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Presidents' Greeting

Welcome back to the 2017 September (Fall) term of the Center for Lifelong Learning (CLL)!

We extend special greetings to both our returning students and our first-time students. One of our goals is to make sure that all students feel welcome and that they have a great learning experience. We like to think of our organization and our students as one big family. On Friday, Sept. 1st, all students will be able to register between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. in the order of their arrivals. With a selection of 50 classes being offered this term, there will be plenty of courses from which to choose. Our Curriculum Committee has been working hard since the end of the January (Winter) semester to recruit and coordinate instructors to lead classes in various classrooms in 11 different sites in the local area. We don't have the ability to register you online, but you'll find that our in-person registration process runs smoothly and quickly.

The CLL is a nonprofit 501(C)(3) organization that has offered educational classes and special events since 1993. Our success makes us very unique because most volunteer organizations like ours only last for a few years. We are associated with Road Scholar and the University of West Florida (UWF), but we operate independently. Through our modest fees we have provided thousands of dollars in scholarships to deserving local students through area institutions that include UWF, Northwest Florida State College (NWFSC), and the Okaloosa Public Schools Foundation.

Be sure to tell your friends that they can still register for classes after the regular registration on Friday, Sept. 1st. Late registration will be held in the lobby of UWF Bldg. 1 (the campus administration building) from 9:00 to 12:00 on Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 5th and 6th.

Thereafter, it will be held from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the CLL office (UWF Bldg. 4, Room 461). Please help us promote CLL by telling your friends about the CLL and encouraging them to join our community of learners to share common interests,

to learn new facts and skills, and, most of all, to have fun!

Every Friday, when classes are in session, you and the general public are invited to bring a lunch and enjoy our noon-hour Special Events at no charge in the UWF auditorium. To see a list of the scheduled speakers for the current term, visit our web page <http://cll-fwb.org/Events.html>. If you want to pick up a lunch to take to the auditorium, we encourage you to use the Campus Café in the library. It is open from 9:00 until 1:00. Place your order by 9:45 a.m. and you can pick it up before noon. Please check out the café; help us support these great folks!

*Jackie Youngblood, Bob Carney, Billy Walker,
Co-Presidents*

Information for new Students

Parking at UWF

Instructors and students of CLL are not allowed to use the yellow painted curbs in the UWF parking lots. These are set aside for the employees of UWF and NWFSC. However, if you have a handicapped parking authorization and all handicap slots are taken, you may use one of the yellow curb slots.

If you don't already have a UWF parking decal, you will be directed to Room 861 to fill out a form and obtain a parking decal (at no charge).

Other Info

Please show respect for your instructors and fellow students by 'silencing' your cell phone when you enter a classroom. Food and drinks are not allowed in the classrooms. Bottled water is the exception.

Profiling Those Who Serve Us

(Editor's Note: This feature was prominent in the early days of the CLL. Its purpose is to recognize the many individuals who help make the CLL a very successful all-volunteer organization.)

Bunny Klein

Bunny, born Verna Marie Campbell, is a native of Fort Walton Beach. She graduated from Choctawhatchee High School in 1972 and from the University of Southern Mississippi in 1976 with a degree in Athletic Administration and Coaching.

Bunny worked as a physical education teacher at Wright Elementary School for 35 years. She attended night school at Troy State University and earned a Graduate degree in School Counseling in 1980.

Bunny's mother, Bettye Campbell, was well known in the community as the owner of Mother Earth's, which she opened in 1976. Bunny spent a considerable amount of time at the restaurant, visiting and helping out whenever her mother needed extra help.

Bunny opened her own business in 1978—a little beer bar on Brooks Street called the Backside Saloon. She thought it would be fun—and it was—but it was also a lot of work. She sold it in 1985 right before her son was born.

Lorin Klein and Bunny were married in 1982. They have two children, Chris, who recently graduated from FAMU and lives in Tallahassee, and Lori, who lives down the street from her parents. Bunny feels very fortunate to get to see her so often. Bunny and Lorin have one grandson, Jayson, and they love being a part of his life. Jayson is the reason they bought DVC (Disney Vacation Club) and spend time there as often as they can. Yes, Bunny is a verified Disney fanatic! The family will be celebrating Jayson's 8th birthday there at the end of September this year.

Bunny embraced retirement in 2011 and spent most of her time caring for her mother, who had Alzheimer's.

In 2013, Bunny took a few classes from CLL and enjoyed the experiences of learning and fellowship. Soon after she thought she would try her hand at teaching line dancing. This class has been met with great enthusiasm each session with a large enrollment. In 2016 when the former YMCA pool opened back up, Bunny began teaching water aerobics. These classes are also very popular. It seems an obvious conclusion that Bunny was born to teach! We are certainly happy at CLL that she is so generous with her time and talents!

Bunny's motto: *"I love what I do and do what I love."*

Wakulla Trip

Let's have some fun! Join us for the "St. Simon's on the Sound" overnight chartered bus trip, October 23-24, 2017, to Wakulla Lodge/Springs, St. George Lighthouse/museum, and Apalachicola. The trip is an easy going journey for adult travelers based on double occupancy. Accommodations for those who wish to stay at Wakulla Lodge are available. Single occupancy is also available. The cost is \$110 due no later than September 23, 2017. Please email Gloria DeBerry at gjdeberr@cox.net for more information.

Take a look at some of our new or revisited classes:

Beginning Beading

Wednesday 1:00 to 4:15

This class will be a four-week session (Sept. 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4) for beginners who have not beaded before, or have struggled in previous classes and want to try something new. We'll use beads and patterns that are easy to read and follow and the result is beautiful for wearing. Materials fee is \$50.

Kathy Warner has been beading for many years, and for the last 6 years with the new beads. She has owned her own bead store for two years and has been teaching technique classes.

Beads N Beyond

Wednesday 1:00 to 4:15

This class will be a four-week session (Oct. 11, 18, 25, Nov. 1) for those who have bead weaving experience and want to learn new stitches, or better their skills. Materials fee is \$50.

Kathy Warner: See bio above.

CLL: Help Us Continue to Flourish

Friday(Period 2)

To continue to flourish, the CLL continually needs new volunteers to replace those who can no longer help us. We think that more people would volunteer if they knew about the volunteer opportunities for our many "behind the scenes" tasks. Recruiting teachers, choosing courses, preparing the catalog, and registering for classes are just a few. Attend the class to learn of opportunities!

Dr. Hal Pruett will coordinate this class and discuss his areas of responsibility. Other volunteers will present and discuss the rewarding CLL tasks to which they now contribute their time and efforts.

Creative Writing: Memoir and Life Writing

Tuesday(Period 2)

Want to turn your experiences into episodes? Then start life writing! Go from just sharing "facts" of your life to articulating meaning. We'll look at some classic and contemporary authors of memoir and help you develop some skills to improve our own writing.

Diana Jernigan teaches composition at the UWF and runs Destin Writing Service. Her love of creative writing motivated her to resume graduate school where she is pursuing an M.A. in English with an emphasis in creative writing.

Dances from around the World

Wednesday(Period 2)

Students will learn basic steps and discover new experiences right at your dancing feet. You will actively engage as you are taught and inspired about dances and cultures from around the world. **Elizabeth Brannon** grew up dancing in her native country of Peru in South America. She believes that learning never ends. Her lifelong hobbies and passion have involved learning and teaching about different cultures through music and dances.

French Revolution and Napoleon

Thursday.....(Period 1)

From the daring thinkers of the Enlightenment to the legions who clashed at Waterloo, this time period is filled with men and women who changed history.

Dan Robison has a Ph.D. in Modern European history from Auburn University and has retired from teaching for Troy University.

German for Beginners

Thursday.....(Period 2)

Learn basic communications in the German language. This includes greeting people, shopping, ordering meals and drinks, getting a hotel room, telling time, counting, seeking and understanding directions, and performing other basic skills in the German language. The course emphasis is on the spoken language, rather than reading and writing. **Col. Leo Weeks** is a retired Army officer who has dealt with the German language for over 50 years while on active duty and after retiring.

Golf 101

Thursday.....(Period 1)

This course will cover all aspects of golf for the novice, to include etiquette, terminology, grip, what club to use, etc. Class meets at the Shalimar Pointe Golf Course where a fee of \$5 per person per class will be collected.

Floyd Clarkson has been golf-club professional for 20 years and has taught golf professionally for 26+ years.

Law, Medicine and Society

Wednesday(Period 2)

Class will be a survey of history and ethics of legal and medical professions and their influences on resolution of important contemporary issues in the United States.

Dr. Art Lester practices both medicine and law. He obtained his M.D. at the Chicago Medical

School in 1965 and his J.D. at the FSU College of Law in 1989.

Photography as an Art Form

Friday(Period 3)

This is a hybrid course for students who are intimately familiar with their cameras and will focus on both art and the photography process. Learn how to use a camera's manual controls to manipulate light and create your own artistic vision.

Jim Eustace started off as a film photographer winning several awards in both the US and abroad. He is still finding his creative center for art and his digital SLR.

Pottery Basics

Monday1:00 to 4:00

This class will be 4 week, 3-hour-per-session clay workshop: creating a coiled birdhouse. Class will meet September 11, 18, 25, and October 2. There is a \$40 supply fee for clay, glazes, and firings. Class meets at ADSO.

Sherry Cooler has taught ceramics since 1996.

Tai Chi for Rehabilitation

Friday(Period 2)

This is a beginner's class based on Dr. Paul Lam's video forum. Consider it to be Tai Chi with training wheels! No prior experience with Tai Chi is needed. Using a step-by-step approach the result is gentle and fun.

Vickie Shill is a retired librarian and is finally able to check off one of her bucket list items: Tai Chi. She completed her first class in the spring of 2017. She admits to being a newbie to teaching the ancient martial arts form, but she's eager to share its benefits.

They Were All My Sons

Friday(Period 3)

This class is a ramble through realistic American Literature. It will explore plays, stories, art, and novels from the Contemporary Era. This will include quotations and ideas that today's college and high school students may consider "classics."

Pat Moran has been involved with CLL for many years. Her classes have ranged from family history and memoirs to traditional and arcane literature.

Wine for Learning and Fun

Thursday..... 4:00 to 5:30

Broaden your knowledge about wine and food pairings. Learn about and experience wines from many parts of the world. Socialize and compare notes with fellow students during this six week course. A \$5 fee for each class day will be collected to cover the cost of the wine and food.

Karen and Denny Lauer have attended *Wine Tastings* in many parts of the world. They have taught wine classes at conferences and held blind wine tastings in their home.

Computer Curriculum

Need help with your computer or iPad? Take one of our related courses, or join the CLL Computer club

Many of our students are interested in either learning about computers or tablets for the first time, or in improving their knowledge of these devices. The CLL offers several classes for learning how to use computers directly, or about topics—such as genealogy—that may involve the use of computers.

This semester's classes include:

- ☐ *Computer Club;*
- ☐ *Family History on the Internet;*
- ☐ *Genealogy for Beginners;*
- ☐ *iLearn, iUnderstand, iPad;*
- ☐ *iPad Tips and Tricks.*
- ☐ *Windows 10 Basics;*
- ☐ *Windows 10-Little Known Procedures and Tips*



“Odd that they call it ‘social’ media.”

The above caption expresses the feeling of the editor and many of us who remember the days when we actually talked to each other face-to-face.

Some Reminders

If you're not familiar with our local area, our web site has a page with links to all the locations where classes are being held this semester. Open your browser to the URL:

<http://cfl-fwb.org/ClassLocationMaps.html>. The links will take you to individual pages that contain an interactive Google map.

Page 2 of our printed catalog has a list of **Special Events** that are offered in the UWF auditorium during the lunch hour on Fridays while classes are in session. If you should misplace your printed catalog, you can find the same information on our web page: <http://cfl-fwb.org/Events.html>.

We recommend that you check the above web page a few days before each event that you plan to attend because sometimes we must change the event schedule to accommodate the work schedule of our volunteer presenters.

More about the course, “CLL: Help us Flourish”

This is a free course; it doesn't count as one of the “four courses for \$50.” As stated in the course's description, “...the CLL continually needs new volunteers to replace those who can no longer help us.” In the article* cited below, the author lists five benefits of volunteering your time and effort for a worthy cause. Please read the list and consider how you might contribute some of the skills you have acquired during your lifetime. During the course you will learn of certain areas where we need help, particularly with maintaining and programming our registration and catalog databases. Please consider helping us in an area that you might enjoy.

Here is the list:

1. Volunteering time makes you feel like you have more time.
2. Volunteering your skills helps you develop new skills.
3. Volunteering your body helps you have a healthier body.
4. Volunteering your experience helps build your experience.
5. Volunteering your love makes you feel more love. (Admittedly, love is a hard thing to measure. But when researchers at the London School of Economics examined the relationship between volunteering and measures of happiness, they found the more people volunteered, the happier they were!)

* “5 Surprising Benefits of Volunteering,” Forbes Magazine, March 19, 2015.