

Friends For Learning Newsletter

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We have been enjoying some wonderful classes this semester., and I hope you are taking advantage of all you signed up for. Have fun learning and meeting new friends.

ALERT!!

Please do not utilize your Friends for Learning parking pass to attend any ISU classes. If you are taking ISU classes you need to pay the University for parking separate from the FFL parking. If you are caught using your FFL parking pass for non-FFL classes, you will be ticketed.

Spring Registration

January 15, 2014

First Evangelical Lutheran Church

455 West Sunnyside

2:00-4:00 p.m.

The Spring Semester class schedule should be on our website, www.friendsforlearning.com, approximately January 8, 2014.

If registering by mail be sure to include your Indemnity Form, Volunteer Form, Registration Form **AND** a self-addressed stamped envelope so the parking pass can be mailed back to you. Send those 4 items along with your check for \$20 made payable to Idaho State University to Denise Morton, 1751 Brenthaven, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401.

We try to estimate the number of participants in a class in order to determine the size classroom we will need. Sign up for classes you plan to attend.

Save your parking passes. They are valid for Spring Semester also.

You may bring a friend to any unlimited class.

ONLINE REGISTRATION

FFL plans to be up and running with Online Registration for the fall 2014 semester. You will go to the FFL website to get the semester course catalog, the semester calendar, and your registration forms. Instructions will be on the website for you to follow for this new process. There will be a contact number if you have any question or concerns about Online Registration.

VACANT FFL BOARD POSITIONS

There are several positions which will need to be filled for the 2014-2015 FFL Board year. We will vote on these positions at the Spring FFL in Review class. We need you to participate in this activity as well as classes. The Board has lots of fun and it is very rewarding. So volunteer, don't just reap the fruit of others' efforts. Please contact Carol Lyle to volunteer 552-2020 or carollyle491@gmail.com. Here is a list of those vacant positions.

President
Vice President
Secretary
Curriculum Coordinator
Volunteer Coordinator
Three Member at Large positions

NOTE FROM FORMER FFL MEMBER

"Just wanted to ask if you could bring FFL to Boise?" A former FFL member moved to Boise and joined the continuing education group through Boise State University. She was not excited by the class selection and wrote to me asking as a joke if we could bring FFL to Boise. She really missed the fun, adventurous, varied, and wonderful FFL classes. They pay \$45 per semester for their classes. So, if you think classes are not what you want,—looks like classes in Boise are not as exciting as those we have with FFL in Idaho Falls!

SIGN ON CLASSROOM DOORS

Do you occasionally arrive on campus and realize you don't know where the class is being held? Or have you popped into a room only to realize you are not in an FFL class? Thanks to the help of facilitators, signs are being placed on the door of classrooms so you will always know you are in the right place. We hope this will help eliminate some of the confusion.

CLASS IN SESSION

Sometimes you arrive for an FFL class and notice that there is an ISU class in session. They have priority to classrooms so we request that you wait quietly in hallway until the ISU class is dismissed. Your FFL Facilitator should be there and can let you know if there is a change in classroom locations or other vital information. Please be patient and then ENJOY your class.

LIMITED CLASSES

Each semester if you signed up for a limited class but cannot attend you need to contact the facilitator to let them know you cannot attend. These classes usually have a lengthy waiting list and by contacting the facilitator you give those on the waiting list an opportunity to partake in the class. Since we do have waiting lists, if you do not contact the facilitator that you are cancelling and do not show the day of the class your name will be classified as a NO SHOW. Those who are classified as NO SHOW will be restricted from Limited Classes for the following semester. You DO NOT want this to happen to YOU! If you are attending a limited multiple session class, let the facilitator know if you cannot attend a particular session. THANKS SO VERY MUCH!

MESSAGING FOR LIMITED CLASSES

For FFL members who do not have email and have registered for limited classes, you will receive a phone call from the facilitator telling you whether or not you were selected for the class. It will be helpful to have an answering machine so a message can be left if you are not at home. The person listed next on the waiting list may be called if the facilitator cannot contact you within a short period of time. If you do not have an answering machine, facilitators will make an attempt to contact you twice and then go on to the waiting list if they cannot get in touch with you.

PLANNING A CLASS

If you are suggesting a class for an upcoming semester be sure to utilize the CIS (Course Information Sheet) ;available on the FFL website www.friendsforlearning.com. Remember that deadline for these forms submission to the Curriculum Committee (Joan Linde) is May 1st for the Fall Semester and November 20th for the Spring Semester.

OFF CAMPUS CLASSROOM LOCATIONS

If you know of a classroom, gym or other facility around Idaho Falls which can be utilized for some of those classes which will not fit into an ISU classroom (cards, exercise class, tai chi, crafts) please let me know. We need to know a contact person, size of the room, address, layout of the room, and the costs for rental. We will build a data base of locations to fit future classes. Please send this information to me at cjolson1@g.com.

VOLUNTEERING FOR FFL

If you do any volunteering for FFL you can register with the RSVP (Retired and Senior Volunteer Program) for reimbursement of your travel expenses. Please contact RSVP at 552-5370 ext. 1028 to get the forms necessary.

Clarissa J. Olson
President

P.S. I collect pop top tabs (soda, beer, veggies) for the IF Kidney Foundation. If you have the time to collect them and hand them off to me I will get them to the Kidney Foundation. They provide funds for services to kidney patients in the IF area.

Also, I collect Education Box Top Coupons which are on several different food products (General Mills, Swanson, etc.) and provide them to a school I sponsor. So if you are not collecting them for your favorite school, please consider collecting them and passing them to me for the schools' supplies they provide the children. THANKS SO VERY MUCH — Clarissa

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