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## FALL 2006 REGISTRATION

Monday, September 11, at the Holiday Inn Express

As in the past, the Holiday Inn Express is the site for our fall registration. The event will be held from 9:30 to 11:30. Remember to park in the lot facing Broad Street and use the front entrance.

If you have not already done so, come and register for classes, lunch and learn lectures, and sign up for the travel/study trips that interest you. This is also an excellent time to speak with representatives of the various interest groups and see if joining one of them strikes your fancy. Membership is prerequisite to registration, and there will be forms for renewing your membership or enrolling as a newcomer to the organization.

**NOTE:** Since courses are filled on a first-come, first-served basis, registering by mail is recommended. Note that some course descriptions specifically mention a limited enrollment. You can also renew your membership by mail. Forms for registration and membership are included in this issue.

But don't let your efficiency in registering early keep you away. This isn't just about LIR business; it's also about renewing friendships after our summer break with folks you have a lot in common with. There will be ample seating available and a spread of pastries and beverages. Plan to relax and visit for a while. And before you leave, pick up your parking passes and class/events confirmations. (For those not attending, these will be mailed later.)

We hope to see you on the 11th.

## THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

LIR is starting a new and exciting year with a diverse selection of stimulating and interesting classes, social events, travel/study opportunities, lunch and learn lectures with excellent lunches, and other events planned for us. Please see all the registration information in this newsletter for a selection of opportunities for you for the fall semester, a description of class topics, class meeting dates and times, and other relevant information.

As urged in the fall registration meeting write-up, please take advantage of this chance to register early by mail to ensure that you get the courses that you are interested in attending. Some fill up quickly and have limited enrollments.

In keeping with an LIR tradition, the newly elected officers and the five new members of the board of directors met with the outgoing board and officers at the June board meeting to help familiarize them with the process, better understand the organization, and to get better acquainted.

An LIR committee is exploring several new areas of possible interest for our members. To help determine members' interests, preferences, desires, etc., a questionnaire will be sent to members in September. With the initial input from LIR, it is being prepared by one of our sponsors, The Department of Lifelong Education, Administration and Policy at UGA. This will be a carefully designed and brief questionnaire. You will be getting much more information on this the first week of September. The results will be shared with the membership.

I hope to see and meet each of you at registration, in a class, on a travel/study trip, or at some other event—soon. If you have questions, comments, or ideas, please call me at 706-548-2049 or email [jimnancyj@charter.net](mailto:jimnancyj@charter.net).

Jim Jacobson

## FALL SEMESTER 2006 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.

### Monday

Reading the Old Testament with Understanding and Awe — Sept. 25 / Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 / Nov. 6; 2:00 – 4:00; Room 113  
Problems of Food Production in the Developing World — Oct. 9, 16; 9:00 – 10:30; Room 139  
Global/World Economics — Oct. 16, 23, 30 / Nov. 6; 10:30 – 12:00; Room 139  
Animal Rescue and Katrina — Nov. 20; 10:00 – 11:30; Room 139

### Tuesday

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Dramatic Theory and Criticism — Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; 9:30 – 11:30; Room 129  
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Maps and Images for the 21st Century — Oct. 11, 18; 2:00 – 3:30; Room 129  
Mediterranean-Italian Cooking — Oct. 18, 25 / Nov. 1; 3:00 – 5:00; ACCA  
The New Testament in Art — Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; 10:00 – 11:30; Room 136  
Creative Problem-Solving — Nov. 8, 15, 22, 29 / Dec. 6; 9:30 – 11:30; Room 139

### Thursday

Taking Your Meds — Sept. 28 / Oct. 5, 12, 19; 9:00 – 11:00; Room 139  
Better Business Bureau: Serving Athens and Northeast Georgia — Oct. 5, 12; 1:00 – 2:30; Room 139  
The United States in a Changing World — Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30 / Dec. 7; 9:00 – 10:30; Room 139  
Financial I.Q. — Oct. 26 / Nov. 2; 11:00 – 12:30; Room 139

### Friday

Chocolate Science — Sept. 29; 10:00 – 11:30; Room 139  
Fridays at the Movies with Hitchcock — Sept. 29 / Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27 / Nov. 3; 1:00 – 3:30; Room 139  
What Went Right: Western Civilization in Retrospect — Oct. 13, 20, 27 / Nov. 3, 10, 17; 9:30 – 11:30; Room 139  
Computers: An Introduction — Nov. 10, 17 / Dec. 1, 8; 1:00 – 2:30; Room 143

## LUNCH AND LEARN LECTURE SERIES

This LIR lecture series is held at the Athens Community Council on Aging, 135 Hoyt Street, just north of downtown in the former depot building. Lectures fall on Mondays, begin at 11:00, and are immediately followed by lunch. This semester's lecture dates are October 9, November 13, and December 4.

### Monday, October 9

#### **America's Workforce in the 21st Century – Charles Knapp**

Many important policy issues deal with the composition and status of the American workforce as we move into the 21st century: outsourcing, falling real wages, education and skill levels, illegal immigration and more. Dr. Charles Knapp will discuss the conclusions of a national commission that has recently been named to study these issues, The Commission on the Skills of the American Workforce, working under the auspices of the National Council on Education and Employment.

President of the University of Georgia from 1987-1997, Dr. Knapp is an economist and educator. He is the director of educational development for the CF Foundation and chairman of the board of the East Lake Community Foundation, an organization responsible for leading the revitalization of that community in Atlanta. He also holds the position of professor of Economics, Distinguished Public Service Fellow, and president emeritus of the University of Georgia. After leaving the university, Dr. Knapp was president of the Aspen Institute from 1997-1999, and from 2000-2004 was a partner with the executive search firm Heidrick and Struggles.

Dr. Knapp received his B.S. degree from Iowa State University and his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He has been a member of the faculty of the University of Texas-Austin and held the position of executive vice president of Tulane University. Among the numerous awards that he has received over the years is the Abraham Baldwin Award, for distinguished service, from the University of Georgia. He and his wife, Lynne, live in Atlanta.

### Monday, November 13

#### **Hurricane Katrina: Up Close and Personal – Ann and Daniel Hope**

The Hopes will recount their personal experiences with Hurricane Katrina. They housed an evacuee, a family member, for five months following the disaster and traveled to New Orleans twice during that time to assist with cleanup of a destroyed house. They further assisted their relative to relocate elsewhere, out of harm's way from future hurricanes.

Dr. Hope retired in 2004 after serving more than 20 years as a senior public service associate at the University of Georgia. He is active in local community pursuits, chairing the board of the Oconee River Land Trust. Ms. Hope, a librarian with the university for 23 years, retired soon after her husband did. She was born in New Orleans and holds that unique city very dear to her heart.

### Monday, December 4

#### **Nuisances and the Protection of Undeveloped Lands – Terry Centner**

This issue has been the topic of anti-nuisance legislation in Georgia and other states. Dr. Centner will offer a presentation on nuisances, anti-nuisance protection, and the protection of undeveloped land.

Dr. Centner is a professor in the Department of Agriculture and Applied Economics, a part of UGA's College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. He teaches agribusiness, environmental, and public health law; and one of his research projects has involved anti-nuisance legislation for farmers. His degrees in agriculture and law are from Cornell University, SUNY-Buffalo, and the University of Arkansas. His teaching and research programs have been recognized internationally through his selection as an Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellow and a Fulbright Senior Scholar.

## LIR FALL 2006 COURSES

### **Animal Rescue and Katrina – Shannon and Mark Martin**

**Monday: Nov. 20; 10:00 – 11:30; Room 139**

The Martins will share their experiences of rescuing animals left stranded during Hurricane Katrina. Their presentation will include evacuation measures, local and federal support measures, and reunification.

Shannon and Mark are Athens residents who originally hail from Michigan. Mark owns a pet store in town, Pet Supplies Plus, and Shannon is a realtor. In addition to their two children, their household includes four dogs, a parrot, a 65-pound tortoise, and a frog the size of a hand. The Martins have founded D.R.A.R, Disaster Response Animal Rescue, a nonprofit organization chartered with providing an immediate animal response rescue response to disasters.

### **Better Business Bureau: Serving Athens and Northeast Georgia – Pam Myer**

**Thursday: Oct. 5, 12; 1:00 – 2:30; Room 139**

These sessions will include discussions of identity theft, fraud, and the function and operations of the Athens/Northeast Georgia Better Business Bureau.

Ms. Myer is branch manager of the Northeast Georgia Better Business Bureau.

### **Chocolate Science – Rob Shewfelt**

**Friday: Sept. 29; 10:00 – 11:30; Room 139**

We don't generally make a connection between chocolate and science, but developers of chocolate products must understand chemistry, physics, and psychology to deliver those tempting chocolate treats. NOTE: This one-session course will include discussion of the safety, nutrition, history, and quality of chocolate. An additional \$1.50 fee, to be collected in class, will be charged to cover the cost of the chocolate used in the course.

Dr. Shewfelt has conducted extensive research on postharvest physiology and the handling of fruits and vegetables. He currently teaches food science courses on flavor and the scientific method, at both the graduate and undergraduate level, at UGA. He is a senior teaching fellow at the university and a member the UGA Teaching Academy.

### **Computers: An Introduction – Fred Prasuhn**

**Friday: Nov. 10, 17 / Dec. 1, 8; 1:00 – 2:30; Room 143**

This course will cover the following topics: Using Word – using cut, copy, paste, inserting text; Working with Files – understanding file organization, moving, deleting, restoring files; Using the Web – working with links, narrowing a search, using favorites; Introducing Webmail – working with the inbox, signing into webmail; and E-mail – sending attachments, moving messages into folders, etc.

Lessons for the course will come from *The World of Computers* by Stolins, Robertson, and Murphy, 2005

edition. You may purchase the book from [www.bestcomputerbooks.com](http://www.bestcomputerbooks.com) or from Borders in the Beechwood Shopping Center. **The class will be limited to 10 members.**

Mr. Prasuhn is a UGA doctoral student, former instructor at Athens Tech in computer applications and word processing, and owner of Tech Edge, a computer business.

### **Creative Problem-Solving – Jim Tanner**

**Wednesday: Nov. 8, 15, 22, 29 / Dec. 6; 9:30 – 11:30; Room 139**

From service organizations to large commercial corporations to small groups such as LIR, the techniques of creative problem-solving have succeeded in finding solutions to a host of problems. This course will take participants through methods that can be used to find innovative solutions to widely diverse problems. Participants will be asked to bring potential problems to class if they wish.

Mr. Tanner is an LIR member with 15 years of practical experience in problem-solving at Kimberly-Clark and in training others to be facilitators of the methods. He is qualified in a variety of problem solutions methods such as Syntectics, Kepner Tregoe, and Triz.

### **Dickens' *Oliver Twist* – James Kissane**

**Tuesday: Oct. 31 / Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28 / Dec. 5; 9:30 – 11:30; Room 136**

This course will center on a study of Charles Dickens' famous novel *Oliver Twist* as well as two film versions of the book. Issues involved in converting a novel into a film will be explored, and participants will get a look at the movie version of the musical *Oliver*.

Dr. Kissane holds a Ph.D. in English from the Johns Hopkins University and is professor emeritus of literature at Grinnell College where he taught for 38 years. His publications include books, articles, and reviews about such literary figures as Wordsworth, Keats, Tennyson, Hopkins, and T.S. Eliot.

### **Dramatic Theory and Criticism – August Staub**

**Tuesday: Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; 9:30 – 11:30; Room 129**

This course will consider European and American theories of the drama and film from Aristotle and Horace to modern theorists such as Stanislavsky, Meyerhold, and Brecht. The class will also examine key plays by Sophocles, Aristophanes, Shakespeare, Moliere, Ibsen, Shaw, Williams, and Albee.

Dr. August Staub is professor emeritus of drama at UGA. He holds a B.A., M.A., and Ph.D. from Louisiana State University. In addition to his years of teaching, he was producing artistic director of the Jekyll Island Musical Comedy Festival, director of the Highlands Playhouse, executive producer of the Georgia Repertory Theater, and director for the Marietta Theater in the Square.

**Financial I.Q. – Mark Rejmer****Thursday: Oct. 26 / Nov. 2; 11:00 – 12:30; Room 139**

In the first session of this course, Reverse Mortgage: Blessing or Curse? participants will get the real information about this mortgage product that the federal government designed specifically for seniors, age 62+. A general overview of the program will be presented along with specific guidelines and uses for the funds received. Time for Q&A will be allotted at the end of this class. Credit Scores and Reports, the second session, will clarify any mysteries surrounding credit reports. A fictitious credit report will be used to provide important factors and pitfalls.

Mr. Rejmer is branch manager of Safe Harbor Mortgage.

**Fragrances, Odors, and Sex – Dr. Murray Blum****Tuesday: Oct. 17, 24, 31; 10:00 – 12:00; Room 139**

The first session will discuss chemicals produced by animals and plants that can possess great significance as sexual stimulators. The second session will explore the varied roles these chemicals play in animal behavior. The final session will look at the role that this fragrant world plays in mating and reproduction and to the role that humans play as we enthusiastically add our perfumes to the mix.

Dr. Blum received his B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. from the University of Illinois. He has held academic positions at LSU and UGA where he taught biology, insect physiology, ecology, and chemical ecology. His international teaching has taken him to England and France.

**Fridays at the Movies with Hitchcock – Clair Gaus****Friday: Sept. 29 / Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27 / Nov. 3; 1:00 – 3:30; Room 139**

This course continues the study of the films of the prolific director/producer Alfred Hitchcock, although attendance at previous sessions is not a prerequisite. The first session will focus on the silent film *The Lodger*, which brought Hitchcock his first international fame. The following sessions will examine *The 39 Steps*, *Saboteur*, *The Paradine Case*, *Stage Fright*, and *Rope*.

Ms. Gaus is a retired secondary school teacher whose interest in the study of Hitchcock began 20 years ago with a film study course she created for her gifted students. Now, through an Outreach program she created for her community public library, she continues to pursue this interest.

**Global/World Economics – “Stell” Kefalas****Monday: Oct. 16, 23, 30 / Nov. 6; 10:30 – 12:00; Room 139**

This course will deal with the global economic system as interplay between two subsystems: the public sector (government— and the private sector (business—. The sessions will conclude with the economic challenges of the 21st century.

Dr. Kefalas earned his bachelor's degree in Greece; his masters at the University of Hamburg, Germany; and his Ph.D. at the University of Iowa. He has written

extensively about management systems, organization performance, and global business strategies. From 1973 – 1982, Dr. Kefalas was the academic director of the Executive Development Program of UGA and the Venezuelan Advanced Management Development Program. Using two grants, he also developed the International Trade Development Center and the Export Information System. Dr. Kefalas divides his retirement time between Greece and the United States.

**Go While You Can – Terry Perenich****Tuesday: Nov. 7, 14; 1:00 – 3:00; Room 129**

In this course you will take a virtual tour of places from one end of the earth to the other. Class members will visit migrating gray whales and isolated islands of Baja, California; the nature preserves of Costa Rica and Panama; the call of the wild in South Africa; the Galapagos to see what Darwin saw; the King Penguins on South Georgia Island; and the icebergs in Wilhelmina Bay. The class will conclude with an overview of other places to go to while you can: coral reefs, Greenland, and the Amazon. The instructor will point out changes that are occurring at each site visited and the impacts that threaten the area.

Dr. Perenich is professor emeritus at UGA in textile science. While at the university, she developed an Oaxaca Study Abroad Program in the Department of Textiles, Merchandising and Interiors. She has traveled extensively

**Islam as a Religion – Wael Doukmak****Wednesday: Sept. 27 / Oct. 4, 11, 18; 9:30 – 11:00; Room 136**

This course will introduce Islam as a religion, examining it in relation to the other Abrahamic faiths. The instructor will present the difference between Islamic politics and religious practices, explaining how and why Muslims consider their religion as a way of life. A time for Q&A will be provided.

Mr. Doukmak was born and raised in Damascus, Syria. He earned a B.S. in pharmacy and pharmaceutical chemistry at the University of Damascus. He is currently a Ph.D candidate in pharmacy from UGA. He has taught Arabic at the university and is an interpreter at CNN. He is CEO of two businesses in Athens: Al-Noor International, Inc., an Arabic language service provider; and NEGIA, a web hosting and consulting firm. He writes a column for the Athens Banner Herald and is active in governance at Al-Huda Islamic Center. An American citizen, Mr. Doukmak and his wife have three children.

**Maps and Images for the 21st Century – Marguerite Madden and Tommy Jordan****Wednesday; Oct. 11, 18; 2:00 – 3:30; Room 129**

Maps and images are becoming a major part of our everyday lives, from television news and weather to the internet and vacation driving plans. Participants will receive an overview of the current state of the art of geospatial technologies, including the Global Positioning System (GPS—, satellite and aerial remote sensing and geographic information systems (GIS—. Class 1 will focus on GPS, how it works and how we use it to make

maps; class 2 will address the integration of satellite and aerial images and GPS in a geographic information system for planning, analysis and map making.

Dr. Madden received her B.A. and M.A. degrees in biology from the State University of New York. She began work at the UGA Center for Remote Sensing and Mapping Science in 1985. She holds a Ph.D. in Ecology from UGA. She is currently director of CRMS and associate professor in the Department of Geography, where she co-teaches Remote Sensing of Environment with Tommy Jordan.

Dr. Jordan is a long time Athens resident who has been working at UGA since 1981. He earned his Ph.D. in 2002 in geography from UGA and is presently associate director of the Center for Remote Sensing and Mapping Science. Together with Marguerite Madden, he has taught classes on remote sensing and related geospatial technologies.

### **Mediterranean-Italian Cooking – James Okey**

**Wednesday: Oct. 18, 25 / Nov. 1; 3:00 – 5:00; ACCA**  
Participants will join the instructor in preparing and consuming a wonderful array 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. **NOTE: Participants who have taken either of the past two courses are not eligible for this class this time. Enrollment is limited to 10 people.** The fee for the course includes \$35.00 for the cost of all food materials. The course will be taught at the Athens Community Council on Aging.

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 cooking and baking in New York and abroad. He often does demonstrations at the Rolling Pin, Beechwood Shopping Center. He travels annually to Italy.

### **Modern China – Clifton Pannell**

**Tuesday: Sept. 26 / Oct. 3, 10; 10:00 – 11:30; Room 139**

This course will examine and seek to explain the trajectory of China's recent rise and modernization. Session 1 will introduce China's long span of history, the imperial system, geographic extent, and setting. Session 2 will explore the political and social systems and outline the extraordinary demographic circumstance and transition. Session 3 will focus on the rapidly growing economy and its implications for global economic and political shift with a look at implications for the future.

Dr. Pannell received his A.B. at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, his M.A. from the University of Virginia, and his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. He served four years in the Navy in the '60s, two of them in Taiwan. He came to UGA in 1971 as assistant professor in the Department of Geography, later serving as department head. He has lived, worked, and studied in Taiwan, Hong Kong, and China. He currently serves on the Council of the American Geographical Society and is

co-editor of the journal *Eurasian Geography and Economics*.

### **The New Testament in Art – Samuel Carleton**

**Wednesday: Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; 10:00 – 11:30; Room 136**

In this course the instructor will use slides of paintings and sculpture to examine selected passages of the New Testament and the adaptation of those passages into literature and politics.

Dr. Carleton, retired director of studies of the School of Visual Arts/Savannah, earned a Ph.D. in classics from the University of Texas (Austin). He holds an Excellence in Teaching award from the American Philological Association, the national association of classicists.

### **Planning for Future Care/Finding Community Support – Elaine Gunter and Kathryn Fowler**

**Wednesday: Oct. 4; 1:00 – 3:00; Room 129**

This course will introduce the role of a geriatric care manager, a relatively new type of professional that helps plan and organize care for older adults. Attendees will learn how a geriatric care manager is able to help arrange for one's eventual care needs. An important part of the course will be an overview of the development of a plan of care with recommended actions. The session will also include a discussion of the vast array of local services provided by ACCA, such as housing, medical, recreational, vocational, and volunteer issues. Attendees will receive with printed materials identifying resources available to them as caregivers, retirees, etc.

Ms. Gunter, RN, BSN, CCM, A-CCC, is the founder and president of Aging Resources, Inc. She received her nursing degrees from the medical College of Georgia. She has additional certification in Case Management and advanced certification in Continuity of Care. She brings 30 years of experience to the healthcare profession.

Ms. Fowler, a graduate of Furman University with a degree in adult education, has been with ACCA since 1982 and has served as executive director since 1986. Prior to coming to ACCA, Ms. Fowler completed graduate coursework at Emory University and Georgia State in psychology and special education. She has served as president of the Georgia Gerontology Society, consultant for the AARP Reminiscence Program, and is a member of numerous advocacy and planning groups related to the needs of elders and women. She has been instrumental in piloting numerous services such as Alzheimer's Day Care and Mobile Day Care for Georgia.

### **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. You could get a ticket for an incorrectly marked or displayed parking tag.

### **Problems of Food Production in the Developing World – Malcolm Sumner**

**Monday: Oct. 9, 16; 9:00 – 10:30; Room 139**

This course will look at the current state of food production in developing countries. For example, Africa lags far behind other developing nations in almost all parameters considered, due largely to government corruption, civil strife, poor infrastructure, lack of inputs and markets, and the unavailability of production loans. The U.N. Millennium Project will be presented as a framework for a possible solution to these problems.

Dr. Sumner holds an M.Sc. in agriculture from the University of Natal, a D.Phil. from the University of Oxford, and an honorary D.Sc. from the University of Natal. After teaching in Brazil and South Africa, he took a professorship at UGA in 1978 and retired as Regents' Professor of Environmental Soil Science in 2000. His career has included extensive international soil science research as well as the editing and writing of many publications. He remains active in his field as an agricultural and environmental consultant.

### **Reading the Old Testament with Understanding and Awe – Tina Carlson**

**Monday: Sept. 25 / Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 / Nov. 6; 2:00 – 4:00; Room 113**

Part 1 of this course, which was presented last session, focused on theological and chronological history, literary genres and devices, source and translation criticism, and the book of Genesis. Part 1 is not a prerequisite for this course, but participants will be expected to read 25 pages of handouts (available or mailed at registration— before the first session. This course will discuss Moses, some Judges, and the first monarchies. The class is taught from a Christian perspective, but everyone and all views are welcome.

Ms. Carlson, a graduate of the four-year Episcopal Education for Ministry course, is an active member of St. Gregory the Great Episcopal Church in Athens. She has been extensively involved in Christian education, having been a director of Christian Education, and having taught adult CE for 15 years.

### **Taking Your Meds – Jack Fincham**

**Thursday: Sept. 28 / Oct. 5, 12, 19; 9:00 – 11:00; Room 139**

This course is an assessment of issues related to prescription and OTC drugs. General and specific issues concerning patient compliance, adverse drug reactions, drug interactions, special considerations in taking medications, the Medicare Part E drug benefit plan, and sources of unbiased information will be covered.

Dr. Fincham is an A.W. Jowdy Professor of Pharmacy Care at UGA. He is also a faculty member of the UGA Gerontology Institute. He serves as associate editor of *The American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education*.

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

**Thursday: Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30 / Dec. 7; 9:00 – 10:30; Room 139**

This discussion/study course will consider scenarios for the future among the global power centers and the evolution of globalization. Topics will include medical challenges and international response; environmental management; world resource distribution; terrorism, genocide and international, legal, and policing responses.

Dr. Cerwonka received his B.A. and M.B.A. from Boston College and his Ph.D. in economics from the University of Missouri. He taught at Saint Bonaventure and Providence College and now teaches at Piedmont College. He is an active member of LIR and a member of the Curriculum Committee.

Dr. Rudy, past president of LIR and current member of the Curriculum Committee, received his Ph.D. in International Relations from the Fletcher School of International Diplomacy, Tufts University. He spent his career in international banking.

### **What Went Right: Western Civilization in Retrospect – Joseph Berrigan**

**Friday: Oct. 13, 20, 27 / Nov. 3, 10, 17; 9:30 – 11:30; Room 139**

This set of discussions will attempt to answer the question "What went right?" for our western civilization. This question is a direct response to that asked by Bernard Lewis in his notable book of Islamic civilization *What Went Wrong?*

Dr. Berrigan, a graduate of Louisiana State University and retired UGA professor of history, is a long-time stalwart among LIR teachers and friends. This year marks Dr. Berrigan's 10th year as a presenter with LIR. His teaching contributions have included *The Renaissance*, *The Reformation*, and *Martin Luther*.

### **UGA Library Cards**

UGA library cards are available to LIR members who request them. This can be done in a number of ways: note the request on the membership form; sign up for one at the registration meeting; or call the membership chair, Sharon Tate at 706-552-1506, or preferably email the request to her at [sjtate39@aol.com](mailto:sjtate39@aol.com). The university library will be sent the list on September 22. You may go to the main library to pick up your card after October 1, 2006, but be sure to bring along a photo ID. You may not pick up a card for anyone else.

## FALL TRAVEL/STUDY EVENTS

### A Day at the Stone Mountain Highland Games Sunday, October 22

This trip to Stone Mountain Park offers a touch of Scotland, and you don't even have to be Scottish or need a passport to go. We will travel by bus to the park to enjoy the 34th Annual Stone Mountain Scottish Games, featuring pipe bands, dances, athletic competition, harping and fiddling demonstrations, the Parade of Tartans, and lots of other entertainment, Scottish style. For those interested, artisans will be displaying their wares, and food vendors will be sprinkled throughout. Many family name organizations or clans also have tents where you might get in touch with your roots. Eating will be on your own. It might be a good idea to bring a folding lawn chair or stool because seating in some areas of the park is limited. For more information about all of the festivities, see the SMHG website at [www.smhg.org](http://www.smhg.org). Be sure to wear comfortable walking shoes.

The bus will leave the upper parking lot of Home Depot, Epps Bridge Road, at 9:00 a.m. and is expected to return by 5:00 p.m. Total cost of the trip, which includes transportation, ticket to the Games and park entry fee, will be \$45 per person. For more information, call Roland Brooks at 706-548-2629 or Pat Thomas at 706-224-4304.

Mail your check, made payable to *Learning in Retirement, Inc.*, and reservation form to Amy Munnell. *Reservations are due by September 12.*

### Two-Day Northeast Georgia Mountain Trip Thursday and Friday, November 30 and December 1

This trip will begin with the drive to Helen, Georgia, which will be festively decorated for Christmas. Upon arrival, shopping and lunch (on your own—time will be allotted before the afternoon check-in at the Hotel Best Western in Helen. The hotel will offer a presentation about the Helen area at 2:30 p.m. After a rest, the group will travel by bus to the Sautee-Nacoochee area to enjoy a buffet supper and the performance *A White Christmas* at the Black Bear Dinner Theater. We will be treated to the season's opening performance. (The county is "dry," so if you want to have a glass of wine with dinner it will be on a BYOB basis.—

After a continental breakfast the next morning, we will motor through wine country from Helen to the Wolf Mountain Vineyards and Winery near Dahlonega. There lunch and a wine-tasting session at the mountainside facility offering a panoramic view of the area will await us. The group will then proceed to Dahlonega where a member of its Chamber of Commerce will present a history of the area. Shopping time will again be included in the schedule. Prepare to enjoy wandering around Dahlonega's town square and meandering through stores colorfully dressed up for the holiday season. A nap on our bus journey home will no doubt be welcome.

The motor coach will leave the upper parking lot of Home Depot, Epps Bridge Road, at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 30, and return at approximately 5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 1. The tour price, which includes transportation, lodging, and all meals except lunch in Helen, will cost \$175 for a double-occupancy room and \$200 for a single-occupancy room. For additional information, call Pat Thomas at 706-224-4304 or Kristina Stephens at 706-583-8990.

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### Preview announcement of March Charleston Trip

The travel committee has announced an out-of-state trip for LIR members in March 2007—a four-day trip to Charleston, South Carolina. And it is necessary to get the ball rolling soon.

The four-day package is offered by American Coach Tours and includes transportation; hotel accommodations for three nights; six meals; a comprehensive city tour; a visit to Middleton Place for a house and garden tour; a visit to Magnolia Plantation and Gardens for a house tour and nature train ride through the grounds; free time in the Charleston Market for shopping and browsing; a dinner cruise in Charleston's harbor on the *Spirit of Carolina*; baggage handling; and the services of a tour director.

Cost of the tour package per person according to room occupancy is \$599 for double, \$569 for triple, \$539 for quad, and \$759 for single. Final payment will be due on January 26, 2007. However, LIR members interested in taking this trip will first want to obtain the complete tour description and itinerary, terms and conditions information, and an order form. Call Pat Thomas for this information at 678-684-3304 or 706-224-4304, and she will mail you the documents. ***A deposit of \$50 payable to American Coach Tours will be necessary to secure a reservation. This reservation deadline is September 22.***

## FALL SOCIAL EVENTS

### Coffee at Big City Bread Wednesday, September 20, 10:00

September will still be a nice time to relax on a patio, enjoy a gentle breeze, and drink a cup of coffee with friends. Big City Bread is located one block behind Wendy's on Prince Avenue and offers quite a selection of freshly baked pastries, breads, coffees and teas. Just park in the convenient lot and follow the tempting aromas.

### A Town and Gown Presentation Sunday, October 1, 2:00

*The Tempest* is a tale of romance and revenge. Let's go to the Town and Gown Theater, just off of Prince Avenue behind the Taylor-Grady House, and enjoy this performance of William Shakespeare's final masterpiece. This is an excellent opportunity to support some of the talent that so abounds in our community. The matinee is at 2:00, and tickets cost \$5.00 per person. We will pay at the theater, but reservations are necessary. Call Phyllis Lane at 706-548-1606 to ensure a seat. *Reservations are due by September 28.*

### Afternoon Coffee at Aromas Wednesday, October 11, 2:00

How about getting together between afternoon errands at Aromas, a café with a slightly French atmosphere? The café is located in Five Points on Milledge Avenue, between Charbon's Outfitters and the Huddle House (diagonally across intersection from the fire station—. Parking in that area can be difficult, so plan to park behind the building on the lower level, which will mean coming up a staircase through Charbon's. Because of this parking situation, a reservation will be necessary. Call Phyllis Lane at 706-548-1606. *Reservations are due by October 8.*

**Mark These Dates on Your Calendar**

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|-------------------------|--|
| Monday, September 11    | Fall Registration,<br>Holiday Inn Express                      |
| Wednesday, September 20 | Coffee at Big City<br>Bread                                    |
| Sunday, October 1       | <i>The Tempest</i> at Town<br>and Gown Theater                 |
| Monday, October 9       | Lunch & Learn:<br>America's Workforce<br>in 21st Century       |
| Wednesday, October 11   | Coffee at Aromas   |
| Tuesday October 17      | Emergency<br>Preparedness, Athens-<br>Clarke County<br>Library |
| Sunday, October 22      | Stone Mountain<br>Highlands Games,<br>Atlanta area             |

**Emergency Preparedness – October 17**

As part of our membership and community education efforts, LIR will offer a two-hour presentation on natural disaster and pandemic preparedness. The program will cover what the situation may look like, what we as individuals may do in preparation, and what responses may be appropriate should the need arise. Recognizing that more than one type of event may need response, there are nonetheless many considerations that apply regardless of the specific event. The lead presenter will be Kevin B. Wells, Emergency Preparedness Specialist with Georgia Public Health–Northeast Health District.

The program will be presented on Tuesday, October 17, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., in the auditorium of the Athens-Clarke County Library, on Baxter Street. There is no charge for this event. While specifically planned for LIR members, the program is also open to the general public. Feel free to bring a friend.

**☞ Be sure to wear your nametag at all LIR functions!**

*If your mailing label has "2005-2006" above your name, it's time to renew your LIR membership!! Membership, registration and reservation forms are always available to print at the LIR website [www.athenslir.org](http://www.athenslir.org)*



# LIR FALL 2006 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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| Dickens' <i>Oliver Twist</i>             | \$ 18 | _____ |
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| Med.-Italian Cooking                     | \$ 44 | _____ |
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If you have questions regarding registration, call Amy at 706-354-0361 or email her at [nega\\_writer@yahoo.com](mailto:nega_writer@yahoo.com).

If you have questions about course content, call Jeani Goodwin at 706-548-1915.

## FALL TRAVEL/STUDY RESERVATION FORMS

### **A Day at the Stone Mountain Highland Games, Sunday October 22**

*Reservations are due by September 12*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Cost is \$45.00 per person and includes all expenses except lunch (on your own).

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

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