark your calendars for the Summer Membership Meeting
July 20, 2016
St. Martins Knights of Columbus
Building