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WELCOME TO THE 12TH YEAR OF LIR IN ATHENS

LIR welcomes old and new members to a year that offers many new, diverse courses; an interesting lunch and learn series; travel and study outings in our area; an assortment of social gatherings; and a selection of interest groups. Being active in Learning in Retirement is a great way to stimulate your brain and enjoy the company of friendly folks who have exactly the same idea in mind. And if you would like to be involved in planning courses or activities for the future, please consider signing up for one of the many committees.

FALL REGISTRATION 2005 Monday, September 12, at the Holiday Inn Express

Fall registration will be held on Monday, September 12, from 9:30 to 11:30 at the Holiday Inn Express on the corner of Broad and Newton Streets. The hotel asks that we park in the lot facing Broad Street and use the front entrance.

LIR members are invited to register for classes, lectures, travel/study trips, and other events while enjoying refreshments, catching up with old friends after the summer break, and welcoming newcomers to the organization. Come see what the interest groups offer by talking with their representatives. Since membership is prerequisite to registration, this is also an opportunity to renew your membership or for new members to enroll in the organization.

Please note that all courses are filled on a first-come, first-served basis, and some course descriptions specifically mention a *limited enrollment*. Therefore we advise that you register for courses and events by mail if possible, using the forms included in this issue. You can renew your membership by mail, too.

But don't stay away if you register by mail. Come have a snack, socialize a bit, and pick up your parking passes and class/event confirmation notices. (Passes and confirmations not picked up will be mailed later.) We hope to see you then.

MARK THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR

Sunday, Sept. 4	Coffee and Music at Borders
Monday, Sept. 12	Fall Registration, Holiday Inn Express
Tuesday, Sept. 20	Ice Cream Social at <i>il gelato</i>
Monday, Oct. 3	Lunch & Learn: Life at the Edge
Tuesday, Oct. 4	Panoz Auto, Chateau Elan, Mayfield Dairy Trip
Sunday, Oct. 16	Brunch at the Savannah Room
Tuesday, Oct. 25	North Georgia Mountains Trip
Monday, Oct. 31	Coffee at Five Points Deli
Thursday, Nov. 3	Theatre Thursday at the Library/Jittery Joe's
Monday Nov. 7	Lunch & Learn: What Bartram Saw
Tuesday, Nov. 15	Lunch at Hilltop Grille
Wednesday, Nov. 30	The Rockettes at the Fox
Monday, Dec. 5	Lunch & Learn: Hands of the Spirit
Tuesday, Dec. 6	Holiday Buffet

THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Beginning a new year can be an exciting time. We are enthusiastic about renewing our efforts to seize all the opportunities that exist, even though we may be challenged by the size and complexity of some of those opportunities. How much and how fast should we grow? How close a relationship with the university should we try to build? Are there groups that we should try to serve? Lots of questions.

We begin a very promising new year in very good shape thanks to the impressive momentum provided by our predecessors. How fortunate we are to be able to enjoy the legacy provided by the extraordinary efforts of President John Rudy, Vice President Kathy Gratzek, Treasurer Jim Jacobson, and Secretary Diane Box, not to mention all the outstanding committee chairs who have served us so well.

We not only continue to grow in number but in the scope and sophistication of our course offerings as well. The reaction of the board to the fall semester report of the curriculum committee can be summed up in one word: Wow! Our colleagues from both North Carolina and Florida have also told us that they were impressed with the size and quality of our program. LIR in Athens is a discerning and sophisticated group with worthwhile programs that get better every year.

Be sure to join us at registration this year if you can and meet some of our new members. And also do your bit to get the word out to your friends and neighbors. Chances are they will enjoy these activities as much as you do. Talk it up!

I look forward to serving as your president this coming year. Please let me know if you have ideas you think we ought to pursue, or if you would like to offer to teach a course for us. We are always looking for gifted volunteer teachers.

Al Ike

LIR Makes It into a National Magazine

The May/June issue of *Where to Retire* features an article titled "Athens, Ga.: Vibrant College Town." When LIR member Carolyn Lehr's sister-in-law saw it, she sent Carolyn a copy. The 8-page article describes Athens and includes one page of demographic data and information about Athens.

A segment on education lists the colleges and says the following: "Affiliated with Elderhostel, Learning in Retirement (LIR) in Athens (www.geron.uga.edu/lir) from September through May offers daytime courses such as strength training, medieval and Renaissance papacy, French bistro cooking, and computer skills. LIR year-round offers bridge, quilting, and conversational French plus summer activities and a travel/study program with day trips." Kip Brown will soon have a copy of the entire article (by an Alabama writer).

FALL SEMESTER 2005 COURSES BY DAY OF WEEK

All room numbers are for Rivers Crossing unless otherwise noted. ACCA is the Athens Community Council on Aging on Hoyt Street. The Georgia Museum of Art is part of UGA's east campus on Carlton Street.

Monday

Healthy Cooking and Eating – Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24; 3:00-4:30; ACCA

Martin Luther – Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24; 9:00-11:00; Room 135

Social Security – Nov. 14, 21, 28; 9:00-10:30; Room 135

Tuesday

Rebuilding Central Park – Oct. 4, 11, 18; 10:00-11:30; Room 135

Introduction to the Internet – Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25; 11:00-12:30; Room 143

Fitness for Women – Nov. 1, 8; 9:00-10:00; Curves (east Athens)

Memory Improvement – Nov. 1, 8, 15; 2:00-4:00; Room 139

How to Invest Wisely – Nov. 15, 22, 29; 11:00-12:30; Room 135

Wednesday

Artists Crawl – Sept. 28 / Oct. 5, 12; 12:30-3:00; Varied locations

Is It Sculpture or Isn't It? – Oct. 5, 12, 19; 9:00-10:30; Room 135

Replacing Rehnquist – Oct. 5, 12, 19; 1:00-2:30; Room 135

Mediterranean Cooking – Oct. 12, 19, 26 / Nov. 2; 3:00-5:00; ACCA

Coming Home: American Paintings 1930-1950 – Nov. 2, 5:30; Nov. 3 (*Thursday*), 10:00; Georgia Museum of Art

Geology for Travelers – Nov. 2, 9, 16; 9:30-11:30; Room 135

Decorating for Christmas – Nov. 9, 16; 9:30-11:30; Room 139

Thursday

Laughter: The Most Civilized Music – Sept. 29 / Oct. 6, 13; 10:00-12:00; Room 135

Beginning Bridge – Sept. 29 / Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27 / Nov. 3, 10, 17; 1:00-3:00; Room 139

The U.S. in a Changing World – Oct. 20, 27 / Nov. 3, 10, 17 / Dec. 1; 9:00-10:30; Room 135

Friday

Friday at the Movies with Alfred Hitchcock: Sept. 30 / Oct. 7, 14; 1:00-3:00; Room 62

Friday at the Movies with Jane Austen: Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28 / Nov. 4, 11; 10:00-12:00; Room 135

LUNCH AND LEARN LECTURE SERIES

The lecture series is held at the Athens Community Council on Aging, at 135 Hoyt Street, just north of downtown in the former depot building. The lectures begin at 11:00 followed by lunch and will be offered on Monday: October 3, November 7, and December 5, 2005.

Monday, October 3

Life at the Edge – Philip Lee Williams

Mr. Williams, editor and adjunct professor of creative writing, Franklin School of Arts and Sciences at the University of Georgia, will talk about his interest as a writer in “outsiders,” those people who live at the edges of society. He is the author of 11 published books, including 8 novels. His latest novel, *A Distant Flame* (St. Martin’s Press) was recently selected winner of the Michael Shaara Award as best Civil War novel published in the United States in 2004.

Monday, November 7

What Bartram Saw – Brad Sanders

Mr. Sanders will present the story of William Bartram, America’s first great naturalist. Using Bartram’s writings and his own photography, he will retrace Bartram’s footsteps, a journey that opened his eyes to the beauty of his native South. His recent book, *Guide to William Bartram’s Travels*, began as a small photographic exhibit of 36 images and grew to its present size of 36 chapters detailing Bartram’s route through the Southeast.

Mr. Sanders graduated from the University of Georgia in 1973 and worked for many years in Atlanta in the advertising field and in Athens in the publishing and printing business. He teaches graphic communications at Cedar Shoals High School, a position he has held since 1986.

Monday, December 5

Hands of the Spirit: The Story of Visionary Artist J. B. Murray – Mary Padgelek

In 1978, a 70-year-old black farmer in rural Georgia received what he believed was a call from God. Though unable to read or write, J. B. Murray began to draw and paint flowing abstractions under what he understood to be the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. By the time of his death in 1988, his work had been shown in art galleries all over the world. How an illiterate farm worker rose to become an artist of international acclaim will be the topic of Dr. Padgelek’s talk.

Dr. Padgelek earned her undergraduate and graduate degrees from the University of Georgia and in 1998 received her Ph.D. from the university’s Lamar Dodd School of Art. She taught public school for 10 years and has been an instructor in art education at the Lamar Dodd School of Art since 1996.

LIR FALL SEMESTER 2005 COURSES

Artists Crawl – Evan Firestone and artists visited

Wednesday: Sept. 28 / Oct. 5, 12; 12:30-3:00; Varied Locations

Art Exhibition, Sept. 28. The class will visit an exciting new exhibition space at the Athens Academy. The art on display will be that of retired University of Georgia professors Horace Farlow, sculptor; Tom Hammond, graphic artist; William Johansen, painter; John Kehoe, sculptor; and Ron Meyers, ceramicist. Dr. Firestone, professor of art history at UGA, will discuss the exhibit. Those wishing to carpool should meet at the S. Milledge Bi-Lo parking lot at 12:30.

The Works of Horace Farlow and Harold Rittenberry, Oct. 5. Visiting Horace Farlow’s sculpture and painting studio on several wooded acres will offer class members the unique opportunity to see how large stone sculptures are created. Dr. Farlow, professor emeritus of the Lamar School of Art, has work exhibited and installed throughout the world. Mr. Rittenberry’s property at his Colima Street home holds many large and small metal sculptures. The self-taught artist, a native Athenian, is known nationally and internationally. The class will go first to Farlow’s studio, 5 miles north of Prince Ave. and then to Rittenberry’s home. The car pool will meet in the Walgreen parking lot (on the NE corner of Atlanta Hwy. and Hawthorne Ave., behind Chick-fil-A) at 12:30.

The Works of Mary Padgelek and Bob Hart, Oct. 12. This session will first visit Bob Hart’s 911 Memorial Trail, a two-acre walking trail and memorial to those killed on 9/11. Dr. Hart has won numerous awards for his paintings and photography, has served as art curator at the university’s College of Education, and owns The Art Place in Crawford. The class will then travel to Mary Padgelek’s studio.

Dr. Padgelek earned her Ph.D. from the university’s Lamar Dodd School of Art and currently teaches there. She is the recipient of the 2000 Georgia Author of the Year Award–Biography for her book *In the Hand of the Holy Spirit: The Visionary Art of J.B. Murray*. Carpool will meet at the S. Milledge Bi-Lo parking lot at 12:30 p.m.

Beginning Bridge – Beverly Valencic

Thursday: Sept. 29 / Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27 / Nov. 3, 10, 17; 1:00-3:00; Room 139

Participants will learn the challenging, social, fun game of bridge. The class, limited to eight, will consist of beginners or people with very limited bridge experience. Materials will be provided by the instructor. Ms. Valencic, formerly a biology, botany, and physical science teacher, loves teaching bridge in her retirement.

Coming Home: American Paintings 1930-1950 – August Staub and Ruthann Walton
Wednesday: Nov. 2, 5:30; Thursday, Nov. 3, 10:00;
Georgia Museum of Art

Examining this exciting collection of paintings depicting America from the 1930s to the 1950s will be in an open setting for the class. On Wednesday at 5:30, Dr. Staub will present a gallery lecture on the entertainment and culture of this time period. On Thursday at 10:00, the class will meet in the downstairs museum classroom for a short lecture on the sociological impact of this period. Following this, museum docent Ms. Walton will lead the class on a guided tour of the exhibit.

Dr. Staub is professor emeritus of drama at the University of Georgia. He earned his doctorate in theater from Louisiana State University. In addition to teaching, he has been director of the Jekyll Island Musical Comedy Festival and at the Highlands Playhouse and the Marietta Theater in the Square, as well as producer of the Georgia Repertory Theater. He has acted professionally and written plays and has authored books and articles in his field. Ms. Walton has lived in Athens since in 1993. As a docent, she takes pleasure and pride in enabling groups of all ages to view and experience the works of varied artists.

Decorating for Christmas – Ronda Webb
Wednesday: Nov. 9, 16; 9:30-11:30; Room 139

This class will offer participants fun tips for creative and enjoyable holiday decorating, which are also affordable and won't eat up their entire holiday budget. Ms. Webb manages Fresh Starts Interiors, a business that specializes in helping people personalize their home and work spaces.

Fitness for Women at Curves – Brenda Adams and Bari Hyatt

Tuesday: Nov. 1, 8; 9:00-10:00; Curves, in East Athens
 This course will introduce members to the Curves program, detailing the unique method of combining strength training and cardiovascular exercise in a 30-minute total body workout. The first session will focus on the importance of exercise for a healthy lifestyle. The second will look more closely at specific exercise, women's health issues, and age-related concerns. It will be taught at the Curves located in the Food Lion Shopping Center, corner of Gaines School Road and Cedar Shoals Drive (east Athens).

Friday at the Movies with Alfred Hitchcock – Claire Gaus

Friday: Sept. 30 / Oct. 7, 14; 1:00-3:00; Room 62
 This course will focus on the artistic innovations of Hitchcock in his 30-plus years of filmmaking. The first session will look at some of his silent films and discuss techniques. The second session will study one of his early "talkies," *Rich and Strange*. The third session will examine the film that made him famous, *The 39 Steps*.

Ms. Gaus is a retired secondary school teacher whose interest in the study of Hitchcock began 20 years ago with a filmmaking course she created for her gifted students. Through an Outreach Program for her community's public

library, she continues to pursue this interest as she takes the film study to various groups.

Friday at the Movies with Jane Austen – James Kissane

Friday: Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28 / Nov. 4, 11; 10:00-12:00, Room 135

The sharp comedy and sweet but reasonable sentiment in the works of English novelist Jane Austen have received fresh attention in the past few years. The course will focus on two major novels and some recent film and TV versions and "re-inventions" these books have inspired. Students will need copies of *Pride and Prejudice* and *Emma*. Both have been ordered at Borders in Penguin paperback editions, but members may use whatever suitable editions they prefer. For the first class meeting, please read the first half (end of chapter 35) of *Pride and Prejudice*. A portion of each meeting will be spent viewing film versions on DVD, and registrants may be able to borrow these for home (re)viewing after the class showing. Cost of the course includes a supply fee.

Dr. Kissane is professor emeritus of English at Grinnell College, where he taught for 38 years. His Ph.D. in English Literature was earned at The Johns Hopkins University. His teaching has focused on English Romantic and Victorian literature and his publications include books, articles, and reviews on subjects ranging from Austen, Keats, Tennyson, Sherlock Holmes, to baseball.

Geology for Travelers – Gilles Allard
Wednesday: Nov. 2, 9, 16; 9:30-11:30; Room 135

The first session will discuss general geological concepts such as geological time and geological mapping around the world with explanations of plate tectonics and structures such as mountain chains and ocean basins. The second session will deal with volcanoes and glaciers, their hazards and benefits. The last session will explore U.S. geology with an emphasis on Georgia and the Southeast. Environmental concerns will be discussed.

Dr. Allard is professor emeritus of geology at the University of Georgia. Educated in French-speaking Quebec, he holds degrees from the University of Montreal, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, and a Ph.D. from The Johns Hopkins University.

Healthy Cooking and Eating – Hillary Johnson
Monday: Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24; 3:00-4:30; ACCA

This course will target delicious meals and healthy cooking techniques. Participants will learn how to change dietary habits by first changing cooking styles. Generous samples of delicious, healthy dishes will be enjoyed, and copies of the menus will be available.

The class is limited to 10 participants; the fee covers the cost of materials. Ms. Johnson holds an associate degree in the culinary arts, and bachelor of science degrees in both culinary nutrition and nutrition science and consumer foods. She is currently working on her master's in nutrition at the University of Georgia and plans to become a registered dietitian.

How to Invest Wisely – Todd Emily**Tuesday: Nov. 15, 22, 29; 11:00-12:30; Room 135**

This course will cover investment issues of particular interest to retirees. The first session will focus on investing for preservation of capital and regular income; the second examines asset allocation; and the third will discuss being properly insured. Mr. Emily is an investment counselor with Edward Jones Investments in Athens.

Introduction to the Internet – Anika Francis**Tuesday: Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25; 11:00-12:30; Room 143**

This class will explore the internet, its history, terminology, and capabilities. By the end of the course, participants will be able to search the internet to find useful information and understand how the internet impacts society. Class is limited to 10 members. Ms. Francis is a graduate student in the Department of Instructional Design and Development at the university.

Is It Sculpture or Isn't It? – John Kehoe**Wednesday: Oct. 5, 12, 19; 9:00-10:30; Room 135**

Throughout history sculpture has assumed a vast variety of forms. Sculptors have taken advantage of a wide variety of materials and processes. The artists' intent have included almost everything from the sacred to the profane. This class will examine some of these objects. The last session (optional) will be an outside visit to the sculpture area of the Lamar Dodd School of Art at the University of Georgia. Class members will observe students casting, carving, welding, and fabricating their sculptures. Dr. Kehoe is professor emeritus of art at the University of Georgia.

Laughter: The Most Civilized Music in the World – Genelle Morain**Thursday: Sept. 29 / Oct. 6, 13; 10:00-12:00; Room 135**

This course will deal with the anatomy of humor—why, when, and at whom we laugh. It will include discussions of topics such as dissecting a joke to reveal the critical components needed to evoke laughter; the functions of humor in our lives; the conflict between stereotypes, prejudice, and “political correctness;” the surprising role that folklore plays in humor; and knowledge of the perspectives, practices, and products of other cultures as essential to an understanding of their humor.

Dr. Morain is professor emeritus of language education at the University of Georgia. For 28 years she taught a unit on humor for her course “Cross-Cultural Understanding.” She has published journal articles based on her studies of humor and authored a chapter entitled “Laughter Holding Both His Sides’: Humor as a Welcome Guest in the Classroom.” She has taught courses on “Folklore in Our Lives” and “Kinesics Across Cultures” for LIR previously.

Martin Luther – Joseph Berrigan**Monday: Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24; 9:00-11:00; Room 135**

This course will examine Martin Luther—the man, his

teachings, his work and influence on religion, power politics and culture—both in his time and ours. Taken in the context of the reformation that he symbolizes, the course traces his role in the profound changes in the history of the Christian church, European society, and the consequent colonization and development of America since the 16th century.

Dr. Berrigan, a native of New Orleans, is a graduate of Loyola of the South and St. Louis and Tulane Universities. He taught at the University of Georgia for 31 years, retiring in 1997.

Mediterranean Cooking – James Okey**Wednesday: Oct. 12, 19, 26 / Nov. 2; 3:00-5:00; ACCA**

Participants will join the instructor in preparing and consuming the wonderful world of Italian cuisine. Preparation and cooking techniques will be demonstrated. Menus will focus on foods prepared in the Mediterranean style with fresh, flavorful, and seasoned ingredients. Participants who have taken either of the past two courses are not eligible for this class at this time. The fee includes \$30 for the cost of all food materials.

Dr. Okey is a retired professor of science education with extensive culinary training: a year at Peter Kenny's New York Cooking School as well as study in Italy and time as an apprentice in both cooking and baking abroad and in New York. He often does demonstrations at the Rolling Pin and is a frequent teacher for LIR. He travels annually to Italy.

Memory Improvement – Joseph Harris**Tuesdays: Nov. 1, 8, 15; 2:00-4:00; Room 139**

This course offers an overview of how memories are created and how manageable problems develop. The text for this course, *Seven Sins of Memory*, identifies the major problems, with absent-mindedness leading the list. Blocking, a common cause of forgetting names, is another “sin.” The text offers a wide variety of familiar situations and well-known examples of both omission and commission. Two of the sessions will deal with the more important sins of omission. The text, by Daniel L. Schacter, is available from Borders. Another text, *Keep Your Brain Alive*, would also be helpful for the first session.

Dr. Harris has degrees from Emory University, the University of Georgia, and Duke and is a retired botanist with a research specialty in plant aging.

Rebuilding Central Park – Marianne Cramer**Tuesday: Oct. 4, 11, 18; 10:00-11:30; Room 135**

This course will look closely at the 150-year legacy of Central Park in New York City. The park was designed by Frederick Law Olmstead and Calvert Vaux, the first landscape architects in America. The first session will concentrate on the early history of the park and its impact on urban planning. The second will look at the park in the 20th century and plans for the rebuilding effort. The third session will focus on two important projects—the woodlands management plan and the restoration of the

Harlem Meer.

Dr. Cramer is an associate professor in the University of Georgia School of Environmental Design, teaching design, theory, and landscape management courses at the graduate and undergraduate level. She created and initiated the management and restoration plan for Central Park. She coauthored the book *Rebuilding Central Park: A Management and Restoration Plan* and recently published *New York's 50 Best Places to Enjoy and Discover in Central Park*, a popular guide to the park.

Replacing Rehnquist – John Maltese

Wednesday: Oct. 5, 12, 19; 1:00-2:30; Room 135

This course will explore the Supreme Court appointment process, with specific current factors affecting it such as political concerns about power of the judiciary vis-à-vis Congress and the executive branches, the threat to Senate filibuster rules, etc. Recent history and the doctrine of separation of powers in our government will guide the discussion.

Dr. Maltese is associate professor of political science in the University of Georgia's School of Public and International Affairs (SPIA). A 2004 winner of the Meigs Excellence in Teaching Award, he directs a study abroad program at Oxford University in England called "SPIA at Oxford," and was named "Study Abroad Director of the Year" by the university's Office of International Education in 2003. He is also a recent inductee into the University of Georgia's Teaching Academy.

Social Security: Evolution and Implications – Robert Grafstein

Monday: Nov. 14, 21, 28; 9:00-10:30; Room 135

This course will examine the politics of Social Security and Medicare. The first session will focus on the history and financial structure of Social Security. The second will focus on proposed Social Security reforms and their political implications. The last session will examine the financial and political problems of Medicare.

Dr. Grafstein received his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago and is currently professor and department chair of the Department of Political Science at the University of Georgia. He has published numerous articles in scholarly journals and two books, *Institutional Realism* (Yale 1992) and *Choice-Free Rationality* (Michigan 1999). He specializes in the study of political economy.

The United States in a Changing World – John Rudy and Ron Cerwonka

Thursday: Oct. 20, 27 / Nov. 3, 10, 17 / Dec. 1; 9:00-10:30; Room 135

Based on readings from current material, this course will examine the emergence of a new pattern of global power politics and economics. The thesis is the challenge to American hegemony from two poles—the European Union and the Orient of China and India. Class members will consider the catalytic and inhibiting forces at work on

all three poles, whether they are durable or transitory, and how they are likely to affect world affairs. Implications for U.S. domestic and foreign policy politics and power will conclude this course.

Dr. Rudy received his Ph.D. in international relations from the Fletcher School of International Diplomacy, Tufts University, and pursued a career in international banking. Dr. Cerwonka holds a B.A. and M.B.A. from Boston College and received his Ph.D. in economics from the University of Missouri. He taught at Saint Bonaventure and Providence College and now teaches at Piedmont College.

FALL TRAVEL/STUDY EVENTS

Panoz Auto Development, Chateau Elan, and Mayfield Dairy Trip

Tuesday, October 4

This one-day trip includes a guided tour of the Panoz Auto Development Plant where we will see how the custom luxury car, the Esperante is made. Picture taking is encouraged so be sure to bring your camera.

Our second stop will be at the renowned Chateau Elan, for a relaxing lunch in an environment blending a taste of France with the South. There will be a choice of several entrees and non-alcoholic beverages, but those wanting wine or spirits will have to pay for these additionally. Dessert will wait until the final stop of day—the Mayfield Dairy—where a scoop of your favorite flavor will top off a discussion and video presentation of how their delectable ice cream is made.

The bus will leave from the upper parking lot of Home Depot, Epps Bridge Road, at 8:30 and will be back by 4:30. Total cost of transportation, tours, and food will be \$45 per person. Due to Panoz tour size specifications and bus capacity, the group will be limited to 19 participants. Reservations are due by September 19, but obviously the earlier the better. For more information, call Mary Ready at 706-552-0508 before September 3 or after September 15; call Pat Thomas at 678-684-3304; or email Pat at pthomas@parkspringscommunities.com.

Mail your check with the reservation form to Amy Munnell. *Reservations are due by September 19.*

A Trip to North Georgia Mountains

Tuesday, October 25

Experiencing North Georgia's foliage in October is always special. Prepare to enjoy its beauty and glorious colors on a pleasant journey to the Blairsville area where we will first visit and tour the Georgia Mountain Experiment Station to learn about their current agricultural research. Lunch will be at the highly recommended Rib Country in Blairsville. Then on to Brasstown Bald Mountain, Georgia's highest elevation, where on a clear day you can see four states. The visitor's center offers interpretive programs, slide presentations,

and exhibits of the natural history of the mountain.

The coach will leave from the upper parking lot of Home Depot, Epps Bridge Road, at 8:30 and will arrive back in Athens around 6:00. Total cost of the trip and lunch will be \$45.00 per person. For more information, call Kristina Stephens at 706-583-8990; call Pat Thomas at 678-684-3304; or email Pat at pthomas@parkspringscommunities.com.

Mail your check with the reservation form to Amy Munnell. *Reservations are due by October 2.*

The Rockettes at Atlanta's Fox Theatre Wednesday, November 30

Set your mood for the holiday season by enjoying the music, dancing, and choreography of the dynamic Rockettes in the Radio City Christmas Spectacular. Known for their eye-high kicks and precision dancing, the Rockettes have strutted their way into the hearts of millions over many years. The 90-minute live performance has dazzling lighting, scenery, and costumes as well as a cast of nearly 100, including Santa Claus himself. In addition to contemporary scenes such as "Christmas in New York" and "Santa's Gonna Rock-n-Roll," the show also features the legendary "Parade of the Wooden Soldiers."

But before we see this magnificent performance, we will drive to the Stone Mountain area and eat lunch in the beautiful dining room of Park Springs. The meal will include salad, choice of entree, beverage, and dessert. Then we move on to the Fox Theatre where we have reserved a block of 36 orchestra seats.

The coach will leave from the upper parking level of Home Depot, Epps Bridge Road, at 9:45 and will arrive back in Athens around 6:00. Total cost of this trip, including transportation, lunch, and tickets will be \$95.00 per person. If you have any questions, call Pat Thomas at 678-684-3304 or email her at pthomas@parkspringscommunities.com.

Mail your check with the reservation form to Amy Munnell. *Reservations are due by November 2.*

FALL SOCIAL EVENTS

Coffee and Live Music at Borders Sunday, September 4, 3:30-5:00

This first social event of the year is actually before registration. Come to Borders Book Store at Beechwood Mall, sip some coffee, and enjoy the talent of local musical artists. Although Borders has not yet announced which artist or group will perform that day, past programs have included a saxophonist, guitarist, flutist, a bongo group, and the Jolly Beggars singing Scottish songs. You will have to buy your coffee, but the entertainment is free.

Ice Cream Social at *il gelato* Tuesday, September 20, at 2:00

Say good-bye to summer while feasting on rich, creamy genuine Italian ice cream made with all natural ingredients. We will meet at the new *il gelato* that has opened in the Georgia Square Mall next to Piccadilly Cafeteria. Great time to relax, visit with friends, and even do a little shopping, all in the same area.

Sunday Brunch at the Savannah Room Sunday, October 16, Brunch at 12:00

Plan to come to the Georgia Center for Continuing Education for a Sunday brunch. We'll meet in the foyer at 11:45 before going into the Savannah Room where an area will be reserved. The buffet will offer numerous selections as well as dessert and beverage.

The \$14.25 cost of the brunch includes tax and gratuity. If you park in the parking deck adjacent to the center, bring your ticket along and have it stamped for a savings of \$1.00.

Mail your check with the reservation form to Amy Munnell. *Reservations are due by October 8.*

Coffee at the Five Points Deli Monday, October 31, at 10:00

The place is the Five Points Deli on Lumpkin Street near Fire Department-Station 3. The date is October 31, so dig through your box of Halloween gear and don something fun for this get-together with your LIR friends.

Theatre Thursday at the Library and Jittery Joe's Thursday, November 3, at 7:00

Thursday evenings at the Athens-Clarke County Library, Baxter Street, feature award-winning foreign and independent films shown in its comfortable auditorium. Come watch a film and then join other LIR moviegoers as they move on just up the way to the new Jittery Joe's, also on Baxter next to Schlotzky's, for some refreshment and discussion.

The library is still in the process of setting up their fall documentary series, and the title will be announced in the next issue of the newsletter.

Lunch at the Hilltop Grille Tuesday, November 15, at 11:30

Enjoy good food, the company of friends, and a pleasant atmosphere for this mid-November lunch at the Hilltop Grille, West Broad Street. Lunch will include a salad of bacon pieces, pecans, and mandarin oranges on a bed of baby spinach; a beverage; and the main entree—a choice of chicken, shrimp, or steak. Total cost, including tax and gratuity will be \$13.50. This will be repeated in the October newsletter, and a reservation form will be included then. *Reservations will be due by November 8.*

Holiday Buffet at the Georgia Center Tuesday, December 6

LIR will kick off the holiday season with our annual gathering and meal at the Georgia Center of Continuing Education. Mark your calendars now but stay tuned for details.

PARKING TAG REMINDER

You will receive parking tags for your courses either at the registration meeting or through the mail. Remember to hang your tag as instructed on the rearview mirror with the year, month, and day numbers either darkened with pen on both sides or punched through.

UGA Parking Services will issue a ticket of \$40 for incorrectly marked or displayed parking tags.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

LIR currently has eight interest groups that meet on a regular basis. If one of these groups interests you and you want more information, speak with a group representative at the registration meeting or contact the group coordinator listed here.

Bonsai Group: Temple Ferchau, 706/546-1425

Book Discussion Group: Diana Cerwonka, 706/543-7780

Bridge Group: Lucille Hoyt, 706/548-3969

Conversational French: Marilyn Brown, 706/208-8818

“Lady Dogs” Basketball Group: Hilda Shepard,
706/769-6301

Quilting Groups (2): Sandy Jordan, 706/546-8537;
Mandy Robertson 706/548-5681

Stitch and Chat: Keren Hymo, 706/546-7127

PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAME TAG TO CLASSES AND LIR EVENTS.



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LIR FALL SEMESTER 2005 COURSE REGISTRATION FORM

In the case of couples, each party should fill out one side of this form. Couples may, however, write one check for the combined cost.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Important: We send email notices and reminders of events

LUNCH AND LEARN LECTURE SERIES

11:00 - 1:00 (Council on Aging)

All three lectures	\$45	_____
Oct. 3 Life at the Edge	\$15	_____
Nov. 7 What Bartram Saw	\$15	_____
Dec. 5 Hands of the Spirit	\$15	_____

FALL SEMESTER COURSES

Artists Crawl	\$ 9	_____
Beginning Bridge	\$28	_____
Coming Home: American Paintings 1930-1950	\$ 6	_____
Decorating for Christmas	\$ 6	_____
Fitness for Women (Curves)	\$ 6	_____
Friday Movies: Hitchcock	\$ 9	_____
Friday Movies: Austen	\$28	_____
Geology for Travelers	\$ 9	_____
Healthy Cooking/Eating	\$42	_____
How to Invest Wisely	\$ 9	_____
Introduction to the Internet	\$12	_____
Is It Sculpture or Isn't It?	\$ 9	_____
Laughter: Civilized Music	\$ 9	_____
Martin Luther	\$12	_____
Mediterranean Cooking	\$42	_____
Memory Improvement	\$ 9	_____
Rebuilding Central Park	\$ 9	_____
Replacing Rehnquist	\$ 9	_____
Social Security	\$ 9	_____
The U.S. in a Changing World	\$18	_____

TOTAL _____

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Make your check payable to *Learning in Retirement, Inc.*, and mail with this form to Amy Munnell, 125 University Drive, Athens, GA 30605-1435.

If you have a question about registering, contact Amy at nega_writer@yahoo.com.

LIR FALL 2005 TRAVEL/STUDY/SOCIAL RESERVATION FORM

Panoz Auto Development, Chateau Elan, and Mayfield Dairy Trip, Tuesday, October 4 *Reservations are due by September 19 – Limited to 19 participants!*

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Cost is \$45.00 per person and includes all expenses.

_____ No. of reservations x \$45.00 = \$ _____ enclosed

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A Trip to North Georgia Mountains, Tuesday, October 25 *Reservations are due by October 2*

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Cost is \$45.00 per person and includes all expenses.

_____ No. of reservations x \$45.00 = \$ _____ enclosed

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The Rockettes at Atlanta's Fox Theatre, Wednesday, November 30 *Reservations are due by November 2*

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Cost is \$95.00 per person and includes all expenses.

_____ No. of reservations x \$95.00 = \$ _____ enclosed

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Sunday Brunch at the Savannah Room, Sunday, October 16, Brunch at 12:00 *Reservations are due by October 8*

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Cost is \$14.25 per person and includes meal, tax, and gratuity.

_____ No. of reservations x \$14.25 = \$ _____ enclosed

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Membership Form
July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2006

Name (Please use a separate form for each member.)

Mailing Address

City State Zip+4

Phone (H) (W) Email

(Important - we send out email notices about special events)

Form with checkboxes for New member and Renewal

May we list your name, address, phone and email address in a directory for LIR members? Yes No

Do you want to receive your newsletter by an email attachment? Yes No
(The computer sending LIR materials is virus protected.)

Would you like a UGA library card? Yes No

Annual membership for Learning in Retirement is \$35 per person. Make check payable to Learning in Retirement, Inc., and mail to Sandy Jordan, 150 Middleton Place, Athens, GA 30606-4444.

Make the most of your membership! Please indicate your interests in the following areas:

COMMITTEES: At the heart of LIR's programs are its committees. Members plan and organize all activities — educational, travel and social. This is one way to meet members you might not otherwise get to know.

- Curriculum Social
Membership Public Relations
Travel/Study Newsletter

Would you like to teach a course? If you would, please describe the topic.

Blank lines for describing a course topic

INTEREST GROUPS: Interest groups meet in non-classroom settings, with no instruction offered. Please indicate your interest in any listed group or suggest another that might interest you. Interest groups are self-governing.

- Bonsai Lady Dogs Basketball (UGA)
Book Discussion Quilting
Bridge Stitch & Chat
Conversational French Other

Remember to enclose this completed form with your check payable to Learning in Retirement and mail to Sandy Jordan, 150 Middleton Place, Athens GA 30606-4444
Telephone: 706/549-7350
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