November Speaker: Dr. John Jackson

Election Results

John Jackson will be the guest speaker at the November meeting of the LIR group. He will describe and analyze the 2020 presidential and congressional campaigns. These elections were held in a time of unprecedented levels of conflict, division and uncertainty. Both the Covid-19 pandemic and domestic civil strife provided a chaotic context that proved to be deeply challenging for the electoral process to function in anything like a normal way. It is not clear now if the election results will even be settled when the meeting is held. Jackson will discuss the election outcomes and their potential meaning for the future. This presentation will also provide an opportunity for the students who took his recent LIR class to hold him accountable for some of the predictions he delivered there.

ATTENTION

Zoom classes and speakers’ presentations are recorded, closed captioned, and available for viewing for 30 days. Links will be emailed the day after each class to those registered. Speaker presentations will be available at conferenceservices.siu.edu/silir

Visit the SI Learning in Retirement web page at:

https://conferenceservices.siu.edu/silir.php
SILIR Monthly Interest Groups

Musical of the Month Interest Group
This group will be suspended through the fall semester. We will revisit the issue for the spring semester depending on the current situation.

Thank you,
Mike Hanes

Monthly Book Club
The Book Club meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at 9:30am via Zoom

November 16
November's book selection is

Vox
by Christina Dalcher

Monthly Lunch Discussion Group
Members are invited to join this group to meet monthly to share lunch and open conversation.

This group will be put on hold for now. We will revisit the situation for the spring semester.

Thank you!

Membership Directory
A new directory will be mailed out this fall. To opt out of being included, please contact Jackie Welch by phone (618-536-7751) or email (silir@siu.edu) no later than November 13.

It seems we will be living with the COVID-19 pandemic and its limitations for some time to come. The Curriculum Committee is busy working on even more classes for the spring term. WE DO NOT WANT ANYONE LEFT OUT!

So, we are reaching out to LIR members who do not understand how to install and use Zoom. We are prepared to provide safe small group training sessions and individual telephone consultations to help involve more members. Any small group will be 9 people or fewer with masks required and hand sanitizer provided.

If you are interested in participating in either type of training, please email Gary Hartlieb (Gary@appleguy47.me) or call him (529-1920). Don't miss out on the new classes LIR will be providing!

Thank you,
LIR - Curriculum Committee
Committee Spotlight: 
Curriculum Committee

Did you know... each year, the SILIR Curriculum Committee works to identify and contact speakers for the ten monthly meetings? They also recruit instructors for two five-week sessions of courses in the fall and the spring.

In the past few years, the committee has also arranged brief summer sessions and “one day” courses. The range of course offerings is determined by the imagination of the committee and the availability of volunteer instructors. Trip offerings are also part of the Curriculum Committee’s duties.

Interested in being a speaker or instructor? Please visit our website to download the form:

https://conferenceservices.siu.edu/silir

Click on the SILIR Course Planning Form or the SILIR Monthly Speaker Form and return to one of the curriculum committee members or to Jackie Welch (silir@siu.edu) at Conference and Scheduling Services

Current committee members

Roland Person – Chair
John Pohlmann
Tom Britton
Mike Hanes

Dennis Leitner – Secretary
Don Boehne
Fran Oros
Jim Lambert

Beth Lordan
Suzanne Schmitz
Gary Hartlieb
Mark Watson

Committee Spotlight:
Membership & Publicity Committee

The Membership & Publicity Committee is responsible for providing outreach and publicity for SILIR. Additional responsibilities, although suspended since March due to COVID-19, include providing greeters and hospitality for monthly speaker meetings and organizing SILIR luncheons.

Publicity efforts continue as we advertise our monthly speakers and classes in various local print and electronic media outlets. Outreach efforts in the community have been somewhat limited due to the pandemic, but have included tabling events, designing and printing brochures, developing and delivering presentations.

If you are aware of a community group comprised primarily of those 50 and over that might be interested in a short program or presentation or information about SILIR, please let us know by sending an email to: silir@siu.edu.

Current Committee Members:

Bobbie Ogletree, Chair
Kathy Fatz, Vice-Chair
Ken Loving, Secretary
Ann Dillard

Regina Glover
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- Steamboats 10 - 11:30 am
- CAM 10:00 - 11:30 am
- Monthly Book Club 9:30 am
- Monthly program and meeting 10:30 am
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:______________________________ (21W0901901) FY21 Membership Dues ...............$25 x _____ = _______
Addtl. Name: ________________________ (21W0901901) (July 1, 2020 — June 30, 2021)

Name:______________________________ (21W0901904) INTEREST GROUPS — July 1, 2020—June 30, 2021
Name:______________________________ (2010901905) Book Study Group .................$0 x _____ = _______
Name:______________________________ Lunch Discussion Group ..............$0 x _____ = _______

Be sure we have your current email address. Zoom links will be emailed for the classes in which you are enrolled. If you do not see a link in your inbox, please check your Junk mail and Spam mail. If it is not in any of those places, please email me at silir@siu.edu.

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 your credit card information below.

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