

# **Catalog Lifetime Learning**



**Photo by Lisa Drew**

**Spring 2023**

**Registration is March 9 – 16**

## **Lifetime Learning Association at Peconic Landing**

Lifetime Learning at Peconic Landing is dedicated to stimulating discourse and friendship among people for whom learning is a lifetime journey. The Lifetime Learning Association at Peconic Landing agrees that learning is an important part of self-fulfillment at all ages. In furtherance of that principle, the \$50 annual membership fee for courses supports several projects.

After satisfying the requirements for educational supplies and equipment for the classes, every year we give one \$2,000 Scholarship to Suffolk County Community College, Riverhead Campus, for a mature student; two \$1,000 scholarships to Greenport High School graduating seniors, and a \$1,000 grant to Greenport Elementary School for Pre-K Education.

Your Lifetime Learning Association spends approximately \$1,000 per year as local sponsor of "The Dictionary Project," a national 501c3 children's literacy program. Each year, volunteer "Crazy About Words" class members personalize and distribute over 400 dictionaries to third graders at 12 schools on the East End of Long Island.

Through your annual membership fee, you are serving people of all ages in our greater community. Beyond the fees, you give countless hours to all phases of Lifetime Learning at Peconic Landing in support of these projects, which, of course, include teaching and attending courses.

Many, many thanks to everyone,

The Lifetime Learning Council

March 9, 2023

Welcome to the Spring Semester of Lifetime Learning at Peconic Landing! This catalog offers twelve courses for your interest and participation.

Important dates include:

March 9 ..... Catalogs distributed, Registration begins

March 16 ..... Registration closes

**NO REGISTRATION ACCEPTED AFTER MARCH 16**

March 20 .....Class lists will be posted on bulletin board outside LTL Classroom

March 27 ..... Classes begin

May 19 ..... Classes end

The annual fee for courses is \$50. *Please include your check with your Registration Form, attached to this catalog.* You may register for three courses, listed in order of your preference. Every effort will be made to place you in your first-choice class, but if it is over-subscribed, participants will be chosen by lottery. If you do not make it into your first choice, we will try to place you in your second-choice class. Every class will have at least one space reserved for a sponsored non-member. If you are signing up for any continuing course, you need to re-register for the winter term.

The Schanzer Series, formerly "One-of-a-Kind," is dedicated to Lifetime Learning Council member Beverly Schanzer, who was instrumental in developing this series of 1-1/2 hour single-topic lectures, each with a different subject of interest in one session.

Lifetime Learning encourages new ideas for courses. Most classes are peer-led. If you or someone you know, would like to teach a class, please contact Bill Batcher or Dee Parry, Curriculum Chairs. Thank you for your interest.

Cordially,

Marie Rossi

President

## **The Lifetime Learning Council**

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**UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED (IN BLUE) ALL CLASSES ARE IN THE LTL CLASSROOM**

**MONDAY**

**S-1** 1:30-3:00 – **IMPROVE YOUR BRIDGE** - Bob Feger – 8 sessions -

March 27, April 3, 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8, 15

**S-2** 3:30-5:00 – **ROUNDS** - Patsy Rogers – 3 sessions –

April 3, 10, 17

**TUESDAY**

**S-3** 10-11:30 – **BUDDHISM FOR THE NON-BUDDHIST** - Judith Speyer – 6 sessions –

March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2

**S-4** 1:30-3:00 – **SURPRISES IN THE BRANCHES (GENEALOGY)** - Bill Batchner – 5 sessions –

March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 25

**WEDNESDAY**

**S-5** 10-11:30 – **CURRENT EVENTS** - Fred Lipfert, Brewster Righter – Ongoing weekly –

**CARD ROOM**

**S-6** 1:30-3:00 – **IS THERE AN ALTERNATIVE TO “AMUSING OURSELVES TO DEATH?”** –

Rona Smith - 3 Sessions – May 3, 10, 17

**S-7** 3:30-5:00 **SCHANZER SERIES** – **AUDITORIUM**

**S-6 a.** **rites of spring/rites of freedom** – Mike DeVito - March 29

**S-6 b.** **LATIN** – Jeff Greenberger – April 26

**S-6 c.** **THE VERA RUBIN TELESCOPE** - Steve Bellavia - May 3

**THURSDAY**

**S-8** 10-11:30 – **GEOLOGY OF LONG ISLAND** - Ken Ettlinger - 8 Thursdays,

March 30 – May 18

**S-9** 1:30-3:00 - **GREAT DECISIONS** - Sherry Smith - 5 Sessions –

April 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4

**S-10** 3:30-5:00 – **POWERFUL WOMEN OF THE HOLY BOOKS** - Mike DeVito-

8 Thursdays - March 30 – May 18

**FRIDAY**

**S-11** 10-11:30 – **NOT YOUR GRANDMOTHER’S TONGUE** - Joe Mc Kay - 4 sessions –

March 31, April 7, 14, 21

**SATURDAY**

**S-12** 10-11:30 - **CHESS** - John Munzel - 3 sessions - April 1st, 8th, 15<sup>th</sup> – **BISTRO**

<p><b>S-1</b></p> <p><b>IMPROVE YOUR BRIDGE</b></p> <p><b>Bob Feger</b></p> <p>This hands-on, eight-week course is designed for players with some Bridge experience. We will begin with learning Bridge Proprieties and work our way through basic Bridge Conventions. The focus of this course will be supervised play. A workbook will be provided.</p>	<p><b>MONDAY</b></p> <p><b>1:30 – 3:00</b></p> <p><b>8 Sessions</b></p> <p><b>Class size: 6</b></p> <p><b>Mar 27, Apr 3, 10, 17, 24, May 1, 8, 15</b></p> <p>Bob Feger is a former educator who has been playing contract Bridge for “many” years. He currently holds the ranking of “NABC Master.”</p>
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<p><b>S-2</b></p> <p><b>ROUNDS</b></p> <p><b>Patsy Rogers</b></p> <p>The class is open to everyone who loves to sing. We will start with familiar rounds we remember from childhood, moving on to more complex ones as we get used to singing together. The emphasis will be having fun, not achieving perfection.</p>	<p><b>MONDAY</b></p> <p><b>3:30—5:00</b></p> <p><b>3 Sessions</b></p> <p><b>April 3, 10, 17</b></p> <p><b>Class Size: 25</b></p> <p>Patsy is a composer, conductor and choral singer who has taught privately as well as in schools and colleges all over New York and New England. She loves to sing and to share singing with others.</p>
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<p><b>S-3</b></p> <p><b>BUDDHISM FOR THE NON-BUDDHIST</b></p> <p><b>Judith Speyer</b></p> <p>We will take as our new motto the words of the Buddha: "Pain is unavoidable, but suffering is optional."</p>	<p><b>TUESDAY</b></p> <p><b>10:00 - 11:30</b></p> <p><b>6 Sessions</b></p> <p><b>March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2</b></p> <p><b>Class size: 12</b></p> <p>Judith Speyer is a psychoanalyst who has been a student of Buddhism for forty years.</p>
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<p><b>S-4</b></p> <p><b>SURPRISES IN THE BRANCHES</b></p> <p><b>Bill Batcher</b></p> <p>Am I related to someone famous? Where did my family come from? Where are my ancestors' records? Is it worth joining Ancestry.com? What the heck is a third cousin twice removed? What secret was my aunt hiding?</p>	<p><b>TUESDAY</b></p> <p><b>1:30 – 3:00</b></p> <p><b>5 Sessions</b></p> <p><b>March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 25</b></p> <p><b>Class size: 25</b></p> <p>Bill has been tracing his roots for over two decades, taking the mantle from an older sister, He keeps finding new cousins, new connections, new secrets. Warning: genealogy is addictive.</p> <p>7</p>
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<p><b>S-5</b></p> <p><b>CURRENT EVENTS</b></p> <p><b>Fred Lipfert, Brewster Righter</b></p> <p>An ongoing forum to discuss members' interests and concerns, centering on recent developments. This is not a debating society, and everyone gets a chance to be heard.</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p><b>10:00 – 11:30</b></p> <p><b>Ongoing weekly</b></p> <p><b>Class Size: 12</b></p> <p>Fred Lipfert has degrees in engineering and environmental studies, recently focusing on health issues.</p> <p>Brewster Righter regularly reads a cross section of sixteen topical periodicals. He retired in 2005 from a career in banking and finance.</p>
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<p><b>S-6</b></p> <p><b>IS THERE AN ALTERNATIVE TO “AMUSING OURSELVES TO DEATH?”</b></p> <p><b>Rona Smith</b></p> <p>Explore in writings and other sources, a progressive process that may have altered patterns of information processing. Is it the “narcotized somnolence” of Huxley’s “Brave New World” or the totalitarianism of Orwell’s “1984”? Where we are going since McLuhan’s phrase, “The medium is the message” captured our imagination?</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p><b>1:30 – 3:00</b></p> <p><b>3 Sessions</b></p> <p><b>May 3, 10, 17</b></p> <p><b>Class size: 12</b></p> <p>Rona Smith, PhD, studied with, and under the tutelage of, Neil Postman, an important interpreter of the many theoretical bases that continue to look at the impact of media on human processing.</p>
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<p><b>S-7.</b></p> <p><b>THE SCHANZER SERIES</b></p> <p>a. Mike DeVito</p> <p>b. Jeff Greenberger</p> <p>c. Steve Bellavia</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p><b>3:30 – 5:00</b></p> <p><b>3 sessions</b></p> <p><b>March 29, April 26, May 3</b></p> <p><b>MEETS IN THE AUDITORIUM</b></p>
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<p><b>S-7 a.</b></p> <p><b>rites of Spring, Rights of Freedom</b></p> <p>This pictorial PowerPoint presentation is about April's feasts of Passover, Easter and Islam's Ramadan that commemorate the overthrow of political and economic oppression of people. A challenge to childhood myths.</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p><b>3:30 – 5:00</b></p> <p><b>March 29</b></p> <p><b>Mike DeVito</b></p> <p>Mike DeVito, PhD, MS, has studied world religions for many years under various spiritual teachers. Recently, he has become a serious student of Islam.</p> <p>9</p>
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<p><b>S-7 b.</b></p> <p><b>DIGGING UP THE ROOTS &amp; FINDING MORE LATIN</b></p> <p>Come mine an array of common words/terms/phrases for more evidence of Latin's extensive influence on English. Anticipate some good, clean fun - and sweep the dust away from your once-vigorous appreciation for and usage of rich and varied vocabulary.</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p><b>3:30 – 5:00</b></p> <p><b>April 26</b></p> <p><b>Jeff Greenberger</b></p> <p>Jeff Greenberger - son of Joan - continues to wonder why so many PL folks are drawn to his tedious explications of language - and remains grateful to his tolerant and encouraging attendees.</p>
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<p><b>S-7 c.</b></p> <p><b>THE VERA RUBIN TELESCOPE</b></p> <p>Known formally as the Large Synoptic Survey Telescope (LSST), this is the worlds' largest digital survey camera. Images will trace billions of remote galaxies, providing multiple probes of the mysterious dark matter and dark energy.</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p><b>3:30 – 5:00</b></p> <p><b>May 3</b></p> <p><b>Steve Bellavia</b></p> <p>Steve Bellavia was the principal mechanical engineer for the camera on the Vera Rubin. He is the Outreach Director at the Custer Institute and Observatory in Southold.</p> <p>10</p>
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<p><b>S-8</b></p> <p><b>GEOLOGY OF LONG ISLAND</b></p> <p><b>Ken Ettlinger</b></p> <p>Geology (formation of the Earth, plate tectonics, mountain building, volcanism, glaciation and coastal processes) will be reviewed in the context of this place we live, Long Island. We'll also discuss sea level rise, preserving habitat diversity and groundwater contamination.</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY</b></p> <p><b>10:00 – 11:30</b></p> <p><b>8 Sessions</b></p> <p><b>March 30, April 6, 13 ,20, 27</b></p> <p><b>May 4, 11, 18</b></p> <p><b>Class Size: 24</b></p> <p>Ken trained as a geologist at SUNY Stony Brook and South Dakota School of Mines. He taught natural sciences including Botany and Oceanography at Suffolk County Community College for many years.</p>
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<p><b>S-9</b></p> <p><b>GREAT DECISIONS</b></p> <p><b>Sherry Smith</b></p> <p>This is a reading and discussion class. If winter registrants wish to continue in the spring, they must re-register. <u><b>New registrants must purchase the course booklet for \$35, with checks payable to Lifetime Learning and put in Sherry Smith's cubby (#37.)</b></u> Topics this spring are "War Crimes" "Economic Warfare" "Politics in Latin America" and "Iran at a Crossroads".</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY</b></p> <p><b>1:30 – 3:00</b></p> <p><b>5 Sessions</b></p> <p><b>April 6, 13, 20, 27 and May 4 (optional)</b></p> <p><b>Class size: 12</b></p> <p>Topic leaders are chosen from the class and they currently include: Sherry Smith, Brewster Righter, Jamie Garretson and Frank Clifford.</p>
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<p><b>S-10</b></p> <p><b>POWERFUL WOMEN OF THE HOLY BOOKS</b></p> <p><b>Mike DeVito</b></p> <p>Using feminine scholars' research into Judaism, Christianity and Islam's holy books, this course shows women originally held leadership positions until men misinterpreted the books to women's detriment. A Muslim woman will be a guest speaker to dispel myths about Muslim women.</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY</b></p> <p><b>3:30 – 5:00</b></p> <p><b>8 Sessions</b></p> <p><b>March 30, April 6, 13 ,20, 27,</b> <b>May 4, 11, 18</b></p> <p><b>Class Size: 40</b></p> <p>Mike DeVito, PhD, MS, has studied world religions for many years under various spiritual teachers. Recently, he has become a serious student of Islam.</p>
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<p><b>S-11</b></p> <p><b>NOT YOUR GRANDMOTHER’S TONGUE</b></p> <p><b>Joe Mc Kay</b></p> <p>Our spoken and written languages are changing so fast, our grandparents would barely understand us .....and we don’t understand our children now! What caused these dramatic changes and what are the results? What does the future hold?</p>	<p><b>FRIDAY</b></p> <p><b>10:00 – 11:30</b></p> <p><b>4 Sessions</b></p> <p><b>March 31, April 7, 14, 21</b></p> <p><b>Class Size: 26</b></p> <p>Joe Mc Kay has been studying the dynamics of the English language since moving to Peconic Landing twenty years ago. A graduate of Cornell University, he is the author of “Crazy About Words.”</p>
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**S-12**

**CHESS**

**John Munzel**

Basic Chess moves and very simple strategy.

**SATURDAY**

**10:00 – 11:30**

**3 Sessions**

April 1st, 8th, 15th

**Class size: 10**

John has been playing Chess for 75 years.

**MEETS IN BISTRO**

# **LIFETIME LEARNING COUNCIL**

## **SPONSORS**

### **ONE DAY UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS**

**Mondays at 3:00 P.M.**

**Channel 592**

#### **ABOUT ONE DAY UNIVERSITY**

The Lifetime Learning Association has committed to bringing streamed presentations from One Day University to Peconic Landing on a monthly basis.

There is no charge for attending any of these lectures.

However, if you are not attending regular Lifetime Learning classes and would like to make a donation to help defray the cost of bringing One Day University to Peconic Landing, it would be greatly appreciated. Checks may be made out to the Lifetime Learning Association.

# LIFETIME LEARNING ASSOCIATION 2023 SPRING REGISTRATION FORM

Date\_\_\_\_\_ Apartment/Cottage Number\_\_\_\_\_

Name\_\_\_\_\_

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## **Non-residents — please include the following:**

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Please choose more than one course in case your first choice is oversubscribed. Placement in oversubscribed courses will be made by lottery

## ***LIST COURSES IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE (Important!)***

1st Choice-Course #\_\_\_\_\_ Course Title\_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Choice-Course #\_\_\_\_\_ Course Title\_\_\_\_\_

3rd Choice-Course#\_\_\_\_\_ Course Title\_\_\_\_\_

If requesting "Schanzer Series" please check which subjects you plan to attend:

**ALL\_\_\_ S-7a\_\_\_ S-7b\_\_\_ S-7c\_\_\_**

The annual membership fee is \$50.00 which covers the spring term. Please include your check for \$50 payable to the Lifetime Learning Association. *There is no charge for One Day University programs.*

## ***DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION SUBMISSION IS MARCH 16***

**Please submit this form with your check and deliver it to the LTL box in Lobby.  
ATTENTION: Jeff Richlin**

