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CENTRAL OREGON—Camp Amache: An American Story—WWII Internment of a Japanese Family

Monday, September 10, 2:00–4:00 p.m.

December 7, 1941 ushered in one of the darkest, most tragic episodes in our history as a nation: the evacuation and internment of Japanese and Japanese-Americans away from the West Coast. The Nagai family was interned at Granada-Amache Relocation Center in southeastern Colorado.

Gordon Nagai will share the experiences of his family in camp against the backdrop of the Japanese-American community in exile. He will describe life in the camps, the hardships endured especially by the elders, and how a people *continued on page 2*

EUGENE/SPRINGFIELD—Welcome Back Luncheon

Wednesday, September 12, noon–2:00 p.m.

OLLI members, mark your calendars now for the second Wednesday of September. We are planning another all-member gathering to kick off a new year of great programming. Join us for an informal lunch, program previews, the election of our 2012–2014 council members, and lots of good company!

Lunch will be provided at the unbeatable price of \$5.00 per person. Be sure to sign up at the OLLI-UO office by Friday, September 7.

2012-2014 Council Nominees

This summer, a nominating committee convened to identify candidates for service on the council. Current Council members *continued on page 7*

PORTLAND—Open House and Featured Lecture: Bees 101

Tuesday, September 18, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

*“How doth the little busy bee
Improve each shining hour
And gather honey all the day
From every opening flower!”*

We are pleased to answer Isaac Watt’s eighteenth century question with our Open House program, Bees 101, featuring Oregon’s popular resident naturalist, **Jim Anderson**. Anderson, one of Oregon’s most celebrated naturalists, has a compelling and extensive history as a writer and teacher. Active in conservation efforts, he has appeared many times in the “Oregon *continued on page 12*

Central Oregon



Director's Note: Central Oregon

During the easy-going Central Oregon summer, OLLI-UO has been easing into the classrooms at the UO Center. As might be expected in a new facility,

there have been a few problems with the AV system. The Academic Extension staff has been working with UO Media Services to work out the system issues, and by the time fall term begins in earnest, we should have dependable AV for all our classroom users. For all who have joined in this summer adventure, thank you for your patience.

You will see new faces in the UO Center this fall as UO outreach and academic partners move into their offices and begin to use the classroom and meeting spaces. Look for updates in the classroom and special e-mail announcements.

As you read this month's newsletter, you will discover that your program committee has been hard at work this summer planning programs for fall. Our first Open House

is scheduled for September 10. Be sure to mark your calendars and to invite friends to join you at Gordon Nagai's presentation (page 1). This session will be the first in a series focusing on personal experiences of the Second World War.

In September and October, we will leave the classroom for the High Desert Theater series. These on-site presentations will include a behind-the-scenes look at local theatrical companies and previews of upcoming productions.

You can help us build our learning community throughout the fall by introducing your friends and family to OLLI. Plan now to bring a friend to a study group or presentation that will appeal to their interests. OLLI-UO brochures and membership packets are available at the UO Center.

Ruth Heller, Program Director, OLLI-UO

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tried to make the most of a tragic situation.

Gordon will tell us about the 442nd Regimental Combat Team formed of "volunteers" from the camps and of the remarkable combat records achieved while fighting for their country as their parents languished in concentration camps back home. He will also include history of the Japanese immigration and the intolerance that led to the internment.

Gordon is an avid and active OLLI member in Eugene, serving on the council.

This is our annual Fall Open House; please invite your family and friends who might be potential OLLI members to join us in the Brooks Room of the Bend Public Library for this program.

OLLI-CO Annual Members' Picnic

Sunday, September 9,
3:00–6:00 p.m. Pioneer Park, Bend
Mark your calendar so you don't miss out. It's time for the Annual OLLI-CO Picnic. Join us at Pioneer Park at the corner of Wall and Portland Streets for an afternoon of good food, great conversation, and socializing. It will be 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 providing roasted chicken and soft drinks and asking our members to bring a side dish or dessert. Call the Eugene office at 800-824-2714 to RSVP and tell them how many people will be coming. Family is invited to join us for this Sunday event. Don't miss out on the fun, food, and fellowship.

RSVPs requested by Tuesday, September 4.

High Desert Theater: Central Oregon's Performing Arts Venues

Wednesday, September 5, and
Thursday, September 27,
2:00–4:00 p.m.

"Hey, let's put on a show! Time to fix up that old barn and put up a stage!"

Ever wonder what it really takes to make Mickey and Judy's dream come true? Find out by attending OLLI-CO's new series exploring the arts close at hand here in Central Oregon.

The series begins on Wednesday, September 5, at the Innovation Theatre Works from 2:00–4:00 p.m. with a presentation by cofounder **Brad Hills**. Not only will Hills give us a history of the theater and its mission in Bend and discuss its upcoming new season, but he'll treat us to a scene

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from September's opening production, *Inherit the Wind*. There will be time for questions and answers, although Hills will most likely be unable to tell you how to become a star!

Hills, executive artistic director, brings more than thirty years of theatrical stage experience as a producer, director, and designer to Innovation Theatre and will share that experience with OLLI. He was artistic director of four theatre companies in Los Angeles, Seattle, and Washington, DC, and has received numerous awards for directing.

Our adventure continues on Thursday, September 27, 2:00 p.m. at Cascades Theatrical Company (CTC). We'll enjoy a presentation focusing on the nuts and bolts of making a production a reality, including how a play is chosen, financed, cast, designed, directed, kept fresh for each performance, all the way through to the cast party.

In addition, we will get a look at CTC's upcoming season, which begins in September with *Wrong Window*, a parody of Hitchcock's *Rear Window*. We will be treated to this insider's look by the team: **Lana Shane**, theatre operations manager, **Erik Anderson**, lead production technician, and **Will Futterman**, box office manager, whose job description sounds more like a CFO, in charge of everything from volunteers to funding.

Stay tuned for details about a presentation by 2nd Street Theater in October!

We hope you will join us for these exciting presentations, which we hope will encourage you to think "Bend" when you are in the mood for a theatrical experience close to home!

Geological Tour: The Deschutes River and Benham Falls

Thursday, September 6, 9:00 a.m., meet at Bend Senior Center. Join OLLI member and trip organizer, **Bob Clautice**, for the season's final geology tour. You may know of Benham Falls along the Deschutes, but have you heard of Lake Benham? 7,000 years ago, it extended from Benham Falls south to La Pine State Park, flooding all of what is now Sunriver and the area to the south. Learn how the lake was formed, how it disappeared, and other features that make up present day Deschutes River geology.

A drive to the top of Lava Butte (weather permitting) will give you a grasp of the magnitude of lava that changed the course of the Deschutes and produced the lake totally blocking Benham Falls and forming other geological points.

We will then move on to the river, viewing points from Benham, Dillon, and Lava Island Falls before stopping at Meadow Camp and moving to Bend proper. Total driving is about sixty miles with a stop for lunch. Estimate about five hours with the trip to Lava Butte.

We will meet at the Bend Senior Center covered picnic area at 9:00 a.m. for a brief discussion and to arrange car-pooling. Please, if you have a Golden Age Passport (or equivalent), bring them along so that we have one for each car; any car without a pass will need a five-dollar day pass.

Bring water, lunch, binoculars, and a jacket (it can get windy on the Butte). Handouts with maps will be provided.

Sign up by contacting the OLLI-UO office, 800-824-2714, by Friday, August 31. Look for more details in the weekly e-minders.

Summer Documentary Series

Wednesdays, September 5 and 12, 10:00 a.m.–noon, UO Center in Bend. Join OLLI-CO as the summer documentary series comes to an end with these two final films.

September 5: *Collapse* "Americans generally like to hear good news. They like to believe that a new President will right old wrongs, that clean energy will replace dirty oil, and that fresh thinking will set the economy straight. American pundits tend to restrain their pessimism and to hope for the best. But is anyone prepared for the worst?"

"Michael Ruppert [is] a different kind of American. A former Los Angeles police officer turned independent reporter, he predicted the current financial crisis in his self-published newsletter *From the Wilderness* at a time when most Wall Street and Washington analysts were still in denial" (<http://bit.ly/cf01ZF>).

Facilitator: **Ed Lee**

September 12: "*Undeclared* is an Oscar-winning 2011 documentary directed by Daniel Lindsay and T.J. Martin. The film documents the struggles of a high school football team, the Manassas Tigers of Memphis, as they attempt a winning season after years of losses. The team is turned around by coach Bill Courtney, who helps form a group of young men into an academic and athletic team" (<http://bit.ly/Pg6ExL>).

Facilitator: **Russ Hopper**

Oceanography: Exploring Earth's Final Wilderness

Fridays, September 14 and 21, 1:00–3:00 p.m.

"Earth's ocean is a source of wonder,

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3 Monday

UO Closed for Labor Day Holiday

4 Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Book Discussion Group
[study group] *The Passage of Power: The Years of Lyndon Johnson* by Robert A. Caro.
Facilitator: Tom O'Brien (UOC)

Noon—Round Table Luncheon at Tethrow Golf Club [discussion group] For reservations, contact Harlie Peterson, harliepete@hotmail.com or call the OLLI-UO office at 800-824-2714.

5 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Documentary Film Series
[film discussion] Selection: *Collapse*. Facilitator: Ed Lee (UOC)

2:00 p.m. High Desert Theatre—Central Oregon's Performing Arts Venues: Innovation Theatre Works [lecture series]
Presenter: Brad Hill. Meet at 1155 SW Division Street, Bend

6 Thursday

9:00 a.m. Geological Tour: The Deschutes River and Benham Falls [field trip] Bob Clautice. Call 800-824-2714 by Friday, August 31, to RSVP.

7 Friday

Noon—October Newsletter Submission Deadline

9 Sunday

3:00 p.m. Annual Membership Picnic
[social] Call 800-824-2714 to RSVP by Tuesday, September 4. Pioneer Park, Bend

10 Monday

2:00 p.m. Open House—Camp Amache: An American Story—WWII Internment of a Japanese Family [lecture]
Presenter: Gordon Nagai (DPL)

12 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Documentary Film Series
[film discussion] Selection: *Undefeated*. Facilitator: Russ Hopper (UOC)

14 Friday

1:00 p.m. Oceanography: Exploring Earth's Final Wilderness [DVD study group] Diving In—The Ocean Adventure; Explorers, Navigators, Pioneering Scientists. Facilitators: Bob Clautice and Russel Hopper (UOC)

17 Monday

3:00 p.m. Membership Outreach Committee Interim Chair: Russ Hopper (UOC)

18 Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Book Discussion Group
[study group] *The Passage of Power: The Years of Lyndon Johnson* by Robert A. Caro.
Facilitator: Tom O'Brien (UOC)

19 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Mr. Lincoln: The Life of Abraham Lincoln [DVD study group] Young Man Lincoln; Whig Meteor. Facilitator: TBA (UOC)

21 Friday

1:00 p.m. Oceanography: Exploring Earth's Final Wilderness [DVD study group] Ocean Basics and Ocean Basins; Mapping the Sea—Soundings to Satellites. Facilitators: Bob Clautice and Russel Hopper (UOC)

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25 Tuesday

2:00 p.m. Program Committee Meeting Chair: Helen Pruitt (UOC)

26 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Mr. Lincoln: The Life of Abraham Lincoln [DVD study group] Lincoln, Law, and Politics; The Mind of Abraham Lincoln. Facilitator: TBA (UOC)

27 Thursday

2:00 p.m. High Desert Theatre—Central Oregon's Performing Arts Venues: Cascades Theatrical Company [lecture series] Presenters: Lana Shane, Erik Anderson, and Will Futterman. Meet at 148 NW Greenwood Avenue, Bend

28 Friday

10:00 a.m. Council Meeting
President: Burt Litman (UOC)

1:00 p.m. Science Friday [discussion group] Facilitators: Bob Clautice and Russel Hopper (UOC)

Locations

University of Oregon Center in Bend
80 NE Bend River Mall, 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

Key

UOC = UO Center in Bend
BSC = Bend Senior Center
DHM = DesChutes Historical Museum
TMA = Touchmark Auditorium
TMRL = Touchmark River Lodge
TBA = To Be Announced

Renewals

Mail renewals and membership applications to:

OLLI-UO Central Oregon
1277 University of Oregon
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Or call the OLLI-UO office to renew,
800-824-2714

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Russel Hopper, 541-647-4626

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Learning Circle

Monthly Schedule

Monday

10:00 a.m. Thinking Allowed and Thinking Allowed II are currently on summer hiatus.

Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Book Discussion Group, first and third weeks.

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

Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Documentary Discussions: first and second weeks.

Mr. Lincoln: The Life of Abraham Lincoln: begins September 19.

Friday

1:00 p.m. Oceanography—Exploring the Earth's Final Wilderness: first, second and third weeks.

Science Friday Discussions: fourth week.

We're always looking for members to lead study or discussion groups! Share your interests with other members or explore a new topic together. Contact the OLLI-UO office or the Central Oregon Program Chair if you're interested in leading a group.

For questions, call the OLLI-UO office 800-824-2714.

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delight, sustenance, economic benefit, and awe in the face of its overwhelming mystery and power. It dominates the natural world in ways that scientists are only now beginning to understand.

"But for all its importance, the ocean hides its secrets, and it is only with the advent of new sounding and sampling techniques, satellite sensors, and deep-sea submersibles that its riddles are being solved, shedding light on a domain that is breathtaking in its complexity and beauty" (<http://bit.ly/QyjGqE>).

Join OLLI-CO for the start of this thirty-six lecture Teaching Company DVD series on Science Fridays, facilitated by **Bob Clautice** and **Russel Hopper**.

Mr. Lincoln: The Life of Abraham Lincoln

Wednesdays, September 19 and 26, 10:00 a.m.–noon, UO Center in Bend
"Five days after Abraham Lincoln was buried in Springfield, Illinois, John Locke Scripps, who had convinced Lincoln to write his first campaign autobiography, wrote: 'In certain showy, and what is said to be, most desirable endowments, how many Americans have surpassed him! Yet how he looms above them now!'"

"The nation's sixteenth president, Scripps asserted, had become 'the Great American Man—the grand central figure in American (perhaps the World's) History.'"

"What made Lincoln great? What was it about him that struck those who knew him? This course explores those questions with the help of an authority who, in his own words, has 'spent many years trying to get to know this man from afar,' and in doing so has become

one of the country's most distinguished Lincoln scholars and an award-winning author for his books about Lincoln" (<http://bit.ly/MZeUmE>).

Join OLLI-CO for the start of this twelve-lecture Teaching Company DVD series on History Wednesdays.

Book Discussion Group

The Passage of Power: The Years of Lyndon Johnson by Robert A. Caro

Tuesdays, September 4 and 18, 10:00 a.m.–noon, UO Center
See the August newsletter for the book review. Facilitator: Tom O'Brien

In Search Of Happiness by Ashok Gulla

Tuesdays, October 2 and 16, 10:00 a.m.–noon, UO Center

"Every person has a right to be happy, no matter in whatever condition he or she is placed in life. Happiness does not come automatically nor does it remain with us for all the time. It requires nurturing with a right attitude and better understanding of our goals in life.

"We can bring happiness in our lives through having better values, understanding and a positive outlook, according to Ashok Gulla. This book deliberates on each aspect of life, be it love, attitude, family, society, profession, wealth, health, religion and spirituality, and discusses instances where we tend to err in our understanding.

The focus of this book is to raise awareness of these issues so that readers can understand the relevance of these issues in their lives and realize that current perception and outlook needs changing" (<http://amzn.to/MoLHMd>).

Join the OLLI-CO book group in October for an interesting discussion on the book.

Eugene/Springfield



Director's Note: Eugene/Springfield

school" month for OLLI-UO.

So I will risk cliché by saying, "welcome back to school," and by encouraging you to think of fall as a time to try something new at OLLI. If you primarily attend discussion groups, come to some of the lecture-based classes. These sessions cover a variety of topics and the second half always includes opportunities for a discussion. Those who plan their monthly calendar around the lectures and short courses might enjoy rounding out their schedule with a discussion, interest or study group. Would you like to learn more about science, art or music, philosophy or foreign language? We have study groups devoted to those topics; see the Learning Circle schedule on page 11.

It has become a bit clichéd to write about fall as a time when we look back on returning to school with nostalgia, but the truth is that September is "back to

At OLLI, you do not have to limit your involvement to the classroom. The field trips, tours, and special events organized by the Activities and Travel committee offer opportunities to learn more about our region and a chance to get to know your fellow OLLI members. The October tour of the USDA/OSU Gene Bank (page 11) provides a perfect example of the field trip experience. If you have not gone on one of the OLLI field trips in the past, sign up today!

Let us hear your voice this year—suggest a course or study group you would like to see on the schedule (suggestion forms are available in the classroom), or you can visit a committee meeting, or meet with a committee chair or me, to discuss your course idea—we will help turn your idea into an OLLI offering.

Ruth Heller, OLLI-UO Program Director

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Susan Rutherford and **Howard Schuman** accepted nominations for a second term. Also nominated for a two-year term to begin in October 2012 are **John O'Brien** and **Byron Chell**.

The Council and Nominating Committee would like to express their thanks and appreciation to out-going Council members **Dick Williams** and **Marian Spath** for their dedicated service.

OLLI members who wish to make additional Council nominations should first ask the individual's permission and then submit a written nomination to Committee Chair Ray Staton, Council President Phyllis Villec, or Program Director Ruth Heller, before Friday, September 7. Council elections will take place at the September 12 all-member luncheon.

Eugene Symphony: Podium Perspectives

Friday, September 14, 1:30–3:30 p.m. Maestro **Danail Rachev**, artistic director and conductor of the Eugene Symphony, has recently renewed his contract after three seasons. He now has the job through the 2016–2017 season and will lead the orchestra through its fiftieth anniversary celebrations.

Conducting has previously been the focus of Rachev's career; he has a long list of international and American collaborations with prominent orchestras and notable soloists. His position as artistic director adds responsibility for choosing the pieces to be performed, deciding how they are combined, in which programs, with which soloists, and when they will be performed during a season. He will discuss all of this

and describe the upcoming concert season in his first visit to OLLI.

Rachev is a native of Bulgaria, where he received his early musical training before moving to the USA to study at the Peabody Conservatory on a full scholarship. He was assistant conductor of the Philadelphia Orchestra from 2008–2010 and of the Dallas Symphony from 2005–2008. He also conducts regular concerts with the New World Symphony, where he was appointed the first ever conducting fellow.

Beyond War

Mondays, September 17–October 22, 12:30–2:30 p.m. OLLI-UO member **Jim Anderson** and Beyond War members in Lane County will present their views about reasonable and useful ways to

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Eugene/Springfield

3 Monday

UO Closed for Labor Day Holiday

4 Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Membership, Promotions and Awards Committee Meeting

Chair: Betty Hosokawa,
541-683-1907 (CN)

10:30 a.m. Understanding Science

[DVD study group] Special Topic:
The Large Hadron Collider/Higgs
Boson. Facilitator: John O'Brien
(AK)

1:30 p.m. Art History [DVD study group]

18th Century Realism and Rococo;
Neoclassicism and Romanticism.
Facilitator: Ray Staton (AK)

3:00 p.m. Interpretive Play Reading

[study group] Facilitator: Esther
Erford (CN)

5 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. International Relations

[discussion group] Topic: Yemen.
Facilitators: Susan Wyatt and
Lealan Swanson (CN)

6 Thursday

10:00 a.m. Thinking Allowed [discussion

group] What Can We Do For/As
the 99 percent? Facilitator: Chuck
Adams (CN)

3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation [study

group] Facilitators: Nancy Richey
and Stan Cook (CN)

7 Friday

9:30 a.m. Curriculum Committee Meeting

Chair: Dina Wills,
541-687-4784. (AK)

11:00 a.m. Intermediate Spanish [study

group] Facilitator: Bonnie Fromhold
(BZ)

**Noon—October Newsletter
Submission Deadline**

10 Monday

10:00 a.m. Philosophy Salon [study
group] DVDs: Wonhyo to King
Sejong—Korean Philosophy;
Padmasambhava to Tsongkhapa—
Tibetan Ideas. Facilitators: Byron
Chell, Lorraine Ironplow, Dennis
Lawrence (CN)

1:30 p.m. Beautiful Stars [film series] *Picnic*
(1955, 115 minutes) Introduced by
Dave Holloman (AK/MX)

3:30 p.m. Exploring German [study
group] Contact: Paul Holbo,
541-344-0959 (BZ)

3:45 p.m. French Language [study
group] Facilitator: Elaine deMartin
Webster (CN)

11 Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Historical Novels [book
group] *For Whom the Bell Tolls*
by Ernest Hemingway. Facilitator:
Corinne Hunt (BZ)

12 Wednesday

Noon—Welcome Back Luncheon

[social] preregistration required by
Friday, September 7. Call the OLLI-
UO office at 541-346-0697. Cost:
\$5.00 (AK/MX/CN)

13 Thursday

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

1:30 p.m. Music Appreciation [DVD
study group] Thirty Greatest
Orchestral Works—Tchaikovsky
Symphony No. 4. Facilitator: Dennis
Lawrence (CN)

3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation [study
group] Facilitators: Nancy Richey
and Stan Cook (CN)

14 Friday

9:30 a.m. Council Meeting

President: Phyllis Villec,
541-461-4567 (AK)

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

**1:30 p.m. Eugene Symphony: Podium
Perspectives** [lecture] Presenter:
Danail Rachev (AK/MX)

17 Monday

10:00 a.m. Creative Writing Critique

[study group] Facilitator: Livia
Taylor-Young (CN)

12:30 p.m. Beyond War [short course,
session one of six] Presenter: Jim
Anderson (CN)

1:30 p.m. Beautiful Stars [film series]
Raintree County (1957, 168
minutes). Introduced by Jack
Powell (AK/MX)

3:30 p.m. Exploring German [study
group] Contact: Paul Holbo,
541-344-0959 (BZ)

3:45 p.m. French Language [study
group] Facilitator: Elaine deMartin
Webster (CN)

18 Tuesday

10:30 a.m. Understanding Science

[DVD study group] Oceanography:
Marine Life, Energy, and Food
Webs; Tiny plankton—The Most
Abundant Life on Earth. Facilitator:
John O'Brien (AK)

1:30 p.m. Art History [DVD study group]
From Realism to Impressionism;
Post Impressionism—Form and
Content Reviewed. Facilitator: Ray
Staton (AK)

3:00 p.m. Interpretive Play Reading

[study group] Facilitator: Esther
Erford (CN)

Eugene/Springfield

19 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. International Relations
[discussion group] World Health Issues. Facilitator: Barbara Nagai (CN)

1:30 p.m. International Relations
Series: The Collision of Art and Politics in WWII Propaganda Films [lecture series, session one of three] Presenter: Joyce Churchill (AK/MX)

20 Thursday

10:00 a.m. Thinking Allowed [discussion group] Does Privatization of Public Functions (e.g. Prisons) Work? Facilitator: Chuck Adams (CN)

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

3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation [study group] Facilitators: Nancy Richey and Stan Cook (CN)

21 Friday

10:00 a.m. Understanding Iran [lecture] Presenter: Dr. Peter Bechtold (AK/MX)

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

1:30 p.m. The Tragic Story of Syria [lecture] Presenter: Dr. Peter Bechtold (AK/MX)

24 Monday

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

10:00 a.m. Philosophy Salon
[study group] DVDs: Science and Technology in Premodern Asia; Muhammad Iqbal and Rabindranath Tagore. Facilitators: Byron Chell, Lorraine Ironplow, Dennis Lawrence (CN)

12:30 p.m. Beyond War [short course, session two of six] Presenter: Jim Anderson (CN)

1:30 p.m. Beautiful Stars [film series] *The Heavenly Body*. Introduced by Jack Powell (AK/MX)

3:30 p.m. Exploring German [study group] Contact: Paul Holbo, 541-344-0959 (BZ)

3:45 p.m. French Language [study group] Facilitator: Elaine deMartin Webster (CN)

25 Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Historical Novels [book group] *For Whom the Bell Tolls* by Ernest Hemingway. Facilitator: Corinne Hunt (CN)

1:30 p.m. Classics/Philosophy [book group] *Lolita* by Vladimir Nabokov. Facilitator: Paul Holbo (CN)

26 Wednesday

1:30 p.m. Oregon's University Governance: Boards, Anyone? [lecture] Presenters: Senator Lee Beyer and Representative Val Hoyle. (AK/MX)

27 Thursday

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

1:30 p.m. Music Appreciation [DVD study group] Thirty Greatest Orchestral Works—Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto. Facilitator: Dennis Lawrence (CN)

3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation [study group] Facilitators: Nancy Richey and Stan Cook (CN)

28 Friday

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

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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move forward in International Relations that can lead to living in a world “Beyond War.” They will begin the exploration of this compelling idea on September 17, and continue meeting for the next five Mondays.

The first two sessions will focus on the basic principles of Beyond War and the implications that follow from the basic ideas. Two sessions on the Non-Violent Communication principles set forth by Marshall Rosenberg as well as more Beyond War ideas on communication topics will follow. Finally, members will use these tools to analyze possible responses to the US-Iran-Israel conflicts to see if we might propose a more fruitful and engaging policy that might actually lead to some understanding and agreement among the three parties involved. The goal is to come up with concrete proposals that might avoid a most unfortunate conflict.

The class format will include presentation of material in the first hour, followed by discussion of those ideas in the second hour. Look forward to a lively discussion and to uncovering some creative ways to proceed, which will take into account the needs and desires of all parties to these crucial issues. Input from OLLI and Beyond War members as well as UO student members of Beyond War and others is appreciated. Please join us for this illuminating and insightful series!

The Collision of Art and Politics in WWII Propaganda Films

Wednesday, September 19,
1:30–3:30 p.m.

In the early twentieth century, political revolutions insidiously crept

across Europe in the form of communism and fascism. At the same time, silent films became “talkies” and large audiences, weary from the Depression years, flocked to fill local theaters and escape their dreary and stressful day-to-day lives.

But this novel form of mass entertainment was viewed by certain European politicians as an opportunity to promote political ideologies and influence unsuspecting audiences. The political agenda was injected into this evolving artistic medium.

OLLI member **Joyce Churchill** will examine how the hidden messages of violence and hate took root in feature films and documentaries during the pre-war and war years and the techniques of their creators. You will view clips from the ground-breaking early propaganda films of Russia and Nazi Germany and explore how the war films of the U.S. countered their messages with a defense of American democracy.

Understanding Iran and Syria

Friday, September 21,
10:00 a.m.–noon and 1:30–3:30 p.m.
Dr. **Peter Bechtold** will begin by looking at three different versions of Iran: American, Iranian, and neutral. This will be followed by an overview of Iran’s identity throughout the ages and a description of the country’s geographic, economic, social, and religious characteristics. The third part will examine the current regime’s domestic and foreign policy in the Middle East (from Syria and Israel to Afghanistan) and the role of World Powers.

In his afternoon presentation, Bechtold will examine the tragic history of Syria from ancient times till today as a result of geography and

demographics. The mosaic of Syria’s population includes sixteen officially recognized religions and three ethnic groups. The Ba’th Party has ruled since 1963, the Alawi sect since 1966, and the Asad family since 1970. The current uprising contains three simultaneous conflicts: intra-Syrian, regional (Middle Eastern regimes taking sides), and the involvement of global powers.

Oregon’s University Governance: Boards, Anyone?

Wednesday, September 26,
1:30–3:30 p.m.

In the 1930s, the Legislature and educators decided to create an Oregon System of Higher Education. At that time, the two major institutions were the University of Oregon and Oregon State University, and three regional normal schools in La Grande (Eastern), Ashland (Southern), and Monmouth (Western). A State Board of Higher Education was established with oversight, accountability, and fiduciary responsibilities. Portland State University and the Oregon Institute of Technology (Klamath Falls) were added. Oregon Health Science University in Portland morphed from the University of Oregon’s Schools of Medicine, Nursing and Dentistry and became independent from the system a decade or so ago. As the state and the higher education have evolved and grown, issues of self-governance have arisen.

The Special Committee on University Governance was put in place by the 2012 Legislature to address these issues as the whole arena of Oregon public education undergoes significant changes. Meeting since March, the group of eight legislators

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and two public members has been taking testimony from the institutions, students, faculty members, unions, and the State Board.

We are fortunate to have two Lane County legislators on the Special Committee—Senator **Lee Beyer** and Representative **Val Hoyle** to lead our discussion. They will be joined by other stakeholders. Draft legislation and the issues involved with having separate institutional boards will be presented. Come and bring your opinions. The Special Committee must give its recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by November 1.

Corvallis Genebank Tour and Albany Historic Carousel & Museum

Wednesday, October 10,
9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

Save the date for an informative and fun-filled day. In the morning, we will tour the genebank in Corvallis, one of only thirty such facilities in the United States.

Just what is a genebank? A genebank is a type of storage facility where genetic material is preserved for all time. In Corvallis, they preserve and safeguard invaluable plant genetic resources of temperate fruit, nut, and agronomic crops. This collection contains hazelnuts, strawberries, hops, pears, currants, raspberries, blackberries, blueberries, and cranberries—all wonderful things that we like to eat, and very important for the agriculture of the Northwest. We will tour the labs and the field collection and orchard outside. This is the time to ask all those questions and find out just how preservation is done.

Following lunch, the Albany

Historic Carousel and Museum is next on our list. Started with the idea of creating an historic hand carved carousel, the whole creative process of designing, carving, and painting various carousel animals grew to become a community effort. We will be able to see the carvers and painters at work. The cost for this trip is only \$27.00. Additional cost is lunch at Novak's Hungarian Restaurant. The Carousel Museum happily accepts donations.

Register with Experience Oregon at 541-342-2662, and send your check to:

Experience Oregon
PO Box 338
Junction City, OR 97448

The bus will leave at 9:00 a.m. from Shopko on Coburg Road and will return there around 5:00 p.m. For more information, please call Veronika Walton at 541-344-1565.

History in Context—The 1940s

Wednesdays, October 17 and 24,
1:30–3:30 p.m.

From battlefield tragedies to the Baby Boom, New Look and a glowing era on the Broadway stage, there was a time of horrific war, fragile peace, immense creativity, and overwhelming optimism.

Kirk Taylor and **Olivia Taylor-Young** take an in-depth look at all of this and more in their latest series. Accompanying the original script are some sobering and delightful surprises within the PowerPoint presentation.

Since the '40s were so diverse and complex, this program will be in two parts. Mark your calendars for this exciting two-part series.

Learning Circle

Monthly Schedule

Monday

10:00 a.m. Creative Writing: first and third weeks
Philosophy Salon: second and fourth weeks
3:30 p.m. German Conversation, weekly
3:45 p.m. French Language: weekly

Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Historical Novels and Nonfiction: 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 Play Reading: first and third weeks

Wednesday

10:00 a.m. International Relations: first and third weeks

Thursday

10:00 a.m. Thinking Allowed: first and third weeks
News and Views: second and third 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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Program Coordinator's Note: Portland

September is here and we have several classes and an Open House event to celebrate the return of fall. Our fall Open House will feature Oregon naturalist

Jim Anderson, guest of the popular "Oregon Field Guide" programs. Anderson's presentation, *Bees 101*, will be a lively discussion of everything *Apis mellifera* and will include a glass demonstration hive. This Open House is sure to be a hit, so don't miss out!

In addition to showcasing the OLLI-UO program, this Open House marks the beginning of our collaboration with the Elsie Stuhr Center of the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District. Held at their Beaverton location, this Open House will provide a unique opportunity to bring academic programming to members of the Elsie Stuhr Center and surrounding neighborhood as well as increase OLLI-UO visibility in the greater Portland area.

To ensure the success of this Open House, we're calling on members to volunteer. If you're interested in volunteering for this Open House, contact the OLLI-UO office at 503-412-3653. As always, this Open House is free and open to the public. Invite your friends and family!

Though the White Stag Block will remain our primary location, our collaboration with the Elsie Stuhr Center this fall will mark a first in our efforts to explore new programming opportunities that allow us to bring programs to the community. Beginning October 11, OLLI-UO will provide the short course, *Western American Literature*, at the Elsie Stuhr Center in the evenings from 6:30–8:00 p.m. This course is free for OLLI members and open to nonmembers for \$70.00. See page thirteen of this newsletter for more information!

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Field Guide" programs and has worked for the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry. His book, *Tales from a Northwest Naturalist*, describes life as an active, engaged observer of wildlife.

Bee pollination is responsible for \$15 billion in added crop value, particularly for specialty crops such as almonds and other nuts, berries, fruits, and vegetables (Oregon crops). About one mouthful in three in our diet directly or indirectly benefits from honeybee pollination. In California, the almond crop alone uses 1.3 million colonies of bees, about half of all honeybees in the United States.

Beginning in 2006, some beekeepers began losing 30 to 90 percent of their hives from a currently unrecognizable cause. While there is still honey in the hive, a low number

of adult bees are present with a live queen, and there are no dead honeybees in the hive; it has been termed, "Colony Collapse Disorder." Find out more in this informed, lively discussion of *Apis mellifera*.

Invite your friends and family to join you at this free Open House. To volunteer for this Open House, contact the OLLI-UO office at 503-412-3653. This event will be held at the Elsie Stuhr Center of the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District, located at 5550 SW Hall Blvd, Beaverton.

Hard Times: An Exploration of Charles Dickens' Novel

Wednesdays, August 22, September 5, 12, and 19, 1:30–3:30 p.m. Written in 1854, *Hard Times* appeared after the socially tumultuous 1840s and during the expansive years of the 1850s. Dickens' tenth novel, a work

of social criticism, is an indictment of British industrialization and modernization. While he vividly depicts the physical hardships of factory work, he is even more concerned with the brutalization of the imagination and the decline of human kindness.

This reading-discussion class will explore *Hard Times* with Professor **Judith Stone**. She will present questions to encourage discussion, suggest how this novel fits into Dickens' work as a whole, and offer insights into the history of Victorian Britain.

Stone, who currently teaches at Portland State University, has her PhD in history and is a Delve Seminar Guide with Portland-based Literary Arts.

This four-session course is free for OLLI-UO members. It is open to the public and nonmembers for \$45.00. Registration is required. To register for this class, call 800-824-2714.

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Guitar and String Concert: Guitar, Violin, and Cello Trio

Thursday, September 27,
1:30–3:00 p.m.

Join OLLI-UO for an afternoon of music. Guitarist **Allen Mathews**, with violinist **James McLennan**, and cellist **Corey Averill**, will fill our event room with the music of Vivaldi, Paganini, Piazzola, and others. Bring a friend or neighbor to what will surely be an extraordinary performance!

Mathews, who specializes in classical, Spanish, and Brazilian music, has performed in six countries and throughout the U.S. He teaches guitar at Reed College and Oregon Episcopal School in Portland. For three years, he headed the classical guitar department at Lewis and Clark College. He has been a guest instructor and clinician at colleges and universities around the country.

Mathews will be accompanied by McLennan and Averill. McLennan is on faculty for the University of Arizona Extended Studies. He currently performs with the Portland Opera Orchestra as assistant concertmaster, the Oregon Ballet Theater Orchestra, and Sinfonia Concertante. Averill is the music director at the Portland Waldorf School and is an adjunct faculty member at Clark College.

Leaving a Trace: Writing About Your Life

Thursdays, September 6–20, and
October 4–25, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

“Writers are the custodians of memory, and that’s what you must become if you want to leave some kind of record of your life and of the family you were born into. That record can take many shapes... Whatever it is, it’s an

important kind of writing” (Zinsser, William. “How to Write a Memoir”).

The OLLI-UO memoir writing group, *Leaving a Trace: Writing About Your Life*, returns September 6. Instructor **Judi McGavin** will guide members through several writing exercises, and members will have the option to share what they’ve written. This group is an opportunity to encourage yourself to write, to explore what it means, to tell others, and to enjoy the adventure. It will also be a chance to put down all of those stories that you want your children and grandchildren to know—a chance to tell your story your way.

Wisdom Circle: The Journey from Age-ing to Sage-ing

Thursdays, September 13 and 27,
October 4 and 25, 10:30–11:30 a.m.

“Who will care for me when I’m old? Is it too late to prepare for my aging? Am I the only one who yearns for conversations of substance?” (<http://bit.ly/QBTATv>).

In these sessions, facilitated by OLLI-UO member **Ken Pyburn**, members will discuss what a wisdom circle is: peers who come together to discuss and learn from each other; a discussion that focuses on issues that concern maturing, aging, and the changing role of elders in our society.

Members will also discuss what it is not: a therapy group; a support group; a religious or political group, although spirituality is discussed. Additionally, members will cover the myriad reasons for participating.

Using the book, *A Harvest of Years* by Cynthia Trenshaw, members will discuss suggested topics on proactive aging and health to form a

wisdom circle. For a copy of *A Harvest of Years* or for more information on this study group, contact the OLLI-UO office at 503-412-3653.

OLLI-UO Computer Lab

Tuesdays, September 11 and 25,
1:00–2:30 p.m.

Are your computer skills a little rusty? Are you comfortable navigating the Internet and social media? Do you know how to upload and share your vacation photos? Brush up on the basics in these new lab sessions!

In September, we’ll continue to have open labs, where members are encouraged to bring their questions and projects. A UO staff person will be on hand to assist. As these computer lab sessions progress, specialized classes and instruction will be introduced.

Sign Up Today—Western American Literature

Thursdays, October 11–
November 15, 6:30–8:00 p.m.

Sign up today for the six-session course, *Western American Literature*. In this course, members will look at fiction and poetry about four aspects of America in the West: religious conversion, Native experience, the gold rush period in California, and modern western experience in Montana. With Emeritus Professor **Richard Lewis** as your guide, we’ll study works including *Death Comes for the Archbishop*, *The Way to Rainy Mountain*, *Gold Rush Days* (Brett Harte), *A River Runs Through It*, and various poems.

Professor Lewis, who received his PhD in Old and Middle English Literature from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, retired as the executive

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3 Monday

UO Closed for Labor Day Holiday

4 Tuesday

10:30 a.m. American Identity

[DVD study group] Samuel Gompers—*The Trade Unionist*; Emma Goldman—*The Anarchist*.
Facilitator: Roy Kruger (152)

5 Wednesday

10:30 a.m. The History of World Literature

[DVD study group] Achebe's *Things Fall Apart*; Beckett's Plays (152)

12:30 p.m. Brown Bag Lunch

[social] All members welcome to attend. (148C)

1:30 p.m. Hard Times: An Exploration of Charles Dickens' Novel

[short course, session two of four] Instructor: Professor Judith Stone. Free for OLLI-UO members. \$45.00 for nonmembers. Register by calling the OLLI-UO office at 800-824-2714. (150)

6 Thursday

1:30 p.m. Leaving a Trace: Writing

About Your Life [short course; session one of seven] A memoir writing class. Members may join at any time. Instructor: Judy McGavin. (149)

11 Tuesday

10:30 a.m. American Identity [DVD study group] Isabella Stewart Gardner—*The Collector*; Oliver Wendell Holmes—*The Jurist*.
Facilitator: Roy Kruger (152)

1:00 p.m. OLLI Computer Lab [study group] Open session. Facilitated by UO staff. (374)

12 Wednesday

10:30 a.m. The History of World Literature

[DVD study group] Borges's *Labyrinths*; Rushdie's *Haroun and the Sea of Stories* (152)

12:30 p.m. Brown Bag Lunch

[social] All members welcome to attend. (148C)

1:30 p.m. Hard Times: An Exploration of Charles Dickens' Novel

[short course, session three of four] Instructor: Professor Judith Stone. (150)

13 Thursday

10:30 a.m. Wisdom Circle: The Journey from Age-ing to Sage-ing [discussion group]
Facilitator: Ken Pyburn (149)

1:30 p.m. Leaving a Trace: Writing About Your Life [short course; session two of seven] A memoir writing class. Members may join at any time. Instructor: Judy McGavin. (149)

18 Tuesday

1:30 p.m. OLLI Open House and Special Lecture, Bees 101

[lecture] Presenter: Naturalist Jim Anderson. Open to the public. Meet at the Elsie Stuhr Center of the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District, located at 5550 SW Hall Blvd, Beaverton.

19 Wednesday

10:30 a.m. Ancient Greek Civilization

[DVD study group] Greece and the Western World; Minoan Crete.
Facilitator: TBD (150)

12:30 p.m. Brown Bag Lunch

[social] All members welcome to attend. (148C)

1:30 p.m. Hard Times: An Exploration of Charles Dickens' Novel

[short course, session four of four] Instructor: Professor Judith Stone. (150)

20 Thursday

1:30 p.m. Leaving a Trace: Writing About Your Life [short course; session three of seven] A memoir writing class. Members may join at any time. Instructor: Judy McGavin. (149)

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25 Tuesday

10:30 a.m. American Identity [DVD study group] Henry Ford—The Mass Producer; Duke Ellington—The Jazzman. Facilitator: Roy Kruger (142)

1:00 p.m. OLLI Computer Lab [study group] Open session. Facilitated by UO staff. (374)

26 Wednesday

10:30 a.m. Ancient Greek Civilization [DVD study group] Schliemann and Mycenae; The Long Twilight. Facilitator: TBD (150)

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

27 Thursday

10:30 a.m. Wisdom Circle: The Journey from Age-ing to Sage-ing [discussion group] Facilitator: Ken Pyburn (149)

1:30 p.m. Guitar and String Concert [concert] Musicians: Guitar: Allen Mathews, Violin: James McLennan, Cello: Corey Averill. Open to the public. (Event room)

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.

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 \$1.60 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. American Identity:
weekly. We will not meet on
Tuesday, September 18, due
to the Open House.

Wednesday

10:30 a.m. The History of World
Literature: weekly
Ancient Greek Civilization: weekly
beginning September 19.
1:00 p.m. OLLI Computer Lab:
second and fourth weeks

Thursday

Leaving a Trace: Writing About Your
Life: weekly

For questions, call the OLLI-UO
office at 503-412-3653 or
800-824-2714.

We're always looking for members
to lead study or discussion groups!
Share your interests with other
members or explore a new topic
together. Study or discussion
groups can meet for one session or
over multiple weeks. Contact Adri-
anna Mahoney at 503-412-3651 if
you're interested in leading a group.

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director of the Oregon Council for
the Humanities in 1997 after twenty
years in that position. He has taught as
an adjunct instructor at Washington
State University-Vancouver, Willa-
mette University, and the Linfield Col-
lege Division of Continuing Education.

This class will be held offsite at
the Elsie Stuhr Center of the Tualatin
Hills Park & Recreation District,
located at 5550 SW Hall Blvd, Bea-
verton. Registration is required. To
register, call 800-824-2714. This class
is free to OLLI-UO members and
open to the public for \$70.00.

Ancient Greek Civilization

Wednesdays, beginning September
19, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

“Why do the ancient Greeks occupy
such a prominent place in concep-
tions of Western culture and identity?
What about them made generations
of influential scholars and writers view
Hellenic culture as the uniquely essen-
tial starting point for understanding
the art and reflection that define the
West? Does this view tell the whole
story?” (<http://bit.ly/nGZ8Co>).

Learn the answers to these ques-
tions with this new Teaching Company
DVD study group. Facilitator: TBA.