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Message from the President . . .

Welcome back to ILR after a busy summer. This year is very special as we celebrate our first five years of ILR at Bradley. From the original 75 students who chose from 10 classes in the fall of 1994, we have grown to about 300 students who choose from a rich menu of 30 to 40 classes. Please join us in "Celebrating five years of life long learning."

In the spring you heard about the EIN • 10 Conference (EIN = Elderhostel Institute Network) to be held in Washington, DC in late June. Jon Neidy, Mary Buesing and I were to attend. When Mary was unable to go, Wanda Lane took her place. EIN was celebrating 10 years of growth. In 1989 there were 24 ILRs in the country. At the 1999 Conference, 549 attendees representing 159 ILR's with over 70,000 members from the United States, Canada and Bermuda were present.

"Wisdom in Action" was the theme of the Conference. The chapters from around the country had many different names: New Frontiers for Learning in Retirement, Institute or Academy for Life Long Learning, Senior College, Elder College, Renaissance Institute, Adventures in Learning for Mature Adults, Learning in Retirement Institute, Institute for Learning in Retirement, but they all represented enthusiastic, senior learners.

When the committee called for program proposals, Jon wrote two; both were accepted. In Washington, he joined other five-year-old ILRs on a panel, "Still Young and Learning: ILRs at Age Five." The other proposal that was accepted, was made possible, in part, by our membership. In the spring, some of you were part of the first Compressed Video Technology class ever held at any ILR when we met in the Global Communications Center and connected with Lyceum in Binghamton, NY. It was with pride

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President's message

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for our ILR that I told other representatives about this pioneering class at a session titled "Connectivity: ILRs Reach Out to the Community, Other ILRs and Members." One of the ladies from Lyceum at Binghamton was "bubbling" as she told the others in the breakout session how exciting it was for her to be involved in our class. I assured them that the ILR at Bradley University does "play very well in Peoria."

With so many chapters involved, you can imagine that there were many similarities and differences expressed. Some meet every day for one or two classes throughout the year. Some must meet in free rooms offered by churches and community sites on public transportation routes. Some ILRs were run completely by volunteers (thanks to Bradley's support, we have Janet, Jon and Wanda). Rather than outside community and faculty speakers, some had only peer led learning classes or were part of the college curriculum offered to seniors. There was great variety in tuition charged. One chapter paid \$10 to receive the newsletter and paid a fee for each class. In two sessions I attended, presenters spoke of interviewing those who applied for membership and had waiting lists for acceptance; their tuition was over \$500 annually.

Regardless of how they functioned or where they were located, all ILRs represented were united under the Elderhostel Institute Network and shared the love of lifelong learning. Each chapter was community based and offered stimulating, top quality, diversified curriculum under a variety of leaders. All mentioned the sociability they enjoyed at coffee breaks, lunches, picnics, concerts and on tours to museums or extended travel. It sounded very much like our Time for Learning.

I listened carefully throughout the conference and came away thinking how fortunate we are to have the support of Bradley University, the community and you to make this an outstanding ILR. We look forward to having you join us as we celebrate five years of life long learning and friendship.

Jackie Krag, President

ILR Classes: Wednesdays, October 13, 20, 27 & November 3, 1999

R = Repeat Class NM = New Material N = New Class



8:30 - 10:00

1. Save Me An Aisle Seat–Joan and Alf Berg '64, ILR members and longtime moviegoers, take a look at movies highlighting seniors, the West, remakes and computers. (NM)

9:00 - 10:00

- **2.** All You "Auto" Know About Your Auto—Doug Van Etten, professor and ILR member, will discuss car basics including gas, oil, tires, brakes, service, batteries and engines plus answer your car questions. (N)
- **3.** American Presidents: Abraham Lincoln and Jefferson Davis—Randall Saxon, senior pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Peoria, will compare and contrast the public and personal lives of Lincoln and Davis. (N)
- **4. DNA Biotechnology and the Andromeda Strain**–John DePinto, Bradley biology chair, will address applications and implications of DNA in science and in society. (R)
- **5. U.S. History from WW I to the Present**—Continue along in history with Arwin Smallwood, Director of African-American Studies at Bradley, from WWI to the present. (NM)
- **6.** The Mozart Effect–Learn and discuss the differences between listening and hearing music with Allen Cannon, Bradley music professor emeritus. (N)
- 7. The Workings of Peoria Sanitary District—The role of the Sanitary District will be discussed as it relates to development, environmental quality, attractiveness to new business and more. Optional tour on Thursday, October 14. (N)

8. Weather Whys in Central Illinois–Ever wonder why the weather in Central Illinois is unlike anywhere else? Let 27-year veteran Peoria weatherman, Lee Ranson, put you in the know. Optional TV station tour on Tuesday, October 26, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. (maximum of 30). (R)

10:00 - 10:30 Refreshments ILR Treat Ballroom B

10:30 - 11:30

9. Author, Author! What Do I Read Next?—Peoria Public Library staff will present popular books in the genre of mysteries, romances, science fiction and westerns. Bill Adams and Philip José Farmer will talk about their books. (N)

10. Dealing with a Giant: Today's U.S. China Relations—Tim Maga, BU Oglesby Professor of American Heritage, will lead discussions concerning the current U.S.-China relations. (N)

11. Illinois Government from Neighborhoods to State Capitol—Join representatives from governmental bodies to discuss how they represent us in the City Council, County Board, Mayoral Office, and the State Senate. Leaders include Councilman John Morris, County Board Administrator Jim Daken, Mayor Bud Grieves, and Senators Carl Hawkinson and George Shadid. (N)

12. Masterpieces of Vocal and Choral Music—Great art songs and singers, operas, oratorios and other choral music will be featured by John Davis, Bradley music professor emeritus. (R)

13. Medical Ethics–Brooks McDaniel, ordained minister and ICC instructor, will explore the issues involved in making decisions about medical ethics and personal rights in health care. (R)

14. Pax Vobiscum (Peace Be With You)—An excursion into the realm of pacifism. The prominent influence of Tolstoy, Gandhi and Martin Luther King, Jr. will be featured in addition to their precursors and others who have flirted with the idea in their search for inner and world peace. Presented by Robert Gillogly, senior pastor of First Federated Church. (N)

15. Play Reading for Pleasure—Class reading of high moments from Shaw, Wilde and others led by Wilson Schroeder, ILR member. Dramatic ability not a factor. (N)

16. Tax Law Changes—A look at recently enacted and proposed tax law changes (Federal income tax and state taxes). John Ruble, Bradley emeritus professor of accounting and taxation and Douglas Thurson will lead this session. (NM)

17. Writing Your Life Story–Merrill Buesing and Carla Montez will help convert memories into memoirs, the greatest gift you can give to future generations. (R)

11:30 - 12:30 Lunch

Buffet in the Ballroom – \$25.00 for 4 lunches (Sack lunches welcome.) Cafeteria is also open. Meal tickets must be purchased by Oct. 1.

Buffet Menu

10/13 Baked Potato Bar, Soup, Drink & Dessert

10/20 Vegetable & Beef Lasagna, Tossed Salad, Bread Sticks, Soup, Drink & Dessert

10/27 Taco Bar, Soup, Drink & Dessert

11/3 Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad, Rolls, Soup, Drink & Dessert

12:30 - 1:30

18. Astronomy: Using Tools to Study the Sky–Learn about the role technologies have played in man's study of the universe including the telescope, space observatories and the use of modeling to study the various phenomena with Bradley professor, Larry Kellerman. (NM)

19. Issues of Mental Health–Mental health is important to us and affects us throughout our lives. This class will explore mental health issues from a variety of viewpoints including: problems facing teens today, senior advocacy, and senior fraud. The final class will be a presentation by the Mental Health Association which will address what they do to help people. (N)

20. Early Historical Development of Israel-Rabbi Ariel Walsh will examine early Israel from its beginning up to the time of David using archeology, history and sociology. (N)

21. George Gershwin, His Life and His Music-Join Dick Hinds, ILR member and former Peoria opera manager, as Gershwin's life is reviewed

and heard through his music. (N)

22. Indoor Gardening-Segments include "A Houseplant Primer" with Master Gardener Barb Loar, "Your First Orchid" with Barry Jones of the Peoria Orchid Society, "Bonsai Basics" with Joe Groesch of the Heart of Illinois Bonsai Club and "Elementary Plant Propagation" with Luthy Botanical Garden horticulturist Bonnie Gudat. (N) 23. Worldwide Economic Outlook and Legal Issues-Economic outlook for each region of the world, discussions of interdependencies and implications for business with Eng Seng Loh and Dave Vance, Caterpillar Inc. The last session will examine the principles to the law and legal issues with Ed Sattler, BU Economics Professor. (N)

24. You Can't Take It With You-Greg Mescher, attorney, Rich Firebaugh, trust department manager and Ruth Collins, CPA will explain how to safeguard your estate while you are here and how to effectively transfer wealth at death. (R)

> 1:30 - 2:00 Refreshments **ILR Treat** Ballroom B

> > 2:00 - 3:00

25. Architectural Styles and How You Find Them in Peoria-Various architectural styles will be defined and examples of these styles in Peoria will be viewed with Leslie Kenyon, Peoria architect. (NM)

26. The Windsor, the Empire and the Sportsman's Club--Signs of the Good Old Days?-Look at Peoria's reputation for lawlessness in the first half of this century with Dorothy Sinclair, former city council member with an interest in Peoria History. (N)

27. Human Images-Of all subject matter available to artists none proves more universally and consistently appealing than the human body. For intellectual and emotional pleasure and for a richer humanistic understanding join art historian, Phyllis Kells, M.A. Slides. (N)

28. Gun Control-NRA, Chief John Stenson and representatives from ATF and ACLU will present some facts about gun control issues and concerns. Jon Neidy will facilitate a discussion at the last class. (N)

29. Insights Into Women's Collegiate Basketball Including Title IX-Donna Freitag, Bradley's Head Basketball Coach, will discuss the history of women's basketball, Title IX, basketball language, the benefits of collegiate sports for women, and recruiting at the Division I level. (N)

30. U of I College of Medicine-Faculty members will present current topics including:

Does Healthcare Cost too Much? Michael Bailie Mini-Medical School Richard Weber Incontinence/Osteoporosis Rebecca Knight Decade of the Brain Phillip Jobe (NM) 31. Short Stories-Join Mary Jordan, Bradley and ICC English instructor, to open a window on the world through reading and discussing these short stories: The Catbird Seat, The Bride Comes to Yellow Sky, A & P, Hills Like White Elephants and Young Goodman Brown. These short stories will be provided in class. (N)

2:00 - 3:30

32. Bradley's Collum-Davis Library: How to Use It-Get acquainted with the techniques for using the high-tech library with Mary Jo DeJoice, Access Services Librarian (maximum of 10). (N) 33. Peace Corp at Any Age-Highlights of four different areas served by Peace Corps volunteers Mary Ann and Sheldon Schafer (India), Wayne Nolan (Tungsia), Michelle Lisenby-Aviles (Nicaragua), plus Charlotte and Clare Grap (Eastern Caribbean). (N)

Computer Classes: Fridays October 15, 22, 29 & November 5

All computer classes are limited to 16 people and each person may register for only 2 computer classes.

These computer classes are held in the Campustown Computer Lab.

34. 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Wandering the World Wide Web-A first foray into the World Wide Web for those who are comfortable with computer. Class will be taught by Jon C. Neidy, Program Director in the Division of Continuing Education. (R) 35. 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

E-mail Explorations –Jon Neidy provides an opportunity for you to get a free e-mail account and learn to manage it effectively. The class will explore e-mail ettatete attachments, e-mailing groups of people, signatures, and a variety of other issues. All participants will acquire and use a Hotmail account. (N)

36. 12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Computer I—Learn computer fundamentals, understanding computer terms, and how they work with ILR member [Caroll Besing. You will also be given information on how to choose a computer, hook it up, and how to use the Internet. No experience necessary. (R)

37. 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Opening Windows to New Worlds-Susan Cribbs, Program Director in the Division of Continuing Education, will introduce basic features of the Windows operating system. Topics will include terminology, working with multiple applications, printing, file management, and more. Some computer experience necessary. (R)

38. 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Advanced Internet, Info Searcher–Mary Jo DeJoice, Access Services Librarian at Bradley's Cullom-Davis Library, will teach us how to use the Internet for gathering information. Prerequisite is Computer I or equivalent. (R)

More Continuing Education opportunities . . .

Books Alive!

Join fellow bibliophiles in lively discussions about a myriad of books. In its 31st year at Bradley University, the discussions are lead by various Bradley faculty, staff, and others on Friday mornings in the Student Center from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Books are available in the Bradley Bookstore or at local libraries.

Cost: \$24.00

September 10

Flood Tide, Clive Cussler, \$7.99

Facilitator: Susan Cribbs, Continuing Education

October 22

The Mill on the Floss, George Eliot, \$3.95

Facilitator: Peggy Carter, Retired English Prof.

November 19

Argument Without End: In Search of Answers to the Vietnam Tragedy, Robert McNamara, \$27.50 Facilitator: Tim Maga, History Department

December 3

Home: A Short History of an Idea, Witold

Rybczynski, \$13.95

Facilitator: Meghan Genovese, Admissions

ILR Office Opens!

We have reached a milestone in our growth as a community of learners—we have an office!

Located in the new facilities of the Division of Continuing Education and Professional Development at the corner of University and Main, the ILR office is equipped with desk, phone, computer, and high speed internet access. It's a perfect place to volunteer some time to ILR activities or to the varied needs of Division staff. It's also a great place to do some exploring on the web or check your e-mail. Please feel free to stop by and use the computer for your personal pursuits as well. The new office space was provided by Bradley. The furniture and computer were provided by Continuing Education.

Please drop in or call us to arrange your volunteer time at the new ILR office (677-3905).

Division of Continuing Education Computer Classes

Call Sue or Lee Ann for more information on other computer classes or to answer any of your computer class questions at (309) 677-2377. All classes are held in the Campustown Computer Lab.

Travel

Local Travel

Commerce Unseen

A new travel opportunity that takes us into unseen and often overlooked businesses within our own community. This is your chance to explore and learn about the fascinating commerce that occurs inside the walls and fences we pass daily. All of our explorations commence with a 12:00 p.m. lunch at Bradley. We then travel to the business in a passenger van, tour the site with a representative of the company, and return to Bradley by 4:00 p.m. On Wednesday, September 8 we will meet with Fred Traub, the new Director of the Greater Peoria Regional Airport and tour the terminal, firehouse, and Byerly's. The USDA's National Center for Agricultural Utilization and Research is our next area of investigation. We will meet with Dr. Peter Johnson, Director, and tour the facility on Tuesday, September 21. Our final area of unseen commerce is the Greater Peoria Sanitary District on Thursday, October 14. We will meet with Stan Browning and tour his plant. Each tour includes lunch at Bradley and van transportation.

Airport: \$15.00 USDA Ag Lab: \$15.00 Sanitary District: \$15.00 Three tours: \$40.00

Regional Travel

Roy Lichtenstein at the Museum of Contemporary Art Tuesday, August 31

The MCA is Chicago's newest major museum and one of the nation's largest facilities devoted to the art of our time, the MCA offers exhibitions of the most thought-provoking art created since 1945.

Lichtenstein's exhibition will feature several of his large interior paintings of the 1990s and will trace their development from early stages in scrapbooks and sketchbooks to monumental finished works. It will also feature drawings, collages, prints and sculpture. The interiors of his last years encompass a vocabulary of forms, subjects and ideas developed throughout his 40-year career. Many works in this exhibition have never before been shown publicly.

Cost \$35.00 Please register by Tuesday, August 24. Includes: transportation (Bradley van) and admission. Van departs at 7:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 31. We will return Tuesday evening.

The Central West End, Horticulture, and Hot Air Balloon Race

Saturday, September 18

The day begins with an opportunity for lunch and shopping in one of St. Louis' featured business districts the Central West End. The Central West End is an eclectic, cosmopolitan showplace of St. Louis. Located in the central corridor of the City, just north of Forest Park, the area is a popular gathering place. A fine selection of restaurants and sidewalk cafes nestled in with notable art galleries, antique shops, specialty shops, boutiques and bookstores.

After lunch we leave for the Missouri Botanical Gardens, home to over 30 different gardens, the Climatron, a world famous Botanical Research Center, an active Education Division, and much more. We will spend a few hours there and conclude our day with the Great Forest Park Balloon Race lift off.

The Great Forest Park Balloon Race is part of the local heritage of St. Louis. Now in its 27th year the race features over 70 balloons lifting off on Saturday evening. It is truly a breathtaking event. It is one of the largest and most prestigious one-day balloon races in the world. The group will determine when we will return to Peoria.

Cost: \$55.00 Please register by Friday, September 3. Includes: charter coach transportation and admission.

Host: Helen Bruns

Bus departs at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 18. We will return Saturday evening.

The Architecture and Resorts of Indiana Thursday, October 14 and Friday, October 15

Join us on an architectural tour of Indiana. Our exploration will begin with a two-hour tour of Columbus, Indiana which has earned world-wide recognition for its modern architecture. In 1991, the American Institute of Architects surveyed 829 of its members. They ranked Columbus sixth among US cities in architectural quality and innovation. Only Chicago, New York, Washington, San Francisco and Boston were listed higher. From the 1874 county court-house that crowns a dynamic downtown to an era of modern architecture that dawned in 1942 with the dedication of Eliel Saarinen's First Christian Church, the Columbus landscape still expands today on the shoulders of such other architects as Weese, Hisaka, Birkerts, Kennon, Meier, Roche & Dinkeloo, Pelli, Venturi, Girard, and Pei.

Our next destination and lodging for the evening is the French Lick Springs Resort that rests on some 2,600 acres in the breathtaking Hoosier National Forest. We will spend Friday morning exploring the resort and engaging in the activities offered there. The French Lick Springs Resort is truly a grand environment in which to relax and enjoy the beauty of the surrounding grounds.

Friday afternoon we depart for the West Baden Springs Hotel. It has long been of interest to people from around the world. When it was built shortly after the turn of the century it was hailed as the eighth architectural wonder of the world. It features an elegant six-story domed atrium (the largest clear-span dome in the world until the Astrodome was built in 1965) that inspires amazement, admiration, even goose bumps.

Cost \$225.00 Please register by Friday, September 10. Includes: coach transportation, lodging, and tours. Bus departs at 7:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 14. We will return Friday evening.

Membership Form (age 55+ recommended)

Will attend September 15 luncheon_____ Will NOT attend luncheon_

Name		Phone
Address		CityStateZip
	Wednesday Classes (Circle #1 & #2 choices in each time period.) 8:30 - 10:00 Choose One 9:00 - 10:00	E-mail address \$75 membership fee per person \$25 lunches (4) on ILR dates
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#1 Choice #2 Choice	10:30 - 11:30 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17	\$15 Greater Peoria Regional Airport, Sept. 8 \$15 USDA Ag Lab, Sept. 21 \$15 Greater Peoria Sanitary District, Oct. 14
#1 Choice #2 Choice	12:30 - 1:30 18	\$35 Chicago Contemporary Art, Aug. 31 \$55 St. Louis Botanical Gardens, Sept. 18 \$225 Indiana Architecture, Oct. 14 & 15
#1 Choice #2 Choice	2:00 - 3:00 Choose One 2:00 - 3:30 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33	WEEK-TV Tour Oct. 26, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. (free) Total enclosed (checks payable to BradlVISAMastercardDiscover
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Membership Fee

Bradley Alum
Year_

\$75.00 per person (semester ends December 31, 1999) Registration fee includes ILR luncheon, ILR membership, class registration and special events.

Join ILR members for a complimentary luncheon.

Peoria, IL 61625



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Menu:

Spinach Cheese Quiche Waldorf Salad Broccoli, Cauliflower and Bacon Salad Muffins and Breads Lemon Pie Beverage You are cordially invited!

Wednesday, September 15, 1999 12:00 noon Student Center Ballroom

Please call 677-3905 or mail class registration form by September 10.

Bus shuttle from Westminster Church 11:30 a.m. and return after the luncheon.

Additional Information

Please complete one registration form for

each person. (Forms may be duplicated.)

Your class schedule and campus map

will be mailed by October 1, 1999.



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Upcoming ILR Dates

Winterim: January 10, 11, 12 & 13

Spring 2000: Wednesdays April 5, 12, 19 & 26 **Computer Classes: Fridays** April 7, 14, 21 & 28

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