

# ILR TODAY

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## ILR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We have just finished the 2021-2022 fiscal year for the ILR organization. It was another great year for ILR because of your support and due to the very talented and hard-working volunteers of this great organization! We had both in-person and Zoom classes this past year (including classes for some independent and assisted living facilities).

Our ILR luncheons started up again and we continue to provide other benefits to our members such as our vacation trips and other cultural events.

Our great classes with our very competent presenters will continue both in-person and by Zoom for the Fall 2022 session and beyond. These classes and other events will still be provided at a very low membership and tuition cost! In addition, we believe our Learning in Retirement program will continue to be a productive, worthwhile and fun experience for all of our members!

If you would like to volunteer and help us maintain and grow the ILR organization, please contact us.

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## President's Message continued...

Once again, we want to thank all of our members that belong to this organization and participate in classes and other events provided by the Institute for Learning in Retirement!! Doug Imhoff, ILR President

**Please see the "ILR Membership and Fall 2022 Class Registration" section at the top of the next page (2)**

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**ILR Members and friends on Canadian rail trip in June. See more photos on Page 3!!**

## MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION AND UPDATE FOR FALL CLASS REGISTRATION

**MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION** began on **July 1** and is \$25 to join or renew. Go to [ilrbw.org](http://ilrbw.org)

**CLASS REGISTRATION** runs from **August 14 through August 28**. Each class will be \$20. Watch for an email in **July** if you are a Member (or new Member for the date class list goes online). Also see **page 6** for **ILR Office Opening days & times!!**

### CURRICULUM NEWS...

With these warmer than normal summer days, we are looking forward to the cooler days of Autumn. The Fall line-up of classes has several new teachers coming to ILR with an array of classes.

We welcome **Brian Pavlac** presenting a class on The Witch Hunts from 1400-1800. **Dan Stinson's** class will focus on Religions of the Western World. Coming to ILR from Pennsylvania is **Deb Beamer** whose class will focus on The History and Development of the Mystery Novel. Deb's class will come to us via Zoom.

We are fortunate to have many of our veteran instructors returning to teach new classes as well as repeat classes from previous years that were popular. We look forward to seeing everyone and to hear of the summer adventures our members experienced.

As always, feel free to contact the Curriculum Committee by calling the Help Desk or my email below with your ideas for a class or an instructor who might join our organization.

Pam McConnell and Doug Imhoff  
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**ILR 2022 TRAVEL continued....**

**ILR TRAVEL NEWS & TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2022**

Twenty-two members just returned from the Canadian Rockies Rail Tour Adventure. It included visits to Banff, Lake Louise, Calgary and Vancouver. SEE our photos!

There is still space available for our upcoming trips. Contact the Travel Company directly to reserve your spot. Visit our website [ilrbw.org](http://ilrbw.org) for description, cost and more information on these trips.

**NOWAK TOURS** Wendy Skettle  
330-483-4900 [w.miller@nowaktours.com](mailto:w.miller@nowaktours.com)

Discover Alaska  
August 31 - September 11, 2022

Opryland Christmas  
November 30 - December 2, 2022

**GREAT DAY TOURS** Paul Travaglianti  
440-526-5350 [paul@greatdaytours.com](mailto:paul@greatdaytours.com)

Mississippi River Cruise  
August 15 - 18, 2022

Mackinac Island plus Castle Farms  
September 14 - 16, 2022

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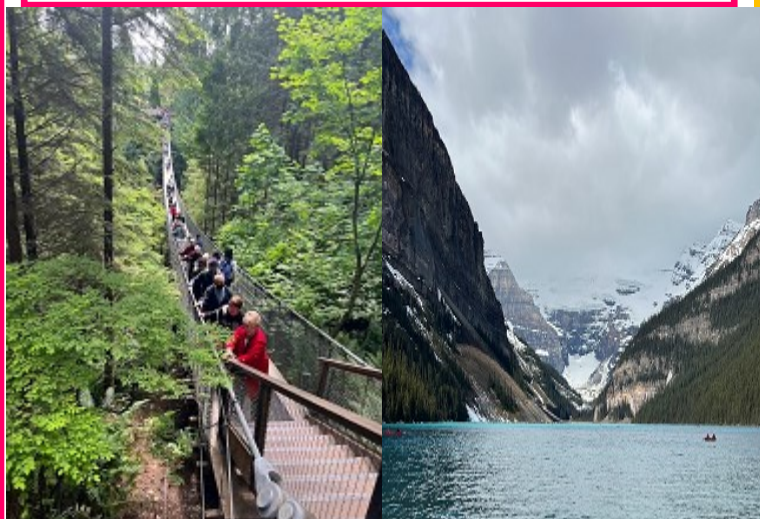
**JKL TOURS** John K. Latkovich  
440-942-5350 [jkltoours@aol.com](mailto:jkltoours@aol.com)

Summer Surprise Mystery Trip  
July 22, 2022

Canada Autumn Theatre Adventure  
October 6 - 8, 2022

Historic and Ethnic Cleveland Part 5  
October 21, 2022

Any questions can be referred to the individual travel company or **Maria Phillips and Tom Brennan**, Travel Committee Co-Chairs at [ilrhelppdeskbwu@gmail.com](mailto:ilrhelppdeskbwu@gmail.com)



**ILR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS ON CANADIAN RAIL TRIP>>>>>>>>>>>>**





## ILR SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

The ILR has awarded one Louise Kiefer Graduate scholarship (\$3000) and nine undergraduate scholarships (\$2000 each) to continuing education students age 24 or older. The awarding of the 2022 scholarships was celebrated at an Awards Dinner on May 23, 2022. Members of the Scholarship Committee include Nancy Bowser, Gary Croy, and Bob Ebert. The Committee received administrative assistance from Nancy Jirousek and Laura Anderson of the BW Office of Adult, Transfer, and Military Services.

At the Awards Dinner, the attending scholarship winners each gave about a three minute speech of appreciation. Their appreciation for the financial aid was evident in the enthusiasm they showed for having received the scholarships. That enthusiasm and appreciation was also displayed in written “thank you” notes from several of the students. Some excerpts from their written comments are shared, below:

*“This financial support is incredibly helpful... At Baldwin Wallace University I hope to conclude my studies in Biology and eventually enter the Physician Assistant Program... Your generosity will help me achieve my dreams...”*

*“I am deeply grateful, and am honored to have you and your organization as part of my team, on my new road to success. Thank you very much.”*

*“I am honored to be a recipient of ...the scholarship. Thanks to your generous support I am able to focus all of my energy on being the best student I can in order to be considered for the advanced BSN program here at Baldwin Wallace.”*

Clearly, the ILR is making a difference in the lives of the students receiving the scholarships. The ILR can take pride in this wonderful service to the students and BW community.

## **ILR SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

### LIVE EVENTS AND LUNCHEONS

Our Annual Meeting Luncheon in May was headlined by BW’s Front Porch band which entertained us with folk music as we celebrated our Salute to America. A delicious brunch was served by BW catering as red, white and blue balloons glistened over our heads. Fun was had by all.

We have exciting news for the **December luncheon**. **Carl Topilow**, music director and conductor for the Cleveland Pops Orchestra, accompanied by a pianist and singer, will be our entertainment. Mark your calendars for December 14. Seating is limited so you won’t want to miss this one. February 7th will be an extra event featuring **Carl Fernstrum**. Time and location will be announced at a later date. And as always, thank you for your support of our veterans.

Janice Stuart, ILR Social Chairperson

## MARKETING NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Marketing team is busy at work defining areas of promotion. The following areas fall under Marketing responsibilities:

- ◆ Individual membership promoting
- ◆ Group Plan promoting
- ◆ All ILR publicity
- ◆ Signage and printed pieces
- ◆ Awareness at public events
- ◆ Social Media

1. One current area of concentration is The Group Plan. Because of our Zoom capabilities, classes are offered to Senior living facilities through their social/activities programs. Marketing team member Pat Stropko O'Leary is spearheading the development and expansion of this ILR opportunity. More on this to come.
2. We will be at several festivals and fairs this year to showcase classes and benefits of ILR. Elaine Joseph is leading this charge. We will keep you posted as to where and when.

If any of these areas sound like something you'd want to help with, please contact Ginny Schneider ([gincs@roadrunner.com](mailto:gincs@roadrunner.com)).

Any level of assistance is appreciated, even just volunteering on specific projects. (Please see copywriter position next column).

Ginny Schneider, Marketing Chair



## MARKETING POSITION AVAILABLE

**WANTED: \*\*Copywriter.\*\*** Have any writing experience? We are looking for someone to assist with press releases, ads and other areas of written communication. If interested, please contact Ginny Schneider to volunteer with the Marketing Team.

Ginny Schneider  
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## **New ILR CLASS LOCATIONS Gentle Reminder...**

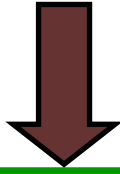
As of this past Spring session, in addition to our regular Berea and Middleburg Heights in-person sites, we are now holding classes in the Baldwin Wallace classrooms located in the Helwig Whistle Stop retail and office center at 599 W. Bagley Road, Berea 44017. Look for the dark green awning in the center of the complex that reads: **Professional Office Building**. Being in these classrooms also provides the opportunity for us to dine at Jo Jo Carloni's or Perk Cup Café & Grille before or after classes.

Also, we have a classroom at St. Paul Lutheran Church at 276 E. Bagley Road, Berea 44017 and Strongsville Historical Society, 13305 Pearl Road, Strongsville 44136.

Know someone who could teach a class for ILR? If so, please contact the Help Desk (SEE PAGE 1).

Pam McConnell, VP of Curriculum

## INFO YOU REALLY WANT TO KNOW



### **THE ILR OFFICE IS REOPENING!!**

The ILR office at 325 Front Street will be OPEN every Monday and Friday from 10:00 to 12:00 noon beginning August 1.

### **ALSO**

**Registration:** The class catalog will be on our ILR website on August 1. Registration assistance at the office will be August 16, 17, 23 and 25 from 10:30 to 12:00 noon. CHECKS will be accepted on these dates ONLY and IN PERSON. **Tell your friends!**

**Registration Committee**

### **RFK Assassination: Free Library Presentation**

ILR class presenter, Bev Sadowski (JFK Assassination, Founding Fathers classes), will be speaking at the Middleburg Hts. library July 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. The program is entitled:

#### **Who Killed RFK? Doubts Linger After More Than Fifty Years**

The official account of his assassination is riddled with contradictions. What evidence exists to question the conclusion that Sirhan Sirhan was the assassin? Forensic, medico-legal, eyewitness and recently discovered acoustic evidence will be presented - some of which was never introduced at his trial.

You can register for the talk on the library website, [www.cuyahogalibrary.org](http://www.cuyahogalibrary.org) under the adult events for the Middleburg Hts. Branch, or call 440-234-3600.

## Announcement of Editor's Column

A big HELLO to Members, friends and others viewing this ILR Today Newsletter by your email or the ILR website. My name is Paula Gustin and I have been an ILR Member since 2015. I have been the *ILR Today* Newsletter editor since the classes of Winter 2021. Our Newsletter is primarily composed of articles from the Governing Board Members, ancillary volunteer staff submissions and news of ILR luncheons, travel and other events.

The Board is extending an opportunity for YOU to have a voice in the Newsletter! If you have information to be considered for one of the *ILR Today* Newsletters, please feel free to send it to me. We will have a place for memorial announcements of Members and other newsworthy events you would like to share. If there's a feature you'd like to see as part of the Newsletter, I would love to hear about it. We will spotlight Marketing Member Pat S. O'Leary in our next ILR Today Newsletter.

You can reach me at [paulairbw@gmail.com](mailto:paulairbw@gmail.com)

or call the ILR office and leave your phone number for Paula.

### Want To Get More Involved?

Hello ILR Members! As ILR continues to thrive -- offering great classes, trips and the potential for new friendships, we welcome and encourage anyone who wants to become more involved with our fine organization. If you have an interest in playing a larger role in any of the activities provided by ILR, have some ideas you want to share or see implemented, please contact the Help Desk and you will be contacted. Class coordinators are always needed (you get to take the class for free!).

Anyone who would like to work on events and planning or someone who would like to function as a copywriter, please let us hear from you. We know we have talented and enthusiastic members out there!

Bev Sadowski  
Director of Volunteers

*Note to  
Members...*



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The [noreply@imperisoft.com](mailto:noreply@imperisoft.com) link is the email address that ProClass (our data software) uses when ILR sends out emails, such as, but not limited to: the Newsletter, class reminders, luncheon announcements, membership renewal reminders, class confirmation letters and receipt of payment.

**Karl Keller**  
Chief Information Officer (CIO)

