

STUDY GROUPS

Each member makes a presentation related to the general topic. All Spring Study Groups are 8 weeks; Fee: \$50 each; maximum 19 members. For additional details, please visit www.slrlondon.ca.

ENCORE

Tuesday p.m. 1:30 – 3:30

April 25 – June 13

Moderators: Carl Silke, Brenda Jackson

This is your opportunity to inform and entertain our group with a topic that you have presented previously. Choose one of your favourites to share with a new and enthusiastic audience.

WHAT'S MUSIC TO YOUR EARS?

Wednesday a.m. 9:30 – 11:30

April 26 – June 14

Moderator: Gina Barber and Gail Morrow

What is music to your ears? What's on your personal play list? It could be jazz, folk, classical, country and western, pop, opera, or maybe even reggae or rap. Share your favourite artist, instrument or style with the group. Say it, play it and we will listen.

ARMCHAIR TRAVEL

Wednesday p.m. 1:30 – 3:30

April 26 – June 14

Moderators: Phyllis Simner, Marvin Simner

Many SLR folks are travellers. We have favourite trips or we might be looking for new destinations. Each of us will share one of our trips, using slides, maps, itineraries and experiences to give everyone a taste of our destination. For some, this will be "armchair travel" - the only chance they will have to visit there. For others, it may spur them to go. Let's travel together.

CANADA AT 150

Thursday a.m. 9:30 – 11:30

April 27 – June 15

Moderators: Richard Waring, Cheryl Whipp

It's 2017 and our country is 150 years old. Most of us feel lucky that we live here compared to almost anywhere else in the world. Canada is still under construction. What is it about Canada at 150 that makes it such a special, desirable place? Let's find out.

REALLY CURRENT EVENTS

Thursday p.m. 1:30 – 3:30

April 27 – June 22 (Fall Preview Day, May 18 – no class)

Moderators: Anne Hutchinson, Roslyn Moorhead

Start your summer off with this stimulating class. This study group looks at stories that have an immediate timeframe: stories that have made the news within the past week. Each participant in turn brings three media stories for the whole group to discuss. Animated discussion is guaranteed.

ACTIVITY GROUPS

All locations at Grosvenor Lodge unless otherwise noted.

PICTURE THIS with Jeff Keenor

Tuesday a.m. 9:30 – 11:30

April 25 – May 16 (4 sessions)

Fee: \$25; Maximum 16 members

Are you disappointed with the photographs that you take? Do you only shoot on Auto? Wonder what those funny icons on the camera mean? In four sessions you will improve your understanding of the controls on your digital camera, develop composition skills, and learn basic image editing on your computer.

PLAYTIME with Mary Neill

Tuesday p.m. 1:30 – 3:30

April 11 – June 13 (10 sessions)

Fee: \$65 (Maximum 15 members)

This course is open to those who have participated in the "Play On" course which had the prerequisite of "Be a Player." Building on the skills developed in those courses, participants will write a play, devising the scenes through improvisation and selective writing. A list of those eligible to enroll will be on file.

DISCUSSION GROUPS

GLOBAL ISSUES with Terry McSpadden

Monday p.m. 1:00 – 3:00

Section 1: April 24 – May 15 (4 sessions) OR

Section 2: May 29 – June 19 (4 sessions)

Fee: \$30 (Maximum 16 members each session)

There are many issues of concern in the world today that cross national boundaries and affect the global community. Examples include trafficking drugs, weapons, foreign aid, international trade policy, refugees, terrorism, pandemics and environmental damage. Each week we will discuss a topic chosen by the group.

SHAKESPEARE'S ROMEO AND JULIET with Patricia Robinson (to be performed at Stratford 2017)

Monday a.m. 9:30 – 10:45

April 24 – May 8 (3 sessions)

Fee: \$20 (Maximum 16)

Come and discuss Shakespeare's famous tale of star-crossed lovers. Meet the feuding families of Verona, Juliet's nurse and the sympathetic friar, and enjoy some of Shakespeare's most beautiful lines. Bring your enthusiasm and willingness to do some preparation for our discussions. Free on-line text on the web and DVDs and copies of the play available in the London Public Library.

OUR ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES with George Cranton and Peter Andreae

Wednesday 11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.

April 26 – June 14 (8 sessions)

Fee: \$50 (Maximum 16 members)

The list of environmental challenges facing our planet seems endless and insurmountable. If we don't act soon, Earth will face an environmental breakdown with a multitude of dire consequences. Canada's response is well behind its peers', yet inside each of these huge challenges there must be some smaller steps we can take. Join our discussion group and help us decide what needs to be done.

A CHILD'S GARDEN OF VERSE with Jacqui Griffin and Lynn Hamilton

Wednesday p.m. 1:30 – 3:30

April 26 – May 24 (5 sessions)

Fee: \$35 (Maximum 12 members)

Poetry for children reflects a world that is fresh and new, a world full of wonder, a world where everything is possible. Come and share favourite poems from your childhood, and those you share with your children and grandchildren. Each week we'll read poems chosen by the group and discuss them in terms of content, lessons learned, humour and differences.

ESTATE PLANNING with Don Pollock

Thursday p.m. 1:30 – 3:30

April 27 – May 11 (3 sessions)

Fee: \$20 (Maximum 16 members)

There are many financial planning opportunities and traps during retirement. Over three weeks, we shall explore a variety of topics such as investing, estate planning, taxes and reverse mortgages. It is never too late to improve your financial position during retirement.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Please pay for these separately.

SPRING LUNCHEON AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, April 20, 12:00 noon

Westhaven Golf and Country Club

7083 Egremont Drive (off Fanshawe Park Road West)

Cost: \$25; AGM only: no charge

Join us for the 23rd AGM at our favourite spring venue for a delicious lunch at the elegant and picturesque Westhaven. The business side of the gathering will include the presentation of reports and a call for nominations for the Board of Directors, followed by some light entertainment from the Seriously Little Rehearsed Singers and Brenda's famous jokes. Lunch begins at noon SHARP. Anyone wishing to attend the AGM only should arrive by 1:30.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS BADDER-BUS TRIP

Saturday, May 13

Departing London at 9:30 a.m.

Rogers Centre, Toronto

Cost: \$50

Baseball fans, here's your opportunity to spend a Saturday at the Rogers Centre with fellow SLR enthusiasts. Ross Atkins, General Manager, predicts the team will do very well this year. Might they exceed early expectations? Let's go to the ballpark to cheer on Jose Bautista, Josh Donaldson, Troy Tulowitzki and the rest of the Jays as the team takes on the Seattle Mariners.

SPRING NATURE HIKE

Wednesday, May 17, 10:00 a.m.

North Thames River, East end of Windermere beyond

Waltzing Weasel Pub

Cost: No charge

Our annual spring hike takes us on an adventure to explore the North Thames and the Killaly Environmentally Sensitive Area with our guide extraordinaire, Anita Caveny, a member of Ontario Nature and Nature London. Anita has an impressive knowledge of the flora and fauna of London and environs. We will expect to identify migratory birds and interesting plant life on the trail.

STRAWBERRIES IN JUNE

Wednesday, June 21, 12:00 noon

Grosvenor Lodge

Cost: \$15

Celebrate the start of the summer with us at this highly-anticipated annual event at SLR. Enjoy a delicious, buffet-style finger-food lunch provided by Village Caterers, followed by a sampling of Heeman's first-of-the-season mouth-watering strawberries. Join us on this popular occasion to socialize with friends in the reception rooms, verandahs and lawns at the Lodge.

SUMMER THEATRE ADVENTURE

Thursday, July 13, 2:00 p.m.

Matinee performance of "All Shook Up"

Huron Country Playhouse, Grand Bend, ON

Optional lunch at the Schoolhouse Restaurant in Grand Bend

Cost: \$42 for theatre tickets; Lunch cost: TBA

It's 1955 in a town in the Midwest where loud music, public necking and tight pants are outlawed. Natalie, a young mechanic, ready to hit the open road, meets Chad. He is a mysterious guitar-playing, rule-breaking rebel who helps her discover the magic of romance and the enduring power of rock 'n' roll – a comedy inspired by the music of Elvis Presley.

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Got Questions?
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INTEREST GROUPS

Registration in Interest Groups normally takes place in the Fall term. Should you wish to join a group in April, please contact the facilitator. Note: many interest groups are off-site.

PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB with Jeff Keenor

Meets 1st Thursday a.m. of each month 11:45-1:00
Fee: \$15 for 2016-2017 year; Maximum 14 members

Open to anyone with a digital camera, any skill level. Share photographs, tips and techniques, so that all increase their enjoyment of photography.

RECORDER ENSEMBLE with John Morgan

Meets every other Thursday p.m. 2:00-3:30
Location: Church of St. Jude, Fanshawe and Adelaide
Fee: \$50 for 2016-2017 year

This is a continuing group – new members welcome. It is expected that all members will play a C or F instrument and be in the process of learning the second instrument.

SERIOUSLY LITTLE REHEARSED SINGERS with Gina Barber

Meets Fridays, 11:45 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.
Fee: \$15 for 2016-2017 year

Does singing make you happy? Can you carry a tune? If you can say yes to one of these, you are eligible to become a member of Seriously Little Rehearsed, the singing group that loves to laugh and sing. Sometimes we perform for our members. That's fun, too.

FRIENDS OF THE HYLAND with Mary Evans and Helen Bullas

September 2016 – June 2017
Fee: Free with SLR membership

Meets 2nd Sunday of the month for early matinee at the Hyland Theatre followed by lively discussion at a local restaurant.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

SPRING OPEN HOUSE AND REGISTRATION

Wednesday, April 5, 10:00 – 12:00 noon and 1:00 – 3:00
Grosvenor Lodge

This is your chance to register for the Study, Activity, Discussion and Interest Groups of your choice and talk with the moderators and facilitators. Short information sessions will be presented for prospective and current members who would like to get an overview of SLR and discover all we have to offer. As usual, refreshments are free. Everyone is welcome, and don't hesitate to bring your friends.

SPRING LUNCHEON AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (See Social Events)

Thursday, April 20, 12:00 noon
For AGM only: Arrive by 1:30

SPRING TERM BEGINS

Week of April 23rd

FALL PROGRAM BROCHURE

Our brochure with the Fall 2017 selections will be available first week of May. The Fall term begins the week of September 17th.

FALL PROGRAM PREVIEW AND REGISTRATION

Thursday, May 18, 1:30 – 3:30 (door open 1:00; presentations start at 1:30 sharp)
Siloam United Church, 1240 Fanshawe Park Road East

Listen to the moderators and facilitators describe their courses and activity groups, and be among the first to sign up. Our program previews are lively and fun, with each moderator or facilitator trying to convince you that their course is the right one for you. Another chance to socialize and enjoy free refreshments. Bring your friends!

VICTORIA DAY (no classes)

May 22

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Note: For additional details on all our groups, please visit our website at www.slrlondon.ca.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION AND POLICIES

Registration opens upon distribution of the brochure.

All registrations are taken on a first-come, first-served basis. See brochure for maximum group sizes.

The Registration Form with payment can be handed in at the Open Houses, the Program Previews or at any time by mail or dropped off in the SLR locked mailbox located in the 1st floor foyer. (For the date, time and location of the Open House and Program Preview, see the **Mark Your Calendars** section in the brochure and/or visit www.slrlondon.ca.)

Credit card, cheque or cash payments are acceptable at Program Previews and Open Houses. Cheques are acceptable at all times and are made payable to **SLR London**.

Note: We are unable to process post-dated cheques. Please do **not** send cash through the mail.

Registration is complete only when full payment has been received by SLR.

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CO-REGISTRATION POLICY

To guarantee a place in a Study, Activity or Discussion Group, payment is required for each course at time of registration. If, however, there is space available in another course you would like to take **AND** you have already registered and paid for at least one course of equal or higher value, you may apply for the additional course **AT OR AFTER** the Open House or Program Preview at no charge by going to the Co-Registration table to submit your request. You may also make your application by email or telephone at any time following the Open House or Program Preview.

Applications will be processed the week prior to term commencement and all applicants will be contacted as to the status of their applications.

REFUND POLICY

No refunds are issued for Annual Membership Fees.

If SLR cancels a program, a full refund is issued.

Refunds will be issued if a withdrawal occurs prior to the commencement of the program. Refunds are subject to a \$5.00 administration fee.

No refunds will be issued after the first week of classes.

Exceptions will be considered for medical or compassionate reasons.

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