

New this year
Sand Bird
Sessions
(Oct. – Dec.)

2019 “Sand Bird” Session

South Florida State College Lifetime Learners Institute

Who We Are

The Lifetime Learners Institute (LLI) is endorsed by South Florida State College. It provides non-credit, educational, short-term sessions that foster the exchange of ideas and experiences in a collegiate setting.

Sessions are held some Thursdays (Oct. – Dec.) and every Thursday (Jan. – Mar.). Field trips are held monthly (Oct. – Mar.) and provide a relaxed environment for adults to develop new interests and enjoy opportunities for personal growth and social interaction with likeminded people.

LLI is governed by a committee of peers that ensure the season's schedule provides intellectually enriched sessions and cultural explorations. Our presenters are volunteers from our LLI membership, the community, and South Florida State College faculty and retirees.

Membership

Save \$24 by becoming a 2019 Lifetime Learners Sand Bird member for \$65 and enjoy all of our Fall sessions (excludes any additional field trip and/or lunch fees). In addition, LLI members may bring one friend to one session during the 2019 program year, free of charge—*excluding field trip dates*.

Not sure about becoming a member? Not a problem, attendees may choose sessions of interest and pay as they go. Pick and choose individual sessions for \$18 – additional field trip fees added when applicable.

South Florida State College welcomes you!

Highlands Campus
600 West College Drive, Avon Park, FL 33825



“Sand Bird” Field Trip Highlights

★ Oct. 3 - Ft. Myers ~ Koreshan State Park & Lee County Solid Waste Recycling Center

- LLI Member Fee: \$7 / Non-member \$25 (Fees include trip only)
- Traveling in SFSC vans.
- Wear appropriate dress and footwear.
- Meet at SFSC Library—Highlands Campus at 7:30 a.m., leaving at 8 a.m. return by 6:00 p.m.
- Lunch on your own at Pinchers, Fort Myers ~ lunch **NOT** included in LLI member or non-member fee.

★ Nov. 7 - Kissimmee River Restoration Project

- Limited to 14 guests
- LLI Member Fee: \$33 / Non-member \$51 (Fees include trip and lunch)
- Traveling in SFSC vans.
- Wear appropriate dress and footwear.
- Meet at SFSC Library—Highlands Campus at 9:00 a.m., leaving at 9:30 a.m. return by 3:00 p.m.

★ Dec. 5 - Mount Dora ~ Christmas Lights & Shopping

- LLI Member Fee: \$24 / Non-member \$42 (Fees include trip and boat ride)
- Traveling in SFSC vans.
- Wear appropriate dress and footwear.
- Meet at SFSC Library—Highlands Campus at 7:30 a.m., leaving at 8 a.m., return after 8 p.m.
- Lunch and dinner on your own, Mt. Dora meals are **NOT** included in LLI member or non-member fee.

REMINDER: LLI member or non-member, please register and pay for all field trips/luncheons that you plan to attend.



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★ Oct. 3 – Two field trips in one day (Non-Member – CRN 11425 / LLI Member – CRN 11423)

- **Destination – Koreshan State Park**

Additional Fee – Non-member \$25 / LLI Member \$7

Ruth Fletcher will give us a guided walking tour, through the historic site, on a shelled pathway. The sect began in 1893 when believers relocated to Southwest Florida from Chicago. The Koreshan Community was self-sufficient, and surviving buildings include homes, a workshop, and a bakery.

- **2nd Destination – Lee County Solid Waste Recycling Center**

We will take two tours of the facility covering the entire recycling process.

Oct. 17 – Guest Speakers

(Non-Member – CRN 11426 / LLI Member – included in initial registration fee)

- **Session A: (9 a.m.) Kissimmee River Restoration Project ~~ Loisa Kerwin**

Loisa will give us a presentation about the river restoration project and brief talk on what we will be witnessing on our next field trip.

- **Session B: (10:45 a.m.) SFSC Olive Grove ~~ Kendall Carson**

Kendall is the Project Manager for the “Orange Juice to Olive Oil” project that SFSC was awarded in 2017. Since January 1, 2018, Kendall and her team have worked to research the success of low-chill olive cultivars in Highlands and Hardee Counties. She will give a presentation on the research conducted thus far and the data that has been collected. Walking tour of the SFSC Highlands campus grove available after presentation.

★ Nov. 7 – Field trip (Non-Member – CRN 11428 / LLI Member CRN 11427)

- **Session A & B: Kissimmee River Restoration Project**

Non-Member Fee \$51 / LLI Member \$33 (Limited to 14 participants)

The Riverwoods Field Lab offers field-based environmental science and educational programs via pontoon boat. ***The boat can hold a maximum of 14 participants.*** We will learn about the Restoration Project that is restoring 43 miles of river and floodplain, wildlife habitats and improving water quality. You will see birds, alligators, and fish rebounding in the restored river. Box lunch included in trip fee.

Nov. 21 – Guest Speakers

(Non-Member CRN 11429 / LLI Member – included in initial registration fee)

- **Session A: (9 a.m.) ~~ Gaylin Thomas**

Gaylin Thomas will tell us what goes into developing a small town.

- **Session B: (10:45 a.m.) ~~ Eileen May**

Eileen May, Director of Lake Placid Chamber of Commerce will tell us how Lake Placid, a small town, became a “destination”.

★ Dec. 5 – Field trip (Non-Member CRN 11431 / LLI Member CRN 11430)

- **Session A & B: Mount Dora to view Christmas lights and shopping – additional fee**
Non-Member \$42 / LLI Member \$24

The vans will leave the Library parking lot of the Avon Park Campus at 8 a.m. Arriving early will enable us to shop and sight see. Lunch may be at the Windsor Rose Restaurant and British Tea Room. We will take a 2-hour cruise on the St John’s River, which will begin at 2 p.m. The boats can handle 22 passengers, and we can get a second boat if necessary. We are planning on dinner, at the Lakeside Hotel, on the veranda. All meals are the responsibility of the participant, and not included in the LLI fees. We will return to campus after 8 p.m.