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Lifelong Learning Institute of Elkhart County

Courses for Spring 2009



Lifelong Learning for All

The Lifelong Learning Institute of Elkhart County seeks to provide stimulating and affordable short courses in many fields for active seniors. Series of courses are held in the fall and the spring, as well as a lecture series in mid-winter. There are no tests or grades—just the joy of learning. No previous studies or degrees are required.

Classes typically meet for one and a half hours, twice a week, for two weeks. LLI instructors are usually seniors themselves, often former teachers or professors, arts professionals, and others with a wealth of experience in the area of their course. They volunteer their time to share from their knowledge and expertise with others. The courses provide for lively interaction between the instructor and those attending.

Courses are held at Goshen College, the Goshen Public Library, and other suitable community locations. The lectures series is held at Greencroft Goshen. Restrictions on class size may apply. Some courses may require an additional charge for supplies, transportation, or tickets.

LLI course brochures are available at the Greencroft Goshen Senior Center (1820 Greencroft Blvd.) and the Goshen College Welcome Center (1700 S. Main St.) or call 574-535-7566.

The Lifelong Learning Institute of Elkhart County is part of a fairly recent and growing grassroots movement. Retiring seniors everywhere are seeking stimulation, continued growth, and connections to others who have similar interests. We invite you to experience the same right here in Elkhart County. LLI is cosponsored by Goshen College and Greencroft Communities. LLI is a member of The Elderhostel Institute Network (EIN), a national network of similar programs. www.elderhostel.org/ein/intro

Estonians and Gondoliers

Mary K. Oyer
March 16, 18, 23, 25; 2:00-3:30 p.m.
Location: Goshen College
Room: Music Center 153

Mary Oyer will lead a study of the music for two Goshen College events: (1) The Estonian National Symphony Orchestra, March 18, featuring Rachmaninov, Dvorák, and Pärt (Estonian). Concert tickets are available at the GC Welcome Center. (2) The Gilbert and Sullivan Opera, *The Gondoliers*, performed by students and faculty on March 27, 28, and 29. Interaction with directors and selected performers will be arranged. Attendance at the dress rehearsal, Thursday March 26, is included. Full performance tickets may be purchased separately at the Welcome Center. Dr. Oyer brings a full career of musical expertise and teaching to this study.

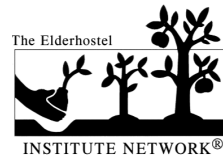
A Labor History of Elkhart County

Nick Hoffman
March 30 & April 1, 6, 8; 2:00-3:30 p.m.
Location: Goshen Public Library
Room: Schrock Auditorium

Nick Hoffman, director and curator of the Elkhart County Historical Museum, will provide a broad history of labor and industry in the county from the 1830s to 2009—including the change from rural craft communities to urban manufacturing centers, and connections to national issues such as child labor and the African American Great Migration. We will discuss specific businesses that operated here, and will invite you to share your own experience. Hoffman's graduate research focused on turn-of-the-century changes in industry and labor.

Spring Mini-Courses -
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What's Happening to the English Language?

Ervin Beck

**April 13, 15, 20, 22; 2:00-3:30 p.m.,
2:30-4:00 on Apr. 22**

**Location: Goshen College
Room: Music Center 110**

How do new words enter the English language? What regional dialects do we speak? How are the "rules" of language usage related to social class? How have feminist reforms affected American English usage? Evidence from students' own experience and from the research of linguists will contribute to discussion of these features of current American English. Dr. Beck—longtime teacher of a course on The English Language and Shakespeare, student of folklore in England, Belize and Indiana, and recently returned from teaching English in Lithuania—will invite examples and stories from your own use of the English language.

The Energy Revolution Goes Local

Larry Yoder

**April 27, 29, May 4, 6; 2:00-3:30 p.m.
Location: Goshen Public Library
Room: Schrock Auditorium**

Dr. Larry Yoder, former Director at the Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center of Goshen College, will coordinate this study. We are in the midst of an energy revolution that will dramatically alter our economic, political, and social well-being. We will study these changes, their causes, and especially their impact on our community, our lives, and our children and grandchildren. Each session will feature local experts and leaders, and you will also be invited to bring your ideas and experiences as we plan a more sustainable future for our community and our world.

Women in West African Ethnic Groups

Mme. Georgette Odi, Ph.D

May 11, 13, 15, 18; 2:00-3:30 p.m.

**Location: Goshen College
Room: Music Center 110**

Special Guest: Dr. Odi, Professor of African Civilization at the University of Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, will visit Goshen friends and teach this course on the special role of women, especially in Baule and Akye societies: their key role in the elaborate marriage process, their subtle ingenuity, their secret dance never seen by men—in case of bad luck, death, or war. Traditional tales will portray a highly developed people with special ways of thinking about life. Professor Odi has lectured frequently to students in Goshen College's SST study abroad program.

Global Agriculture, Local Impact

Harold Kauffman

May 20, 22, 27, 29; 2:00-3:30 p.m.

**Location: Goshen College
Room: Music Center 110**

Dr. Kauffman is a former research scientist at the International Rice Research Institute in the Philippines and Director of the International Soybean Program at the University of Illinois. He will lead this study on ways that the global food and agriculture system affects our own use of food, feed, fiber, and fuel. Kauffman brings to the topic many years of experience living and working in Asia, and his research and development work has taken him to many countries around the world. He is currently helping the Chinese organize the World Soybean Research Conference VIII to be held in Beijing at the site of the 2008 Olympics



LLI Membership

In 2008, after its first three years of operation, LLI moved to a member organization in which participants more directly plan curriculum, select board members and guide decisions in publicity and finance. Nine LLI board members are elected by members (3) or appointed by the sponsoring organizations, Goshen College (3) and Greencroft Communities (3).

Who is eligible for membership?

Persons 55 and older are welcome. You do not need to have attended Goshen College or to live at Greencroft Goshen. The LLI membership year runs from July 1 through June 30.

The benefits

Your first course is free and additional courses are half price. For members residing in HUD housing all courses are free. Your LLI member card entitles you to privileges at the Goshen College library and free admission to home Goshen College athletic events. With professor approval you may audit classes at Goshen College for a reduced fee. At Greencroft Goshen you receive the reduced resident rate for special events and free transportation if needed from Greencroft Goshen to LLI classes at other locations.

Fees

Classes for non-members are normally \$45. Membership is \$50 per academic year (from July 1-June 30). A member's first course is free and additional courses are half price. For persons in HUD housing, membership is \$10 and all courses are free. Courses for non-members are \$45. For non-members in HUD housing, classes are \$10. All memberships are due for renewal after July 1 in any calendar year.

Contact Us

If you have a question, want a course offering brochure, or need further information on LLI, please contact Directors Wilbur and Fanni Birky by phone at 574-533-6352 or by e-mail at wilburjb@goshen.edu. See also: <http://www.goshen.edu/lifelong>



Registration Form Lifelong Learning Institute Spring Courses 2008

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Your e-mail helps us to notify you of schedule changes.

2008-2009 Membership (July 1, 2008-June 30, 2009)

If becoming a member, adjust the course costs below.

Regular membership
Number registering ___ x \$50 = _____

Members' first course is free, add'tl. courses half price.

Membership for persons in HUD housing
Number registering ___ x \$10 = _____

For members in HUD housing all courses are free.

Membership fee paid Fall 2008

2009 Spring Courses (New members, please enter "0" for your first course and \$22.50 for each add'tl. course; existing members, enter \$22.50 for each course, HUD or Medicaid members, enter "0" for each course.)

• Estonians and Gondoliers (4 sessions)
Number registering ___ x \$45 = _____

• A Labor History of Elkhart County (4 sessions)
Number registering ___ x \$45 = _____

• What's Happening to the English Lang.? (4 sessions)
Number registering ___ x \$45 = _____

• The Energy Revolution Goes Local (4 sessions)
Number registering ___ x \$45 = _____

• Women in West African Ethnic Groups (4 sessions)
Number registering ___ x \$45 = _____

• Global Agriculture, Local Impact (4 sessions)
Number registering ___ x \$45 = _____

Total due \$ _____

Payment Options (due with course application)

Enclosed check payable to **Lifelong Learning Institute.**

Credit Card: Visa MasterCard Discover

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Bring or send this panel with payment to the Goshen College Welcome Center, 1700 S. Main St., Goshen, IN 46526, or call 574-535-7566.