

# LLIWATERS

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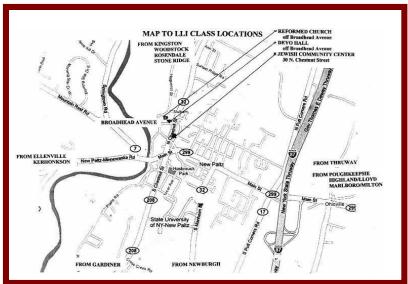
# Lifetime Learning Institute Will Have a "Downtown Campus" in Fall 2008

SUNY New Paltz will be undergoing extensive remodeling and renovation for the next several years. This action has required that the Lifetime Learning Institute (LLI) move its classes from the SUNY campus to facilities located in the Village of New Paltz. LLI was fortunate to secure three locations in close proximity to each other that will ensure comfortable classrooms, ample parking and a place to meet your friends between classes.

The Reformed Church Education
Building is located directly across from
the church, and adjacent to a parking
lot, which can be accessed from
Broadhead Avenue. The Historic
Huguenot Street Deyo Hall is situated
on Broadhead Avenue, at the opposite
end of the same parking lot. The Jewish
Community Center is on Route 32, one
block from the corner of Route 32 and
Broadhead Avenue.

The LLI Curriculum Committee was challenged with developing a variety of classes and locating appropriate space for them, working within previously established schedules and limitations of our new facilities.

Class times were adjusted to allow for travel between and among locations. Easily accessible meeting places shall be identified and details about what kind of food may be brought onsite will be made available to members as we know more. Please refer to your class catalog and to onsite handouts for more detailed information and for a larger image of the above map.



### Got Lunch?

Unfortunately there are no Jazzman Cafés on our new "campus" this fall, so some of you may want to pick up or go to lunch at one of the many places to eat in the Village of New Paltz.

We can help you with that.

Please check for details at our information tables which will be available on site.

For more information about LLI matters, please call

(845) 257-2892





To learn more about LLIs, go to the Elderhostel Institute Network Newsletter: www.elderhostel.org/ein/intro.asp

### Win A Free Weekend Intensive Language Class

This fall, one member of the Lifetime Learning Institute will be chosen each month to receive free enrollment in an intensive weekend language class offered by the Language Immersion Institute at SUNY New Paltz. Register now, so you don't miss out.

The SUNY Language Immersion Institute offers classes to adult learners in more than twenty languages, with an emphasis on developing conversational skills. The instructors are experienced language teachers, and most are

native or native-fluent speakers. The normal cost for a class is \$350, but that cost will be waived for one lucky LLI member each month.

Language classes meet for 25 hours each weekend: Friday from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm, Saturday from 9:00 am to 5:30 pm, and Sunday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. This fall, classes will be offered these weekends:

September 12-14 October 3-5 November 14-16 December 5-7

# This opportunity is not open to previous winners

To learn more and to register, contact

Language Immersion Institute Annie Gallin Director

(845) 257-3560 or gallina@newpaltz.edu

## **Special Interest Groups (SIGS)**

#### Definition of SIGS

SIGS are made up of LLI members who have an interest in a subject or activity and want to share their interest with others.

#### **Guidelines for SIGS**

- Open only to LLI members
- Led/facilitated by current LLI members
- Groups and leaders must be approved by Events Committee
- Groups must hold regular meetings and are to provide a schedule for the newsletter
- Meetings must not conflict with LLI classes
- Leaders facilitate the groups but do not teach the groups
- Members of SIGS are responsible for costs or fees
- Members are responsible for finding locations for meetings

#### **Current or Upcoming SIGS**

#### **Beading**

Facilitator: Bea Seagull
(845) 255-6457 or
seagullb@newpaltz.edu
Alternating Mondays: 1-3 pm
Beginners/intermediate welcome
Bring your own supplies

#### Easy Bike Rides

Facilitator: Judy Reichler For information (845) 255-1775 or jmreichler@aol.com

#### **Outdoor Painting**

Facilitator: Jane Lawton For information (845) 255-1469 or jlawton98@localnet.com

#### Quilting

Facilitator: Dolly Wodin
For information (845) 255-6877
Times and activities will be
decided upon by the group, which
will meet at Dolly's home in the
evening or on a weekend day
starting in the fall

Scrabble™ and Breakfast
Co-facilitators: Mary CottonMiller and Ann Burdett
First and third Tuesdays
Plaza Diner, 9:30-11:30 am
Bring your own board

If you have a special interest and are looking for people to share it, we encourage you to consider facilitating a SIG.

#### To organize a SIG

Contact
Ann Burdett
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#### **Newsletter Committee**

Barbara Carroll, Chair Ann Burdett Elaine Frankle Marie Girard Lynn Sarda Volume 1, Number 3 Page 3

### LLI Member Highlight



### Lyn Mayo

How did the Lifetime Learning Institute at SUNY New Paltz get its start? For that, we must thank our founding president, Lyn Mayo.

Lyn first encountered Lifetime **Learning Institutes at Southern Oregon University in Ashland** where she lived for several years in the 1990s. Upon her return to the Hudson Valley she eagerly sought out a local LLI. Marist College in Hyde Park hosted the largest LLI in the valley, but it had a waiting list of seven years for hopefuls wanting to join the established membership of six hundred strong. However, there was a smaller LLI at Bard that welcomed Lyn and soon she was not only a student there, but a member of the LLI Curriculum Committee as well.

While she was enjoying Bard's LLI, it became apparent that its small campus would not be able to expand much beyond its two hundred members. Friends from the Hudson River's western banks who wished to experience the stimulation and camaraderie of a Lifetime Learning Institute were out of luck... until Lyn took action.

With the encouragement of Bard's leaders, in February 2007 Lyn gathered together at The Bakery a group of a half dozen friends and there lit the spark that was to fire up the LLI at SUNY New Paltz. She was amazed when only two months later nearly fifty other interested community members turned out for an organizational meeting to further the cause. Lyn modestly credits that group's talent and self-motivation, as well as the exceptional cooperation of SUNY's new Dean of Regional Education, Helise Winters, for the Lifetime Learning Institute's dynamic and rapid formation.

By the end of summer 2007, the LLI had attracted an impressive faculty of instructors and through its expansive catalogue, offered to Hudson Valley seniors a wide variety of exciting and interesting courses. Lyn proudly notes that the nearly two hundred members who signed on for our LLI's first operating semester, rivaled the membership that it took Bard nearly six years to achieve.

Lyn Mayo is a former faculty member at SUNY New Paltz and a clinical social worker who had a psychotherapy practice in the area for several decades. When she relocated from Oregon back to New Paltz she was returning to many old friends, as well as to her son and his family, including grandchildren. The East Coast is also closer to Lyn's daughter and son-in-law who reside in Ireland with more grandchildren.

And now, thanks to her dedication and commitment to lifetime learning, Lyn has a whole new community of friends who want to say,

took action. "Thanks, Lyn. Welcome home."

# You're Invited to Become a

#### Classroom Assistant

Classroom Assistants aid the Class Instructors in many ways, such as: ensuring that handouts are copied and made available to students; communicating with students regarding class changes or cancellations; and distributing flyers and course evaluation forms.

You will find that in the role of Classroom Assistant it will be much easier for you to meet new people, to touch their lives in ways they will appreciate and to contribute vitally to the overall effectiveness of our LLI.

To volunteer as a Classroom
Assistant in the fall, register
early for your classes and
Contact
Marie Girard
255-2315
mgirard@hvc.rr.com

# LLI Collaborates Trips with AAUW

Please see the Calendar of Events on page 4 for more information on a trip to Glimmerglass for Bellini's Romeo and Juliet and one to the Finger Lakes to see Michelangelo's drawings and Monet's Giverny. For the Finger Lakes trip, call (845) 255-5256 immediately to confirm availability.

Many thanks to the staff of the

#### Mid-Hudson Teacher Center

For printing our newsletter

# Calendar of Events

**Second Fridays** 

LLI Council meetings are held the second Friday of each month. All members are welcome to attend.

<u>July 28</u>

Fall session catalog and 2008-2009 membership forms to be mailed

July 30

Videoconferencing "trip" to Guggenheim Museum:

Cancelled due to technical problems at the museum

August 24 AAUW trip Glimmerglass Bellini's Romeo and Juliet For information call: (845) 657-6807

or go to:

aauwnytrips@gmail.com

August 25

Postmark deadline for course registration

September 7-8 AAUW trip Michelangelo & Monet's Giverny in the Finger Lakes For information: 255-5256 Deadline August 5 September 8
Postmark deadline for late registration, with late fee

September 18
Class confirmation letters to be mailed

September 26

Fall 2008

Classes Begin

### Lifetime Learning Institute

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#### LLI Council

#### Officers

President: Judy Reichler
Vice President: Gail Gallerie
Secretary: Carol Roper
Treasurer: Fred Mayo

Immediate Past President: Lyn Mayo Registrar: Mary Cotton-Miller

#### **Standing Committees**

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Curriculum: Lyn Mayo
Events: Ann Burdett

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Public Relations: Mary Ann Osgood

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Volunteers: Sally Rhoads

Members-at-Large Martha Afzal June Finer Martin Korfman

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Helise Winters Dean of Regional Education SUNY New Paltz

