October 18th Meeting

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

**October Greeters:**
- Marsha Clements
- Jean Hoagland
- Sarah Eynon

**President:** Gary Hartlieb

**AT A GLANCE**

*Monthly Meetings:*
- October 18, 2023
- November 15, 2023
- December—no meeting

**QUESTIONS?**
Email SILIR at silir@siu.edu or call 618/536-7751

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**October Presenter: Suzanne Schmitz**

**The Citizen’s Bill of Obligations**

Suzanne Schmitz is a retired law professor and has taught several courses for LIR on law-related topics. Suzanne will present on Richard Haass, retired advisor to four US Presidents, has authored: The Bill of Obligations: The Ten Habits of Good Citizens. These include being civil, compromising, putting country first, among others. Suzanne will summarize his descriptions of each of the ten and add her own thoughts. She will send everyone home with Haass’ list of daily recommended news sources.

**Time to Renew Your Membership**

Membership in SILIR runs from July 1 - June 30 the following year. Sign up now for the benefits of membership: classes, speakers, interest groups and access to trips. Membership dues are $25.00 and can be paid by completing the registration form on the back page of the newsletter and mailing a check to Events and Outreach or with your credit card by calling Events and Outreach at (618) 536-7751.

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**Notice of Course Fee Increase:** The LIR Board of Directors has approved an increase in course fees effective immediately. This is the first increase of any kind in 25 years.

A usual 5-week course will now cost $15, a 2-session course will cost $10, and a single

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Please check out our Facebook page at [Southern Illinois Learning in Retirement](#) to see what we've been up to and read what's happening around town.

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**Golden Opportunities**

Our newsletter is published online as well as in print and can be found at [conferenceservices@siu.edu/silir](conferenceservices@siu.edu/silir)

The online version is in color and you might enjoy seeing pictures and graphics in color, so please check out the link!

"If you have any comments or suggestions regarding the Newsletter, please email them to silir@siu.edu.
Your feedback is greatly appreciated!"

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**Special Accommodations**

SILIR members needing a special accommodation to participate in a SILIR activity must notify SIU Conference and Scheduling Office 618/536-7751 two weeks prior to the published date of an activity or at the time of registration for a trip. SILIR will make reasonable efforts to accommodate those with special needs. SILIR is not required to provide services of a personal nature so if you need assistance of a personal nature during a SILIR activity, it is your responsibility to provide the personal assistant.
SILIR Monthly Interest Groups

Musical of the Month Interest Group

This group meets on the last Friday of the month to watch and discuss a musical or movie musical.

The next meeting will be

October 27, 2023

at Epiphany Lutheran Church.

12:15-3:30 pm

Monthly Book Club

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

October 16, 2023

October’s book selection is

“Demon Copperhead”

By Barbara Kingsolver

Monthly Lunch Discussion Group

Members are invited to join this group to meet monthly to share lunch and open conversation.

October 2023

11:45 am

Location: IL

Upcoming Trips, Outings and Explorations

October 19, 2023

Explore the Treasures of Jonesboro, IL

Thursday, October 19, 2023

Registration Fee $0.00

Those wanting to carpool meet at 8:45 am to leave at 9 am sharp

Epiphany Lutheran Church parking lot

1501 W. Chautauqua, Carbondale,

Jonesboro, a town of just over 1800 people, is the county seat of Union County, and is often paired with nearby Anna. On this adventure, we'll visit some historic Jonesboro sites. Our first stop will be Lincoln Park, site of the 3rd Lincoln-Douglas debate in 1858. We'll go on to tour the Kornthal Church (German Lutheran, 1857), and the PAST Heritage House Museum. Linda and Duane Hileman will be our knowledgeable guides.
For those who want to stay and have lunch, we can eat at HeBrewz. Lunch cost is not included.

November 15, 2023

SIU Fermentation Presentation and Tour

Wednesday, November 15, 2023

Registration Fee TBA

SIU Fermentation tour and presentation.
December 14, 2023

Chriskindlmarkt Trip-A German Christmas in Belleville

Thursday, December 14th

Bus leave SIU Arena Parking Lot at 9am sharp

Registration Fee $76.00

Cost: $76 per person (includes bus transportation and buffet lunch)

We will journey to Belleville, IL, and the restaurant “Tavern on Main”, whereupon the tour guide will hop on and give brief history of the event, followed by a buffet luncheon and then a 3-block trek to the market on the Square (which of course is round). After shopping both sides of the street, we’ll meet in the warming tent and, if time permits, a short tour of historic Belleville narrated by our guide. Then we munch our way back to Carbondale, arriving by 5pm.
### American Film in the 1960s

**Instructor:** Walter Metz  
**Registration Fee:** $15.00  
**Monday (s)**  
9:30-11:00 am  
**Epiphany Lutheran Church**  
**Course description:**

This course investigates the major film trends of the 1960s. The collapse of the Classical Hollywood Studio System in the late 1950s resulted in what scholars refer to as the “New Hollywood.” We will explore the first two of the phases of the New Hollywood. The first phase consisted of attempts to rely exclusively on the formerly successful Hollywood blockbuster. Every studio tried to replicate the anomalous success of 1964’s The Sound of Music. As a result, most studios fell into receivership after disastrous results (1968’s Oliver and 1967’s Dr. Dolittle, for example). To keep the importance of the economic transformation in perspective: Kinney Shoes bought Warner Bros. to use as a tax write off.

The second phase, “The Hollywood Renaissance,” represented a wide-ranging amalgam of aggressive importation of European Modernist filmmaking. We will study examples such as The Graduate (1967), Easy Rider (1968), and The Wild Bunch (1969).

### More Short Stories

**Instructor:** Beth Lordan  
**Registration Fee:** $15.00  
**Monday (s)**  
1:30–3:30 pm  
**Epiphany Lutheran Church**  
**Course description:**

We’ll do two collections, both by “elders”. The first is Disruptions, by Steven Millhauser; the other is called Cat Brushing, by Jane Campbell. Both authors are 80.

### Judaism: Modern Beliefs and Practices

**Instructor:** Mary Blye Kramer  
**Registration Fee:** $15.00  
**Thursday (s)**  
1:30-3:30 pm  
**Epiphany Lutheran Church**  
**Course description:**

From the various sects of Hasidic Jews to Reform (and everything in between), Judaism is a fascinatingly diverse religion. In these classes we’ll briefly look at the historical and mythological development of the Jewish religion, then will delve right in to modern Jewish practices: what goes on in the synagogue, what are the Jewish sects or denominations, what do modern Jews believe, what unites and what separates us, what do all the rituals and so called laws mean, and much more.

Ms. Kramer is an ordained Rabbi and Southern Illinois native.
**REGISTRATION FORM**
*Please fill out and send entire form with payment*

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**NEW MEMBERS:** How did you hear about us?  
☐ Friend  ☐ Newspaper  ☐ Social Media/Online  ☐ Radio/TV

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*If you are registering more than yourself for a class/trip, please list the name(s) of the SILIR member you are registering.*

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**LEARNING IN RETIREMENT PROGRAM WAIVER DISCLAIMER:** Most SILIR activities require very little mobility. When an activity requires traveling up to 1 mile or more or navigating 10 steps or more, or involves longer waiting or standing times, we will alert you so that you may choose wisely.

Signature __________________________ Date __________

My signature confirms that I have read and understand the activity level of any trip sponsored by Learning in Retirement and accept the risks and conditions of the trip. I am aware that some trips may encounter rough terrain and closed-toe shoes will aid in maintaining my safety.

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Anthony Hall - Mail Code 6705  
Carbondale, IL 62901  

or call Registration at 618-536-7751 to register with your credit card.
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