

Golden Opportunities

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THE NEWSLETTER FOR SOUTHERN ILLINOIS LEARNING IN RETIREMENT (SILIR)

JUNE 2024

June's Presenter: Cary Minnis

June 19 Meeting

- **Location:**
Epiphany Lutheran Church
West Chautauqua Rd.,
Carbondale
- 10:30 - Meeting and Program

June Greeters:

- Gina Paul
- Dora Lach
- Jane Boyd

President: Gary Hartlieb

AT A GLANCE

Monthly Meetings:

June 19, 2024

July - No Meeting

QUESTIONS?

OR SUGGESTIONS

Email SILIR at

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or call

618/536-7751

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The speaker for our June 19 meeting is Cary Minnis. A lifetime resident of Southern Illinois, he's the Executive Director of the Greater Egypt Regional Planning and Development Commission.

As the Commission's Director, Minnis probably knows more about our region than anyone else, for few roads get built, few public projects get authorized, and very few grants come into our region without the

planning work and technical assistance provided by Greater Egypt's planning and development.

Come hear what he's done and what he's working on now.

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

Special Accommodations

SILIR members needing a special accommodation to participate in a SILIR activity must notify SIU Events and Outreach 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.

Our Deepest Sympathy

Learning in Retirement is saddened to learn of the passing of long-time member Dennis Leitner on May 9.

SILIR Monthly Interest Groups

Monthly Lunch Club Discussion Group

LIR Members are cordially invited to join this group which meets monthly to share lunch and open conversation.

**Thursday, June 27, 2024
11:45**

The Turn (restaurant) at Kokopelli Golf Course
Marion, IL

**Thursday, July 25, 2024
11:45**

Don Sol
Carbondale, IL

Monthly Book Club

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

Monday, June 17, 2024

Poverty By America
by
Matthew Desmond

Monday, July 15, 2024

The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store
by
James McBride

OnTheRoad with LIR

HAMILTON

at the Fabulous Fox Theatre

Join us for a five-star day trip to see the revolutionary musical that won 11 Tony awards, the Pulitzer Prize, & a special citation from the Kennedy Center Honors!

Thursday, August 29

Board at Epiphany 8:15 a.m. Home at 6:30 p.m.

30 seats @ \$185

including bus and show ticket

Buy-your-own lunch and meet at the common tables at the international Food Hall, City Foundry STL, worthy of an architectural tour and ranked 4th in the nation in a 2023 *USA Today* poll. \$10-20.

Choose from Argentine, Creole, Hawaiian, Indian, Asian Fusion, gourmet burgers, grilled cheese or pizza, Yucatecan, Middle Eastern, Afro-Caribbean & more!

Register by June 25! Call 618-536-7751

Payment by credit card is strongly preferred.

**And please remember,
NO REFUNDS**

General Announcements

- ◆ We will not publish a newsletter in July; the next one will be in August.
- ◆ LIR will not be offering classes this Summer. **Fall classes will begin in September** and their content, location, and times will be reported in the August newsletter.

Time to renew your membership

Membership in SILIR runs from July 1 to 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 and can be paid by completing the registration form on the back page of the newsletter. Submit a check payable to SIU at:

**Events and Outreach
Anthony Hall – Mail Code 6705
Carbondale, IL 62901**

Or pay or with your credit card by calling Events and Outreach at (618) 536-7751.

REGISTRATION FORM

•Please fill out and send entire form with payment•

SILIR REGISTRATION FORM (PLEASE FILL IN YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS.)

First Name _____ Last Name _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Day Phone Number _____ Cell Phone _____

*E-mail Address _____

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

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

Name: _____ (25M0901901) **FY25 Membership Dues**\$25 x _____ = _____
Addtl. Name: _____ **July 1, 2024—June 30, 2025**

Name: _____ (25M0901904) **INTEREST GROUPS — July 1, 2024—June 30, 2025**
Book Study Group\$10 x _____ = _____

Name: _____ (25M0901905) Lunch Discussion Group\$10 x _____ = _____

Name: _____ (25M0901906) Hamilton at Fox Theatre\$185 x _____ = _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

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.

Please submit a check payable to "SIU Carbondale" or credit card information below.

Credit Card Number _____ Exp. _____
Name on Card _____ CVC _____
Email (for receipt): _____

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