

# **LLI MATTERS**

Learning for the Love of It

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### FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear L.L.I. members,

Well summer is upon us. A time for bar-b-ques, swimming, fun in the sun and leisure. Although, mowing the lawn and working the garden doesn't seem so leisurely. Still it is a time to enjoy the outdoors. It is also marks the beginning of a new LLI year.

This year, we hope to complete our move to "The Cloud". No it doesn't mean we are becoming spacey or flighty. It means we are becoming tech savvy (well some of us). This becomes necessary as our membership has grown. It will give us easy access to the information, we need in order to create the dynamic, interesting and balanced classes and lectures. This will aid in maintaing the level of excellence our members have become accustomed to and to accomplish our mission.



In other news, we have partnered with a local senior group, allowing more access to trips. We are also exploring possible new 21st century presentation methods in the classroom. I did broach the subject of a semester abroad, PARIS ANYONE?, however it fell flat.

We remain a great organization offering continued quality classes, presenters, and lectures. This effort requires a great number of people willing to volunteer. We cannot provide quality without committed staffing. We presently are **in need of a vice president** (president in waiting) and **a recording secretary** (descriptions on next page). We always need classroom volunteers and people for various jobs for varying lengths of time. PLEASE consider becoming a volunteer thus ensuring the continuing robust health of LLI.

Thank you and enjoy your summer.

Yours truly,

Diane Fiscina, President

### Announcement to New Paltz LLI members:

"At the administrative council meeting in February, after a discussion with a member of the New Paltz-Gardiner seniors group regarding their outings, it was agreed that we would inform our members of these trips, and provide a contact number for those interested in going. LLI would provide contact information only in the announcement to our members."

Reservations for these outings and payment are to be made only through the New Paltz-Gardiner Senior Citizen Club.



### POSITIONS AVAILABLE

### **VICE PRESIDENT**

As VP you serve on the Council and learn the ropes. If the President is unable to attend the monthly meeting, you preside over the meeting. The next year you assume the prestigious position of President.

### **RECORDING SECRETARY**

This position will be available beginning October, 2019. The preliminary duties include taking minutes at the monthly council meeting and at the Annual Meeting.

If you can help, please contact Secretary Linda Lee Paquin or President Diane Fiscina. ASAP

# **Volunteers**

If you would like to help the organization function optimally, consider volunteering. Some things we need help with are classroom assistants, mailings, phone-a-thons or perhaps you recognize any area which would benefit from your expertise.

Email Alice.Barner@gmail.com to find out about other volunteer opportunities.

# **Curriculum Committee Members**

This dynamic and exciting committee develops new courses and recruits faculty.

# Social Media-Technical help

Knowledge of Facebook administration, Word or Publisher helpful.

### PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD

We trust you enjoy your classes and extracurricular activities. LLI would love your friends and family as members, therefore let them know about LLI.

# 2018-19 Scholarship Recepient

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# Celia-Ann Dye

Lifetime Learning Institute Scholarship 2018-2019

### My Experiences

- · Single Mother to a wonderful 7 year old daughter
- New Paltz Biology Club Executive Board Member : Historian
- · Biology Department : General Biology 1 Proctor
- Biology Department : General Biology 1 Tutor
- Palaia Winery and Vineyard: Bartender and Farmers Market Coordinator/Attendant



Senior Biology

### What a Scholarship Means to Me:

I am a single mother who, for the last two years, has prided herself on being able to take on being a full time mon while also being a full time medical assistant for a pediatric urgent care and part time bartender at a winery while also being a full time pre-med student with "almost" straight A's in the cellular/molecular biology program. Bein a non-traditional student certainly has it's challenges but, like anything else, you adapt and overcome. Unfortunately, the last year has brought on medical issues and road blocks that have required many adaptations in my pla

Last October, while coming home from an eight hour study session over Columbus Day weekend, I was hit by a drunk driver. This car accident not only totaled my car, but tore and herniated a lumbar disc, created a bulge in another disc, and incurred a very serious blow to my head. The injuries sustained required me to step away from my classes and my job in order to focus on the physical therapy and cognitive healing needed.

An even more unexpected road block coming from this car accident was the revelation of a rare vascular tumor it my brain that was found during scans to rule out traumatic brain injury from my concussion. Now, I also had to deal with a completely unrelated deadly mass in my head that, if not removed, posed the threat of rupturing and wreaking havoc on my brain, if not causing death. As a result, I underwent two massive brain surgeries to remove this mass, the size of a golf ball, in my brain.

If I have learned one thing, it is that if it were not for the incredible support system that I call my family, I would be lost. These scholarships are one more tier in that support system, from my academic family, to help me get back and finish my senior year, the senior year I had set out to do last fall but was unable to finish. Scholarships would give me the ability to come back to school with less stress over money as I continue to heal, both physical and cognitively, from both the accident and brain surgery. I hope I have been able to convey just how important the opportunities for scholarships really are to me and my small family.

### LLI Council 2019-2020

### **OFFICERS**

President Diane Fiscina: dfiscina3@hotmail.com

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# LLI Membership/Benefits from SUNY-New Paltz



- Membership fee of \$120 entitles you to enroll in 6 classes out of a selection of over 33 courses in both the Fall and Spring semesters. You are also invited to many other LLI events, including trips and informative brunches. Please note: The membership dues were increased by \$5 which is earmarked for the LLI scholarship awarded to a non-traditional undergraduate.
- ♦ The classrooms we use on Wednesdays and the technical support the presenters receive during classes are all provided free from SUNY. The SUNY administration is happy to have LLI on campus and offers the following discounts and opportunities to our students beyond our reduced price parking tags:
  - ⇒ Members are allowed to join the new Wellness Center on campus for a reduced fee for one semester or for the year. This gives one access to the circuit, the weight room and the dance classes. The old Elting Gym also has a swimming pool, racquetball courts and ping pong tables available.
  - ⇒ The Department of Fine and Performing Arts gladly accepts the LLI membership card as a form of student identification. The card allows one to pay the reduced student rate for art (Dorsky Museum), theater (McKenna and Parker) and special events (Lecture Center). You can use the library but by becoming a Friend of the Library for a minimum donation of \$30, you are able to take books out of the library as well.
  - ⇒ The various campus dining options are always available to everyone. The remodeled Wooster Hall (which is just across the concourse from Humanities and Lecture Center classes) now hosts a lovely restaurant.
  - ⇒ You can sign up for email from the college to receive announcements of the events on campus or check out www.newpaltz.edu.

# **Auditing SUNY-New Paltz Classes**

Persons over 60 years of age, who would like to audit a course must obtain an audit form from the Office of Records and Registration. The completed form must have the approval and signatures of the chair of the department offering the course and the course instructor. The audit form must be returned to the department offering the course by the end of the "course add period."

The audit privilege permits the auditor to attend a course, providing there is room in the course and the necessary approvals have been granted, and to do assignments, but it does not permit the auditor to take examinations in the course or to have his/her work evaluated in any other way. The auditor receives no grade for the course, nor is any record of course attendance kept in the Office of Records and Registration.

Audit privileges are not ordinarily available in studio, online, laboratory or performance courses, or courses where class participation of students is of major importance, nor are they available in credit-free courses offered by the institution or in any foreign study program or course.

### **Other Discounts Available**

20% off art supplies at Manny's and Rhinebeck Artist Shop.

Some widespread theaters and museums accept your student ID for discounts.

# **BUDGET INFORMATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

	Journal Ledger for 2018/2019	Expenses	Revenue
Date Payee	Item	Amount	
8-JulSt Josephs Church	Rent for Classrooms	\$1,075.00	
8-JulRegistrar	Registrar	\$215.00	
26-JulSouthern Dutchess	Fall Catalog	\$1,025.00	
26-JulMarilou Abramshe	LCD Projector	\$432.00	
26-JulPDQ	Copies	\$17.00	
7-AugCatalog Mailing	Postage	\$445.00	
7-AugRefund for Flower Show	11 Individual Members Total	\$572.00	
9-AugMembership	Revenue		\$14,200.00
9-Aug Flower Show	Refund		\$308.00
9-AugRegistrar	Registrar	\$472.00	
16-AugJoel Swartzberg	Refund over payment	\$40.00	
19-AugMembership	Revenue		\$4,320.00
27-AugDonation to Foundation	Myra Sorin		\$100.00
27-AugMembership	Revenue		\$2,400.00
28-AugJean Poirier	Postage	\$113.00	
2-SepJean Poirier	Registrar	\$1,308.00	
6-SepFaith Nichols	Postage and ink cartridges	\$56.00	
6-SepRegistrar	Postage	\$10.00	
8-SepPhyllis Sturm	Facebook Ads	\$20.00	
8-SepWoodland Pond	LLI Brunch	\$500.00	
8-SepLLI Brunch	Revenue		\$470.00
8-SepMembership	Revenue		\$840.00
20-SepJessica Rothman	Postage for packets to CA's	\$73.00	
26-SepMembership	Revenue		\$600.00
26-SepBrunch	Revenue		\$20.00
26-SepBadge replacement	Revenue		\$5.00
28-SepLou Trapani	Refund for parking pass	\$25.00	
28-SepMarny Janson	Badges/ Lanyards	\$36.00	
3-OctMembership	Revenue		\$240.00
3-OctSeason Ticket	Revenue		\$10.00
3-OctRegistrar	Postage	\$20.00	
18-OctRegistrar	Registrar	\$687.00	
18-OctSevan Melikyan	Catalog	\$950.00	
24-OctTravelers	Liability Insurance	\$840.00	
31-OctSeason Ticket	SUNY	\$350.00	
31-OctSeason Ticket	Revenue		\$320.00
31-OctBrunch	Revenue		\$610.00
2-NovWoodland Pond	Brunch	\$518.00	
7-NovRegistrar	Registrar	\$554.00	
18-NovJessica Rothman	Envelopes	\$19.00	
18-NovMembership	Revenue		\$130.00
18-NovBrunch	Revenue		\$20.00
5-DecCarole Heyl	Ads for About Town	\$332.00	
5-DecMatthew Kornher	Computer Management System	\$4,650.00	
5-DecRegistrar	Registrar	\$256.00	
11-DecMarilou Abramshe	Storage Space Rental Oct to March	\$604.00	
11-DecHalf year Membership	Revenue		\$75.00
13-DecUS Post Office	PO Box rental One year	\$140.00	

	Journal Ledger for 2018/2019	Expenses	Revenue
Date Payee	Item	Amount	
1-Jan Gail Gallerie	Donation		\$100.00
1-Jan Selective Insurance	Liability Insurance	\$667.00	
8-Jan Registrar	Registrar	\$328.00	
8-Jan Matthew Kornher	10% of balance	\$930.00	
15-Jan Southern Dutchess	Spring Catalog	\$975.00	
31-Jan Cornorstone Services	Rack Cards	\$463.00	
31-Jan Registrar	Mailing Labels	\$24.00	
31-Jan Alice Barner	Postage Spring Catalog	\$398.00	
31-Jan Membership	Revenue		\$645.00
31-Jan Registrar	Registrar	\$861.00	
9-Jan PDQ	PDQ	\$421.00	
23-Feb Membership	Revenue		\$1,440.00
28-Feb PDQ	PDQ	\$31.00	
28-Feb Registrat	Registrar	\$1,220.00	
6-Mar Sevan Melikyan	Catalog Design	\$950.00	
8-Mar Woodland Pond	Brunch	\$504.00	
8-Mar Alma Sloan	Postage	\$77.00	
8-Mar Brunch	Income		\$561.00
8-Mar Membership	Income		\$420.00
8-Mar Registrar	Postage	\$22.00	
14-Mar Membership/badge	Income		\$125.00
14-Mar Marny Janson	Postage/supplies	\$159.00	
14-Mar Alice Barner	Postage	\$116.00	
14-Mar Matthew Kornher	Contract	\$930.00	
14-Mar Jessica Rothman	Postage	\$45.00	
14-Mar Town of New Paltz	Rent for Classrooms at CC	\$600.00	
19-Mar St Josephs	Rent for Classrooms	\$875.00	
19-Mar Marilou Abramshe	Extension Cards	\$26.00	
26-Mar Membership	Revenue		\$120.00
26-Mar Matthew Kornher	Contract	\$930.00	
3-Apr Registrar	Registrar	\$820.00	
9-Apr Russell Thompson	Theater Tickets	\$270.00	
11-Apr Extra Space Storage	Storage Space Rental	\$101.00	
16-Apr Woodland Pond	Brunch	\$315.00	
16-Apr Registrar	Postage	\$22.00	
16-Apr Revenue	Season Tickets		\$270.00
16-Apr Revenue	Membership		\$75.00
16-Apr Woodland Pond	Brunch		\$308.00
21-Apr Diane Fiscina	Gift card for outgoing President	\$62.00	
18-Apr Woodland Pond	General Meeting Brunch	\$252.00	
28-Apr Rental	Class Room Community Ctr	\$270.00	
28-Apr Returned check	Refund for Community Ctr		\$600.00
28-Apr Mayo check	Returned Check	\$33.00	
28-Apr Mayo check	Reimbursement for Check		\$33.00
7-May Registrar	Registrar & AA	\$410.00	
13-May Extra Space Storage	Storage Unit	\$122.00	
31-May SUNY print shop	Volunteer Reception Booklet	\$43.00	
31-May Linda Paquin	Stamps for reception	\$15.00	
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# **Recent Brunch Lectures**









The History and Mission of Denizen and Shadowland Theatres

Bosnian Diary: A personal experience

# **Upcoming Brunches and Trips**

October 15: Gerald Sorin

Influences: The Early Days of Saul Bellow, Nobel Laureate.

November 12: Ron Gabriel

**History of Old Time Radio** 

# **Campus MAP**



Checkout our website: newpaltz.edu/lifetime (/catalog)
Or our Facebook page: Lifetime Learning Institute New Paltz

### LAUNCH OF LLI'S NEW OUTREACH PROGRAM

On the First Tuesday in August LLI Volunteers will be at Tops and ShopRite from 10:00 to 4:00 to discuss courses available for the Fall, to answer questions about LLI and record names and addresses for catalog requests.

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### VOLUNTEER RECEPTION







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### FALL 2019 COURSES AT A GLANCE

### **COURSE TITLE**

### PRESENTER(S)

Chess for Fun for Beginners and Beyond

Rebel, Romantic and Mystic -

the Poetry of Leonard Cohen

Cosmology with a touch of Astrophysics Get the Most from your DNA Test Results

Draw for Fun and Fancy

Leaps, Bounds and Stumbles - a History of Biology

Unknowns.... But Unforgettable's Living Sustainably: Nature's Way

Healthy You

Watercolors for Beginners

American Biography Come Swing with Me

You've Got to be Carefully Taught - Oscar Hammerstein Jessica Rothman

II and Prejudice

**Revolution and Counterrevolution** 

**How Stories Work** 

World History through Cities

Learn to Knit

Introduction to Tap

The Goddess in World Religion Create your own Australian Art

**Investing 101** 

Civility

**Exploring Better communication** 

Writing for the Stage

Lost Industries - Railroads and Trolleys

Intro to Yoga

New Paltz "Antiques Road Show"

Season Ticket - Henry V

**Book Discussion** 

**Edward Boden** 

Rena Bonne'

**Bovd Herforth** Marny Janson Connie Noelle

Bill Tuel Bob Ulrich

Lyla Yastion Ph.D

Roufa Payman, Dr. Benoit

Bewley, Dr. Michael

Rezak, Dr. Brian Binetti

Pattie Eakin Don Roper Richard Sullivan

Lewis Brownstein Laurence Carr

Tom Mounkhall and

Joe Britto Leslie Rosen

Anita Jean McMonigle

Meta Plotnick Ellie Anderson Irene Berner CPF

Fred Mavo Kathy Mazzetti Nancy Van Laan Marilou Abramshe

Ariana Basco Walter Marquez Jessica Rothman Judy Reichler

### LLI MISSION STATEMENT

The Lifetime Learning Institute of New Paltz promotes diverse and enriching learning experiences for older adults, provides opportunities for social interaction, and encourages individuals to use their knowledge and skills in creative ways.

# Fall 2019 classes will run Wednesday, Sept 18th through Friday, Nov 15th (excl. Oct 9 & 11)

Watch your mail for the catalog in late-July or check website:

www.newpaltz.edu/lifetime/catalog.html



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