CENTRAL OREGON—High Desert Theater:
Central Oregon’s Performing Arts Venues—2nd Street Theater
Thursday, October 4, 2:00 p.m.
Join OLLI for the third in our series on local theater companies and learn about 2nd Street Theater. Steve Dougherty and Maralyn Thoma started 2nd Street Theater in 2001 as a community theater, which produced professional quality shows. With the challenging economy, 2nd Street has morphed into a unique venue offering local playwrights and outside producers and directors the chance to put on their own performances with the support of 2nd Street Theater and Stage Right Productions.

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EUGENE/SPRINGFIELD—Open House
“A Twisted Mind is a Terrible Thing to Waste”
Wednesday, October 31, 1:30–3:30 p.m.
Nobody finds more fun and inspiration in dogs, cows, cats, kids, religion, weird and quirky people, and just plain life in general than Leigh Rubin. His witty humor shines through in his comic panel, Rubes, where the animals take on human attitudes and the people behave, well, um, oddly. Sometimes silly, sometimes irreverent but always hilarious, Rubes is standard fare in newspapers around the globe, 365 days a year.

In his humorous presentations “Sit-down comedian” Leigh emphasizes the rewards of persistence and the fun of problem-solving while celebrating the joy of

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PORTLAND—Colonialism in South Africa
Tuesdays, October 9 and 16, 1:30–3:30 p.m.
This is a two-part course that covers the rise of colonialism in what is now South Africa, from the arrival of the Dutch up to the founding of the Apartheid state. We will discuss the motives and problems of the Dutch and British colonies, and their relationships with the native tribes of the area. These topics, along with religion, race, and slavery, will be discussed against the larger backdrop of colonialism across the globe.

Tyler Soldat graduated from Central Washington University with duel bachelor’s degrees in history and religious studies. He earned his masters degree in world

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Editor’s Note: Central Oregon

While the fall weather is cooling down, the season at OLLI-CO is heating up. Discussion groups are back in full swing with Thinking Allowed at Touchmark, First Tuesday Lunch at Tetherow and the book group all meeting.

We do say a fond farewell to the original Thinking Allowed group and many thanks to Ruth Burleigh for leading this group for the past ten years. The “regulars” are sure to miss this enjoyable and informal discussion group.

This month, we’re following Gordon Nagai’s presentation on the Japanese Internment camps with a presentation by Julia Kennedy Cochran on her father’s book, Ed Kennedy’s War—V-E Day, Censorship and the Associated Press. If you know of an interesting speaker on any aspect of WWII, please bring it to Helen Pruitt and the program committee. We’d love to make this a continuing series.

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Participants are encouraged to select a topic they’d like and lead the discussion. To get things rolling this year, Helen will hand out a list of philosophical questions for discussion consideration. Examples:

- Why does nudity get an “R” rating faster than violence in films?
- Why are conspiracy theories so popular?
- Do we need to be concerned about death?
- Is belief in a higher power essential to human happiness?
- Is Wal-Mart a metaphor for what’s wrong with America?
- Why is it that people with the least evidence are the most convinced?

Interested? Intrigued? Join the group at Touchmark or for more information, call Helen Vandervort at 541-388-4858.

Field Trip: Newberry Volcano with Geologist Daniele McKay
Thursday, October 25, 9:00 a.m.
Most of us have visited Newberry National Volcanic Monument, but how much do you know about this largest volcano in the Cascades, which covers 1,200 square miles—about the size of Rhode Island? Join Daniele McKay, geologist and adjunct professor at OSU Cascades, for an in-depth tour to learn about this massive volcanic system.

Daniele studies recent volcanic activity in Central Oregon, teaches at OSU-Cascades, and leads field trips for Deschutes Land Trust. She has worked for several conservation groups and as an interpretative ranger.

We will meet at the southeast corner of Albertson’s parking lot on 97 South at 9:00 a.m. to arrange car pools. Please, if you have a Golden Age/Eagle or other passport, bring it 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 camera if you want, and remembering our changeable weather, bring a warm jacket. We ask OLLI members to please contribute to your carpool driver for gas.

Sign up by contacting the OLLI-UO office, 800-824-2714, by Tuesday, October 23.

Great Debate: Advocates and Opponents of the American Constitution
Wednesdays, October 31 – November 28, 10:00 a.m.–noon
“Written over 200 years ago, the U.S. Constitution has seen an explosion of interest in and interpretation of in recent years. Its authority and stature are routinely invoked by voices from every point on the political spectrum that seek to defend their views on issues ranging from separation of powers to the proper role of the Supreme Court to legitimate interpretations of the Bill of Rights, with frequent references to the Founding Fathers and their true ‘intent.’”

“The fact is, as Professor Thomas L. Pangle makes clear, many of those Founding Fathers—signers of the Declaration of Independence, leaders of the American Revolution, or delegates to the Continental Congress—were highly critical of the new Constitution and staunchly opposed it when it was first put forth for ratification by the states.

“In an era when contemporary arguments on the national stage often mirror the same conflicts debated by the Founders, our own reenactment of that original debate can enrich our ability to be active and participating citizens” (from www.thegreatcourses.com).

Book Discussion Group
In Search Of Happiness by Ashok Gulla
Tuesdays, October 2 and 16, 10:00 a.m.–noon
See the September newsletter for review.

November Book Group
Monkey Girl: Evolution, Education, Religion, and the Battle for America’s Soul
Tuesdays, November 6 and 20, 10:00 a.m.–noon
“What should we teach our children about where we come from? Is continued on page 6
1 Monday

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

2 Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Book Discussion Group [study group] In Search of Happiness by Ashok Gulla.
Facilitator: Mike McAllister (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.

3 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Mr. Lincoln: The Life of Abraham Lincoln [DVD study group] Lincoln and Slavery; The Great Debates. Facilitator: Don Hartsough (UOC)

4 Thursday

2:00 p.m. High Desert Theatre—2nd Street Theater [lecture series]
Presenters: Steve Dougherty and Maralyn Thoma. 2nd Street Theater, 220 NE Lafayette Ave, Bend

5 Friday

Noon—November Newsletter Submission Deadline

1:00 p.m. Oceanography: Exploring Earth’s Final Wilderness [DVD study group] Habitats—Sunlit Shelves to the Dark Abyss; The Spreading Sea Floor and Mid-Ocean Ridges. Facilitators: Russ Hopper and Bob Clautice (UOC)

9 Tuesday

2:00 p.m. Ed Kennedy—Experiences of a War Correspondent [lecture]
Presenter: Julia Kennedy Cochran (UOC)

10 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Mr. Lincoln: The Life of Abraham Lincoln [DVD study group] Lincoln and Liberty, Too; The Uncertain President. Facilitator: Joe Stevens (UOC)

12 Friday

1:00 p.m. Oceanography: Exploring Earth’s Final Wilderness [DVD study group] The Plunging Sea Floor and Deep-Sea Trenches; The Formation of the Earth and Its Ocean. Facilitators: Russel Hopper and Bob Clautice (UOC)

15 Monday

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

16 Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Book Discussion Group [study group] In Search of Happiness by Ashok Gulla.
Facilitator: Mike McAllister (UOC)

17 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Mr. Lincoln: The Life of Abraham Lincoln [DVD study group] The Emancipation Moment; Lincoln’s Triumph. Facilitator: Rod Charny (UOC)

18 Thursday

2:00 p.m. The High Desert Museum: Behind the Scenes [field trip]
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**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  
Eugene, OR 97403-1277

Or call the OLLI-UO office to renew, 800-824-2714

### Questions?

Call 800-824-2714

Grid calendars available from the office or online at [http://osher.uoregon.edu](http://osher.uoregon.edu)

### OLLI Staff Contacts:

- **OLLI-UO Program Director:** Ruth Heller, 800-824-2714
- **Council President:** Burt Litman, 541-504-5368
- **Program Chair:** Helen Pruitt, 541-382-7827
- **Activities and Travel:** Gerry and Bruce Sharp, 541-526-1399
- **Membership Outreach Interim Chair:** Russel Hopper, 541-647-4626

### 19 Friday

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

### 1:00 p.m. Oceanography: Exploring Earth's Final Wilderness [DVD study group]

- The Early Ocean and the Origins of Life; Marine Sediments—Archives of the Ocean.  
  Facilitator: Russel Hopper and Bob Clautice (UOC)

### 20 Saturday

- **Member to Member: Ashland**  
  [field trip] Coordinator: Linda Charny, 541-382-3669 or Socamuse@msn.com.

### 23 Tuesday

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

### 24 Wednesday

- **10:00 a.m. Mr. Lincoln: The Life of Abraham Lincoln** [DVD study group]  
  The President’s Sword; The Dream of Lincoln. Facilitator: TBA (UOC)

### 25 Thursday

- **9:00 a.m. Newberry Volcano** [field trip]  
  Guide: Daniele McKay.  
  Pre-register with the OLLI-UO office, 800-824-2714.

### 26 Friday

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

### 31 Wednesday

- **10:00 a.m. Great Debates: Advocates and Opponents of the American Constitution** [DVD study group]  
  Significance and Historical Context; Classical Republicanism.  
  Facilitator: Ed Lee (UOC)
Central Oregon

Learning Circle

Monthly Schedule

Monday
10:00 a.m. Thinking Allowed at Touchmark, first and third weeks.

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. Mr. Lincoln: The Life of Abraham Lincoln, first, second, third and fourth weeks.

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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evolution good science? Is it a lie? Is it incompatible with faith?

“From bestselling author and Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Edward Humes comes a dramatic story of faith, science, and courage unlike any since the famous Scopes Monkey Trial. Monkey Girl takes you behind the scenes of the recent war on evolution in Dover, Pennsylvania, the epic court case on teaching “intelligent design” it spawned, and the national struggle over what Americans believe about human origins. Told from the perspectives of all sides of the battle, Monkey Girl is about what happens when science and religion collide” (from Amazon.com).

Facilitator: Bonnie Corley

Member to Member Trip to Ashland
Saturday, October 20–Monday, October 22
Ready for a road trip? OLLI-CO is planning a meet-in-Ashland journey to see some Oregon Shakespeare Festival plays and explore Ashland and southern Oregon. Our primary focus is to see All the Way on Sunday evening. The play, by Pulitzer Prize-winner Robert Schenkkan, is about Lyndon Johnson’s first year in office, and is selected as a supplement to the September book club discussion of Robert Caro’s Passage of Power.

The 185-mile drive takes about three-and-a-half hours. Each attendee is responsible for purchasing their theater tickets (http://www.osfashland.org) and making hotel reservations (541-482-6932 or www.lq.com/).

Please let us know if you are coming by October 15 so we can arrange meeting times for those of us traveling and/or eating together. Contact Linda Charny, at 541-382-3669 or Socamuse@msn.com if you are interested. More details available on the website, http://osher.uoregon.edu/

COMING IN NOVEMBER
Open House: Food and the Paradox of Plenty
Tuesday, November 6, 2:00–4:00 p.m.
Presenter: Mick Sears, professor of Natural Resources

HELP WANTED
Are you a former—or aspiring—writer? Do you want to volunteer for OLLI but haven’t found your niche yet? We have an opening for someone to either share or assume the job of writing the Central Oregon newsletter. Frequent travel makes it sometimes difficult for me to complete the newsletter. If you have interest, please contact me for information about the task at jfreeman@bendbroadband.com

COUNCIL OPENINGS
The OLLI-CO annual meeting where we elect the new council is coming up in November. If you have an interest in becoming a member of the council, please contact Burt Litman at blitman@bendbroadband.com to let him know.
Before we knew it, it was fall, Keats’s “Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness,” which we can still celebrate in Oregon with sympathy for regions of drought throughout the U.S. That Oregon green is still everywhere. Our Eugene chapter sponsored a “Back to OLLI” luncheon, and in tandem with the national election, proposed a slate of candidates for our new Governing Council. There were no primaries, speeches, or fund-raising involved—rather a nice contrast to national events.

Continuing the fruitful season, October brings a talk on walled gardens and connections with sacred spaces. Olivia Taylor-Young and Kirk Taylor will present a context for the 1940s with a kaleidoscope of history, social life, music, and art. Kappy Eaton will enlighten us on the November ballot measures. We look forward to a lecture on Europe’s displaced persons, chronicling the personal odyssey of one of our members, philosopher Klaus Galda, who with his family escaped from war-torn Germany to the peace of Montana to begin life over.

Cartoons are always enjoyable and we’ll welcome cartoonist Leigh Rubin. On October 10, the Activities and Travel committee is planning a trip to the Corvallis Gene Bank and Albany Carousel Museum. Talk about wide variety.

Ruth Heller’s recent Curriculum List reports some excellent figures: in Eugene alone this past academic year, there were twenty-two courses, fifty-seven lectures, twenty-four discussion and interest groups, and sixteen field trips.

As I leave the office of president of the Eugene Governing Council, it is with gratitude not only for this continuing wealth of lectures and activities, but also for the superb companionship of people who have spent their lives learning, and who now have more time to reflect, and, yes, to fulfill our motto, “Curiosity never retires.” Out of office, yes. Out of learning, never.

Phyllis Villec,
Governing Council President 2011-12

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创造力。利希的快节奏和充满趣味的演讲往往鼓励那些感兴趣的听众在自己的生活中加入一些创意——他试图激发人们打破常规，思考之外的盒子，尽管他自己始终在把画放在盒子里。利希的漫画生涯始于1978年，当时他成立了自己的贺卡公司，Rubes Publications。他的第一本漫画书，著名的《引名格言》，是音乐卡通，于1981年出版。2009年，莱希庆祝了《Rubes》的第25周年，并与出版了《狂野与扭曲世界：Rubes》的“最特别的”收藏，其中包含了240个他个人的最爱。原作自行出版，Rubes现在被创作者经纪公司更广泛地分布到全球400多家报纸。莱希也喜欢安排有关幽默和娱乐的漫画演讲，包括会议和专业组织的演讲。

**Wall Gardens: The Relationship between Secular and Sacred Landscape Space**

**Wednesday, October 3,**

1:30–3:30 p.m.

花园总是承载特殊的意义。它们通常具有天堂、纯洁或神圣的含义。从他的跨文化经验来看，花园和花园空间，教授**罗恩·洛文吉**将描述花园和花园空间的含义和功能，并将检查花园作为天堂……一个独立于结构、形式和意义的无形景观体验。

罗恩·洛文吉一直担任俄勒冈大学景观建筑系的教员。四十五年的教书生涯中，他在京都、日本；耶路撒冷、以色列；基洛纳、不列颠哥伦比亚；特卡特，墨西哥；美国许多地方都有获奖项目。他最近的一个项目是京都的恢复Horikawa运河，与俄勒冈大学的学生一起完成的，最近在京都的开幕式上被授予荣誉。教授洛文吉是美国景观协会的成员，也是该组织的成员之一。他毕业于宾夕法尼亚大学，获得学士学位，并在伊利诺伊大学获得景观规划硕士学位。
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### Eugene/Springfield

#### 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
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1277 University of Oregon
Eugene, OR 97403-1277
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### Monthly Activities

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

#### 3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation [study group]
Facilitators: N. Richey and S. Cook (CN)

#### 19 Friday
11:00 a.m. Intermediate Spanish [study group]
Facilitator: B. Fromhold (BZ)

#### 1:30 p.m. Ballot Measures Demystified [lecture]
Presenter: Kappy Eaton (AK/MX)

#### 22 Monday
10:00 a.m. Activities and Travel Committee Chair: Veronika Walton. (AK)

#### 10:00 a.m. Philosophy Salon [study group]
Sufism and the Exploits of the Incomparable Mulla Nasrudin. Presenter: Klaus Gaida. (CN)

#### 12:30 p.m. Beyond War [short course]
Presenter: J. Anderson (CN)

#### 1:30 p.m. Beautiful Stars [film] Carmen Jones
 Introduced by Martha Sargent (AK/MX)

#### 3:30 p.m. Exploring German [study group] Contact: P. Holbo (BZ)

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

#### 23 Tuesday
10:00 a.m. Historical Novels [book group]
The House of Mirth by Edith Wharton. Facilitator: C. Hunt (CN)

#### 1:30 p.m. Classics/Philosophy [book group]
On Revolution by Hannah Arendt. Facilitator: Paul Holbo (CN)

#### 24 Wednesday
10:00 a.m. Short Story Discussions [study group]
Facilitator: Shiela Pardee

#### 1:30 p.m. History in Context: The 1940s, Part II [lecture]
Presenters: Kirk Taylor and Livvie Taylor-Young (AK/MX)

#### 25 Thursday
10:00 a.m. News and Views [discussion group]
Facilitator: G. Carter (CN)

#### 1:30 p.m. Thirty Greatest Orchestral Works [DVD study group]
Dvorak Symphony No. 8; History of Jazz. Facilitators: D. Lawrence (AK)

#### 3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation [study group]
Facilitators: N. Richey and S. Cook (CN)

#### 26 Friday
11:00 a.m. Intermediate Spanish [study group]
Facilitator: B. Fromhold (BZ)

#### 1:30 p.m. International Relations WWII: Europe's Displaced People [lecture series]
Presenters: Kitty Meredith and Klaus Gaida (AK/MX)

#### 29 Monday
12:30 p.m. Beyond War [short course]
Presenter: J. Anderson (CN)

#### 1:30 p.m. Beautiful Stars [film] Gilda
Introduced by John Attig (AK/MX)

#### 3:30 p.m. Exploring German [study group] Contact: P. Holbo (BZ)

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

#### 30 Tuesday
10:30 a.m. Oceanography [DVD study group]
Where Sea Meets the Land; Where Rivers Meet the Sea. Facilitator: J. O'Brien (AK)

#### 1:30 p.m. How To Look at and Understand Great Art [DVD study group]
Post Modernism—Focus on the Viewer; Museum Visits—Doing It Yourself. Facilitator: R. Staton (AK)

#### 31 Wednesday
1:30 p.m. Open Meeting: A Twisted Mind is a Terrible Thing to Waste [lecture]
Presenter: Leigh Rubin (AK/MX/CN)
USDA Gene Bank and the Albany Historic Carousel and Museum Tour
Wednesday, October 10, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
We have an opportunity to tour the gene bank in Corvallis, one of only thirty such facilities in the United States.

Just what is a gene bank? It 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 agricultural crops. This collection contains hazelnuts, strawberries, hops, pears, currants, raspberries, blackberries, blueberries, and cranberries. The blueberry collection is one of the most comprehensive in the USA.

These are all wonderful things that we like to eat and are very important for the agriculture of the Northwest. We will be shown the labs, the field collection, and the orchards outside. Let’s ask questions and find out just how preservation is done.

We will then drive to Albany for lunch at Novak’s Hungarian Restaurant, where they serve wonderful food. The menu can be viewed at http://www.novakshungarian.com

The Albany Historic Carousel and Museum is next. This was started with the idea of creating an historic hand-carved carousel, then the whole creative process of designing, carving, and painting various carousel animals grew to become a community effort. We will see the carvers and painters at work. There is also a nice gift shop to visit.

The cost for this trip is only $27.00. Additional cost is lunch. The Carousel Museum happily accepts donations.

Please sign up with Experience Oregon at 541-342-2662 and send your check for $27.00 to them at:

Experience Oregon
PO Box 338
Junction City, OR 97448

The bus will leave at 9:00 a.m. from Shopko on Coburg Rd. and return there about 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.
The 1940s were a time of catastrophe and courage—miscalculations, miracles, holocausts, heroism—and ultimately, horrific war and a fragile peace. While that decade neared the twentieth century’s midpoint, it recalled ancient Gaul, not just by reason of conquerors and warfare, but because it was clearly divided into three parts; before, during, and after the Second World War.

Kirk Taylor and Livvie Taylor-Young will examine that trilogy this month, covering parts one and most of two on Wednesday, October 17, at 1:30 p.m. and the WWII’s final months and the postwar years on Wednesday, October 24.

Covering the ups and downs and contrasts of the forties is like a wild ride on an historic roller coaster, and we invite you to climb on board and fasten your seatbelt. Like the twenties and thirties programs, the narrative will also be interwoven with “Then and Now” comparisons and accompanied by a PowerPoint™ presentation filled with some profound and delightful surprises.

Mark your calendar for Wednesdays, October 17 and 24, at 1:30 p.m. and take an interesting, informative, and nostalgic trip down memory lane.

2012 Ballot Measures Demystified
Friday, October 19, 1:30–3:30 p.m.
Voters will have seven state measures on their November 6 General Election ballot. Also expected are two or three local issues such as continuing the road maintenance and repair levy for Eugene. Several are constitutional amendments. Two amendments have been referred by the Legislature; the other measures are initiative proposals that reached the ballot via citizen petitions.

Subjects range from allowing private casinos, state support of cultivation and sales of marijuana, banning commercial gill net fishing for salmon, phasing out the inheritance tax, banning real estate transfer taxes, and using surplus corporate income taxes for public education.

Kappy Eaton, co-chair of the Lane County League of Women Voters Action committee and Governance Coordinator of the League of Women Voters of Oregon, will present the background information and pros and cons of the measures and lead a discussion. Copies of the League’s nonpartisan Voters Guide will be available.
International Relations
WWII Series: Displaced Persons in Europe 1945–1950
Friday, October 26, 1:30–3:30 p.m.
Where did they come from? How were they treated? Where did they go?

When Germany surrendered in April 1945, the attention of most Americans turned to the war in the Pacific. Little attention was paid to the enormous upheaval of families and individuals throughout devastated Central Europe. Responsibility for providing food, clothing, shelter and relocation fell upon the Occupation Forces of the Allies.

Kitty Meredith will describe and illustrate with photos the struggles of the people and the authorities to bring some semblance of order and resolution to end this humanitarian crisis.

Klaus Galda will then describe his own family’s struggle to survive when they, as ethnic Germans, were driven from their farm in the east with little more than the clothes on their backs, and eventually rebuilt their lives in Montana, U.S.A.

Short Story Discussions
Return in October
Wednesdays, October 10 and 24, 10:00–11:30 a.m.
Beginning in October, short story discussions will be held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. We welcome all members who would like to explore various types of short fiction from the anthology The Art of the Story by Daniel Halpern.

For the October 10 class, we will read “Wilderness Tips” by Margaret Atwood. On October 24, the selections will be “My Mother’s Memoirs, My Father’s Lie, and Other True Stories” by Russell Banks and “Optimists” by Richard Ford. For more information, contact Shiela Pardee at shielapardee@gmail.com or 541-515-4561.

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 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
Program Coordinator’s Note: Portland

Do you remember how you heard about OLLI-UO? Was it from a friend, an ad in the Oregonian, or one of our Open House events? In September, OLLI-UO in Portland ventured into the uncharted waters of on-air advertising with Beyond 50 Radio: America’s Talk Show for Baby Boomers. OLLI-UO member Peggy Keonjin and I were interviewed by Beyond 50 Radio host Daniel Davis, who wanted the scoop on OLLI-UO. Who are we? What are we? Why is learning in later life important? To listen to the interview, visit Beyond 50 Radio’s online blog at: http://beyond50radio.blogspot.com. A large thank you is owed to Peggy for agreeing to represent OLLI-UO as our radio spokesperson for the day.

Don’t forget that you can also help spread the word about OLLI-UO. Distribute our event fliers to your friends, post them on your apartment or condominium boards, or hang them in your local coffee shop or library branch. To request fliers or official OLLI-UO literature, call or visit the OLLI-UO office.

Our next public event, “A Twisted Mind is a Terrible Thing to Waste,” will be held on Thursday, November 1. Syndicated cartoonist and “sit-down comedian,” Leigh Rubin, author of Rubes, will be at OLLI-UO for what is sure to be a witty and humorous presentation. A full description of this event can be found on page sixteen.

Mark your calendars now! It’s not too early to start promoting this event. To volunteer for this open event, contact the OLLI-UO office at 503-412-3653.

Adrianna Mahoney, Program Coordinator

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history with an emphasis in Islamic history from George Mason University in Virginia, and has recently returned to the Pacific Northwest. He has taught several courses for OLLI in Virginia, and he is excited to continue lecturing for OLLI in Portland.

From Page to Stage

Wednesdays, October 10, 17, and 24, 1:00–2:30 p.m.
The “play’s the thing,” but why? This discussion group is for theater lovers who want to better understand this most ancient of art forms. In October, members will read two plays by Athol Fugard beginning with “Master Harold”...and the Boys. First produced at the Yale Repertory Theater in 1982, this play takes place in South Africa during apartheid.

“Fugard, one of theatre’s most acclaimed playwrights, finds humor and heartbreak in the friendship of Harold, a seventeen-year-old white boy in 1950s South Africa, and the two middle aged black servants who raised him. Racism unexpectedly shatters Harold’s childhood and friendships in this absorbing, affecting coming of age play. Initially banned from production in South Africa, the play was a Drama Desk Award winner for Outstanding New Play” (http://amzn.to/ODgaN7).

See a local production of “Master Harold”...and the Boys at Profile Theatre. For information on group tickets, call the OLLI-UO Portland office at 503-412-3653 by Friday, October 5. Facilitator: Susan Green.

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 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, Willamette University, and the Linfield College Division of Continuing Education.

This class will be held off-site at the Elsie Stuhr Center of the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District, located at 5550 SW Hall Blvd, Beaverton. 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.

Design with the Other 90%: CITIES
Tuesday, October 2, 1:30 p.m.
Design week in Portland is October 9–13, and to celebrate, OLLI-UO will enjoy a guided tour of the exhibit, Design with the Other 90%: CITIES. Organized by Cooper-Hewitt, National Design Museum, Smithsonian Institution and co-hosted with Mercy Corps, Design with the Other 90%: CITIES is the second in a series of exhibitions that “demonstrate how design can address the world’s most critical issues.”

“For the first time in history, the majority of the earth’s approximately seven billion inhabitants live in cities. Experts estimate that by 2030 this number will double, pushing beyond the capacity of many local institutions to cope.

“Challenging, multifaceted, and ultimately hopeful, CITIES asks the question—how can governments, organizations, communities, and individuals collaborate at all levels to foster and accelerate innovation for healthier, more inclusive and resilient cities in the most populated parts of the world?” (http://bit.ly/Q5LKwQ).

The tour will start at Mercy Corps and continue to the Museum of Contemporary Craft. Cost: $2.00. Registration is required for this tour. Call the OLLI-UO office at 503-412-3653 by noon on Monday, October 1.

New DVD Study Group—Trails of Evidence: How Forensic Science Works
Tuesdays, Beginning October 2, 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
“Unlike what’s shown on TV, forensic scientists leave the legwork to the police and use the tools of science—chemistry, biology, physics, and psychology—to uncover the story that carefully collected and analyzed evidence has to tell.

“Professor Murray begins the course by introducing Locard’s exchange principle. Proposed a century ago by the French forensic scientist Edmond Locard, this important idea holds that no one can commit a crime without leaving something behind or altering the surroundings, however imperceptibly” (http://bit.ly/SjrH27).

Facilitator: Mike Ellis

Computer Lab
Wednesdays, October 3 and 31, 1:00–2:00 p.m.
Brush up on your computer skills with these hands-on computer lab sessions led by UO staff. The first session on October 3 will focus on creating a free e-mail account and choosing a secure password. On October 30, members will work on navigating Microsoft Word and will be introduced to free online document programs.

Members have the option of working on a Mac or PC computer. These are beginning classes; no prior knowledge is required to attend. Meet in the OLLI-UO office.

Wisdom Circle: The Journey from Age-ing to Sage-ing
Thursdays, October 4 and 25, 10:30–11:30 a.m.

Facilitated by OLLI-UO member Ken Pyburn, this study group will continue in October with its final two sessions. Members will discuss what a wisdom circle is: peers who come together to discuss and learn from each other discuss issues of aging, and reasons for participating in such a group. For more information on this study group, contact the OLLI-UO office at 503-412-3653.

Leaving a Trace: Writing About Your Life
Thursdays, October 4–25, 1:30–3:30 p.m.
The OLLI-UO memoir writing group, Leaving a Trace: Writing About Your Life, will continue through October. 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

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2 Tuesday
10:30 a.m. Trails of Evidence: How Forensic Science Works [DVD study group] Using Science—Crime Scene to Courtroom; Crime Scenes and Forensic Evidence. Facilitator: Mike Ellis. (142)

1:30 p.m. Design with the Other 90%: CITIES [tour] Registration required by noon, Monday, October 1. Call 503-412-3653 to sign up. Cost: $2.00. Meet at the OLLI-UO office.

9 Tuesday

12:30 p.m. Brown Bag Lunch [social] All members welcome to attend. (148C)

1:30 p.m. Colonialism in South Africa [lecture series; session one of two] Presenter: Tyler Soldat. (150)

16 Tuesday
10:30 a.m. Trails of Evidence: How Forensic Science Works [DVD study group] Good Impressions—Shoes, Tires, and Skin; Forensics of Fibers, Paint, and Glass. Facilitator: Mike Ellis. (142)

12:30 p.m. Brown Bag Lunch [social] All members welcome to attend. (148C)

1:30 p.m. Colonialism in South Africa [lecture series; session two of two] Presenter: Tyler Soldat. (150)

3 Wednesday
10:30 a.m. Ancient Greek Civilization [DVD study group] The Age of Heroes; From Sicily to Syria—The Growth of Trade and Colonization. Facilitator: George Davidson. (346J)

1:00 p.m. Computer Lab [study group] Focus: Free e-mail accounts and choosing secure passwords. Facilitated by UO staff. (374)

10 Wednesday
10:30 a.m. Ancient Greek Civilization [DVD study group] Delphi and Olympia; The Spartans. Facilitator: George Davidson. (150)

1:00 p.m. From Page to Stage [study group; session one of three] Selection: "Master Harold"...and the Boys by Athol Fugard. Copies available in the OLLI-UO office. Facilitator: Susan Green. (149)

11 Thursday
1:30 p.m. Leaving a Trace: Writing About Your Life [short course] A memoir writing class. Members may join at any time. Instructor: Judi McGavin (149)

18 Thursday
1:30 p.m. Leaving a Trace: Writing About Your Life [short course] A memoir writing class. Members may join at any time. Instructor: Judi McGavin (149)

6:30 p.m. Western American Literature [short course; session one of six] Instructor: Professor Emeritus Richard Lewis. Registration required; call the OLLI-UO office at 800-824-2714. Free to OLLI-UO members. Location: Elsie Stuhr Center of the Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District, located at 5550 SW Hall Blvd, Beaverton.

4 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] A memoir writing class. Members may join at any time. Instructor: Judi McGavin (149)
23 Tuesday

10:30 a.m. Trails of Evidence: How Forensic Science Works [DVD study group] Traces of Hair and Fur; Soil, Protist, Plant, and Animal Traces. Facilitator: Mike Ellis. (142)

1:00 p.m. “Master Harold”…and the Boys Film Screening at OLLI-UO [film] Based on the play by Athol Fugard, directed by Lonny Price (2010, eighty-seven minutes). (152)

24 Wednesday

10:30 a.m. Ancient Greek Civilization [DVD study group] The Origins of Democracy; Beyond Greece—The Persian Empire. Facilitator: George Davidson. (150)

1:00 p.m. From Page to Stage [study group; session three of three] Discussion of “Master Harold”…and the Boys by Athol Fugard. Copies available in the OLLI-UO office. Facilitator: Susan Green. (149)

25 Thursday

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

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30 Tuesday

10:30 a.m. Trails of Evidence: How Forensic Science Works [DVD study group] Serology—Blood and Other Body Fluids; The Forensic Analysis of DNA. Facilitator: Mike Ellis. (142)

1:00 p.m. Snack and Yak [curriculum planning meeting] All members welcome to attend. Refreshments provided. (150)

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
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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.

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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.
Learning Circle

Monthly Schedule

Tuesday
10:30 a.m. Trails of Evidence: How Forensic Science Works: weekly

Wednesday
10:30 a.m. Ancient Greek Civilization: weekly
1:00 p.m. From Page to Stage: October 10, 17, and 24
1:00 p.m. OLLI Computer Lab: first and fifth weeks

Thursday
1:30 p.m. 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 Adrianna Mahoney at 503-412-3651 if you’re interested in leading a group.

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Active Minds for Active Lives
http://osher.uoregon.edu

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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. Members may join this group at any time.

“A Twisted Mind is a Terrible Thing to Waste”
Thursday, November 1, 1:00–3:00 p.m.
Nobody finds more fun and inspiration in dogs, cows, cats, kids, religion, weird and quirky people, and just plain life in general than Leigh Rubin. Sometimes silly, sometimes irreverent but always hilarious, Rubes is standard fare in newspapers around the globe, 365 days a year.

Leigh’s fast-paced and fun-filled presentations often inspire those attending to add a little creativity to their own lives—he tries to inspire people to break their normal routine and think outside of the box, though he himself has to draw inside a box.

Leigh Rubin began his cartooning career in 1978 by establishing his own greeting card company, Rubes Publications. Originally self-syndicated, Rubes is now distributed by Creators Syndicate to more than four hundred newspapers worldwide. This event is open to the public; invite your friends and family!