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Central Oregon: OLLI-CO Members' Picnic

Thursday, September 15, 4:00–6:00 p.m.

Mark your calendar so you don't miss out. It's time for the Annual OLLI-CO Picnic. Join us at Larkspur Park at the Bend Senior Center for an afternoon of good food, great conversation, and socializing. It's a great time for new and long-time members to get better acquainted and to recognize those members who have helped during the year. We'll also be sharing some of the highlights of our upcoming programs. We're serving sandwiches, chili, salad, and drinks. Don't miss out on the fun, food, and fellowship.

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Eugene/Springfield: Annual Member Luncheon and Meeting

Wednesday, September 14, noon–2:00 p.m.

Mark September 14 on your calendar for the annual member meeting! Enjoy lunch (sandwich, salad, dessert), meet the Governing Council nominees for 2011–2013, and vote. Additionally, hear from the standing committees on upcoming events and learn about the Campaign for OLLI, the revised mission and vision statements, and the five-year strategic plan. The final hour will be entertainment by our members including music, drama, poetry and essay readings, and a demonstration of Tai Chi.

Please contact the OLLI-UO office to sign up for the \$5 lunch by noon, Friday, September 9, so we'll have an

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Portland: Classic Houses of Portland, Oregon

Tuesday, September 13, 1:30–3:00 p.m.

Peer into Portland's domestic past with **William J. Hawkins III**, architect and co-author of *Classic Houses of Portland, Oregon 1850–1950*. In his presentation, Hawkins will discuss the evolution of the city's incredible residential architecture. Through early styles seen in classical and medieval revival homes to its distinct Northwest Style, Hawkins will discuss this progress in the context of Portland's growth and international design movements.

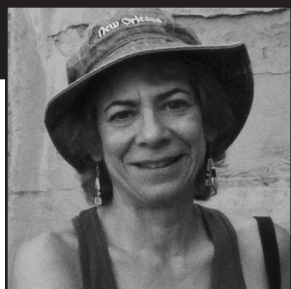
Hawkins, a Portland native, has practiced architecture for more than forty years. His interests are in residential design and historic preservation. Hawkins' earlier book, *The Grand Era of Cast-Iron Architecture in Portland*, received the Rounce & Coffin award.

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Central Oregon



Editor's Note: Central Oregon

An organization is only as strong as the individual participation of each of its members. While OLLI-CO has many exceptional members, this month I'd like

to thank one who is departing Bend for Southern Oregon.

Mort Perle was the first member to welcome me into OLLI and invite me to actively participate. That probably also holds true for many of you. Mort recruited many of our current council and other committee members.

Mort was a charter member of the UO Silver Sage Society. He was elected council secretary in 2005, and secretary-treasurer in 2006. At the beginning of his second council term, he was elected president, and in 2007 became the first two-term president of OLLI-CO. During his tenure, Mort also acted as hospitality chair, arranging refreshments for the Open House events. After ending his term, Mort joined the new Membership Outreach Committee.

He also organized a three-part lecture series, "Water for Our World," acted as facilitator for two Art History DVD study groups, and arranged a tour of the newly opened Oxford Hotel, where his son was general manager.

And if all that's not enough, Mort initiated the idea of sending weekly e-minders, Gold and Silver membership levels, our PowerPoint slide show, our attendance spreadsheet, and the annual membership picnic—quite the Renaissance man! He was active in finding good speakers, participated in almost every OLLI program, brought insightful thoughts and ideas into a discussion, and was often coffee maker for classes.

Many of us are saddened to see Mort and his wife, Liz, leave Bend, but we wish them all the very best in their new community. Thank you for all that you have done for OLLI-CO. Watch out Ashland, here he comes!

Jeanne Freeman, Newsletter Editor

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Essential Geography of the United States

Thursday, September 22,
2:00–4:00 p.m.

"A map is much more than a compilation of places. Maps have character, meaning, and even narrative." **David Imus**, the award winning mapmaker from Veneta, Oregon, brought personality to the idea of mapping Oregon. Now he has done it for the whole United States.

Imus conceives of his mapmaking as an artistic project. Not only does his map portray the geographically significant features and the political boundaries of the states, but it also denotes historically and culturally significant sites. According to Eugene *Register-Guard* columnist Bob Welch, Imus is both scientist and

artist, raising the art of mapmaking to a whole new level.

The Essential Geography of the United States of America was selected Best New Cartographic Work in North America for 2010 by the Cartography and Geographic Information Society (CaGIS).

Join us on September 22 to listen and watch David Imus unfold the secrets of the *Essential Geography of the United States of America*.
Location: Bend Senior Center

Great American Music: Broadway Musicals

Tuesday, September 20,
2:00–4:00 p.m.

From the Minstrel and Ragtime eras to Jerome Kern, the Gershwins and the golden age of musical theater, the songs from Broadway musicals have provided the background sounds of

our lives as well as a gift to the world from America.

"Professor Bill Messenger ranges across the entire culture of which music is a part, teaching some of the intricacies of musical composition and song construction—and how they were used to create specific effects—as well as the social and historical backdrop against which musical theater needs to be considered." (<http://bit.ly/qEvmS0>)

Meeting on the first, second, and third Tuesdays of the month, each week will cover one forty-five-minute DVD lecture followed by discussion.
Facilitator: **Rod Charny**
Location: Shevlin-Hixon

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Rise and Fall of the British Empire

Wednesday, September 21,
10:00 a.m.–noon

“At its peak in the early twentieth century, Britain’s empire was the largest in the history of the world, greater even than ancient Rome. It embraced more than a fourth of the world’s population and affected the course of Western civilization. Even today, with the advantages of historical perspective and hindsight, it is still nearly impossible to overstate the scope and importance of its stunning legacy.

“Through thirty-six lectures, award-winning Professor Patrick N. Allitt of Emory University leads us through four centuries of British power, innovation, influence, and, ultimately, diminishment—four profound centuries that literally remade the world and bequeathed the complex global legacy that continues to shape our everyday life.” (<http://bit.ly/omGyZR>)

Join the Wednesday morning history group for the start of this new program.

Location: Shevlin-Hixon

Science Fridays

OLLI-CO is opening the fall session of Science Fridays with a new format. The first, second, and third Friday of each month will include a DVD and discussion. Open discussion will take place on the fourth Friday of each month. The group can agree upon and plan for those occasional fifth Fridays.

Experiencing Hubble: Understanding the Greatest Images of the Universe

Friday, September 9, 1:00–3:00 p.m.
“A few hundred miles above Earth, there is a remarkable telescope with a crystal-clear view across the universe. For two decades, the Hubble Space Telescope has been amassing discoveries that rival those of history’s greatest scientists and explorers, making it the most important and productive scientific instrument ever built.

“Our guide is Professor David M. Meyer of Northwestern University, an award-winning educator and a frequent user of the Hubble Space Telescope in his research on inter-

stellar and extragalactic gas clouds. For those new to astronomy, *Experiencing Hubble* reviews all the background needed for a well-informed tour of the otherworldly realm investigated by Hubble. And for experienced stargazers, Dr. Meyer gives a fascinating insider’s perspective on the work of the superstar of telescopes.” (<http://bit.ly/r4Yqzd>)

This new Teaching Company DVD study group will meet the first, second and third Fridays of the month at 1:00 p.m.

Facilitator: **Jim Hammond**

Location: Shevlin-Hixon

Documentary Film Series

Wednesdays, September 7 and 14,
10:00 a.m.–noon

Our series wraps up with two more thought-provoking screenings:

- September 7: *Encounters at the End of the World*

Facilitator: **Joe Jezukewicz**

- September 14: *Gasland*

Facilitator: **Volunteer needed**

Visit the OLLI blog for more details on these films. Course Manager: **Bill McCann**

Book Discussion Group

How We Decide by Jonah Lehrer
Tuesdays, October 4 and 18,
10:00 a.m.–noon

“Experiencing Hubble *reviews all the background needed for a well-informed tour of the otherworldly realm . . .*”

“Since Plato, philosophers have described the decision-making process as either rational or emotional: we carefully deliberate, or we blink and go with our gut. But as scientists break open the mind’s black box with the latest tools of neuroscience, they’re discovering that this is not how the mind works. Our best decisions are a finely tuned blend of both feeling and reason and the precise mix depends on the situation. The trick is to determine when to use the different parts of the brain, and to do this, we need to think harder (and smarter) about how we think.

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2 Friday

Noon—October Newsletter Submission Deadline

5 Monday

UO Closed for Labor Day Holiday

6 Tuesday

Noon Round Table Luncheon at Tethrow Golf Club For reservations, contact: Harlie Peterson, harliepete@hotmail.com or call the OLLI office at 541-617-4663.

7 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Documentary Film Series [film] *Encounters at the End of the World*. Facilitator: Joe Jezukewicz (S-H)

9 Friday

1:00 p.m. Experiencing Hubble: Understanding the Greatest Images of the Universe [DVD study group] The Rationale for a Space Telescope, Comet Shoemaker—Levy 9 and Jupiter (S-H)

12 Monday

1:00 p.m. Thinking Allowed [discussion group] Facilitator: Ruth Burleigh (S-H)

3:00 p.m. Membership Outreach Committee Chair: Leslie Koc, 541-306-6083 (S-H)

14 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Documentary Film Series [film] *Gasland*. Facilitator: TBA (S-H)

15 Thursday

4:00 p.m. Annual Membership Picnic [social] at the Larkspur Park picnic area (BSC)

16 Friday

1:00 p.m. Experiencing Hubble: Understanding the Greatest Images of the Universe [DVD study group] The Sagittarius Star Cloud, Society—The Star Factory inside the Eagle Nebula. (S-H)

19 Monday

10:00 a.m. Thinking Allowed II at Touchmark [discussion group] Topic TBA. Facilitator: Helen Vandervort (TMRL)

20 Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Book Group [discussion group] *The Imperfectionists*, by Tom Rachman (DB)

2:00 p.m. Great American Music: Broadway Musicals [DVD study group] The Essence of the Musical, The Minstrel Era. Facilitator: Rod Charney (S-H)

21 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. The Rise and Fall of the British Empire [DVD study group] The Sun Never Set, The Challenge to Spain in the New World. (S-H)

22 Thursday

2:00 p.m. The Essential Geography of the United States [lecture] Presenter: David Imus (BSC)

23 Friday

10:00 a.m. Governing Council Meeting President: Russ Hopper, 541-647-2200 (S-H)

1:00 p.m. Experiencing Hubble: Understanding the Greatest Images of the Universe [DVD study group] The Cat's Eye Nebula—A Stellar Demise, The Crab Nebula—A Supernova's Aftermath (S-H)

26 Monday

1:00 p.m. Thinking Allowed [discussion group] Facilitator: Ruth Burleigh (S-H)

27 Tuesday

2:00 p.m. Program Committee Meeting Chair: Helen Pruitt, 541-382-7827 (S-H)

28 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. The Rise and Fall of the British Empire [DVD study group] African Slavery and the West Indies, Imperial Beginnings in India. (S-H)

30 Friday

1:00 p.m. Science Friday [discussion group] Open discussion of a variety of topics pertaining to science. Facilitator: Russ Hopper (DHM)

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Save the Date: OLLI-CO Open House

Thursday, October 6, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

Is visiting the Galapagos Islands on your list of places to travel? Then join Sunriver Nature Center & Observatory Naturalist and Principal Researcher, **Jay Bowerman**, OLLI-CO member **Jim Hammond**, and **Jim Anderson** for a tour of the Galapagos Islands. This open house event is a wonderful opportunity to introduce your friends and family to OLLI and the joy of lifelong learning. Location: Bend Senior Center.

Cameras! Action! Take Two!

That is the start of the OLLI-CO Second Classic Film Discussion group beginning in January. **Roger Aikin** will again be leading discussion on films that have left their mark by virtue of acting, screenwriting, cinematography and more.

This class is still in the planning stage, and we want your input. Send your film request(s) to raikin@creighton.edu. Whether it's your all time favorite or one you found creative, or challenging, or raised important issues, whether old or new, English or "foreign," send Roger the films you'd like to discuss.

Locations

Shevlin Hixson (aka Brooks-Scanlon)
500 SW Bond Street, Suite 105, Bend

Bend Senior Center
1600 SE Reed Market Rd., Bend

Touchmark at Mount
Bachelor Village
19800 SW Touchmark Way, Bend

DesChutes Historical Museum
129 NW Idaho Ave., Bend

Dudley's Bookshop
135 NW Minnesota, Bend

Key

SH = Shevlin Hixson Building
BSC = Bend Senior Center
DHM = DesChutes Historical Museum
TMA = Touchmark Auditorium
TMRL = Touchmark River Lodge
DB = Dudley's Bookshop
TBA = To Be Announced

Renewals

Mail renewals and membership applications to:

OLLI-UO Central Oregon
1277 University of Oregon
Eugene, OR 97403-1277

Or call the OLLI-UO office to renew,
541-617-4663 or 800-824-2714

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Grid calendars available in the office or online at <http://osher.uoregon.edu>

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Membership Outreach:
Leslie Koc, 541-306-6083

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Learning Circle

Monthly Schedule

Monday

10:00 a.m. Thinking Allowed II: first and third weeks at the River Lodge, Touchmark—meetings resume September 19.

1:00 p.m. Thinking Allowed: second and fourth weeks—meetings resume September 12.

Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Book Discussion Group: first and third weeks at Dudley's Used Bookshop, 135 NW Minnesota—meetings resume September 20.

Noon Round Table Luncheon: first week at Tetherow Golf Club.

2:00 p.m. Great American Music: Broadway Musicals: first, second and third weeks.

Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Documentary Film Series: weekly, through September 14.

10:00 a.m. The Rise and Fall of the British Empire: weekly, beginning September 21

Friday

1:00 p.m. Experiencing Hubble: first, second and third weeks.

1:00 p.m. Discussing Science: fourth Fridays.

Unless otherwise noted, sessions are held at the Shevlin-Hixon Executive Suites. Please check the Schedule on pages 4–5 for more information on locations.

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“Jonah Lehrer arms us with the tools we need, drawing on cutting-edge research as well as the real-world experiences of a wide range of deciders from airplane pilots and hedge fund investors to serial killers and poker players. His goal is to answer two questions that are of interest to just about anyone, from CEOs to firefighters: How does the human mind make decisions? And how can we make those decisions better?” (from Amazon.com Reviews)

Facilitator: **Ed Lee**

Location: Dudley's Used Book Shop

Tuesday Roundtable Lunch

Looking for a great way to meet your fellow OLLI-CO members? Then head on over to Tetherow Golf Club for the first Tuesday lunch.

This social luncheon group formed with the intent to be a friendly get together without lectures. Join us the first Tuesday of each month in the clubhouse dining room.

We chose Tetherow Golf Club because they have the biggest round table in Bend—seats ten-twelve in an emergency. With regulars like Jim and Carolyn Hammond, Russ and Leslie Hopper, Mary and Jim Keski, Walt and Barbara Koop, plus Ed Lee and Linda Shaw, you can see you have to turn your chair sideways to get a word in edgewise. It's mandatory that you call Harlie Peterson, 541-593-2015, if you want to attend so he makes room at the table—and don't worry about space, Harlie promises a second table if needed!

Thinking Allowed I

Mondays, September 12 and 26, 1:00–3:00 p.m.

This informal discussion group has no agenda. Individuals bring any topic of interest with them and present their ideas to the group. We have had local editorials, news items from various publications, political discussions, personal recollections and reflections, and at each meeting, a book review by Ollie Van Cise. Often there are recommendations of good movies and local music presentations. It's a great place to meet other members. Please join us; we welcome everyone. Location: Shevlin-Hixon.

Thinking Allowed II

Monday, September 19, 10:00 a.m.–noon

Join us in the fourth floor Club Room in the River Lodge on the Touchmark campus to express your opinions. Coffee is served.

Topics may include:

- The legacy of Thomas Jefferson and how it relates to today's world.
- How have electronics changed our personal lives and those throughout the world?
- Are wars the inevitable consequence of forces beyond our control?
- Why do so many people choose not to believe what scientists say?

For more information, contact Helen Vandervort at 541-388-4858 or helenv@bendcable.com.

Eugene/Springfield



President's Note: Eugene/Springfield

As my council presidency draws to a close, I want to thank you for making it a great year for OLLI. I especially want to thank those of you who have volunteered and helped with the many tasks that make

OLLI a positive experience for the membership. From serving on the Governing Council and various committees, to giving lectures, leading groups, and volunteering, you help provide the range and diversity of programming that makes this a positive learning experience for all of us. Thanks also to Ruth, Patrick, Sandi, Heather, and the other staff members who keep OLLI running smoothly.

As the fall season starts, please attend the September membership meeting (starting at noon on the 14th) where you can enjoy a \$5.00 lunch, vote on council members for the next two years, learn about the recently adopted

five-year strategic plan and three-year fundraising effort, listen to committee reports on upcoming events, and enjoy the talents of some of our members who will entertain us with music, drama, poetry and essay readings, and Tai Chi.

In 2013, we will be celebrating twenty years as an organization. During the past few years, our expenditures have exceeded our income and reduced our endowments. With the fundraising effort, we hope to ensure that we can continue to provide a reasonably priced learning experience. We also need your help in recruiting new members. Please encourage friends and neighbors who might be interested in joining OLLI to register for the September 21 sample class day at the Baker Center.

Don't miss upcoming events such as the two-part lecture on Mozart, Masonry, and *The Magic Flute*.

Thanks for making OLLI such a great organization!

Beate Galda, Council President

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accurate count. Sandwich choices are: tuna salad, turkey or ham with cheese, or Toby's Tofu Pate. Please choose one and specify white or whole wheat bread when you make your reservation. Spouses or partners are welcome to join us.

You can view the mission and vision statements and the strategic plan adopted by the Governing Council on the OLLI website or obtain a summary at the OLLI-UO office. For more information, contact Beate Galda, beategalda@yahoo.com or 541-484-3958.

The Middle East: Islam, People, Energy, and U.S. Foreign Policy

Wednesday, September 7,
10:00 a.m.–noon and 1:00–3:00 p.m.
Dr. **Peter Bechtold**, chairman emeritus, Near East North Africa Area

Studies, Foreign Service Institute, returns to Eugene to present the second half of his series. His morning session will focus on the Arab Spring-Summer Uprisings. In the afternoon, his lecture will examine Energy Interdependence and U.S. Foreign Policy. Attendees are encouraged to bring lunch so that they can participate in an informal discussion session scheduled for the lunch hour.

Steady State Economy

Friday, September 16, 1:30–3:30 p.m.
The Center for the Advancement of the Steady State Economy (CASSE) is a nonprofit organization that was named the "Best Green Think Tank of 2011" by TreeHugger, the largest online source of environmental news.

CASSE believes in challenging the status quo in the economy and

that infinite economic growth on a finite planet makes no sense. CASSE also believes that humanity has the skill, technology, and will to create a steady state economy that can provide the "good life" without undermining the life-support systems of our planet.

Rob Dietz is the executive director of CASSE. He received a graduate degree in environmental science and engineering from Virginia Tech and an undergraduate degree in economics and environmental studies from the University of Pennsylvania. A former Presidential Management Fellow, he has experience in both the private and public sectors working on solutions to natural resource problems. In recent years, he has focused his professional efforts on the conflict between economic growth and environmental protection, and the

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Eugene/Springfield

1 Thursday

10:00 a.m. Thinking Allowed [discussion group] Can Single Payer Health Plans Be Achieved? Facilitator: Chuck Adams (CN)

3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation [study group] Facilitator: Leric Martin (CN)

2 Friday

9:30 a.m. Curriculum Committee Meeting Chair: Dina Wills, 541-687-4784. (CA)

11:00 a.m. Intermediate Spanish [study group] Facilitator: Bonnie Fromhold (BZ)

Noon—October Newsletter Submission Deadline

5 Monday

UO Closed for Labor Day Holiday

6 Tuesday

9:30 a.m. Membership, Promotions and Awards Committee Meeting Chair: Betty Hosokawa, 541-683-1907 (CN)

10:30 a.m. Understanding Science [DVD study group] Impossible—Physics Beyond the Edge: (1) A Spinning Universe, Wormholes, and Such (2) What is Symmetry? Facilitator: John O'Brien (AK)

1:30 p.m. Art History [DVD study group] Masterworks of American Art: The Last Years—"And Who Is Eakins?" Winslow Homer in England and New England. Facilitator: Ray Staton (AK)

3:00 p.m. Interpretive Play Reading [study group] Facilitator: Esther Erford (CN)

7 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. The Arab Spring-Summer Uprising [lecture] Presenter: Dr. Peter Bechtold (AK/MX)

1:00 p.m. Energy Interdependence and U.S. Foreign Policy [lecture] Presenter: Dr. Peter Bechtold (AK/MX)

8 Thursday

10:00 a.m. News and Views [discussion group] Facilitator: Gary Carter (CN)

1:30 p.m. Music Appreciation [DVD study group] Bach and the High Baroque: Goldberg Variations Part 1 of 4. Facilitator: Dennis Lawrence (AK)

3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation [study group] Facilitator: Leric Martin (CN)

9 Friday

9:30 a.m. Governing Council Meeting
President: Beate Galda,
541-484-3958 (AK)

11:00 a.m. Intermediate Spanish [study group] Facilitator: Bonnie Fromhold (BZ)

12 Monday

10:00 a.m. Philosophy Salon [study group] What's Real? Facilitators: Lorraine Ironplow and Dennis Lawrence (CN)

1:30 p.m. The Fabulous Fifties [film] *The Third Man*. Introduced by John Attig (AK/MX)

3:30 p.m. Exploring German [study group] Facilitator: Susanne Ettinger (CN)

13 Tuesday

9:30 a.m. Historical Novels [book group] *The Thousand Autumns of Jacob de Zoet*, by David Mitchell. Facilitators: Corinne Hunt and Pat Johnson (meets off-site)

14 Wednesday

Noon OLLI ES Member Luncheon and Meeting [luncheon] reservations required (CA/AK/MX)

15 Thursday

10:00 a.m. Thinking Allowed [discussion group] Can Nuclear Energy Be Made Safe, Sustainable? Facilitator: Chuck Adams (CN)

Noon Poetry Writing [study group] Facilitator: Gloria Wells (BZ)

3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation [study group] Facilitator: Leric Martin (CN)

16 Friday

11:00 a.m. Intermediate Spanish [study group] Facilitator: Bonnie Fromhold (BZ)

1:30 p.m. Steady State Economy [lecture] Presenter: Rob Dietz (AK/MX)

19 Monday

10:00 a.m. Activities and Travel Lane Community College Campus Tour (field trip)

10:00 a.m. Creative Writing [study group] Facilitator: Livvie Taylor-Young (CN)

Noon OLLI UO Planned Giving [seminar] Instructor: David Gance (AK/MX)

3:30 p.m. Exploring German [study group] Facilitator: Susanne Ettinger (CN)

Eugene/Springfield

20 Tuesday

10:30 a.m. Understanding Science [DVD study group] Impossible—Physics Beyond the Edge: (1) Mirror Worlds (2) Invasion of the Giant Insects. Facilitator: John O'Brien (AK)

1:30 p.m. Art History [DVD study group] Masterworks of American Art: Winslow Homer—The Last Years, Ourselves and Our Posterity. Facilitator: Ray Staton (AK)

3:00 p.m. Interpretive Play Reading [study group] Facilitator: Esther Erford (CN)

21 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. OLLI UO Discover Lifelong Learning [open house] see article on page 10, registration required.

22 Thursday

10:00 a.m. News and Views [discussion group] Facilitator: Gary Carter (CN)

1:30 p.m. Music Appreciation [DVD study group] Bach and the High Baroque: Goldberg Variations Part 2 of 4. Facilitators: Dennis Lawrence (AK)

3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation [study group] Facilitator: Leric Martin (CN)

23 Friday

11:00 a.m. Intermediate Spanish [study group] Facilitator: Bonnie Fromhold (BZ)

26 Monday

10:00 a.m. Activities and Travel Committee Chair: Veronika Walton, 541-344-1565 (MX)

10:00 a.m. Philosophy Salon [study group] Zoroastrian Influences on Judaism and Christianity. Presenter: Philip Smyser. Facilitators: Lorraine Ironplow and Dennis Lawrence (CN)

3:30 p.m. Exploring German [study group] Facilitator: Susanne Ettinger (CN)

27 Tuesday

9:30 a.m. Historical Novels [book group] *The Thousand Autumns of Jacob de Zoet*, by David Mitchell. Facilitator: Corinne Hunt and Pat Johnson (meets off-site)

1:30 p.m. Classics/Philosophy [book group] *Honey in the Horn*, by H.L. Davis. Facilitator: Paul Holbo (CN)

28 Wednesday

1:30 p.m. Mozart, Masonry, and *The Magic Flute*, Part 1 [lecture] Presenter: Klaus Galda and Phyllis Villec (AK/MX)

29 Thursday

10:00 a.m. Fifth Thursday [discussion group] Dealing with Death. Facilitator: Dick Hill (CN)

3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation [study group] Facilitator: Leric Martin (CN)

30 Friday

11:00 a.m. Intermediate Spanish [study group] Facilitator: Bonnie Fromhold (BZ)

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Locations

All meetings held at Baker Downtown Center, 975 High Street, unless otherwise stated

Key

AK = Alaska Room
MX = Mexico Room
CN = Canada Room
BZ = Belize Room
TBA = To Be Announced

Renewals

Mail renewals and membership applications to:

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Or drop them off at the office:
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desirable alternative to unsustainable growth: the steady state economy. He regularly writes articles and delivers public presentations about these topics. Dietz is happily married, has one daughter, and is living in a sustainability-oriented cohousing community in Corvallis, Oregon.

Understanding Estate Planning

Monday, September 19,
Noon–1:30 p.m.

David Gance, J.D., senior director, UO Office of Gift Planning, will present a basic overview of the key issues that a well-drafted estate plan should address. Gance will also discuss the importance of family relationships and communication as part of the estate planning process.

Before joining the UO Office of Gift Planning in 2006, Gance practiced law and was a frequent speaker on estate planning and elder law issues. Limited to twenty-five. RSVP: 541-346-0697.

LCC Campus Field Trip

Monday, September 19,
10:00 a.m.–noon

Join us for the opportunity to view the recently opened Health and Sciences Center and the Long House at Lane Community College. See up close the green innovations used to heat and cool the new buildings. **Mary Spilde**, LCC president, and **Brett Rowlett**, head of Community Relations, will inform us about the new downtown campus and exciting new programs.

LCC is truly committed to achieving dreams for our community through its various skills programs in the health sciences, automotive,

mechanical, electrical, culinary, and other fields. The conclusion of our exclusive visit will be a delicious soup and salad luncheon with cookies and beverages, prepared by their catering staff.

- The tour will start at 10:00 a.m. in the LCC Center for Meeting and Learning, which is Building 19, close to the clock tower.
- There will be a sign-up sheet in the office. Reservations are necessary, so please sign up and make your check out to the University of Oregon in the amount of \$19.80.
- LCC campus maps will be provided with Building 19 clearly marked. Let's meet five minutes before 10:00 a.m. in front of Building 19. A wheelchair ramp and an elevator make access easy. Parking will not be a problem.
- Here is a link with a map and directions: <http://www.lanec.edu/mpr/locations/mc.htm>

For more information, please contact Anne Mehl at 541-302-2806.

Discover Lifelong Learning Day

Wednesday, September 21,
10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

This day-long open house is our opportunity to showcase all that our program offers as non-members sample a variety of study and discussion groups, seminars, and lecture-discussion sessions.

Nine sessions, all led by current OLLI-UO members, are scheduled during four class periods. Community members may register for up to four sessions of their choice. A full schedule for the day is available on the

OLLI website: osher.uoregon.edu and in the classroom area.

We need your help in order to make this introductory day a success. Invite your friends to register, help distribute fliers, or sign up to be a host for part of the day. Contact Kitty Meredith, kittymeredith@comcast.net, 541-968-3881, or the OLLI office at 541-346-0697.

Mozart, Masonry, and The Magic Flute

Wednesday and Friday, September 28 and 30, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

Most of us think of Mozart's comic opera as a magical myth involving a dragon, three little boys in a hot-air balloon, the Cruella de Vil of opera—The Queen of the Night, a young couple in love, and Papageno the Birdman, a funny man dressed in feathers. However, less is known about Mozart's entry into the Order of Freemasons and active participation in a Masonic lodge in Vienna during the reign of Joseph II. At this time in the period of the Enlightenment, about 1782, Joseph approved of the Masonic Order and its principles of the brotherhood of man, the trials of the ritual, the secret mysteries. **Klaus Galda** will discuss the philosophic framework of those times, and **Phyllis Villec** will demonstrate in music and pictures how masonry is portrayed in Mozart's masterwork.

Governing Council Nominations

At the end of this month, nine members of the Governing Council will end their terms. Two current members, **Phyllis Villec** and **Ken Capron**, have accepted nominations for

Eugene/Springfield

a second term. The nominating committee has proposed a slate of seven additional nominees: **Jerry Horgan, Pam McClure Johnston, Jack Meacham, Gordon Nagai, Anne Niemiec, Karen Seidel, and Marian Spath.**

The Council elections will be held at the Annual Membership Meeting and Luncheon on September 14 (see related story on page 1). OLLI-VO members who would like to make additional nominations should first ask their nominee's consent, and then submit a written nomination either to David Newman, nominating committee chair, Beate Galda, council president, or Ruth Heller, OLLI-VO program director, prior to the September 9 Council Meeting.

The Short Stories of Our Time: Part II

If you love to read but have limited time, consider exploring some classic American literature in the form of short stories. Beginning October 12, in the short course *The Stories of Our Times Part II*, Dr. Sheila Pardee will again lead readers in discussion of tales from America's greatest storytellers, including Ring Lardner, Katherine Anne Porter, and Ann Beattie. Along with the classics from our anthology, *The Best American Short Stories of the Century*, edited by John Updike, we will also consider some recent stories by talented contemporary writers. Class will meet the second and fourth Wednesdays from October 12 through December 14, at 10:00–11:30 a.m. Pre-registration is encouraged; call 541-346-0697 or stop by the OLLI office.

Study and Discussion Group Update

Many of the study and discussion groups, which have been on summer hiatus, will resume regular schedules this month. Philosophy Salon and Exploring German will return on Monday, September 12.

The International Relations discussion group will be taking part in two special events this month, Dr. Peter Bechtold's lecture series on Wednesday, September 7, and our "Discover Lifelong Learning" open house on September 21. Regular meetings, 10:00 a.m.–noon on first and third Wednesdays, will resume in October.

Fifth Thursday discussion group will meet at 10:00 a.m. on September 29. The topic for discussion is: "Dealing with death. Tell about your experiences with death and tell how that affected you. What advice can you glean from your experiences with death? Have you prepared for death?"

Learning Circle

Monthly Schedule

Monday

10:00 a.m. Creative Writing: first and third weeks; Philosophy Salon: second and fourth weeks—on hiatus until September 12.
3:30 p.m. Exploring German: on hiatus until September 12.

Tuesday

9:30 a.m. Historical Novels: second and fourth weeks
10:30 a.m. Understanding Science: first, third and fifth weeks
1:30 p.m. Art History: first and third weeks; Classics/Philosophy: fourth week
3:00 p.m. Interpretive Playreading: first and third weeks

Wednesday

10:00 a.m. International Relations: first and third weeks —on hiatus until October 5.

Thursday

10:00 a.m. Thinking Allowed: first and third weeks; News and Views: second and fourth weeks; Fifth Thursday Discussion: fifth week
Noon Poetry Writing: third week
1:30 p.m. Music Appreciation: second and fourth weeks
3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation: weekly

Friday

11:00 a.m. Intermediate Spanish: weekly

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Editor's Note: Portland

Results from our phone survey are coming in daily, and we're happy to announce that the information gathered is already helping to shape a better

OLLI-UO in Portland. Thank you for your participation! If you have not yet completed your survey or would like a survey mailed to you, please call the OLLI-UO in Portland office at 503-412-3653.

I want to give special thanks to our members who have taken the time to place phone calls and conduct these surveys: George Davidson, Jean Baker, Lynn Hingson, Mike Ellis, and Walt Milliman.

Through the results of our survey, we've found that many members are interested in discussing the goals and objectives of OLLI, especially membership growth and visibility in the community. To facilitate this discussion, a new monthly outreach meeting will be held on

Wednesday, September 7, from 12:30–1:30 p.m. The format of this meeting will be similar to that of Snack and Yak and is open to all OLLI-UO members.

Ideas to be discussed in these meetings include OLLI-UO and Open House advertising tactics, word-of-mouth promotion of the program and ways OLLI can help members discuss the program with their friends, the possibility of offering a few offsite classes and viable locations, and member retention.

Snack and Yak will continue to be a place to shape curriculum and share ideas for programming, including speakers you might be interested in and classes, lectures or field trips you'd like to facilitate or see offered. Autumn will prove to be exciting at OLLI, and, as always, we'd love to have your input.

Adrianna Mahoney, Program Coordinator

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Capital Punishment in Film

Thursday, September 1,
1:30–4:00 p.m.

As OLLI's speaker series on Capital Punishment concludes, members are invited to explore this issue through film. On the Thursday following Defense Attorney Jeff Ellis' presentation, the film *Dead Man Walking* (1995) will be shown. Members are encouraged to stay for discussion following the film.

"Scheduled to be put to death for brutally slaying two teens, Matthew Poncelet (Sean Penn) seeks the aid of activist nun Helen Prejean (Susan Sarandon), a death-penalty opponent. She becomes Matthew's spiritual adviser and tries to halt the execution, even though Matthew's professed innocence is dubious. As the execution date draws ever

closer, Sister Helen works to save Matthew's soul by getting him to confess and to ask divine forgiveness." (<http://bit.ly/pO1gZ5>)

This film, recommended by District Attorney of Clatsop County Joshua Marquis (speaker from the OLLI lecture, *The Argument for Capital Punishment*), is based on real life events. Sister Helen Prejean will be touring Oregon in October and is scheduled to speak at several public events. Information on Sister Helen's appearances will be made available to OLLI-UO members.

Discover the White Stag Block: Reception and Tour

Tuesday, September 6,
1:00–3:00 p.m.

Join us as we kick off September with a reception in the UO Library and Learning Commons. Enjoy light

refreshments while learning about the onsite UO Library and your OLLI library privileges from librarians **Karen Munro** and **Susan Gilman**. Meet at 1:00 p.m. in the Library and Learning Commons.

At 2:00 p.m., join Facilities Services Manager **John Woelfle** for a tour of the White Stag Block. Comprised of three historic buildings—the Bickel Block Building, the Skidmore Block Building, and the White Stag and Hirsch-Weiss Building, the White Stag Block is one of a handful of LEED-certified buildings on the National Register of Historic Places. The tour will depart from the Library and Learning Commons. The entrance is located in the White Stag Block light court.

Leaving a Trace: Writing About Your Life

Thursdays, beginning September 8, 2:30–4:30 p.m.

Following a short hiatus in August, the writing group, Leaving a Trace: Writing About Your Life, will resume on Thursday, September 8. Led by OLLI member, **Judi McGavin**, this group provides a friendly, supportive, and intimate setting to explore and share memories and experiences.

“In this course, we will explore moving from journal writing to finding the ‘line of thought.’ We will write, share, engage in writing exercises, and have a couple of guests who have moved from journal, to memoir, to a published book.

“Through this experience, I hope to share with you how to leave a lasting piece of work about your lives.

“We will identify ten key patterns hidden in all journals and find the story underneath the surface of recorded fact. We will learn how to play detective to your days, find the ‘thought line’ or the arc of life’s meaning in your life, and frame these stories for journal, family chronicle or memoir.”

Past questions the writing group has considered are:

- What is something that got left behind?
- What is something you cannot deny?
- What is something you wrote or did that you no longer understand?

Members may join this group at anytime. Experience with writing or journaling is not required.

Nature and Ethics in the Biblical Writings

Monday, September 19, 1:00–3:00 p.m.

The Biblical authors frequently invest plants, animals, heavenly bodies and the Earth itself with human and superhuman qualities, while at the same time divesting them of value in view of their transcendent Creator.

Is this accidental and contradictory? Ignorant and suicidal? Unapologetically anthropocentric? We will review diverse perspectives on nature found in the Hebrew scriptures and Christian writings, discuss the social and natural ecologies of the cultures that produced them, and then turn to the ethics that such stances imply. Throughout, we will keep in mind such texts’ ongoing influence on modern readers and question to what extent it can and should speak to our ecological concerns today.

David Buttrick is a recent M.A. graduate in biblical studies of the Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology in Berkeley, California. He currently lives and works on an organic vegetable farm in Lebanon, Oregon.

Julius Caesar Revisited

Tuesday, September 27, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

Nearly all of us have read Shakespeare’s famous play, *The Tragedy of Julius Caesar*. It is required reading even today for most high school students and seems a simple play, one of historical importance that lends itself well to discussion. Revisiting this play so many years later, however, reveals the elegance and beauty of this work. What we recall from those famous

lines, “Et tu, Brute?” and “Friends, Romans, countrymen, lend me your ears” is magnificence in the play’s construction and intricacy.

Revisit *The Tragedy of Julius Caesar* with Washington State University Professor Emeritus **John Ehrstine**. Professor Ehrstine will discuss the tragic play and show film clips of the two great soliloquies from the 1954 version of Julius Caesar, starring Marlon Brando.

The Many Lives of South Portland

Wednesday, September 28, 1:30–3:00 p.m.

A century ago, South Portland was our city’s most intensely developed immigrant neighborhood, housing thousands of newcomers from Italy and from the Jewish communities of eastern Europe. In the ensuing decades, it has been transformed by economic change, urban renewal, highway construction, and the growth of Portland State University.

This presentation traces that history and shows how South Portland has reflected many of the larger forces that have remade Portland and other cities over four generations.

Carl Abbott is professor of Urban Studies and Planning at Portland State University, where he has taught since 1978. He is the author of ten books about the history of American cities and the American West. He has been president of the Urban History Association and is president-elect of the American Historical Association-Pacific Coast Branch. His most recent book, available this fall, is *Portland in Three Centuries: The Place and the People*.

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1 Thursday

10:30 a.m. Extra Innings [discussion group] (148C)

1:30 p.m. Capital Punishment in Film [film/discussion] *Dead Man Walking* (152)

2 Friday

Noon—October Newsletter Submission Deadline

5:00 p.m. OLLI Night Out [member-to-member social] See weekly e-minders for meet-up location.

5 Monday

UO Closed for Labor Day Holiday

6 Tuesday

10:30 a.m. The Story of Human Language [DVD study group] Language Families—Clues to the Past; The Case Against the World's First Language (152)

1:00 p.m. Library and Learning Commons Information Session

2:00 p.m. White Stag Block Tour

7 Wednesday

10:30 a.m. How to Listen to and Understand Great Music [DVD study group] Baroque Opera, Part 1; Baroque Opera, Part 2. Facilitator: Joanna Rood (152)

12:30 p.m. Outreach Meeting [informal meeting] All members welcome to attend. (148C)

8 Thursday

10:30 a.m. Extra Innings [discussion group] (148C)

1:00 p.m. Literati [discussion group] Selection: *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain (148C)

2:30 p.m. Leaving a Trace: Writing About Your Life [study group] Facilitator: Judi McGavin (149)

9 Friday

5:00 p.m. OLLI Night Out [member-to-member social] See weekly e-minders for meet-up location.

13 Tuesday

10:30 a.m. The Story of Human Language [DVD study group] The Case for the World's First Language; Dialects—Subspecies of Species (346J)

1:30 p.m. Classic Houses of Portland [lecture/discussion] Presenter: Architect and Author William Hawkins (150)

14 Wednesday

10:30 a.m. How to Listen to and Understand Great Music [DVD study group] The Oratorio; The Lutheran Church Cantata. Facilitator: Joanna Rood (346J)

12:30 p.m. Snack and Yak [informal planning meeting] All members welcome to attend. Refreshments provided. (148C)

1:30 p.m. Legacy: The Origins of Civilization—Iraq: The Cradle of Civilization [discussion group] Facilitator: Lynn Hingson (346J)

15 Thursday

10:30 a.m. Extra Innings [discussion group] (148C)

2:30 p.m. Leaving a Trace: Writing About Your Life [study group] Facilitator: Judi McGavin (149)

16 Friday

5:00 p.m. OLLI Night Out [member-to-member social] See weekly e-minders for meet-up location.

19 Monday

1:00 p.m. Nature and Ethics in the Biblical Writings [lecture/discussion] Presenter: David Buttrick (152)

20 Tuesday

10:30 a.m. The Story of Human Language [DVD study group] Dialects—Where Do You Draw the Line?; Dialects—Two Tongues in One Mouth (152)

21 Wednesday

10:30 a.m. How to Listen to and Understand Great Music [DVD study group] Passacaglia; Ritornello Form and the Baroque Concerto. Facilitator: Joanna Rood (152)

1:30 p.m. Legacy: The Origins of Civilization—China: The Mandate of Heaven [discussion group] Facilitator: Lynn Hingson (152)

Portland

22 Thursday

10:30 a.m. Extra Innings [discussion group] (148C)

1:00 p.m. Literati [film/discussion]
The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn. Selection for October 13:
Wuthering Heights by Emily Brontë (148C)

2:30 p.m. Leaving a Trace: Writing About Your Life [study group] Facilitator: Judi McGavin (149)

23 Friday

5:00 p.m. OLLI Night Out [member-to-member social] See weekly e-minders for meet-up location.

27 Tuesday

10:30 a.m. The Story of Human Language [DVD study group] Dialects—The Standard as Token of the Past; Dialects—Spoken Style, Written Style (346J)

1:30 p.m. Julius Caesar Revisited [lecture/discussion] Presenter: Professor Emeritus John Ehrstine (150)

28 Wednesday

10:30 a.m. How to Listen to and Understand Great Music [DVD study group] The Enlightenment and an Introduction to the Classical Era; The Viennese Classical Style, Homophony, and the Cadence. Facilitator: Joanna Rood (150)

1:30 p.m. The Many Lives of South Portland [lecture/discussion] Presenter: Professor Carl Abbott (150)

29 Thursday

10:30 a.m. Extra Innings [discussion group] (148C)

2:30 p.m. Leaving a Trace: Writing About Your Life [study group] Facilitator: Judi McGavin (149)

30 Friday

5:00 p.m. OLLI Night Out [member-to-member social] See weekly e-minders for meet-up location.

Location

UO in Portland White Stag Block
70 NW Couch Street, Portland

Unless otherwise specified, all programs are:

- 1) Held at the White Stag Block.
- 2) Open only to OLLI-UO members and those using the OLLI-UO one-month guest pass.

Key

105=WSB, Room 105
150 = WSB, Room 150
152 = WSB, Room 152
148C = WSB, Room 148C,
OLLI Office Suite
TBA = To Be Announced

Series Information

Some program series and short courses may continue in the coming months. Information on those upcoming topics should be available from the OLLI-UO office and/or the course leader. Schedule information provided in the next newsletter.

Questions?

Call 503-412-3653

Grid calendars available in the office or online at <http://osher.uoregon.edu>

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Parking and Transportation Tips

Finding parking can often seem like a challenge for OLLI members attending events at the Portland White Stag Block. To make that task a little easier, we would like to share the following information:

On-Street Parking

There are over 7,000 on-street parking spaces in the downtown area. The White Stag Block is surrounded by ninety-minute parking meters; however there are five-hour meters just blocks away, near NW 3rd and Flanders. The parking meter rate is \$1.60 per hour. Parking meters operate 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and 1:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Sundays.

Garage Parking

Another option is to park in the Smart Park Garage at NW Naito and NW Davis, just one block north of the White Stag Block. Smart Park Garages offer affordable parking at \$1.50 per hour.

Public Transportation

Both the Red and Blue Tri-Met Max lines run right past the White Stag Block with a convenient stop at Old Town/China Town just one block north. Honored citizens (those 65+) can purchase a two-hour ticket for just one dollar.

Safety First

A security guard is available upon request to escort you to the MAX or your vehicle. For more information on this service, please call 503-412-3653.



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Learning Circle

Monthly Schedule

Tuesday

10:30 a.m. The Story of Human
Language: weekly

Wednesday

10:30 a.m. How to Listen to and
Understand Great Music: weekly
1:30 p.m. Legacy: The Origins
of Civilization: September
14 and 21

Thursday

10:30 a.m. Extra Innings: weekly
1:00 p.m. Literati [book discussion]
Second and fourth Thursdays.
2:30 p.m. Leaving a Trace—Writing
About Your Life: weekly

Please remember to notify the
OLLI-UO in Portland staff if
you need to modify or cancel a
discussion group or session. It is
our policy to notify all OLLI-UO
members as well as White Stag
Block classroom schedulers of
changes to the schedule.

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Legacy: The Origins of Civilization

Wednesdays, September 14 and
21, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

“What can the past teach us about
the present? Come along as charis-
matic historian Michael Wood trav-
els the globe to trace the origins of six
great civilizations: Iraq, India, China,
Egypt, Central America, and Western
Europe. Each journey offers surprising
perspectives on questions that matter
today—about the environment, the
individual, society, and spirituality”
(<http://imdb.to/qSIAMV>).

- September 14—*Iraq: Cradle of
Civilization* “In places like Uruk
and Eridu in modern-day Iraq,
humans founded the first cities
nearly 6,000 years ago. They left us

literature, astronomy, and math-
ematics, as well as lessons in over-
population and environmental
stewardship.

- September 21—*China: The
Mandate of Heaven* “With great
thinkers such as Confucius and
Lao-Tzu, the Chinese conceived
a civilization reflecting cos-
mic harmony, sustained by civic
and social virtue, ancient rit-
ual, and reverence for ancestors”
(<http://imdb.to/pDxOCO>).
Discussion will follow each DVD
episode. Facilitator: **Lynn Hingson.**