September Speaker: Jennifer Randolph

GIANT CITY STATE PARK: A "HIDDEN" TREASURE

Jennifer Randolph is Natural Resources Coordinator for Giant City State Park. She has been at Giant City for the past five years. As park coordinator she plans and implements park educational and recreational programs, manages the park volunteer programs, and develops interpretive signage and park informational brochures. She also assists with prescribed fires and trail maintenance, supervises two seasonal interpreters and promotes Giant City State Park.

Jennifer is a native of Murphysboro, and holds a Masters Degree in Outdoor Recreation from SIU. Prior to working for IDNR, she spent 4 years as a Park Ranger with the US Fish and Wildlife Service. She also served 41 counties as the outdoor program manager for Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois for five years. She enjoys hiking, kayaking, backpacking, looking for new and exciting plants and spending time with her husband, William and their dog, Otis.

Have you renewed your FY20* SILIR membership?
*FY20 includes July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020
Still only $25; Membership form is on page 9 of this newsletter.

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

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<td>This group meets the 1st Wednesday each month to watch and discuss a musical or movie musical.</td>
<td>The Book Club meets on the 3rd Monday of the month at 9:30am at Epiphany Lutheran Church on West Chautauqua.</td>
<td>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.</td>
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<td>The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 4 at Epiphany Lutheran Church. Coffee and snacks at 9:00 am and movie at 9:15 am.</td>
<td>September’s book selection is <em>Grant</em> by Ron Chernow continued</td>
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### Time to Renew Your Membership

If you haven’t already renewed your membership in Southern Illinois Learning in Retirement (SILIR), do so now to be eligible for fall classes. The SILIR Curriculum Committee has slated a wide variety of classes on topics such as literature, religion, archeology, law, and science.

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. The cost of membership remains the same as it has been for over 10 years, thanks to the many teachers and speakers who provide “life-long learning” to our members with little compensation. Below is a list of current members who have given so freely of their time to teach SILIR courses. Be sure to thank them for their efforts:

- John Pohlmann
- Gary Hartlieb
- Fran Oros
- Suzanne Schmitz
- Dennis Leitner
- Brian Butler
- Tom Britton
- Ken Buzbee
- Mary Pohlmann

- Mary Alice Kimmel
- Leo Gher
- John Hooker
- John Jackson
- Thomas Mitchell
- Christian Moe
- Jim Sylvester
- Anita Hutton

- Paul Mundschenk
- Rose Bender
- David Pellow
- Roland Person
- Parviz Sanjabi
- Roberta Piper
- Dona Bachman
- Mary Lamb

Three easy ways to renew!! Membership is still $25.
- Mail registration form and payment to Conference and Scheduling Services (check or credit card)
- Call Conference and Scheduling Services at 618/536-7751 (credit card only)
- Pay at the monthly meeting (with check or EXACT cash!)
### SILIR Session I Classes — September 9-October 10, 2019

#### Monday

**Play Reading and Analysis: 4 more plays by Agatha Christie**

**Instructor:** Christian Moe

**Registration Fee:** $10.00

**September 9-October 7**

**9:30 - 11:30 am**

Unitarian Fellowship

Class members will read and discuss four plays by renowned mystery writer, Agatha Christie, “Witness for the Prosecution”, “Towards Zero”, “Go Back for Murder” and “The Unexpected Guest”. The instructor will cast each play and provide background material for discussion and analysis. Try Amazon for used copies. **Required materials:** “The Mousetrap and Other Plays by Agatha Christie” (William Morrow, pub.)

“The Unexpected Guest” (Samuel French, 9.95)

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**Understanding Genetics, the Newest Gene Editing Techniques, and the Science of Ancient DNA**

**Instructor:** Frances Oros

**Registration Fee:** $10.00

**September 9-October 7**

**1:30 - 3:30 pm**

Carbondale Township Offices

We will look at a number of genetic diseases and the gene therapies currently being used to treat these diseases. We will also study the origin and potential applications in agriculture and medicine of CRISPR, the powerful new gene editing technique. This course will also do a quick survey of the new technology recently developed to study extremely old DNA such as archaic Neanderthals and Denisovans as well as ancient human DNA. Class will not meet September 30th. Will discuss the first day of class.

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#### Tuesday

**The Short Stories of Edith Pearlman**

**Instructor:** Beth Lordan

**Registration Fee:** $10.00

**September 10-October 8**

**9:30 - 11:30 am**

Epiphany Lutheran

We’ll read and discuss the following stories by Edith Pearlman, all of which are included in BINOCULAR VISION: "ToyFolk," "Rules," "Capers," "The Ministry of Restraint," and "Self-Reliance" Some of these are also available on-line.

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**How We Know What We Know: The Science behind Modern Archaeology**

**Instructor:** Brian Butler

**Registration Fee:** $10.00

**September 10-October 8**

**1:30 - 3:30 pm**

Epiphany Lutheran

The class will explore the various sciences and scientific techniques that support modern archaeological research and see how they have been used or can be applied to archaeological research in our region.
Understand iOS 13 and iPad OS

Instructor: Gary Hartlieb
Registration Fee: $5.00

September 12 and 19
9:30 - 11:30 am
Carbondale Township Offices

It’s that time again! Every fall Apple issues a new operating system for its computers, iPhones, and iPads. iOS 13 will bring some significant changes as well as many new features. Join this 2-session class to learn about iOS 13.

Cloud Computing - the Workshop!

Instructor: John Pohlmann
Registration Fee: $5.00

October 3 and 10
9:30 - 11:30 am
Carbondale Township Offices

This course will cover the major consumer cloud services - Google Drive, iCloud and Amazon Cloud. Topics will include signing up for an account and using cloud services for a safe and convenient means of storing and sharing your data. This is a workshop. The class will be a hands-on experience using your devices. Required: PC, Apple PC, smart phone or pad.

The Instruments of the Orchestra

Instructors: Members of SIU School of Music Faculty
Registration Fee: $10.00

September 12-October 10
1:30 - 3:30 pm
Altgeld Hall, Room 112

Have you ever wanted to know about the instruments of the orchestra? Here’s your opportunity to get that information. Members of the SIU School of Music faculty will discuss and demonstrate their instruments as well as others in the same instrumental family that make up today’s symphonic orchestra. Class meetings will include: strings, woodwinds, brass, percussion and finally the role of the conductor in bringing them all together to make the music. Music faculty will include: Michael Barta, violin and strings; Douglas Worthen, flute and woodwinds; Jessica Butler, trombone and brass; Christopher Butler, percussion; and Maestro Ed Benyas will discuss the role of the conductor. Most convenient parking may be east of Altgeld, in the city lot (with a senior citizen pass) directly across Route 51 from Altgeld Hall.
## SILIR Session II Classes — October 21-November 22, 2019

### Tuesday

**Social History of Southernmost Illinois Land Use**

**Instructor:** Kay Rippelmeyer-Tippy  
**Registration Fee:** $10.00  
**October 22-November 19**  
**9:30 - 11:30 am**  
Epiphany Lutheran

The course begins with native peoples’ and French colonials’ land use and pre-Civil War settlement; it continues with the Depression, early years of the Shawnee National Forest, the CCC, Giant City State Park and College in the Hills, then the 1950s political/religious backlash to the New Deal and finally the back-to-the-land movement of the 1960s and 1970s. A bibliography and suggested readings will be available at each class.

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**Modern Jazz and the Musicians Who Made It**

**Instructor:** Allan Bennett  
**Registration Fee:** $10.00  
**October 22-November 19**  
**1:30 - 3:30 pm**  
Epiphany Lutheran

We will listen to jazz of the 40's and 50's (Bird, Diz, Miles, Duke, Brubeck, Monk, etc.) and watch “A Great Day in Harlem”. This is an irresistible documentary film examining the lives and music of 57 jazz musicians who showed up to have their awesome picture taken in 1958 for Esquire magazine.

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### Wednesday

**The Art of Cooking**

**Instructor:** Mimi Rice  
**Registration Fee:** $10.00  
**October 23-November 20**  
**9:30 - 11:30 am**  
Epiphany Lutheran

This DVD course will be a rediscovery of The Art of Cooking, from tools and ingredients to the various methods and techniques of cooking. Bill Briwa, Chef Instructor at the Culinary Institute at Greystone, will instruct us in the basic flavors, their definitions and how to use them. The "foundations," stocks and broths, and their use; herbs and spices and their importance and use in cooking will get you inspired to do some real cooking. His method of instruction uses recipes that'll make your mouth water! There will be a chance for sharing ideas after each DVD presentation.
SILIR Session II Classes cont. — October 21-November 22, 2019

Thursday

Our National Parks

Instructor:  Tom Britton
Registration Fee: $10.00
October 24-November 21
9:30 - 11:30 am
Epiphany Lutheran

The course consists of four sessions exploring U.S. National Parks. The first session will include an historical overview of the system of national parks with a focus on the oldest national park, Yellowstone. In subsequent sessions, six other parks chosen by class participants will be described and explored.

Teaching will be a combination of short lectures, group discussions, and video presentations based largely on Ken Burn's PBS documentary, "The National Parks - America's Best Idea."

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So You Think You Know St. Louis

Instructor:  Gary Hartlieb
Registration Fee: $10.00
October 24-November 21
1:30 - 3:30 pm
Carbondale Township Offices

The history of St. Louis will be examined through videos and discussion. Particular attention will be paid to the 1800's and 1900's, with one session devoted to the 1904 World's Fair. Rarely known facts will be revealed, and landmarks will be explained in detail.

Friday

Short Cinema Studies

Instructor:  Dr. Walter Metz
Registration Fee: $10.00
October 25-November 22
9:30 - 11:30 am
Epiphany Lutheran

This course invents new ways of thinking about short format fiction, concentrating on how and why short stories and short films end. We will study two primary literary examples: James Joyce's "epiphany" and Edgar Allan Poe's "single effect." The instructor has invented a theoretical framework which he calls "up-conversion" and "down-conversion" which he uses to analyze the adaptation of short fiction into feature films, and vice versa. An example of the former is Burt Lancaster's reworking of John Cheever's short story, "The Swimmer" into a feature film. An intriguing down-conversion is Theo Angelopoulos’ one-minute film version of Homer’s epic poem, The Odyssey. We will study these and other texts to understand what effect duration has on our experience of film and literature.

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 (jackiew@siu.edu) no later than September 30.
Please join Southern Illinois Group for Coffee & Donuts and the St. Louis Symphony as they Present Brahms’ Fourth Symphony Friday, November 15, 2019

6:30am Departure from the South End of the SIU Arena Parking Lot

We will make our way to Powell Symphony Hall this morning for their popular program — the Coffee and Donuts Concert. We arrive just in time for the pre-concert lecture. Enjoy this interesting perspective of the music which you will hear about from one of the conductors of the Symphony.

Then make your way to the Concert Hall and enjoy your coffee and donut as you pass by.

Today Stephane Deneve conducts the St. Louis Symphony for Brahms’ Fourth Symphony. Violinist Gil Shaham, beloved by St. Louis Symphony musicians and audiences, performs a concerto that lies close to his heart. Bartok’s concerto is a poignant farewell to the composer’s native Hungary. Brahms’ Symphony No.4 shares similar emotions, the sorrow and pain of a goodbye, which Deneve and the Symphony play with fervor.

After the concert, return to our motorcoach and travel to the “Hill” for a late lunch at Favazza’s. Enjoy a House Salad, with Sicilian Chicken, a Side of Pasta with Hot Bread and Butter and Cannoli for dessert. After lunch, we’ll stop at the Missouri Bakery here on the “Hill” for a little shopping time. Then we’ll return back to Carbondale arriving at approximately 6:30pm.

PER PERSON COST: $115

For Information Please Call:
Don Boehne - 618-549-1319

All payments are non-refundable.

Reservations are due no later than September 1, 2019. Due to the policy of the Symphony all payments are due by that date and are non-refundable. Please Call 618.536.7751 with your payment information. If adequate numbers are not met the tour will cancel and all monies refunded back to you.
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*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: ________________________________ (2W0901901) FY20 Membership Dues …………..$25 x ______ = ______

INTEREST GROUPS — July 1, 2019—June 30, 2020

Name: ________________________________ (2W0901902) Musicals Interest Group …………..$10 x ______ = ______

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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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