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Newsletter, *Volume 2, Issue 5***Greetings and an Update from LLI's President**

As we move into 2015, I would like to wish everyone a very happy and healthy new year. Although our fall term ended in November, LLI activity continues full-steam. On Wednesdays, from January 7 through February 4, you and your family and friends are invited to enjoy LLI Intersession programs. We will all receive the spring 2015 course catalogue and our spring term will begin in March, with a luncheon and a special guest of honor. Look for more information in February on this special event.

Five-Course Schedule Update. A new five-course class schedule was introduced this past fall and will continue through fall 2015. Our plan is to provide 2 full semesters of experience with the new schedule before gathering feedback from members. Accordingly, in May 2015, the LLI Council will survey members about their experience and publish results. Changes, if any, resulting from the survey, will be implemented in spring 2016. As many of you know, selection of our fall 2015 courses is underway and the selection (number and type) will be based on the five-period schedule. The good news: The Curriculum Committee reports the largest number of proposed courses ever at 36! *Best Regards, Lou*

A notice about the LLI class schedule

- ✚ 5 Period Schedule will continue through Fall 2015
- ✚ Members will be surveyed in May 2015 about their experience with 5-Period schedule
- ✚ Results will be shared in June 2015
- ✚ Any changes will be implemented in Spring 2016
- ✚ Fall 2015 courses will be selected from 36 proposed, including 6 multi-presenter courses.



Milly Feinsilber

Meet Milly Feinsilber, Chair, LLI Special Events and Intersession

Committee. Milly became an LLI member in 2004 and a year later was invited by Dorothy Baran to help with LLI's 5th Anniversary celebration. Soon thereafter, she was elected to serve on LLI's Council as a member-at-large. In 2010, she returned to the Council in her current role as Chair of Special Events, and last year also took on the role of Intersession Chair.

Kudos to Milly and the Intersession Committee for the exceptional programs scheduled for Wednesdays in January and through February 4, 2015. (See *Intersession Catalog on LLI's website.*) Milly and her husband Arnold bring many talents to LLI: Milly is a retired interior designer, while Arnold is a retired architect and outdoor enthusiast. He leads many of LLI's off-Friday hikes. Both Feinsilbers also help each year to stage LLI's fall Art Show.



Arnold Feinsilber

Milly and Arnold relocated to Rhinebeck from Westchester County in 2004, having found in Rhinebeck and the Hudson Valley a rich cultural community and superb outdoor activities. The Feinsilbers are the parents of four children and eight grandchildren scattered around the country. Today, their lives

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Intersession Reminder

Wednesdays, Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28 & Feb. 4
Presentations @ 11:00 am and 1:30 pm, Weiss
Auditorium. See www.bard.edu/LLI

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Get Involved

What attracted Milly to LLI?

Milly readily cites the membership. *"Without question, it was the opportunity to meet interesting and stimulating people and make new friends."* Her advice: *"The more involved you get the more you derive from being a member of LLI."*

and home are filled with music. Outside of LLI, Milly is president of the Rhinebeck Chamber Music Society. From Milly's perspective, planning a concert season is not that different from planning an LLI Intersession program. On January 18, the Society is presenting **"A Celebration of Women in Music"**, a unique program of music written by women composers, performed by women musicians—something seldom done. Joan Tower will be one of the presenters.

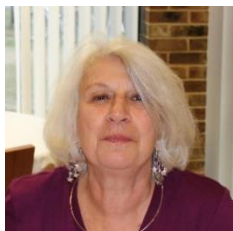
Milly and Arnold also serve as the home-away-from home for some lucky Bard Conservatory students who are invited for dinner, concerts held at the Feinsilbers, and occasional overnights between semesters or on holidays. The Feinsilbers enjoy a very special relationship with several of the International students. It is of mutual benefit to the students and their hosts.

Being a part of these young people's lives and watching them develop into outstanding adults and fine musicians brings great pleasure, as well as the ability to brag about them when they achieve great success. The Feinsilbers encourage LLI members to become involved with the Bard students. **The rewards are many!**

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Wishing You a Happy New Year



Faces of LLI 2014

Clockwise from Top Left: Carol Lee, Gus Pedersen, Henry and Roz Young, Mary "Midge" Russo, Phyllis Heiko, Hilary Elliot, Bard Musicians at LLI Spring Luncheon: David Degge, teaching fellow, with students Petra Elek, Chris Gunnell, and Sihanouk YI, Amy Messing, Arlene and Al Becker

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