

A MESSAGE TO VISTAS MEMBERS  
about  
SMALL DISCUSSION SEMINARS  
from Jan O'Dowd

I have been promoting these small discussion seminars for years because I believe they are a valuable addition to our larger, more formal courses. Participants have found them stimulating, informative and enjoyable. They are limited to 12 to 18 active participants who gather comfortably in a home setting to share ideas and opinions they have developed from research on a topic of compelling interest to all.

This peer-led education is not for everyone, but it does distinguish VISTAS from most other adult education programs. It does require advance preparation in exploring and developing a topic, but it does not require prior expertise, power point proficiency or an orator's voice.

If you are interested in being a part of this effort, please return the reply form below. If we have a sizable list of potential enrollees, we should be able to fill several discussion groups. We need your suggestions of topics that would interest you. Also, please indicate if you would be willing to offer your home as a venue for one of these seminars (3 or 4 sessions)..

**Please reply to VISTAS Lifelong Learning**

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If you have questions, contact Jan at 569-2510 or [janddowd@aol.com](mailto:janddowd@aol.com)

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REPLY FORM: Small Discussion Seminars

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I/we would like to be on the list for Small Discussion Seminars

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Suggestions for discussion topics \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ I would be willing to have a Small Discussion Seminar in my home.

