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The Newsletter of Lifelong Learning

President's Message by Nancy McGrew

Welcome to our new members as well as our returning members. Fall is in the air. The days are

getting shorter, the trees are turning colors, football is in full swing, LLI classes have begun and our Fall Kick Off is behind us. My hope is that you are enjoying your classes and had a great time at the Fall Kick Off. Both are great ways in which to meet new people and make new friends. Thank you to our Social Committee for planning another successful event.

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In the past month, we had several opportunities for volunteering. We had a presence at Art Street, the Senior Fair at the Kroc and Family

Day at Green Bay Botanical Gardens. These are in addition to volunteering in the office, coordinating a class, presenting a class, as well as being part of a committee or "manning" a booth at community events. These opportunities range from 2 to 4 hours each. Please contact one of the committee chairpersons to see where your assistance or talent is needed:

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- Curriculum Committee: Frank Moon- fsmoon@centurytel.net
- Finance Committee: Ron Niesing- fronh52@aol.com
- Social Committee: Karen Carvenough- karencar@new.rr.com
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- Office Volunteer: LLI Office —Ili@uwgb.edu

THANK YOU to all our volunteers. We would not have the organization we do without your help.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Holiday Social, Wednesday, December 6th at the Riverside Ballroom, 11:00.

Up-Coming Events

- "Dutch Treat" Breakfast, 8:30 Bay Family Restaurant: October 25, 2017
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 Bay Family Restaurant: November 22, 2017
- Holiday Social: Wednesday December 6, 2017, 11:00 Riverside Ballroom
- "Dutch Treat Breakfast, 8:30
 Bay Family Restaurant: January 24, 2018



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Spring Semester Registration

Spring may seem far in the future, but to LLI it is almost here. The curriculum committee has been hard at work garnering classes for the spring semester. The catalog will soon be at the printer. It will be mailed to all members the week of **November 13, 2017**.

Lottery registration will open on November 15, 2017 and will close on December 11th at midnight. The on-line registration link will be sent November 15th and will be active immediately. This means that you may register on-line anytime between November 15th and December 11th. This is a change in the



registration timing: previously members had to wait for two weeks after receiving a catalog for the link to be active. Another change to spring registration is that members can register for as many as <u>30 classes</u>. Limiting the number of classes to 15 did not work as anticipated. It created too much additional work for the office at a crucial time. Thus, the board voted to return registration to the previous number of 30 classes. Spring semester classes begin in January. Further details regarding registration are in the catalog. Please read them carefully. As always open registration is ongoing during the semester. A confirmation letter will be sent to members the week of **December 15th**. With the confirmation letter will be a list of open classes. Members may register for open classes anytime during the semester.

Volunteer Development Committee by Jan Rickert, committee chair

Another semester and there is always something new. Many, if not all, of us have checked in for a class by

now and perhaps noticed a new style Attendance Roster. It has three columns 'HERE', 'EXCUSED' and 'NO SHOW'. It's that 'NO SHOW' column that has a negative connotation. If I were to ask Emily Post, the matriarch of good manners, how to define 'NO SHOW', she would probably say that it could be conveyed as 'Rude', or a 'Slacker'. Apparently, these are the same ones who don't respond to an invitation with an RSVP. Approximately 25% of LLI members don't come to the class they have been registered in. Of that 25%, about ½ excuse themselves ahead of time, giving a waitlisted member the opportunity to take the class. However, the remaining members just don't show up. And that is an opportunity lost for a waitlisted member. After all, if you are on a waitlist, wouldn't you hope that someone in the class will notify the Coordinator when they can't come so that you might get in? So if you can't make a class, PLEASE take the time to notify the



Remember!

Our Web page is a great source of LLI information. It has forms, registration information, even class notes. www.uwgb.edu/lli Also check out Facebook to see what members are up to; while you are at it be sure to "like" us.

LLI office location—

Often a member asks where is the LLI office? The office is located in the Instructional Services Building (IS) room 1040—but where is that? Here are some directions. Enter the campus from Nicolet Drive by turning on to South Circle Drive. Turn left on Lab Science Drive, Continue on Lab Science drive until the first left turn. Take this frontage road past the buildings on the right. The road ends at the loading dock of the Lab Science Building. In this area there are five, fifteen minute parking spaces. Enter the building through the door to the right of the loading dock. Take the first right and the office is on the left. Stop by, say hi or if you are a new member pick up your name tag.



Finance Committee by Ron Neising Treasurer/Committee Chair

WE TAKE OUR NUMBERS SERIOUSLY! Every year, the Finance Committee of LLI is charged with putting together a budget for the entire program. These budgets cover everything from dollars spent on Advertising to handling fees and course costs for Zentangles – a real A to Z challenge!!!

As Finance Committee members, we like to think of ourselves as stewards of your money – your dues, donations, and fees. In the academic year just completed, LLI took in revenues of \$148,645.60. By the close of the year, our expenditures were \$142,585.70. This means we came within 4.08% of having a breakeven year. Your hard-earned dollars were well spent. Due to lower than expected salaries for our advi-



sor (relocation) and office staff (retirement), we realized an operating net of \$6,059.90. Otherwise, our Finance Committee would have been spot on with our budget for 2017-2018.

If you enjoy working with numbers, and you want to have a chance for input on everything from soup to nuts, give the Finance Committee a try. We meet the 3rd Monday of each month at 8:00 AM at the Village Grille in Allouez. While we talk a lot of dollars and "sense", we do have a goodtime doing it.

Thanks to current committee members Richard Aicher, John Arneth, Mark Lamperuer, Rick Nuetzel, Glen VanGheem, Kris Lewins, Diane Vanderheiden, and Nancy McGrew (ex-officio). By the way, Zentangles is a type of doodling to

SOCIAL COMMITTEE by Karen Carvenough

Happy Fall to all. This is my first year as Social Chair and I am looking forward to planning the three social functions this year. Our Fall Kick-off luncheon was held on September 27th at the Swan Club in DePere and we had 128 members and spouses join us for a great time and a fantastic meal (chicken and ribs and those great kneecaps for dessert). I hope that everyone enjoyed themselves and will share their experience with friends in our membership. I would love to see double that attendance at the next social event.



Our speaker for the social was Jeff Mirkes, Director of Downtown Green Bay, who told us of the great and vibrant city we live in. He pointed out how the city center is being changed and venues that we all should be looking to visit. We really live in a city with much to offer!

Social committee continued....



Our next event will be the Holiday Social at the Riverside Ballroom on Main Street on December 6th. The entertainment will be provided by the Christmas Carolers, directed by Mary Eisenreich. Look for the invitation in early November. Please save the date. As is true with all of the LLI committees, we are always looking for members to join the committee, to offer ideas in planning and setting up each of the socials. Please consider volunteering to join a really fun group. I can be reached by phone, 497-1108 or e-mail karencarvenough@gmail.com

Curriculum Committee by Frank Moon, committee chair

Life with Ferber", "There is a New World Coming", "Chasing Totality", "Veterans Voices", "Growing Blueberries", "Henna Body and Fabric Art", "Peshtigo Fire", these are just a few of the titles that are among the 180 classes listed in the 2018 spring semester catalog. Wow! Of the 180 class offerings about 60 of them are new offerings. The curriculum committee has worked diligently to accomplish this feat. The members have done a great job! And members are already looking to fall 2018.

Regardless of the great work done by the committee YOUR HELP is needed! The committee currently has 10 members and the recommended complement is 15 members. It is not too difficult to recruit repeat class presenters...most of them are anxious to re-up with LLI. Recruiting new classes is a little more challenging but with guidance from experienced members even that can prove easy. Call or email me or attend our monthly meeting to learn more. We normally meet the first Monday of the month. Give back to LLI for all it has given to you. Participating as an LLI volunteer will not only keep LLI dynamic but will benefit you personally...I guarantee it. Call me Frank Moon, 920-866-1555, fsmoon@centurytel.net.

Curriculum committee members are: Gary Dallman, Judy Johnson, Laura Slater, David Manke, Eileen Johnson, Fred Delie, Bob Cook, Pam Parins-Fisher, Jim Hinkley, Patty Payette, Sue Sorenson, Tom Chase ex-officio







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Travel Sub-committee Frank Moon, Chair

Irish Eyes are smiling! The LLI travel committee is pleased to announce that Ireland is the destination for our first over night trip for LLI members in several years. The trip will be in either September or October of 2018. Details are in process and as soon as they are finalized they will be announced to our members. With the reintroduction of overnight trips LLI will be able to offer many new educational travel adventures. Our day trips will continue to be offered as they have in the past. Many exciting possibilities to expand our trav-



Communication Committee by Sherry Moon, committee chair

The role of the communications committee is to spread the word about the best secret in Green Bay—Lifelong Learning. How does it do this? Through word of month, and through community activities. Telling your friends about LLI is an extremely important way to communicate the LLI message. When members do this they are quasi members of the communication committee. This, however, is not the only way to keep our name in the community. The committee sponsors booths at Arti Gras, Art Street, the Kroc Center and at the Botanical Gardens Fall Family Festival. It has a speakers bureau that will speak to other community organizations about our great program. It updates all LLI publications and sees that the publications are distributed in the community. It is also responsible for the newsletter, "LLI Matters" which is published three times per year.

Do you enjoy the LLI Facebook pictures? Thank Ed Smith. Do you enjoy the "Dutch Treat Breakfasts"? Thank Keith Pamperin. Did you learn about LLI at Arti Gras or Art Street? Thank Mary Cook. Did you learn about LLI at the Kroc senior fair? Thank Bill Zoelle. Did you learn about LLI at the "LLI Sampler"? Thank Sally Bourbonnais. All members of the communications committee take responsibility for different activities. Members of the LLI communications committee are Sally Bourbonnais, Mary Cook, Barb Mohr, Mike Murphy, Keith Pamperin, Ed Smith, Bill Zoelle and Sherry Moon.

The communications committee meets the second Monday of the at UWGB. You are welcome to join us.



Mike Murphy prepares to speak to the Retired Men's Cub



Bill Zoelle staffs the booth at the Kroc Center



Art Street Greeters

Announcing! Sharon LaReau is the winner of a free LLI membership drawing. Congratulations! Sharon was notified of her selection in September. Her membership will begin in January 2018.

"We are LLI" by Sherry Moon

Tom Chase

Vice President, presenter, coordinator, bicyclist, woodworker, grandfather, avid skier

Life Pre-LLI: Tom although born in Idaho and spending his toddler years in Wyoming has lived all over the state of Wisconsin attending eight grade schools and three high schools. The family moved with his father's job changes. Tom graduated from Waukesha High School. Not



immediately interested in further education, he worked in a variety of construction jobs. Tom also worked for his father at a facility for emotionally disturbed children. A side note to this job experience is that he met his wife Sharon. Tom's father hired Sharon as a counselor at the facility. During this time Tom returned to school obtained an associate degree in childcare, then a Bachelor's degree in social work and then began working for a Master's degree in social work. He suddenly found himself questioning his career goals so he began to look else-

where to channel his talents. He worked as a salesman for General Electric. Transferred to Green Bay and worked for a smaller company A.A. Electric. He retired from A.A. Electric in

2006 after a very satisfying 28 year career.



Life beyond LLI: Tom and Sharon have been married for forty-eight years. They have two sons and three grandchildren. When not involved in LLI they are busy traveling, exploring Route 66, Europe, Scandinavia, our national parks, or any distant or interesting place that draws their attention. Tom has logged over 100,000 miles on the seat of a motorcycle. He and Sharon have toured Austria and Switzerland on a motorcycle.

What LLI means to me: "LLI offers me a means of staying current, and the opportunity of refreshing myself on topics of self-interest. It is a great organization. Each semester classes continue to peak my interest. I also enjoy the opportunity to present. Being a presenter allows me to look at things from a research point. All members have something to add to LLI."

Most people don't know but: I began my career as a social worker ended in sales. I raised Samoan dogs. It was the hardest job of my life for the least amount of



money. I have dealt with cancer for 20 years and am involved in a program at Mayo Clinic. I build my own furniture. And "for a 'fat old man' I am a very good skier".



LLI Socrates Philosophy Club Begins in November

In an effort to create more social opportunities for LLI members outside of classes the communications committee will launch a Socrates Philosophy Discussion Club in November. Meetings will be held the first and third Thursdays of November, the 2nd and the 16th, from 3:30-5pm. Donna Strechenbach has generously donated the use of her business building, The Bridal Church , 901 Cherry Street, Green Bay for the first two meetings. There is plenty of parking available.



The group will be moderated by Barb Mohr and Chris Riemer. Barb attended a group in Oregon and thought it might be a perfect fit for LLI members wishing to

discuss and explore life's "big questions". The group format will be based upon the best-selling book "Socrates Café" by Christopher Phillips.

This isn't a debate group. Participants will each be given one minute to express their initial thoughts and receive respectful attention of other members and after that everyone will have opportunities to build upon their thoughts or on the perspectives of others. Members can bring their own "questions" for discussion or we can decide to discuss the Classic Socratic question "Is an unexamined life worth living"?



Members staying mentally, physically and socially active

<u>LLI Tidbits:</u> Fall 2017 membership 1047 (17.9% increase since fall 2014) Male members 268, Female members 779

Have you noticed the clarity of the projectors in rooms 220 and 230 Rose Hall? The projectors were upgraded this summer to provide a better learning environment. Just one example of the LLI board using your dollars wisely.



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