A buzz in the air tells us summer is winding to a close and fall is coming. Clues include the parking lot filled with NSU students returning for the fall semester and the exciting new fall LLI schedule of classes and events.

The MAC has been busy preparing for Fall Welcome Week and the introduction of a large contingent of visitors. Lee, Jill, and Moe have been happily inundated with member volunteers who offer their services for both the Welcome Committee and the new Hospitality Committee. Their eagerness exhibits the pleasure and satisfaction we derive from our experience—a widespread and deep-seated enjoyment shared by many who want to give back.

We really do have a unique experience here, and it is not only due to the wonderful academic program that our director schedules, but because of the personalities and intellects of the membership, and their interaction with our professors and each other.

So, I hope everyone has had a great summer and is looking forward, as I am, to a wonderful new academic year. As usual, my thanks to the tireless efforts of the members of the Members Advisory Committee, Jill, Joy, Lee, Moe, Rudy, Dan, and Marlene, who have worked all summer. Thanks to Linda for crafting a stimulating academic schedule and Ciro for being the editor of our newsletter.

Have a good year,

Stuart
With the 2013-14 academic year upon us, I welcome all of you to the Lifelong Learning Institute.

Whether you are a returning or new member, I hope you will take full advantage of all that the LLI has to offer. Beyond the wonderful lectures we offer in our own classroom, I challenge you to try one of the many classes offered around the university. Yes, that’s right, audit a class and sit side by side an undergraduate or graduate student. You will not only learn from the professor, but also from your fellow students, and they will learn from you. It is intergenerational learning at its best.

Just to get you a little more interested, here are a few of the classes LLI members have audited in the last few semesters:

- American Government and Politics (FCAS—Farquhar College of Arts and Sciences)
- Harlem Renaissance (FCAS)
- International Negotiation (SHSS - Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences)
- Introduction to Sociology (FCAS)
- Metropolitan Conflict (SHSS)
- Myth and Art (FCAS)
- Persuasion (FCAS)

None of what we do would ever happen without the continued support of George Hanbury, Ph.D., NSU president, Anthony J. Silvagni, D.O., Pharm.D., M.Sc., FACOFP dist., dean of the College of Osteopathic Medicine, Cecilia Rokusek, Ed.D., RD, NSU-COM assistant dean of education, planning, and research, and the MAC (LLI Members Advisory Committee). Thank you for believing in the LLI mission. You set examples for all of us.

Here’s to another great year at the LLI.

All the best,

Linda

NOTE: Don’t forget to “like” us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter, and watch snippets of our lectures on YouTube. If you need help finding these sites online, we are here to help.
After the renovation of the LLI classroom in early 2013, the Members Advisory Committee (MAC) recommended we use funds from the general contribution section of the LLI Tribute Fund to help buy bookcases to match the new décor. Members volunteered to pack up 16 boxes of books.

I reorganized the library after the new bookcases were installed. By late spring, the bookcases were in place. I was able to tackle the task with the generous help of Dennis Simunek. Over the summer, we placed the shelves, unpacked the books, and organized them.

You will notice that one bookcase and the top shelf of all other bookcases hold paperbacks. In general, they are arranged only by fiction or nonfiction. Hardcover books are also arranged that way. The nonfiction section has several categories.

Some guidelines have been posted. We have a box labeled “Returns and Donations.” It would be helpful to deposit current books, in readable condition, there. Any unused donations will be offered to the Alvin Sherman Library, Research, and Information Technology Center.

If you are interested in volunteering to help manage the library, please see me. Thanks to Dorrie Leipziger, Dennis Simunek, and others for their art contributions.

The start of the 2013-14 LLI academic season marks the fifth year of Enhance Fitness, a low-cost, complete fitness program offered to members and non-members here at the NSU Lifelong Learning Institute (LLI).

Three days a week, immediately following the last academic class of the day, we swap our dress shoes for sneakers, grab our water bottles, crank up the music, and move muscles and bones to keep us on a healthy track.

Each new class, conveniently located in the LLI classroom, is slightly different from the last because we use a variety of music, muscle movement, and balance challenges. At the end of the session, everyone enjoys a nice, long stretch.

Feel free to stop by and try a class. All we ask is that you bring proper exercise footwear, (i.e., sneakers) and of course a big smile. We promise that once you start, you’ll be hooked and won’t want to stop.
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