January 17 Meeting
Location:
Grace United Methodist Church
220 N. Tower Road, Carbondale
- 9:30 Coffee Social Hour
- 10:30 Meeting and Program

January Greeters:
- Jan Radtke
- Sandy Anderson
- Lilly Crane
- Marilynn Daniel

Chair: John Pohlmann

AT A GLANCE
Monthly Meetings:
January 17, 2018
February 21, 2018
March 21, 2018

QUESTIONS?
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January Speaker: Greg Petrowich
"The Future of Public Media"

Americans’ use of audio and video has never been higher, but the amount consumed through traditional radio and TV is now in decline. Audiences are moving to digital platforms and internet distribution at a rapid rate. What does it mean for traditional broadcast stations? What will a traditional broadcast station even look like in five years? Greg is the Executive Director of WSIU Public Broadcasting. He is an SIU graduate who has managed public broadcast stations in Cape Girardeau, MO and Fairbanks, AK. He has served on the Board of Directors of National Public Radio, Illinois Humanities, and is currently president of the public broadcasting Joint Licensee (TV and radio) Association.

Venue Change for Monthly Meetings Beginning in January

Starting on January 17, 2018 we will hold our monthly meetings at Grace United Methodist Church located at 220 N. Tower Road, Carbondale, Illinois. The meeting times will be the same as always - the third Wednesday of the month at 10:30 AM (no meetings in December or July). We will continue to have a coffee social before the meeting starting at 9:30 AM. SIU’s budget problems necessitated closing the Dunn-Richmond Center to community groups. Grace Methodist is handicap-accessible, very comfortable and spacious. There is ample parking. Please join us for our January meeting and see our new venue.
SILIR Monthly Interest Groups

Musical of the Month Interest Group

This group meets the 4th Wednesday each month to watch and discuss a musical or movie musical. Jan. movie will be

*Evita*

The next meeting will be Wednesday, Jan. 24 at Epiphany Lutheran Church. Coffee and snacks at 9 am and movie at 9:30 am.

Monthly Book Club

The Book Club meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at 9:30am at Epiphany Lutheran Church on West Chautauqua.

**January 15th**

January's book selection is

*Thunderstruck*  
by Erik Larson

Monthly Lunch Discussion Group

Members are invited to join this group to meet monthly to share lunch and open conversation. The group moves around to different regional restaurants throughout the year, meeting at 11:45am

**January 25th**

Location:

Call 618/536-7751 for Questions

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http://conferenceservices.siu.edu/
Tuesday

Reading Past the Words: Form in Five Fine Short Stories
Registration Fee: $10.00

Instructor: Beth Lordan
February 6th—March 6th 9:30 - 11:30 am
Epiphany Lutheran Church

We will talk about the words, the content of these stories, but we will also try to see past the words to the formal decisions made by the writer. Why no quotation marks? Why so many parentheses? Why are these sentences so long? So short? I am of the firm opinion these elements have very nearly as much to do with how we receive stories as the content does. Along the way, I hope to convince you that short stories in general deserve more attention than they get. The stories: Kincaid’s “Girl,” Updike’s “A&P,” O’Brien’s “The Things They Carried,” Oates’ “The Cousins,” and Baldwin’s “Sonny’s Blues.” Instructor will provide copies.

The Life and Work of Mark Twain
Registration Fee: $10.00

Instructor: Gary Hartlieb
February 6th—March 6th 1:30 - 3:30 pm
Epiphany Lutheran Church

This DVD course will explore the life and major works of Mark Twain, with an emphasis on “The Adventures of Tom Sawyer” and “Huckleberry Finn.” Each class session will consist of three (3) 30 minute lectures augmented by class discussion and reaction. Participants are not required to read any text, but some familiarity with Twain’s works is helpful. The lectures are performed by Stephen Railton, Ph.D. of the University of Virginia.

Thursday

Sex and Social Mores as Seen Through U.S. Supreme Court Cases
Registration Fee: $10.00

Instructor: Suzanne Schmitz
February 8th—March 8th 9:30 - 11:30 am
Epiphany Lutheran Church

We will examine social mores and policy regarding marriage, sex and other privacy issues by looking at the reasoning of legislators and courts as reflected in decisions of the U.S. Supreme Court. After a brief visit to the colonial era and early years of the nation, we will focus on decisions from the last century through today.

Illinois Government: A Personal Perspective
Registration Fee: $10.00

Instructor: Ken Buzbee
February 8th—March 8th 1:30 - 3:30 pm
Epiphany Lutheran Church

This class will look at and compare Illinois government of the 1970’s and 80’s, from my perspective as an active participant, with the current political landscape. We will discuss the legislative process, and the General Assembly’s interaction, or lack thereof, with the state’s Chief Executive. While an attempt will be made at keeping partisan politics out of class discussion, it may inadvertently creep in occasionally. My experiences while working with members of both political parties will be a starting point. Where scheduling permits, we will have guest speakers to bring differing perspectives.
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**Groundhog Day**

**Super Bowl**

**SIILR Spring Classes Begin**

**Presidents Day**

**Musical Interest Group meets**
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