



# LLI MATTERS

Lifetime Learning Institute at SUNY New Paltz

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## MEET THE LLI COUNCIL



Front row: Dolly Wodin (volunteers), Susan Webber (secretary), Sally Rhoads (president); Myra Soren (past president), Gail Logan (special events), Marie Girard (membership). Second row: Margaret Armento-McDowell (vice-president), Ed Rogers (treasurer), Marion Ryan and June Finer (members-at-large), Ken Wishnick (public relations). Absent from photo: Jo Gangemi (member-at-large) and June Poletsek (membership),

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## HAPPY VOLUNTEERS



**Maureen Brooks, Teacher**



**Ellen Brady**



**Wendy Smiley**

**Class Assistants**

## Mary Cotton-Miller Retires as LLI Registrar

Mary Cotton-Miller has been the registrar at LLI since its inception. As her term has concluded, Mary has stepped down from that post, receiving a standing ovation at the March annual meeting.

With characteristic modesty, Mary thanked all the people who have helped her over these years, rather than taking all the accolades for herself.



Although the council position of registrar remains vacant, staff member Jean Poiroir, LLI's Registration Coordinator, will handle the responsibilities, and we anticipate a smooth transition.

### How to Get the Most Out of Your LLI Membership

#### Renew for 2011-2012

With almost 235 paying members this year, we expect an even stronger program as we begin our 5th year in September. The annual membership fee remains \$115. **Send in your 2011-2012 membership form as soon as you receive it.**

#### Attend classes and events

Your membership fee entitles you to an assortment of courses (see reverse for some examples), as well as brunches, special lecture programs and films, and other activities.

#### Help us run the organization

LLI is run by volunteer members, and there are so many ways to help out. **One particularly gratifying contribution is to be the classroom assistant in one of your courses.** You handle communications between the teacher and the students and assist in other ways. It's a good way to participate in the program and get to know people along the way. Tomi Schneider, chair of the classroom assistants committee, says that "the assistants report that a minimum of time is required and that they always feel useful and appreciated."

If you want to help grow and serve the organization, **join the membership committee.** Or **volunteer for the curriculum committee**, where you will work with instructors and help select the courses. Or just say you're willing to **help in some small way, like participating in occasional mailings.** You can indicate your interest on the membership form.

## Classes start again in September Look for your fall catalog in July

Once again, we are offering courses on Wednesdays and Fridays. Most Wednesday classes are held on the SUNY campus; Friday classes are held either in town or at Woodland Pond (*off North Putt Corners Road, about one mile north of Route 299 in New Paltz*).

Here are some examples of what you can expect to find in the fall catalog (*mailed out the end of summer*):

America's Immigrant Experience  
Basic High School Physics You Missed  
Divas and Yiddish Folk Songs  
Drawing From Nature  
Fine & Performing Arts  
A History of Fish and Fishing  
History of Mexico  
James Joyce and His Works  
Writing and Poetics

**Be sure to send in your registration form early  
Some classes fill up quickly**

## Come to council meetings.

Council meetings are open to all members. Call or email to learn the dates and places of meetings.

## Socialize at Jazzman's on the SUNY campus



Don't forget to stop in at Jazzman's for lunch or coffee before, after, or between your Wednesday classes on the SUNY campus. It's a good place to meet other LLI students and to relax between classes. Jazzman's is in the Faculty Tower, right next to Humanities and a few steps away from the Lecture Center.

See you at Jazzman's!

## LLI COUNCIL

### Officers

**President:** Sally Rhoads  
**Vice President:** Margaret Armento-McDowell  
**Secretary:** Susan Webber  
**Treasurer:** Ed Rogers  
**Immediate Past President:** Myra Soren

### Standing Committees

**Classroom Affairs:** Tomi Schneider  
**Curriculum:** Lyn Mayo  
**Events:** Gail Logan  
**Membership:** June Polatsek  
**Public Relations:** Ken Wishnick  
**Volunteers:** Dolly Wodin

### Members-at-Large

June Finer  
Jo Gangemi  
Marion Ryan

### Ex Officio

Helise Winters  
Dean of Regional Education  
SUNY New Paltz

**Registration Coordinator:** Jean Poirior

## Having trouble parking on campus?

Try the LOOP bus, which travels through the core areas of New Paltz and the SUNY campus. Ask the driver to drop you off at the **Wooster Science parking lot** (close to the Humanities Building) and say which bus you wish to return on. There's free parking at the Route 32 N. Park & Ride (across from Stewarts), but the LOOP can be boarded anywhere along the route.

For the full schedule and map, call 340-3333 or go to [www.co.ulster.ny.us/ucats/schedules/new\\_paltz\\_loop\\_map.pdf](http://www.co.ulster.ny.us/ucats/schedules/new_paltz_loop_map.pdf).

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