

# Learning in Retirement Course Listings Fall 2010



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## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

The fall semester listings found in this newsletter I believe represent an interesting mix. I hope you agree, and find many classes that you want to attend. However, I am willing to bet, there topics you would like to see in the curriculum that aren't there. Please pass your ideas on to members of the Curriculum Committee or better still join it. In particular, they could use help in the area of arranging tours. Unfortunately, we have lost the services of several people who did this for many years.



Because we continually lose members for a wide variety of reasons, it is necessary that we recruit replacements. From talking to other LIR organizations the most effective way to add new members is by bringing them as a guest. The membership committee has developed a "Share the Experience" program to encourage bringing guests. Please think about your friends and introduce them to LIR. They will thank you, I am sure.

Speaking of other LIRs, our organization is one 12 in Wisconsin. The Green Bay and Sturgeon Bay groups are sponsoring a two day meeting in Door County this fall. Consider joining some of our members at these WALL meetings on September 17 – 18 in Door County. It is a good place to glean new ideas for our LIR. Contact me or the office if you might be interested.

While we do not have classes in the summer we have traditionally sponsored two events. On July 15th we will be joining the UW-O Alumni group in attending a Timber Rattlers game in Appleton. Then, on August 18th. we will have our picnic at Menominee Park. As they did last year, Evergreen will be catering this event. As many of you who have attended these picnics will attest, the food was excellent.

Have a wonderful summer,

William (Bill) Mattes  
President, Learning in Retirement

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## Evergreen Exercise Opportunities

### Fall 2010

#### Exercise Programs for LIR

Activities begin the week of September 13, 2010. Swim and exercise programs will be coordinated by the Evergreen staff. Cost for all swim programs is \$30 for a punch card. Each visit to the Evergreen pools is 1 punch. New punch cards can be purchased as often as desired. Participants will be contacted by Evergreen about openings, not by the LIR Office. Please contact Kelly Schermerhorn at Evergreen for more information or questions on the classes at 237-2160.

#### Swim Programs

##### Light'N Lively

The 9 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday Light 'N Lively aquatic class will continue to be held for those who are currently signed up and participating in the class. No new participants will be added to the 9 a.m. class. A second class of Light N Lively has been added to the aquatic schedule Monday and Wednesdays from 4:30 - 5:15 p.m. Please sign up for the second class if you are interested in attending.

Class 1 -- 9:45 a.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays

Class 2 -- 4:30 -5:15 p.m. Mondays & Wednesdays

##### Ai Chi

Let the soothing warm waters strengthen your body and caress your spirit! The flowing yet powerful sequence of moves, based on Tai Chi, combines deep breathing with slow, broad movements of the arms, legs, and torso. No swimming skills are needed to participate in this class.

11:15 a.m. – noon, Wednesdays

Class Sessions, September 15- December 15

##### Open Swim

Open swim is available at Evergreen:

Keller Pool 11 a.m.-noon. Monday-Friday

Prescott Pool 11 AM-noon. M, T, Th, F

#### Exercise Programs

##### LIR in Motion

This 45-minute class consists of a light aerobic workout that incorporates some elements of balance as well.

Strengthening and stretching exercises make this class a well-rounded workout. Participants will sit and stand throughout this class. Come join the fun! Limit 15.

Leader: Kelly Schermerhorn, Evergreen Staff

Session 1: September 13-November 5

Session 2: November 8-December 31 (no class December 24<sup>th</sup>)

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 - 9:15 a.m.

Evergreen Aerobic Studio

Cost: \$25 for each 8 week session

## LIR PROGRAMS

### 1. Garden Study Group

Group participants decide their own programming at the first meeting. Experts are brought in for lectures. There are field trips to nurseries and gardens;

**Coordinator: Ginny Evans**

**Fridays: Sept. 3, Oct. 8, Nov. 5, Dec. 3**

**9 – 11 a.m.**

**Coughlin Center**

### 2. Antique Homeshow

Barry and Sandy Perlman open their home to share their antiques and their knowledge in a hands-on session.

Learn to judge paint and finish; how to decide what is good, what is not. Session covers Queen Anne, Chippendale, Hepplewhite styles and will look at furniture, folk art, silver, clocks and more. Involves walking stairs.

**Coordinator: Marlene Herzing**

**Presenters: Sandy and Barry Perlman**

**Friday, Sept. 3**

**1-3 p.m. Max 10**

**Private home: 664 Bowen St. Oshkosh**

### 3. Soup and Sandwich Set to Music

Enjoy a soup and sandwich lunch prepared by Evergreen's master chef, then sit back and relax to the music of handmade, antique, acoustic string instruments. Collector and talented musician, Mark Bradish, will explain the finely detailed craftsmanship and the history of a banjo, mandolin and guitar, and then entertain us with their unique sounds.

**Coordinator: Marlene Herzing**

**Presenter: Mark Bradish**

**Tuesday, Sept. 7**

**11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

**Cost: \$12**

**Evergreen**

### 4. Reader's Choice (Encore)

Coordinators and participants suggest books for our reading enjoyment. Meeting focus on participants' comments on the selected readings with a commentary on the authors' lives.

**Presenters: Jean Nelson, Jeanne Shiras**

**1<sup>st</sup> session – Wednesday, Sept. 8**

***Complications* – Atul Gawande**

**2<sup>nd</sup> session – Wednesday Oct. 13**

**Class choice**

**3<sup>rd</sup> session – Wednesday Nov. 10**

***Picture of Dorian Gray* – Oscar Wilde**

**1 – 2:30 p.m.**

**Franciscan Courts, Oshkosh**

**815 So. Westhaven Dr. (across from St. Raphael church)**

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## 5. Preview of *As you Like It*.

Don Burdick will give us insight into this Shakespeare play about scheming and treachery that leads to love... which we will see performed at Spring Green Wednesday, Sept. 15

**Presenter: Don Burdick**

**Fri. Sept. 10**

**3 - 4 p.m.**

**Evergreen**

## 6. Embroidery Classes

Presented by the Embroiderer's Guild of America, which offers study and preservation of the heritage and art of embroidery, this series will encompass basic skills and will teach the techniques of counted cross stitch, surface embroidery, canvas and hardanger. Each participant will complete a final project of their choice. Since each class builds on the previous, dedicated attendance is suggested.

**Coordinator: Kathy Inman**

**Presenters: Embroiderer's Guild of America**

**Mondays: Sept. 13, 20, 27; Oct. 4, 11, 18**

**9:30 – 11:30 a.m.**

**Cost: \$12 (To be paid at first session.)**

**Touchmark, Appleton Max 16**

## 7. Poetry & Prose (Encore)

These continuing sessions appeal to those who delight in remembered pieces of poetry and prose. And who have stumbled upon new literary finds they are happy to share...along with their own creative work.

Conversational asides are bound to surface...they only enhance our time together. Max 10

**Facilitator: Dick Branigan**

**Tuesdays: Sept. 14; Oct. 12, 26; Nov. 23; Dec. 14**

**1 - 2:30 p.m.**

**Reeve 219**

## 8. Market Failures – The Crash of 1929

This session will explore the devastating stock market crash of 1929 through discussions with descendants of several Wall Street titans who manipulated the market and made millions in the 1920s. Interviewees include the families of Wall Street insider Jesse Livermore, stock specialist Michael Meehan and General Motors founder William Durant, as well as Groucho Marx's son, Arthur. With presenter commentary, video clips and audience participation.

**Presenter: Bernie Olejniczak**

**Thursday, Sept. 16**

**1:30 – 3 p.m.**

**Evergreen**

## 9. Civil War Chaplains from Wisconsin

Drawing from the personal journals, letters and memoirs of Civil War chaplains, Cheryl Davis will describe their many roles within the camps as well as their thoughtful insights into the war and its morality. Their detailed reports to Washington about the morality in the camps,

the education of black soldiers, and their own efforts to bolster spirituality provide a view of the Civil War that is seldom revealed.

**Coordinator: Horace Davis**

**Presenter: Cheryl Davis**

**Friday, Sept. 17**

**1:30 – 3 p.m.**

**Reeve 227A**

## 10. Flawed but Famous: Thomas Edison

They called him the Wizard of Menlo Park and his accomplishments are legend: the invention of the first practical light bulb, the phonograph, the motion picture camera. But there was a great deal more to the complex man who became the subject of so many children's books, seemingly a living Horatio Alger hero. Join us in wandering through the successes and failures of Thomas Alva Edison.

**Presenters: Tom and Marlene Herzing**

**Monday, Sept. 20**

**1:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

**Evergreen**

## 11. Tesla & Westinghouse – Electrical Pioneers

Most of our modern conveniences are powered, heated or illuminated by electricity. For this we can thank Nikola Tesla and George Westinghouse (not Edison). These two very different gentlemen each made a huge contribution to our modern power system.

**Presenter: Bill Mattes**

**Tuesdays: Sept. 21 and Oct. 5**

**1:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

**Touchmark, Appleton Max 65**

## 12. Currently Speaking (Encore)

A lively look at timely issues in the news, and a review of books, health issues, theatre and politics. We anticipate a guest speaker for each of the three sessions.

**Coordinator/Presenter: Jean Nelson**

**Wednesday Sept. 22, Oct. 20**

**Friday Nov. 19**

**10:30 – noon**

**Reeve 227A**

## 13. Brooklyn No. 4 Fire House Gallery of Collectibles

This site was William Water's first building in Oshkosh (1864) and Terry Laib's first restoration project. It now houses a number of interesting collectibles acquired by the Zuerns.

**Coordinator: John Procknow**

**Presenters: Dave and Rosemary Zuern, Terry Laib**

**Wednesday, Sept 22**

**1 – 2:30 p.m.**

**Located at 17 W. 6<sup>th</sup> Ave., Oshkosh.**

**Parking is available across the street from entrance.**

**25 steps, w/railing to 2<sup>nd</sup> floor gathering. No elevator.**

**Max 50**

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## 14. LIR Fall Luncheon

Our speaker is Andy Hove, president of Oshkosh Defense, that part of Oshkosh Corporation -- a major employer in the Fox Valley -- associated with the government contracts that have done so much to bolster the area economy. He will trace the history of the company, now a global designer, manufacturer and marketer of a broad range of access equipment for military and commercial vehicles. Two new contracts call for up to 23,000 trucks and trailers over the next five years. One of these will be on display at our meeting.

**Coordinators: Lorraine Sams, John Procknow**  
**Thursday, Sept. 23**

**LaSure's Hall -- 3125 So. Washburn, Oshkosh**  
**Registration: 11 a.m.; Lunch 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**  
**Prize drawings: 12:15 p.m.**  
**Cost: \$14**

## 15. 27 Quilts

In addition to being works of art, quilts tell about their time and their creators. LIR member Nancy Norgord will share the treasure trove of quilts she inherited from her grandmother, a talented, extraordinary woman who collected many of the fabrics as an itinerant seamstress and professional whistler.

**Coordinator: Marlene Herzing**

**Presenter: Nancy Norgord**

**Friday, Sept. 24**

**1:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

**Coughlin Center**

## 16. Oshkosh's Jewish History

The story of the first settlers in this area to today's residents. Trace their occupations, activities in the community and the history of their Synagogue on Algoma Boulevard.

**Coordinator: John Allen**

**Presenters: Members of the B'nai Israel**

**Congregation with Lowell Louis, secretary**

**Monday, Sept. 27**

**7 p.m.**

**1121 Algoma Blvd., Oshkosh – Handicapped Accessible**

## 17. A Case Study of Bribery in Congress

When is a campaign contribution really a payoff for a legislative vote? It's often said "we have the best government that money can buy." This maxim is explored in a study of a now-forgotten senatorial investigation of natural gas industry lobbying.

**Coordinator: Dick Branigan**

**Presenter: Martin Gruberg**

**Tuesday, Sept. 28**

**1:30 – 3 p.m.**

**Reeve 227C**

## 18. Secret Lives of Wisconsin's Butterflies

Some butterflies are bold and beautiful while others are tiny and overlooked. Yet, all have interesting lives and

secrets to reveal. Using her beautiful slides, Anita Carpenter will introduce us to some of Wisconsin's butterflies and their ecology. Come share her love and enthusiasm for these magnificent insects. Our coordinator, fascinated by our presenter's enthusiasm at a previous talk, resolved to not kill the caterpillars that were eating his Italian parsley, but to take her solution to this problem: "Plant more parsley – some for you and some for the caterpillars!"

**Coordinator: Bill Weber**

**Presenter: Anita Carpenter – pharmacist and environmentalist**

**Wednesday, Sept. 29**

**1:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

**Park View Health Center, Oshkosh**

## 19. First Nighter – *Censored on Final Approach*

Inspired by the stories of the women air force pilots of Camp Davis in 1943.

**Coordinator: Don Burdick**

**Wednesday, Sept. 29**

**Dinner: Primo's Restaurant, Oshkosh 4:45 p.m.**

**Performance: 7:30 p.m.**

**Fredric March Theatre, UWO campus**

**Cost: \$32 (tickets and dinner)**

## 20. Supper with the Chef

Cooking demonstration followed by the meal we have just seen displayed.

**Coordinator: Linda Greene**

**Presenter: Chef Edward Hinzmann**

**Thursdays, Sept. 30 or Oct. 28**

**5:30 – 8 p.m.**

**Evergreen Commons**

**Cost: \$14 Max: 45 per session**

*To allow for more LIR members to participate, registration is limited to one session.*

## 21. Adult Onset Diabetes

This is an important topic for everyone. Diabetes is occurring in epidemic proportions in our country today and is a leading cause of physical disabilities and early death. Dr. Laren Swanson will present an overview of diabetes, but will emphasize Type II diabetes, that is, adult onset which more often affects older people. He will discuss risk factors, diagnosis, treatment and complications of the disease.

**Coordinator: Bill Weber**

**Presenter: Laren Swanson, MD**

**Wednesday, Oct 6**

**1:30 – 3 p.m.**

**Park View Health Center, Oshkosh**

## 22. Market Failures – Rise and Fall of Enron

Based on the book *The Smartest Guys in the Room* by Peter Elkin, director Alex Gibe in this session takes a behind-the-scenes look at the powerful energy company whose downfall forever changed the landscape of the business world. With a blend of fascinating footage, fast-

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paced interviews and a wealth of information, this film is a serious lesson in the potential trappings of dishonesty and unethical behavior dogging corporate America. With presenter commentary, video clips and audience participation.

**Presenter: Bernie Olejniczak**

**Thursday, Oct. 7**

**1:30 – 3 p.m.**

**Evergreen**

## **23. Black Holes Explained Astronomically**

An intriguing explanation of black holes, a region in space in which gravity is so strong that nothing -- not even light -- can escape. A video presentation by Dr. Alex Filippeno, distinguished professor of physical science, University of California/Berkeley.

**Coordinator: John Procknow**

**Fridays, Oct. 8, 22; Nov. 12; Dec. 3**

**2-4 p.m.**

**Oshkosh Senior Center**

## **24. Exploring Oriental Carpets and Bags**

Join us for a hands-on seminar that examines the construction, materials and designs of oriental rugs and bags from Persia and surrounding environs. We will use sample pieces to discuss specific aspects of tribal works and some detailed city workshop products.

**Coordinator: Dick Branigan**

**Presenter: Larry Lang**

**Wednesday, Oct. 13**

**Max: 15 for each of two sessions**

**Session A 9 – 10:30 a.m.**

**Session B 10:30 - noon**

**Private Home: 1027 Algoma Blvd, Oshkosh**

## **25. Soup, Sandwich and Speaker at Evergreen**

After a delicious lunch we will hear Chancellor Richard Wells speak on what is new and changing at UW Oshkosh. New programs, academic buildings and campus initiatives in place and being planned. We look forward to hearing his vision for this campus.

**Coordinators: Bill Mattes and Linda Greene**

**Friday, Oct. 15**

**11:30 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.**

**Evergreen**

**Cost: \$12 Max: 75**

## **26. The Big Questions**

**Coordinator: Maureen Fitzgerald**

**Presenter: Marshall Missner**

Oct. 18 – Were things better in the old days? Clearly “no.” Evidence will be provided. More interesting is why it is so popular to believe things are getting worse, when in most ways they are getting better.

Oct. 25 – Is happiness overrated? Is happiness the main goal in life? Maybe not. Would we be willing to give up some happiness for other things? It is not clear how to attain happiness... it seems more elusive the harder we try.

**Mondays, Oct. 18 & 25**

**1:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

**Oshkosh Senior Center**

## **27. The Theory of Evolution – A History of Controversy**

Since the beginnings of human thought we have questioned our origins. Early religious beliefs have been, for many, replaced by modern theories proposed by Darwin. The debate between theology and his theories have been and continue to be debated.

**Presenter: Bill Mattes**

**Tuesdays: Oct. 19, Nov. 2 & 16**

**1:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

**Touchmark, Appleton Max 65**

## **28. The Great Depression in Winnebago County**

Based on his book, *Decade of Despair: Winnebago County during the Great Depression, 1929-1939*, Thomas J. Rowland will address the nagging problems of unemployment, debt relief and sluggish industry in Winnebago County during this time. He will try to uncover not only the customary percentages and statistics of a depressed economy, but expose the compelling personal and human impact as well.

**Coordinator: Horace Davis**

**Presenter: Dr. Tom Rowland**

**Thursday, Oct. 21**

**10 – 11:30 a.m.**

**Evergreen**

## **29. Market Failures – The Madoff Affair**

This session will investigate the outrageously audacious scam perpetrated by Bernard Madoff. Sentenced and serving up to 150 years in federal prison, Bernie Madoff perpetrated the largest financial fraud in history. PBS "Frontline" correspondent Martin Smith takes you inside the web of deception that snagged investors for \$65 billion. Following a timeline dating back to the late 1960s, Smith talks with ex-CPA Michael Bienes, former SEC Chairman Harvey L. Pitt, *New York Times* reporter Diana Henriques and others to outline Madoff's global Ponzi scheme. With presenter commentary, video clips and audience participation.

**Presenter: Bernie Olejniczak**

**Thursday, Oct. 21**

**1:30 – 3 p.m.**

**Evergreen**

## **30. Probate – What Does it Really Mean?**

Kathy will help you understand the myths and the facts about the probate system in Wisconsin.

**Presenter: Kathy Mahoney – retired Outagamie county probate court commissioner**

**Monday, Oct. 25**

**10 – 11:30 a.m.**

**Menasha Library**

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## 31. Three Tuners and Cars, Cars, Cars

Three car buffs who failed to escape adolescence reveal their passion for automobiles they have owned and those they have dreamed of owning from the humble Volkswagen to the sublime Silver Ghost. Join them for a light-hearted ride through automotive history.

**Coordinator: Marlene Herzing**

**Presenters: Barry Perlman, Larry Lang, Tom Herzing**

**Wednesday, Oct. 27**

**1:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

**Evergreen**

## 32. Early History of Haiti

There was Haiti before Columbus happened on the island and named it "Hispanola" (anglicized Hispaniola) on December 5, 1492. The recorded history of the country started with that date, but since then the country has fashioned a fascinating history of political and socio/economic intrigues even to current times. The presentation will discuss Haiti's early history including its pre-Columbus period. One question looms largest. "Haiti is perhaps the first country in the western hemisphere to gain its independence. Why then is it the poorest country in the region?" I will try to answer this and other of your questions.

**Presenter: Horace Davis**

**Friday, Oct. 29**

**9:30 – 11 a.m.**

**Evergreen**

## 33. Edgar Allen Poe

Bill Baurecht will dramatically read and interpret selected poems of Edgar Allen Poe, focusing on personae possessed by their sheeted memories of the past.

"In each nook most melancholy,-

There the traveler meets, aghast,

Sheeted memories of the Past –"

**Coordinator: Marlene Herzing**

**Presenter: Bill Baurecht**

**Friday, October 29**

**1:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

**Evergreen**

## 34. Islands of Genius – The Bountiful Mind of the Autistic, Acquired and Sudden Savant

Dr. Treffert explores the phenomena of genetic memory, instances in which individuals somehow know: things they never learned, and sudden genius or "acquired savantism" – where a neurotypical person unexpectedly and spectacularly develops savant-like abilities following a head injury or stroke. Showing that these phenomena point convincingly toward a reservoir of untapped potential – an inner savant capacity – within us all, he looks at how savant skills can be nurtured, and how they can help the person who has them, particularly if that person is on the autism spectrum. Dr. Treffert's talk will cover information from his book *Islands of Genius*, published last spring.

**Coordinator: Bill Weber**

**Presenter: Darold Treffert, MD**

**Wednesday, Nov. 3**

**1:30 – 3 p.m.**

**Park View Health Center, Oshkosh**

## 35. Design Your Own Christmas Cards & Create Your Own Digital Photo Note Cards

A step-by-step approach to design your own Christmas cards, with a simple technique that can be taught to your grandchildren. I know. My granddaughter learned and used it at the age of nine. Then you will learn how to print your favorite digital photos into a nice-size note card on your own printer, including a standard (Staples) envelope at a total cost of 10 cents for each card. A handout will be available for quick reference when you start your project at home.

**Presenter: Fred Born**

**Thursday, Nov. 4**

**1:30 – 3 p.m.**

**Evergreen**

## 36. Immigration History of the Americas

Escaping religious persecution, satisfying labor demands, seeking fortune, escaping political turmoil, seeking a better life; this is the story of immigrants who came to the Americas and the contributions they made to nation building. Examine too, the immigration laws that were enacted to alleviate growth problems and many times to dehumanize and to disinherit millions. The goal though, was to build prosperous nations. Of special note is the USA. The building continues. Come follow this fantastic adventure.

**Presenter: Horace Davis**

**Part 1 – Friday, Nov. 5**

**10:30 – noon**

**Part 2 – Friday, Nov. 19**

**1 – 2:30 p.m.**

**Franciscan Court**

## 37. Prostate Cancer, 2010

The diagnosis and treatment of prostate cancer is an important issue for men and their families. In the U.S. approximately one in nine men will develop prostate cancer in their lifetime. A great deal has been written in both the medical and lay press regarding the management of this disease. This talk will attempt to shed some light on the current "state of the art" regarding prostate cancer screening, available treatment options and some of the controversy surrounding both. A major concern for older men is when to screen and when not to; when to treat and when not to treat.

**Coordinator: Bill Weber**

**Presenter: Omer Atassi, MD**

**Friday, Nov. 5**

**1:30 – 3 p.m.**

**Park View Health Center, Oshkosh**

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## 38. Cinema

**Facilitator: Maureen Fitzgerald**

**Monday Nov. 8 -- *Alexandra*** A fictional yet self-criticism of the Chechyan occupation. Alexandra Sakuror (director of *Russian Ark*) takes us inside the Russian army living in tents in Grozny, the Chechen capital.

**Monday Nov. 15 -- *Mostly Martha*** A woman with a passion for cooking but little else. A charming blend of comedy and romance, Martha learns from Mario and their chef a recipe for living. In German (subtitles)

**1:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

**Oshkosh Senior Center**

## 39. Soup and Sandwich – How to Write a Christmas Letter

Anticipate the holiday season with a tasty lunch and then a wry look at those newsy letters that come with holiday cards each year. We'll offer a few suggestions to enliven the merry missives that so often tell us more than we want to know.

**Presenters: Tom and Marlene Herzing**

**Tuesday, Nov. 9**

**11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

**Evergreen**

**Cost: \$12**

## 40. First Nighter -- *My Soldiers*

The story of Angi, a young woman returning from military service in Iraq as a medic. Her struggles to regain her sense of reality and humanity propel her into an escalating series of conflicts with her family, friends and her memories.

**Coordinator: Don Burdick**

**Wednesday, Nov. 10**

**Dinner, Robins Restaurant, Oshkosh 4:45 p.m.**

**Performance 7:30 p.m. Fredric March Theatre, UWO campus**

**Cost: \$32 (tickets and dinner)**

## 41. Door County Ground Water

Information about ongoing research on groundwater in Door County and its implication for Wisconsin. Learn about the difference between animal units vs. humans on the groundwater of this region.

**Coordinator: Paul Janty**

**Presenter: Dr. Maureen Muldoon – Hydrology professor, UW Oshkosh**

**Thursday, Nov. 11**

**1:30 – 3:30 p.m.**

**Reeve 306**

## 42. Using the Internet to Track and Evaluate Investments Performance

Access sample portfolios using "free" internet sites to examine questions such as:

Is the sample diversified?

How has it performed relative to its peers?

Should a lagging investment be replaced?

When and why?

Can the Internet site help identify replacement investment candidates?

**Coordinator: Dick Branigan**

**Presenter: Larry Lang**

**Friday, Nov. 12**

**Time: 10 a.m. - noon**

**Radford computer lab, UW Oshkosh Max: 15**

## 43. Visiting or Living in Costa Rica

Either visiting or living in Costa Rica is a very worthwhile experience. Facts, figures and photos are all part of this presentation and discussion.

**Coordinator: John Procknow**

**Presenters: John Procknow, Carol Williams, Lois Hedge**

**Thursday, Nov. 18**

**1:30 – 3 p.m.**

**Evergreen**

## 44. The Commodities Market

A history of the commodities market and an explanation of the terminology, such as the meaning of "futures," "contracts," and "puts." Why do only certain commodities get listed?

**Coordinator: John Allen**

**Presenter: Tom Harenburg – Carl Henning Agency**

**Monday, Dec. 6**

**1:30 – 3 p.m.**

**Oshkosh Senior Center**

## 45. Old Glory Honor Flights

Our presenter will explain how the flights came to be, what it takes to get a flight ready and what the day is like in Washington D.C.

**Coordinator: Pat Worden**

**Presenter: Drew MacDonald – Pres. N.E. Wisconsin Old Glory Honor Flights**

**Tuesday, Dec. 7**

**10 – 11:30 a.m.**

**Menasha Library**

## 46. *The Sunshine Boys* – A Reader's Theater Production

Two veteran actors, formerly from the UW-Oshkosh theater faculty will perform excerpts from Neil Simon's stellar comedy about the reunion of two old vaudeville comics who have been feuding for years.

**Presenters: Don Burdick and Bob Heise – retired, UW-O theater department**

**Wednesday, Dec. 8**

**1:30 – 3 p.m.**

**Evergreen**

## 47. Before Christmas There is Advent

Christmas is a birthday celebration. It is the biggest of all birthday celebrations. All over the world it is done in honor of our Savior, Jesus the Christ. The celebration is a two-fold event – Preparation and Celebration. We prepare for his Second Coming (Advent) while we

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commemorate the first birth of Jesus (Christ's Mass) and we do so with joyous songs and words of praise. Oh, we will also talk a little about the traditional secular Christmas preparations and celebrations...like puddings, sorrel, eggnog, the Christmas tree, and the presents. What is your tradition?

**Presenter: Horace Davis**

**Thursday, Dec. 9**

**9:30 – 11 a.m.**

**Evergreen**

## **48. Energy Update (continued)**

In this continuing series we will look at what is new with gas and oil, plus current developments in alternate energy sources. We will also talk about government energy policy and its effect.

**Presenter: Bill Mattes**

**Friday, Dec. 10**

**9:30 - 11 a.m.**

**Coughlin Center**

## **49. Volunteering Internationally – Opportunities in Peru**

Our presenter describes his experiences as project coordinator for Health Bridges International, a charitable organization committed to connecting resources for sustainable change to groups and organizations that serve the poor in developing countries. Volunteer support opportunities exist for those with and without specific skills.

**Coordinator: Dick Branigan**

**Presenter: Dr. Bob Gehringer, Menasha pediatrician**

**Wednesday, Dec. 15**

**10:30 a.m. – noon**

**Reeve 227B**

## **50. What the WUPPE Team Did on Astro II (Shuttle Mission STS-67)**

The Wisconsin Ultraviolet Photopolarimeter Experiment (1980s) was a pioneering effort. Our presenter was part of this research effort and mission. The instrument he helped build flew along with two others – HUT (Hopkins TV Telescope) and UIT (UV Imaging Telescope) on STS-67, March 1995. The instruments make observations at UV wavelengths which do not penetrate the atmosphere. He will describe how the science teams helped the spacecraft while on orbit from Marshall Space Flight Center, and will discuss briefly some science results.

**Coordinator: Dick Branigan**

**Presenter: Dr. Anthony Weitenbeck**

**Thursday, Dec. 16**

**10:30 a.m. - noon**

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## **51. The Historical Jesus**

This session is an overview of the quest for the historical Jesus, its phases and developments, including a discussion of the controversial Jesus Seminar.

**Coordinator: John Allen**

**Presenter: Dr. Kathleen Corley – Professor, Religious Studies, UW Oshkosh**

**Friday, Dec. 17**

**1:30 – 3 p.m.**

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## **Off Campus Locations (Maps on pages 10-12)**

Coughlin Center – 625 E County Rd Y, Winnebago

Park View Health Center – 725 Butler Av, Winnebago

Evergreen Community – 1130 N Westfield, Oshkosh

Oshkosh Senior Center – 200 N Campbell Rd., Oshkosh

Menasha Library – 440 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Menasha

Franciscan Courts – 815 S. Westhaven Dr., Oshkosh

Touchmark – 2601 Touchmark Drive, Appleton

## **Tours**

### **52. Pollinators and Fall Foliage on the Chain**

Jessica Miller will discuss the state of the honey bee.

This important pollinator appears to be in decline... or is it? She will explain not only the important pollination process, but talk about other insects which participate in this key portion of the plant cycle. In the afternoon we will view early fall foliage on the Chain of Lakes at Waupaca via boat, the Chief Waupaca.

**Coordinator: Bill Mattes**

**Presenter: Jessica Miller – Mosquito Hill staff**

**Tuesday, Sept 14**

**Cost: \$34 (admission, boat trip, bus)**

**Coach Bus loads: 8:15 a.m. Departs: 8:30 a.m.**

**Penney's parking lot, Return: 3:30 p.m.**

**Max 55**

**Bring lunch, or purchase at Clearwater Harbor grill.**

### **53. As You Like It – Spring Green**

A play about scheming and treachery that leads to love, atonement and more with a little cross dressing in this Shakespeare pastoral comedy. As always, it will all be sorted out in the end. Performance is at 10 a.m. Hopefully, a "talk-back" followed by lunch.

**Coordinators: Bill Mattes and Fred Born**

**Wednesday, Sept. 15**

**Cost: \$60 (theater ticket, bus)**

**Coach Bus loads 6:45 a.m. Leaves: 7 a.m.**

**Return: 7 p.m.**

**Max 55**

**Bring own lunch, No on-site food available.**

### **54. South Pacific - Appleton PAC**

Tony Award (2008) for best musical revival set on a tropical Island during WWII, the musical tells the sweeping romantic story of two couples and how their happiness is threatened by the realities of war and by their own prejudices.

**Coordinator: Barbara Carroll**

**Co-coordinator: Sara Holm**

**Saturday, Sept. 18**

**Cost: \$52 (theater ticket, bus)**

**School bus loads JC Penney lot: 12:45 p.m.**

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**Depart: 1 p.m. Return: 4:30 p.m.**  
**Max 50**

## **55. Music in the Morning**

Beethoven and Mahler, Joseph Kalichstein, piano, with the Milwaukee Symphony at the Marcus Center in Milwaukee.

**Coordinator: Don Burdick**  
**Co-Coordinator: Pat Worden**  
**Friday, Oct. 1**

**Cost: \$73 (theater ticket, lunch, bus)**  
**Marcus Center, Milwaukee**  
**Coach Bus loads: 8:45 a.m. Departs: 9:15 a.m.**  
**Return: Est. 5 p.m.**  
**Max 50**

## **56. EAA Museum – Guided Tour**

Learn the history of the early flight of the Wright brothers and information about Charles Lindbergh, Aero Car, Steve Wittman, the Voyager, Space Ship 1, World War II planes and many others. See a scale model of the USS Enterprise.

**Coordinator: Doug Jirovetz**  
**Presenter: Merle Tellock – EAA**  
**Monday Oct. 11**

**1:30 – 3:15 p.m.**  
**EAA Grounds**  
**Cost: \$ 8.00 (admission/guided tour)**  
**Meet at EAA Museum**  
**Max 75**

## **57. Waiting for Godot – Spring Green**

This Samuel Beckett caper is a play waiting for an explanation. When Beckett was asked what it meant he said, "Why people have to complicate a thing so simple I can't make out." Come and help figure out "Waiting for Godot," presented in the new indoor theater.

**Thursday, Oct. 14**  
**Cost: \$66 (theater ticket, bus)**  
**Coach Bus loads 6:45 a.m. Leaves 7 a.m.**  
**Return: 4 p.m.**  
**Max 55**

**Bring own lunch, No on-site food available.**

## **58. Small Mammals of N.E. Wisconsin and a Taste of Scandinavia**

While large animals like deer, wolf and raccoon get our attention, small ones like voles, mice, moles and shrews escape our notice. Learn about these little guys who are an important link in our ecology. After our lecture at Mosquito Hill we will lunch at Oslo's Scandinavian Eatery in Appleton.

**Coordinator: Bill Mattes**  
**Presenter: Jessica Miller – Mosquito Hill staff**  
**Wednesday, Nov. 17**  
**Cost: \$38 (admission, lunch, bus)**  
**Bus loads: 8:15 a.m. Depart: 8:30 a.m.**  
**Return: 2:30 p.m. Max 40**

## **59. Glass, Glass, Crystal and Rocks - - With Some Art Along the Way**

Start by enjoying the featured glass collection at Bergstrom Mahler museum. Next we will visit the galleries in Menasha featuring art, crystals and glass. We will lunch at Cy's Asian Bistro, followed by a tour of the Harder Gallery at Jeweler's Mutual to see this collection of precious and semi-precious rocks and stones.

**Coordinator: Bill Mattes**  
**Thursday, Dec. 2**  
**Cost: \$37 (Entrance fee, lunch, bus)**  
**Coach Bus loads 8:45 a.m. Leaves: 9 a.m.**  
**Return: 3:30 p.m.**  
**Max 45**

## **60. Dickens' Dinner at the Pabst Mansion**

Join us for a very festive evening. The Pabst Mansion in all its festival glory – Butler style appetizers; open bar (beer, wine, soda) Christmas carols performed by small groups from the Florentine Opera. A sit down Dickens' Dinner, and Charles Dickens himself as he reads aloud from the timeless classic.

**Coordinator: Pat Worden**  
**Co-coordinator: Lois Hedge**  
**Sunday, Dec. 12**  
**Cost: \$107 (Dinner and entertainment, transportation)**  
**Coach Bus loads: 3:15 p.m. Departs: 3:45 p.m.**  
**return: est. 9:15 p.m.**  
**Max 50**

### **Tour information and policies**

- The bus pick up location for all tours is the east side of the JC Penney parking lot in Oshkosh.
- You do not need to pay at registration for any tours you may want to attend. Six weeks prior to the tour a final arrangement letter will be sent out to all acknowledged participants. At that time you can confirm your attendance on the tour by sending in your check. As a reminder, we will accept the first payments, up to the maximum number of participants for the tour. Should the tour fill, your check will be returned and you will remain on the waiting list. You will be informed of any openings as soon as they occur.
- Refunds for tours may be available, minus a \$5 processing fee, for cancellations received in the Learning in Retirement office, providing your ticket can be resold.
- A signed copy of the Informed Tour Consent form is required for all participants of LIR Tours.

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The Paine Art Center and Garden's Norman Rockwell summer exhibit ends on Sunday, September 26. You still have time to view the works of one of the most celebrated illustrators and storytellers of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. He captured the warm and optimistic American spirit of everyday life. The exhibit features the complete collection of over 300 vintage Saturday Evening Posts covers and offers visitors the rare opportunity to view more than 20 original oil paintings and studies by Rockwell's hand.

## Off Campus Course Locations

### Evergreen Retirement Community and Shuttle Bus Pick-up



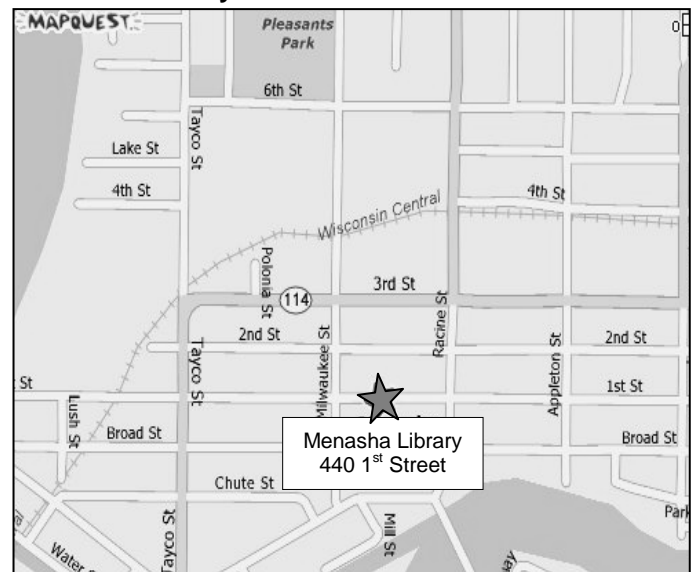
Evergreen Retirement Community offers a shuttle service from the Red Arrow Park parking lot to the front door of Evergreen. The shuttle bus service will start running 45 minutes prior to the start of the program.

Red Arrow Park parking lot is located on N. Westfield Street just south of Evergreen, as noted on the map.

### Coughlin Center and Park View Health Center, Oshkosh

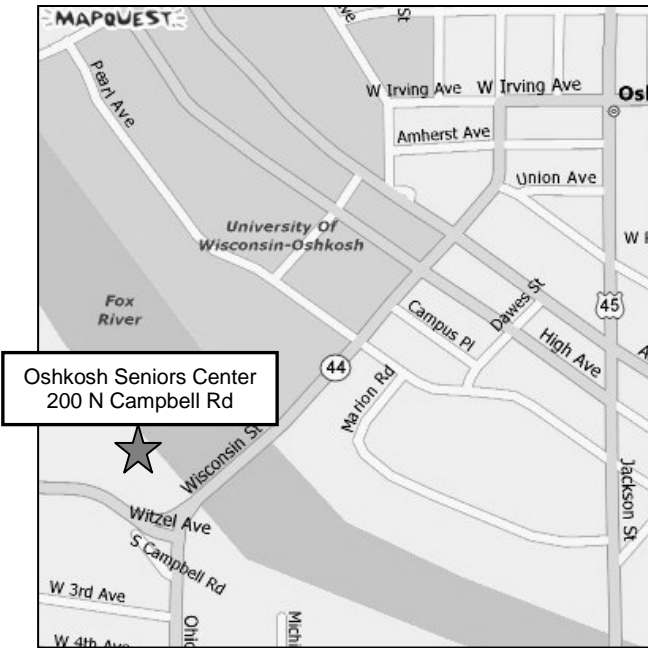


### Menasha Library



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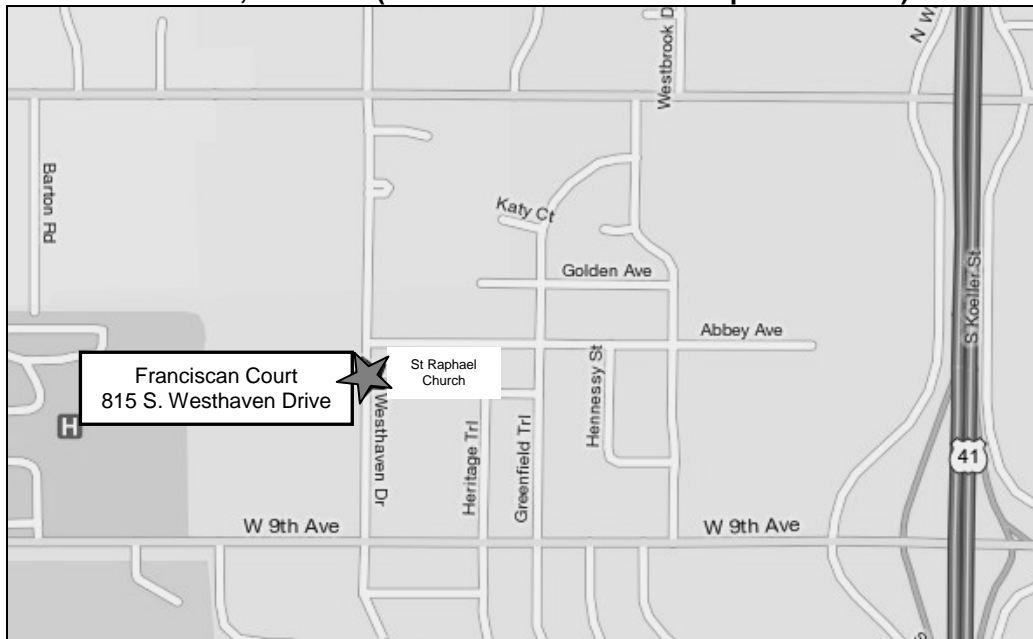
### Oshkosh Senior Center



### Touchmark, Appleton



### Franciscan Courts, Oshkosh (Located across from St. Raphael Church)



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