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## April 2025 Newsletter



Smart Boards now available for instructors to enhance your viewing!

New mats installed to keep you safer during your gym activities!

Over the ear microphone and speaker available for instructor use to save their voices and allow you to hear them better!

## Greetings from FLI!

Our spring semester is in full action and going great! We have made some improvements to our facility and the way we deliver instruction. Thank you to those who have provided feedback and input on these changes.

- Gym mats have been installed to protect students while playing Pickleball

and other gym activities.

- We have added a Smart Board to our lineup of technology for the bottom floor and one for the upper floor. This tool allows us to do many new and innovative things while providing a superior experience for everyone.
- Over the ear microphone and speaker give our instructors the ability to communicate more effectively with our students, while saving their voices!
- We have upgraded our network in the building to gigabit speeds and increased the number of access points to ensure service throughout the learning spaces.

We continue to strive to provide the highest level experience we can.  
Feedback is always welcome!

Warm regards,

George, Toni, and the Board at Forever Learning Institute

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## Forever Announcements

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### Summer Semester 2025

Mark your calendars as Forever Learning Institute **will now be offering a six week long summer semester** this year in collaboration with Holy Cross Village and Elks Lodge.

All classes will be held at either Holy Cross Village or Elks Lodge.  
We are excited to be able to offer this!

Registration will begin June 16!

Summer Semester 2025 Class Schedule:  
1 (July 7-11)

2 (July 14-18)  
3 (July 21-25)  
4 (July 28-August 1)  
5 (August 4-8)  
6 (August 11-15)

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## IUSB School of Medicine presents: 2025 Mini Med School Lecture Series

April 15, 22, 29 & May 6  
[Detailed Information Here](#)

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## Forever Events

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## Spring End of Semester Festival

## **POTLUCK LUNCHEON**

**TUESDAY, May 20th**

**11:00am to 1:00pm**

**Gymnasium**

This festival is an opportunity for classes to share their learned classroom activities and celebrate the end of another successful semester with fellow FLI students!

Come share a meal and conversation at this FREE event for all to enjoy!

We ask everyone attending to bring a dish and/or dessert to share.

*FLI will supply beverages,  
utensils, and paper goods.*

Attendees will enjoy table displays and performances first, then enjoy lunch.

No need to register, just come and enjoy!

Outside friends & family are welcome.

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## **Spring Break**

FLI will be closed for classes from April 7 - April 11.

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## **Forever Travel**

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### **Owner's Suite Experience with the South Bend Cubs**

**Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 11am**

Enjoy a great American pastime with a day at the ballpark cheering on the South Bend Cubs. Forever Travel is offering an owner's suite experience complete with prime indoor seating, a full buffet lunch, refreshments, and lots of goodies and memorabilia. Trip includes optional bus transportation from Forever Learning and back. Skip the long walk to the



Tickets are:

- \$130 per person including the game, memorabilia, buffet lunch, and transit from FLI

stadium and the hassle and cost of parking.

- \$100 per person without transportation

[Register Here!](#)

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# South Bend

## South Bend, One History Two Worlds Tuesday, August 26, 2025 at 10am

Join the Forever Learning Institute for an enlightening experience as we explore South Bend's history through a fresh lens. We'll visit The History Museum and the Civil Rights Heritage Center, offering a rare chance to discover local treasures that highlight the city's history from diverse viewpoints. Don't miss this opportunity to gain new insights into our community's past!

This excursion will include lunch at The History Museum and alternating presentations. Transportation provided by Cardinal Buses, picking up at FLI.

This will be an experience you won't want to miss!

The cost is \$80.

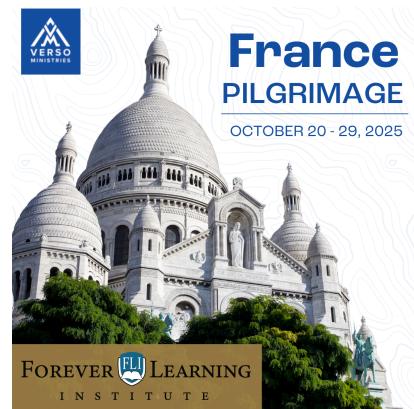
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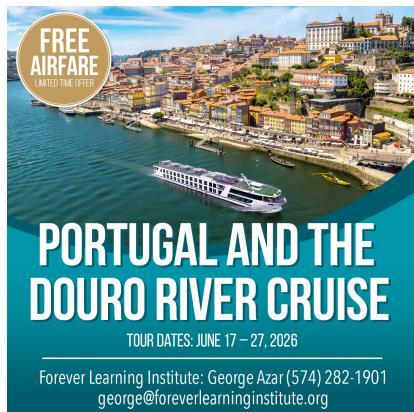
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## Forever Learning Pilgrimage to France

Join Verso Ministries and the Forever Learning Institute on a pilgrimage to France from October 20-29, 2025!

[Learn More and Register Here](#)



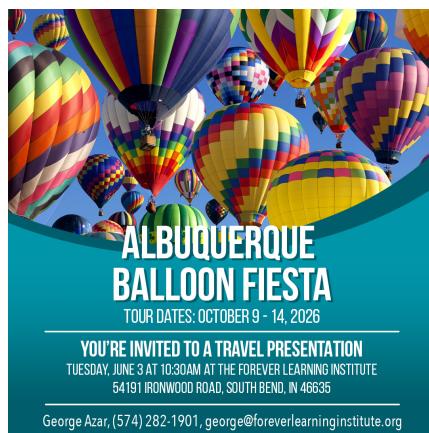


## Portugal and the Douro River Cruise

### Join FLI in June 2026!

A symbol of Portugal's birth and growth as a nation, the Douro has long been the country's lifeline. Spend two nights in the cosmopolitan capital of Lisbon, Portugal with a tour showcasing the famous sights of this remarkable city. Enroute to Porto, visit the pilgrimage site of Fátima and the university town of Coimbra. Navigate a path through Portugal's enchanting countryside while cruising along the dramatic Douro River. Terraced vineyards rise from the river banks, historic landmarks pepper the distant horizons and charming towns lay hidden in the rural hillsides. From Spain's walled city of Salamanca to the charming baroque village of Lamego, enjoy a new perspective of Europe as you sail the along the Douro.

[Flyer](#)  
[Registration Form](#)



Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta  
Join FLI for a high flying trip  
October 9th–14th, 2026

Founded in 1972, the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta began with just 13 balloons and has since grown into a spectacular event featuring over 600 balloons from around the globe. Immerse yourself in the charm of historic Albuquerque, a city steeped in Native American culture, as you witness the breathtaking "mass ascension" of uniquely shaped balloons soaring into the sky at sunrise. Explore the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center, stroll through the captivating streets of Old Town, and discover the beauty of Santa Fe, nestled in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains at the foothills of the Rockies. The tour also includes a visit to the Pecos National Historic Park, home to ancient archaeological ruins and 19th-century ranches, offering a rich blend of history and adventure.

[Flyer  
Registration Form](#)

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## Forever Learning

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### Teach Your Passion!

We are always looking for instructors. Please have them reach out to George at [george@foreverlearninginstitute.org](mailto:george@foreverlearninginstitute.org).

We are also looking for instructors to teach at Hamilton Grove in New Carlisle, Southfield Village, and the public library.

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## Forever Upcoming Dates

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- Monday, April 7–11: FLI Spring Break (No Classes)
- Monday, April 7: How Native Plants Bring LIFE to our Landscapes with Jan McGowan
- Friday, April 18: Good Friday (FLI Closed & No Classes)
- Saturday, May 10: Silvertones Free Spring Concert at First United Methodist of Mishawaka

- Friday, May 16: Last Day of Classes
- Tuesday, May 20: Spring Festival, FLI gymnasium
- Wednesday, May 21: Forever Travel South Bend Cubs Game Owner's Suite Experience. [Register Here.](#)
- Saturday, June 14-24: Forever Travel Danube Delights River Cruise SOLD OUT
- Monday, June 16: Summer Semester Registration Opens
- Monday, July 7: Summer Semester Begins
- Friday, August 15: Summer Semester Ends
- Monday, August 18: Fall Semester Registration Opens at 9AM
- Tuesday, August 26: Forever Travel South Bend, One History Two Worlds. [Register Here.](#)
- Monday, September 8: Fall Semester Begins
- Monday, October 20-29: Forever Travel Pilgrimage to France - [Register Here.](#)

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Forever Learning Institute Merchandise

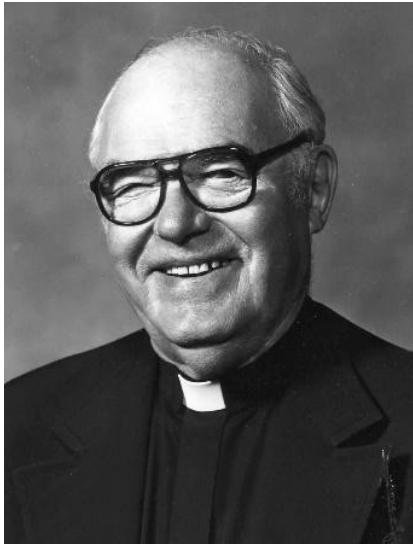
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## FLI Spirit Wear

Forever Learning Institute hosts an online store where you can purchase t-shirts and jackets with our logo. Show all your friends your love of lifelong learning!

[Forever Store](#)



## Our Founder, Fr. Louis J. Putz, C.S.C.

Fr. Putz viewed life as a chain with three distinct links: the age of learning, the age of earning, and the age of returning. As he approached retirement in the early '70s, he envisioned a school for the "third-agers," where students returned to share their collective experience, knowledge, and talent in service to others. As Fr. Putz often said, "Service adds years to your life and life to your years." He envisioned a school for seniors who would come together for the pure joy of learning and social interaction, as well as personal and spiritual growth. On September 27, 1974, that vision became a reality.

***Improving the quality and dignity of senior adult life through continuing intellectual challenge, spiritual reflection, and social interaction for 50 years.***

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