Gray Matters

Celebrating the Power and Impact of Older Adults

The future isn't clear - it's gray! As baby boomers reach their 60s, the nation is experiencing dramatic shifts in attitudes about aging. Healthy, active older adults are growing in numbers and influence. The world is changing and so are the possibilities for those seeking new direction.

The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute and the UWM School of Continuing Education invite you to attend an invigorating exploration of ways to enrich your life while making a difference in the lives of others. Discover how this chapter of your life can be life's best. Examine how today's accomplished adults are finding opportunities for lifelong learning, leadership and community engagement, deepened with the fellowship of those sharing common aspirations. Whether you are recently retired, searching for new employment opportunities, or just looking for challenges and rewards, you will find them at this inspirational, day-long event.

Sara Lawrence-Lightfoot, a MacArthur prize-winning sociologist and Emily Hargroves Fisher Professor of Education at Harvard University, will present the keynote address, *The Third Chapter: Risk, Passion, and Adventure after 50.* She will examine the opportunities for creativity and self-fulfillment that await men and women over 50 and offer inspiration for those who feel burned out, restless or dissatisfied with their lives, describing how to find a new path to became a different person.

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Terry and Phil Rozga are on a trip to Greece, so the president is unavailable to send a message for this month’s newsletter. Look for Terry’s wisdom in the next issue.
Special Interest Group Notes
May — June, 2010

For more information about Special Interest groups, call the Group Coordinator.
Unless stated otherwise, all meetings will be held at
UWM Hefter Conference Center, 3271 N. Lake Drive

LANGUAGE:

FRENCH: Prof. Martine Meyer 414-964-3717
Every Wednesday, 10:30 a.m.–12:00p.m.

GERMAN: Valerie Brumder, 414-352-4506
Second and fourth Tuesday 1:30-2:30 p.m.

ITALIAN: Silvana Kukuljan 414-332-4427
Every Tuesday, 12:00–1:15 p.m.
At this time the Italian Interest Group is not taking new members, it has reached capacity. The Osher office is taking names for a wait list 414-227-3222.

SPANISH: Tony LoBue 414-962-2395
Every Thursday, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

SPANISH CONVERSATION:
Simon Arenzon 262-242-2035
Every Tuesday, 9:30-11:30a.m.

BOOK GROUP:
Cathy Morris-Nelson 414-352-2839
Third Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m.-12:00p.m.
May 18: “Olive Kittridge” by Elizabeth Strout
June 15: “The Elegance of Hedgehog” by Muriel Varverly

COMPUTER USERS’ GROUP:
Peter Lee 414-202-6312
Every Friday, 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
Meet at Shorewood Library – Lower Level

EARTH WISDOM:
Dale Olen 262-255-3628
Wednesdays May 12, 26—June 9, 23 (Second and fourth Wednesday of each month.)
10:30a.m.-12:00p.m.

GOLD STAR MYSTERIES:
Beverly DeWeese 414-332-7306
First Thursdays, 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.
May 6: “Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie” by C. Alan Bradley; “Raven Black” by Ann Cleeves
June 3: “Poet” by Michael Connelly, “Scarecrow” by Michael Connelly

HISTORY:
Marilyn Walker 414-332-8255
Second & Fourth Wednesdays, 9:00–10:15 a.m.
“The Great Mortality: An Intimate History of the Black Death, the Most Devastating Plague of All Times” by John Kelly
May 12: pp 163-231
May 26: pp 231-305
Happy Spring to all! Isn’t this weather great!

Watch your mail for the summer program catalog which will be mailed in early May. We have some great programs for June, July and August.

I hope to see everyone at the annual luncheon on June 16th (enclosed flyer) and at the Gray Matters conference on June 25th (enclosed flyer). Please fill out the attached registrations forms for each of these events by the deadline. Thanks!

We are looking for members who would be interested in facilitating a “beginning language” special interest group in French, Italian, or Spanish. If you are interested please call me at 414-227-3366.

Cheers,

[Cathleen Sanders]

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Inga Bauer Remembers Gunther Heller

Some of the older members will remember the tall, burly, mustached former Austrian who, with his wife Fay, was a regular at the Curtin Hall lectures and was always in attendance at Fay’s Music Group. Contributors to this group were more than welcome to use the Heller’s equipment to prepare their programs.

Gunther and Fay were quite involved with Elderhostel and travelled all over the world.

And for an aside: Gunther was the one who introduced me to what was then “The Guild” – now Osher. Gunther passed on February 11th.
Gray Matters: Celebrating the Power and Impact of Older Adults, (Continued)

The remainder of the day features local presenters with plenty of ideas on how to enrich your life ranging from running for public office to overcoming ageism; from how to become a consultant to finding your voice in the written word. Learn how you can shape a new vision for a healthy, fulfilling life.

Who should attend:
Older adults
* Looking to reawaken dormant skills and talents
* Thinking about new employment opportunities
* Considering new ways to enrich their lives

Benefits of attending this conference:
* Learn from accomplished presenters eager to share their experiences and knowledge with you
* Gain valuable insights in taking your next steps forward
* Network with other older adults who share your commitment to lifelong learning, leadership and community engagement

When:
Friday, June 25
8:30am-3:30pm

Where:
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee School of Continuing Education
161 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Suite. 7000

Fee: (includes lunch, refreshments and parking in Grand Avenue)
Osher Member $20, Non-Member $50 per person
Osher Couple $30, Non-Member $80 per couple

Registration deadline: Monday, June 21
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The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM) offers area residents a variety of unique educational experiences. Unless otherwise indicated, events are free. For a full schedule of UWM events, you can go to www.uwm.edu. Click on the “Quicklinks” button at the top of the page and go to Event Calendar. In the meantime, here’s a sampling of events to whet your appetite.

Dance

**Summer dances: Uncovered**

*Thursday-Saturday; 7:30pm:*
Main Stage Theatre Arts Center,
2400 E. Kenwood Blvd.
*(A reception follows the Thursday performance)*

The Dance Department concludes its year-long exploration of race and identity with *Summer-dances: Uncovered*. The program features a performance of Garth Fagan’s “From Before”—a signature work by the Tony Award-winning choreographer of *The Lion King* and the department’s guest artist in 2009-2010. Faculty choreographers Simone Ferro, Elizabeth Johnson, Dani Kuepper, Janet Lilly, Luc Vanier and Krislyn World Heil take up the theme by investigating how we use our cultural identities to obscure and reveal ourselves. The reconstruction of Garth Fagan’s “From Before,” supervised by Garth Fagan and Natalie Rogers-Cropper, was made possible by American Masterpieces: Dance, a program of the National Endowment for the Arts, which is administered by the New England Foundation for the Arts with Dance/USA. Tickets: $15 general/$9 students, seniors & UWM alumni, faculty & Staff
Call 414-229-229-4308

Music

**Fine Arts Quartet 2010 Summer Evenings of Music Festival:**

During the 2010 Summer Evenings of Music Festival the Fine Arts Quartet celebrates the anniversaries of two master composers: the bicentennial of Robert Schumann's birth and the semicentennial of Ernst von Dohnányi's death. The Fine Arts Quartet will perform at least one work by each composer during this year's concerts.

**Program I**

*Sunday, June 6, 2010; 7:30pm:*
Helen Bader Concert Hall
Helene Zelazo Center for the Performing Arts
2419 E. Kenwood Blvd.

**Program II**

*Sunday, June 13, 2010; 7:30pm:*
Helen Bader Concert Hall
Helene Zelazo Center for the Performing Arts
2419 E. Kenwood Blvd.

**Program III**

*Sunday, June 20 & Sunday 27, 2010*
7:30pm: Helen Bader Concert Hall
Helene Zelazo Center for the Performing Arts
2419 E. Kenwood Blvd.

Tickets: $20 general $12/students, seniors & UWM faculty & staff
Call: 414-229-4038

**Leonard Sorkin International Institute of Chamber Music**

*Thursday, May 13, 2010; 7:30pm:*
Peck School of the Arts Recital Hall
2400 E. Kenwood Blvd.

A concert by graduate students in Chamber Music.
Call 414-229-4038
Science

Stargazing

Monday, May 10, 2010; 9-10pm:
UWM Observatory, Physics building 5th floor
1900 E. Kenwood Blvd.
The Observatory is located on the 5th floor of the UWM Physics building: take the elevator to the 4th floor and walk up the extra flight of stairs. Unfortunately, the Observatory is not wheelchair accessible. All stargazing sessions are weather dependent; if viewing conditions are poor the session will be canceled and signs posted.

Website:
http://www4.uwm.edu/planetarium/sgschedule.cfm
Call: Jean Creighton at (414) 229 - 4961
Email: stargaze@uwm.edu

Great Books

Roundtable Discussion

Wednesday, May 26, 2010; 7-9pm:
Golda Meir Library, Special Collections
4th Floor
2311 E. Hartford Ave
Émile Zola: "J'accuse" (1898) and "The Attack on the Mill" (1880)

Why Not Become a Member

If you are interested in joining the Short Course Committee we would welcome your input and ideas. We are looking for people that are willing to suggest topics, do a little research, and schedule presenters. If you would like to be part of this committee, please join us. Meetings are held the third Tuesday of the month at 1pm in Hefter Conference Center Library, 3271 N. Lake Drive. For more information call Darlene Roberts at 414-962-7039, or Ruth Kurensky at 961-0427.
Welcome

New Members

Nancy Marie Barbieri
Richard Bennett
Mary Blewett
Valerie Brumder
Suzette Emmer
Mary Farrar
Joanne Gennaro
Vivian and Walter Goodlette
Paul Gremmer
Don and Susan Halloran
Lenore Jones
Carolyn Laes
Ann Lewis
Trish McCoy
Dennis Merritt
Patricia Mitchell
Jan Schumacher
Lois and William Tetzlaff

Summer Short Courses

Watch your mail for the summer short course program schedule. We will be offering courses June through August this year. So take a look at the catalog and register for an offering or two. Here is a sample of courses:

⇒ Wellness Week
⇒ Mind Aerobics
⇒ St. Francis Seminary: A History in Photographs: Seminar Woods Lecture and Tour
⇒ Tripoli Shrine Mosque and Humphrey Scottish Rite Masonic Cathedral
⇒ Kenosha Public Museum and Civil War Museum
⇒ Tour of Pabst Theater and Milwaukee Repertory Theater

Also, there are two special events in June. On June 16th the Annual Luncheon and Meeting is being held at the Pilot House in Discovery World, and on June 25th a conference titled “Gray Matters: Celebrating the Power and Impact of Older Adults” is being held at the School of Continuing Education. You can register for either of these events by filling out the registration form on the enclosed flyers or in the Summer short course catalog.
The Osher Outlook is a bi-monthly publication of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UWM. Please contact Cathie Sanders at sceosher@uwm.edu with ideas and/or articles. Deadline for the July - August issue is June 7

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