September 15 Meeting

- **Delivery:** Zoom (link will be emailed to all members)

10:30 Meeting and Program

**President:** Tom Britton

**AT A GLANCE**

**Monthly Meetings:**
October 20, 2021
November 17, 2021
December — no meeting
January 19, 2022
February 16, 2022
March 16, 2022
April 20, 2022
May 18, 2022
June 15, 2022

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

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**September Speaker: Kevin Fear**

**AirMedCare Network: Providing Emergency Air Ambulance Service To Rural America Since 1985**

Ever wonder about those helicopters flying to accident scenes or hospitals? Kevin Fear will speak on the history of AMCN/Air Evac Lifeteam, its growth since 1985, the day-to-day operations of its bases and crews, and the types of flights typically made. AMCN/Air Evac Lifeteam has 320 locations in a 38 state region. He will explain how the air evac system works and address questions about cost of medevac flights and other issues.

Kevin Fear is a lifelong resident of southern Illinois. He grew up in Carterville, graduated from SIU in 1995 with a Marketing degree, and started with AMCN/Air Evac Lifeteam in October of 2008. He works for the local bases in Marion and Harrisburg, IL.

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**ATTENTION**

We realize that some of our members are not comfortable meeting in person right now so we will be offering the monthly meetings and classes virtually. A **Zoom link will be emailed to all members for the monthly meetings.** For the classes, links will be emailed to **only those who register.**

Please note there are a couple of courses that are in person but they are limited to 10 people and you are required to wear a mask.

Thank you!
SILIR Monthly Interest Groups

Musical of the Month Interest Group

Interested in taking over the Movie Musicals class?

Please contact Mike Hanes hanes@siu.edu

Monthly Book Club

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

September 20

September’s book selection is

Drug Use For Grown-Ups. Chasing Liberty in the Land of Fear
by Dr. Carl L. Hart

Monthly Lunch Discussion Group

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

September 23

Location:

We are planning to go to Larry Van Meter’s house on Lake of Egypt for an outing. Details will be sent to this group by E-mail. Need a response from each, (going or not,) a week before.

Wear your mask.

SILIR MEMBERSHIP DUES

Just a friendly reminder that SILIR membership ($25.00/year) runs from July 1-June 30 the following year. Membership form is on page 5 of this newsletter. If you have not yet renewed, please do so in order to continue receiving the newsletter.

Monthly Book Club Notice

You will be notified if we are meeting in person or by Zoom on September 20th. Questions, please contact:

Arlene Dueker bookladyscc@yahoo.com or Fran Oros fgorosmarion@yahoo.com

LIR is saddened by the passing of one of our current members

Edith Calvert Spees
June 27, 1936 - Jan. 12, 2021

Dr. "Edie" Spees passed peacefully after a long journey through Huntington’s disease. She was a long-time resident of Carbondale and very active in the community for many years.
# SILIR Session I Classes — September 13-October 15, 2021

## Tuesday

### Peeking Behind the Curtain of a Civil Jury Trial

**Instructor:** Suzanne Schmitz  
**Registration Fee:** $10.00  
**September 14-October 12**  
9:30 - 11:30 am  
ZOOM

We will travel through a civil jury trial from the time of the first visit to the lawyer through the appeal. We will answer such questions as why does it take so long, why isn’t all the evidence admitted, what do the lawyers and judge talk about, and what does voir dire mean? We will take some detours into the history of some of our practices. And we may even hear some stories.

## Wednesday

### Gender Studies, Film and TV

**Instructor:** Walter Metz  
**Registration Fee:** $10.00  
**September 15-October 13**  
1:30 - 3:30 pm  
ZOOM

A course studying film and TV genres concerned with purportedly feminine domains: emotions, relationships, and other seemingly human whatnots. From the literary influence of ancient Greek comedy, Shakespeare and Jane Austen through chick flicks and screwball comedies to Walter’s idiosyncratic applications of gender studies to contemporary cinema.

## Thursday

### Renew and Expand Your iPhone and iPad Skills

**Instructors:** Gary Hartlieb  
**September 16-October 14**  
1:30 - 3:30 pm  
Epiphany Lutheran Church

Every year our Apple iPhones and iPads update their operating systems, bringing many new features and sometimes dropping or changing others. This class will focus on experienced users who wish to better understand their device(s) and/or wish to become even more comfortable using them. Participants are encouraged to bring their devices to class so much of the focus can be “hands-on.” **Limited to 10 people and masks are required.**
Greek Mythology

Instructor: Katie Carl
Registration Fee: $10.00
October 19-November 16 9:30 - 11:30 am
Zoom only

An overview of characters and concepts of Greek mythology, and their continued relevance in our culture. Topics may include history, god/goddess archetypes, origin/creation stories, heroes, journeys, the role of women, & concepts of love in ancient Greece. Course materials: Mythology by Edith Hamilton, available for less than $5 through several used book sites and also as a free PDF online.

Writing Family History

Instructor: Dick Mathews
Registration Fee: $10.00
October 19-November 16 1:30 - 3:30 pm
Epiphany Lutheran Church

Writing Your Family History: Looking to launch that family history project? Join instructor Dick Matthews and a small group of similarly minded people as we explore ways to start and sustain a writing project that could possibly result in a book-length tale. Limited to 10 people and masks are required.

Shooting Media Funny

Instructor: Walter Metz
Registration Fee: $10.00
October 20-November 17 1:30 - 3:30 pm
Epiphany Lutheran Church

While the academic study of comedy is deeply rooted in traditional criticism, from Aristophanes through Shakespeare to the silent slapstick comedies of Charlie Chaplin, media studies has largely ignored that which contemporary audiences find funny. There’s very little academic work on Caddyshack, Airplane!, and So I Married an Axe Murderer, films which I find extremely funny. How is comedy historically bound? How is what we find funny linked to our identity politics? The course will seek to discover what students find funny, and why. More importantly, students and their professor will learn how to be funnier, a desperate balm against the brutality which surrounds us. Limited to 10 people and masks are required.
Linked Stories

Instructor: Beth Lordan
Registration Fee: $10.00
October 21-November 18
9:30 - 11:30 am
Epiphany Lutheran Church

We’ll read Eudora Welty’s THE GOLDEN APPLES, a novel in stories. There are seven stories in the novel, two of which are short enough to double up with longer ones. This is a difficult but rewarding book, the rewards of which I found only after the third reading. We’ll talk about its difficulty, and about form, and about content. If you have time before we begin, I suggest brushing up on your Greek and Roman myths. That said, please get the book ahead of time: we’ll read the stories in order. **Limited to 10 people and masks are required.**
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- **Labor Day**
- **Patriot Day**
- **Peeking Behind the Curtain of a Civil Jury Trial 9:30 am**
- **Monthly Book Club 9:30 am**
REGISTRATION FORM  
•Please fill out and send entire form with payment•

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

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First Name ___________________________ Last Name ___________________________
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City______________________________ State ______ Zip Code __________________
Day Phone Number ___________________ Cell Phone ____________________
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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: ______________________________ (22W0901901)  FY22 Membership Dues ..................$25 x _____ = _____
Addtl. Name: ________________________ (22W0901901) (July 1, 2021 — June 30, 2022)

INTEREST GROUPS — July 1, 2021—June 30, 2022
Name: ______________________________ (22W0901904)  Book Study Group .....................$10 x _____ = _____
Name: ______________________________ (22W0901905)  Lunch Discussion Group ..................$10 x _____ = _____

SESSION I COURSES — September 13—October 15, 2021
Name: ______________________________ (22W0901906)  Peeking Behind the Curtain ............$10 x _____ = _____
Name: ______________________________ (22W0901907)  Gender Studies, Film and TV .............$10 x _____ = _____

SESSION II COURSES — October 18—November 19, 2021
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Name: ______________________________ (22W0901911)  Writing Family History .................$10 x _____ = _____
Name: ______________________________ (22W0901912)  Shooting Media Funny ...................$10 x _____ = _____
Name: ______________________________ (22W0901908)  Linked Stories ...............................$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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