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President's Message by Nancy McGrew



Welcome to a new year of learning. With a new year comes new changes, one of which is a new name. It was announced at the Spring Fling that the membership voted to change our name to the Lifelong Learning Institute of UW-Green Bay (LLI) from the Institute of Learning In Retirement (LIR) UW-Green Bay. The name change will be put in place over time to lessen expenses.



Another change is in the members of the Board of Directors. A great big thank you to outgoing members: President Frank Moon, Secretary Jim Tanner, Treasurer John Arneth, Members-at-Large Kathleen Daley and Mark Warpinski as well as VDC Chair Wes Carvenough. They have put in a lot of work these past two years and it is greatly appreciated. We welcome the new BOD members: Vice President Tom Chase, Secretary Jan Hess, Treasurer Ron Niesing, Members-at-Large Fred Delie and Dan Malcore and continuing Member-at-Large Jim Hinckley, VDC Chair Janice Rickert and Past President Frank Moon. Last but not least, is a welcome to Rebecca Sievers, our LLI advisor. See "We are LLI" to learn all about Rebecca. As your new president, I look forward to working with everyone.

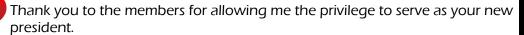
Thank you to the Catalog subcommittee and the Communications committee for the new appearance to the fall catalog. They have put a lot of work into making it more user friendly.

Please save the following dates:

All You Want to Know About LLI: Tuesday, July 26, 2016

Fall Kickoff: Wednesday, September 28, 2016

Holiday Social: Wednesday, December 7, 2016



Nancy McGrew



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ATTENDANCE AND GROWTH

The spring semester had 1008 members. This is an increase from 997. Below is a chart showing the attendance trend from the Fall 2015 to Spring 2016. We have had an increase in unexcused absences. You are reminded to call your class coordinator if you are unable to attend a class that you are registered for. We have a number of waitlisted classes where other members would like to attend. Please be courteous to your fellow LLI members and call the coordinator if you are unable to attend.

	Fall	Spring
Classes	196	189
Information turned in	171	161
Attendees	9315	9618
Overall Attendance		
Present	68%	68%
Excused	18%	17%
Unexcused	14%	15%
6 Secession classes —last class	57%	63%
unexcused	14%	18%

In reviewing our class attendance over time, attendance is fairly consistent between 70 and 73%.

REMINDER: LOTTERY DEADLINE IS NOT ONLY YOUR ONLY CHANCE TO REGISTER!

To get the most educational value from your membership fee, remember that after the initial lottery-registration period ends-- and anytime throughout the semester-- you can always register for and attend any class that still has openings. This past spring, for example, there were more than 100 classes that still had room for more students after the lottery. Early in September you'll be getting a list of all the Fall classes that still have openings. The open class list is sent with your registration confirmation letter.

You'll also receive notice of still-open courses later in the semester. Take advantage of the opportunity those courses offer to learn something new. You can register for any open class by contacting the LLI office via email or phone after the open class list is published.

Catalogs to members by July 15th
Link to Online registration available
JULY 18, 2016

Reimbursement Guidelines

The policy for reimbursement of expenses is a state-wide policy, not a LLI policy. Everyone in the university system must follow the same guidelines, no exceptions.

The following process must be followed for LLI members to be reimbursed using the State Guidelines:

- Original receipts are submitted to the LLI office
 - Original receipts must have business name, address
 - Must show amount charged and amount paid.
- TER (Travel Expense Report) is drafted in the office with the recipient's name, address,
 - Funding code
 - o purpose, amount, course description
 - o participants involved and amount paid in
- TER is printed and sent to the member's home for signature and last 4 digits of SS#.
- When returned to office, TER is sent up for Advisor's signature and Dean's signature.
- It is then sent to the Controller's office for processing (one person in charge of entire university).
- After processing, checks are printed the next day for mailing.

LLI Choir

LLI (LIR) choir will start rehearsals on August 23 at 3:30 at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church near the corner of



Cormier and Packerland. Mary Eisenreich will again be the conductor and accompanist. If you have been in the choir before, please come again. If you know of other people that enjoy singing and would like to join us, please give them the date and time for the first rehearsal. We normally meet on Tuesday from 3:30-5:00. The choir will be the entertainment for the Holiday Party in December and will also sing at several nursing homes during the holiday season.

What's is the Role of an Advisor? By Rebecca Sievers

I've been asked on several occasions, "Okay Rebecca, you're our advisor – what does that actually mean?" According to the Merriam-Webster Dictionary, Advisor stems from the word advise and means, "to give an opinion or suggestion to someone about what should be done: to recommend or suggest; and to give information to someone."



What this means for the Lifelong Learning Institute here at the University of Wisconsin -

Green Bay is that I am here to serve as a resource of information and policies, a springboard for ideas, and an advocate for LLI in the UWGB Community. My role, while defined by one word, breaks the barriers that often silo groups that are meant to collaborate for the betterment of the community.

The most important part of my job as an advisor is to be available and present to help support both the people of LLI and the organization itself in whatever way it needs.

Committee Reports

Volunteer Development Committee by Jan Rickert

As we begin a new year under a new name, Lifelong Learning, I want to first thank Wes Carvenough for his service as Chair of this committee. He gave two years of the legal time as stated in the bylaws, and then a year as Interim Chair while he searched for a replacement. I am his replacement and became Incoming Chair in March. At that time Wes suggested I get familiar with the position by recruiting coordinators for fall semester. Well, the Curriculum Committee gave me over 200 classes for which we needed coordinators, and I was amazed at the response. We got them all assigned in a timely fashion, and even had to make some substitutions along the way. But, "git 'er done" we did, and I have to thank that group of volunteers in this organization who enthusiastically signed up to coordinate all these classes. Much appreciated!! And now on to the familiar "Request for Coordinators" as we begin to prepare for the spring semester.

<u>Communications Committee</u> by Sherry Moon "All You Want to Know about LLI"

If you know of any non-member who might be interested in learning about the "Lifelong Learning Institute" formerly LIR please send their name and contact information to the office so that they may be mailed an invitation to the "All You Want to Know about LLI" informational gathering on July 26, 2016 at the Village Grille in Allouez at 9:30.

Thank you to all the members who participated in the 2016 Gallery of Creativity at the Spring Fling: Jim Briggs, Donna Briggs, Wes Carvenough, Karen Carvenough, Sue Jonet, Terry McGrew, Sue Sorenson, Kay Adams, Jane Bulton, Joyce Hafeman, Anna Paulson, Sandra Collins, Cathy Olmsted, Andy Trotti, Trish Wesley, Sue Johnson, Doris Herber, Diane Wilson, Carol Raasch, Jim Oleniczak, Mary Cook, Jaccqulyn Jahnke, Polly Peplinski, and Laura Slater. Also a very special to Phyllis Cox and Barb Beaver for organizing and setting up the gallery. Your efforts and work enabled over 200 LLI members at the Spring Fling to see the creativity of our members that is an important part of Lifelong Learning.









Social Committee by Arlene Molzahn

Members of the social committee want to thank all the LIR now LLI members who attended the Spring Fling at the Tundra Lodge on May 4, 2016. A special thank you goes out to Barb Beaver and all the members who brought items for display in the Gallery of Creativity and also to the line dancers that entertained us with their newly acquired dance moves. Ashwaubenon Encore Choir and their director ended the afternoon with an outstanding musical performance.

The committee is presently working on the decorations for our Fall Kickoff Banquet which will be held at the Swan Club at Legends. Our theme for the evening is *Proud to be an American* and the color scheme is red, white, and blue.

The menu for the family style dinner will consist of all you can eat chicken, ham, mashed potatoes, dressing, vegetables, coleslaw, cranberries, dinner rolls, coffee, milk, and the famous kneecaps for desert.

Our committee is happy to announce that Chancellor Gary Miller of the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay will be our speaker for the evening.

We hope to see you all on **September 28, 2016,** at the Swan Club for a fabulous evening as we continue to celebrate our 25th anniversary.





Fall Registration Information!!!

- Catalog should be received by July 15, 2016
- On-line lottery registration available July 18, 2016. It is limited to 30 classes. If you are a LLI member you will automatically receive the registration link.
- Snail mail or in-person registration begins on July 18, 2016.
- On-line lottery registration closes August 14, 2016 at midnight.
- Class confirmation letters will be mailed the week of August 22, 2016.
- Registration for open classes continues throughout the fall semester.
- Keep your catalog; it contains important class information.

Remember to prioritize your class choices—1 being your first choice, 2,3 etc.

Rebecca Sievers

LLI Advisor, Camps and Conferences Manager, Division of Outreach and Adult Access, Little Chute Native, Youth Sports Coach, Graduate of St. Norbert College and Ball State University

Life Pre-LLI:

A Wisconsinite by birth, Rebecca is one of four children; she has three older sisters. Being from Little Chute she refers to herself as a "Dutchman". As a child Rebecca was a competitive eater, and was ranked second in the Juniors Competition. "Competitive eating is serious sport, it requires working out four to five hours per day to increase

your metabolism, learning to control your stomach muscles and discipline. I had a coach to help me". Rebecca retired

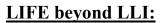


from competitive eating when she was a freshman in high school as she wanted to play sports and did not have the time to devote to competitive eating training. She was a three sport athlete for Xavier High School and a dual sport athlete for St. Norbert College, even playing an exhibition basketball game against UWGB in 2009. During her junior year at St. Norbert, she interned at Oxfam-America. In 2010 she was chosen to represent the state of Wisconsin as one of 50 young leaders from across the nation in the NGO (non-government organization, non-profit) arena.

Rebecca founded the Alternative Breaks program at the University of Iowa. Its focus is to educate students on social issues (for example: youth hunger and homelessness, public

health, and poverty). It is a service learning class that takes students into the community during college breaks. From the experience students were to take what they learned, bring it home and apply it to their community. From such an experience the

"Food Pantry" was set up at the University of Iowa.



Rebecca developed a program called "College Are You". It is a partnership between higher education and high schools to help students, particularly first generation students, understand what college life involves. Too many students transfer out and do not finish the college experience; research indicates that persistence to graduation is the key to college success. This program exposes students to the college experience. It is a four part program where during their



freshman and sophomore years high schoolers learn about college preparation, during their junior and senior years they learn about college life. Presently Rebecca has partnered with Xavier High School. In the future Rebecca hopes the program can expand to other high school. She also coach youth sports and likes to spend time at our family cottage at Roberts Lake. She's a huge Green Bay Packers and Wisconsin Badgers Fan.

What does LLI mean to me:

I have only worked with LLI since April. It is a great asset that we need to highlight. I see within the organization a passion for learning, collaboration, and a willingness to share and to improve. I see individuals giving of their time to give something to the community. I plan to meet with the officers and committees to better understand LLI and the goals of LLI. More of my time has been allotted to LLI than that of any previous advisor.

"I was very impressed at the Spring Fling to hear the members speak with passion about LLI and to see the creative work of the members. It was also exciting to see members who have been there since the founding of LLI recognized. I want to be an advocate for the Lifelong Learning Institute at UWGB."

Most people don't know but

That's hard as I am pretty much an open book. But—I like to do random things. Once, several friends and I drove around a "round-about" 720 times. We stationed a person with a clicker at each corner to count. Fortunately I was able to stand up in the sun roof so I did not get sick, but we had to stop at 720 as someone else did get sick. Thirty people from St. Norbert, including myself, spent a Saturday chalking the entire Voyageur Park parking lot. As we were engage in this activity community members walking the trail and at the park stopped and joined us. It took a while but with persistence every inch of the parking lot was covered with chalk. I once ate a 10 lb, 28 inch two topping pizza in 58 minutes. And most recently I bought a jet ski.



A Year of Lifelong Learning in Pictures



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