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### CENTRAL OREGON—Bylaws Amendments

Before the Annual Meeting on November 19, you should receive a copy of the proposed amendments to the Bylaws and the rationale for the changes in a separate email. Additional hard copies will be available at the UO Bend Center front office. Please read and study the proposed amendments carefully, as their adoption will require a two-thirds vote of the membership present at the meeting. Members who are unable to attend the meeting may request an absentee ballot from UO Academic Extension staff by calling 1-800-824-2714. Ballots must be returned to the office at the UO Bend Center by November 18.

### Armchair Traveler: “Good Morning Teacher” with Pat Ackley

Friday, November 7, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

When you think of Vietnam, what images spring to mind: Conical hats emerging from brilliant green rice paddies—slender women in flowing white ao dai tunics? Perhaps you think of Agent Orange and landmines, or memories of the war and the social turmoil of that time? Whatever your thoughts are about this country, today’s Vietnam is transforming itself in ways none of us could ever have predicted.

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### EUGENE/SPRINGFIELD—Day of Discovery Introduces Community Members to OLLI-UO

Wednesday, November 5, 9:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Would you like to share the experience of lifelong learning with your acquaintances? Do you know someone who would enjoy the mental stimulation and social contacts of OLLI-UO? At our upcoming Day of Discovery event we will open our doors to community members so that they may join in a sampling of classes.

During the course of the day nine classes will be offered during four sessions. These sample classes are offered in a variety of formats, including peer-led discussion groups, lecture presentations, and study group demonstration.

Current OLLI-UO members: **John Attig, David Kolb, Livvie Taylor-Young, Kirk Taylor, John O’Brien, Phyllis Villec, Klaus Galda, Jack Meacham, Bobbi and Don Webster** will serve as presenters and facilitators for morning and afternoon sessions in International Relations, Philosophy, History in Context of the 1950s, Understanding Science, Creative Writing, Music, News and Views, and Creative Retirement.

At 1:00 p.m. **David Kolb**, the Charles A. Dana professor emeritus of

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# Central Oregon



## Editor's Note

### Annual Meeting Announcement

The Annual membership meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 19 at 12:15 p.m., after the morning history class at

the UO Bend Center. An update on Council activities and future plans will be presented; a question-and-answer period will follow. Additionally, there will be a budget report, adoption of amendments to the Bylaws, and election of new Council members on the agenda. All members are encouraged to attend.

### Governing Council Nominations

A nominating committee convened in October to draft nominations for the 2014-2015 Council. Current members **Bonnie Corley** and **Elisabeth Farwell** have accepted nominations for a second two-year term. Council members **Steve Hussey** and **Kelly Arnoldus** were

appointed to the Council last June, and are nominated for a first term. Member **Pat Ackley** is newly nominated for Council. Current Council President **Bill McCann**, and Vice President **Jim Hammond** will continue as Council members in 2014-15. The newly seated Council will elect its officers at the Friday, November 21 meeting.

Current Council Members **Lee Meyer** and **Cal Pulis** have resigned their Council positions, effective October 1 and November 21 respectively, and will direct their energies to other OLLI activities in the future. We offer our sincere appreciation to both Lee and Cal for their service and continuing commitment to OLLI-UO.

Any member may also make nominations to the Council by submitting a written nomination to the Council prior to the Annual Meeting or by announcing a nomination from the floor during the Annual Meeting. A nominee must be present to be elected and must agree in advance to serve if elected.

**Jeanne Freeman, OLLI-UO Central Oregon Editor**

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“Good Morning Teacher” will highlight Pat Ackley’s brief experience teaching conversational English in Vietnam. Vietnam’s population has almost doubled since the end of the war, and 70 percent of the population is under the age of thirty. The country has embarked on an ambitious program to ensure its “owners of the future” have the necessary education and skills to compete in the global economy. Pat will describe Vietnam’s educational system and her reasons for choosing a “volunteer vacation” over conventional adventure travel. Through anecdotes and photos, hear about her first-hand adventures at a school in Hanoi, including how Michael Jackson’s moonwalk and the “bunny hop” furthered student progress.

After her teaching assignment,

she traveled to the northern mountains—the heartland of hill-tribe culture. Nearly two-thirds of Vietnam’s ethnic minority groups live in this region. The trip provided a brief immersion into a very different culture that stretched the mind (and body) in new directions. The experience reinforced the idea that we’re more alike than different.

Pat, a relatively new member of OLLI-UO, is a retired educator and organization development consultant. She has a bachelor’s in education from University of Northern Iowa, an MS in industrial psychology from San Jose State University and an Ed.D in education administration from University of Southern California.

Join Pat at OLLI to learn about today’s Vietnam.

### Nonfiction Book Group: *Astoria* by Peter Stark

Tuesdays, November 4 and 18, 10:00 a.m.–noon

*Astoria* is the thrilling, true adventure tale of the 1810 Astor Expedition, a three-year journey to forge an American empire on the Pacific Coast. Peter Stark offers a harrowing saga in which a band of explorers battled nature, starvation, and madness to establish the first American settlement in the Pacific Northwest and open up what would become the Oregon trail, permanently altering the nation’s landscape and its global standing.

Six years after Lewis and Clark began their journey to the Pacific Northwest, two of the Eastern establishment’s leading figures, John Jacob Astor and Thomas Jefferson, turned their sights to founding a colony akin to Jamestown on the West Coast and

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transforming the nation into a Pacific trading power. Author and correspondent for *Outside* magazine, Peter Stark recreates this pivotal moment in American history for the first time for modern readers, drawing on original source material to tell the amazing true story of the Astor Expedition.

Unfolding from 1810 to 1813, *Astoria* is a tale of high adventure and incredible hardship in the wilderness and at sea. Of the more than 140 members of the two advance parties that reached the West Coast—one crossing the Rockies, the other rounding Cape Horn—nearly half perished by violence. Others went mad. Within one year, the expedition successfully established Fort Astoria, a trading post on the Columbia River. Though the colony would be short-lived, it opened provincial American eyes to the potential of the Western coast and its founders helped blaze the Oregon Trail. (from Amazon.com)

November Facilitator: Russ Hopper

**December Book: *The Much Too Promised Land: America's Elusive Search for Arab-Israeli Peace***

by Aaron David Miller

**Page-Turners—  
Fiction Reading Group**

***The Leisure Seeker* by Michael Zadoorian**

Tuesday, November 11,  
10:00 a.m.–noon

“A sort of *Easy Rider* meets *The Notebook*, Michael Zadoorian’s poignant, funny, vibrant, and unforgettable novel, *The Leisure Seeker*, is a story of two seniors who escape from their

retirement home and embark upon a hilarious and touching end-of-life road trip.

“Ella and John Robina, eighty-somethings, take off in their Leisure Seeker RV against the will of their son, daughter, and doctors. Destination Disneyland, via Route 66. Ella has refused further treatment for cancer, and John’s Alzheimer’s is four years advanced. So they leave the Detroit suburbs and head west. Ella navigates and narrates their trip—and their lives—while John, who veers from sentience to senility and rage to tenderness, drives. Crumbling, kitschy Route 66 triggers Ella’s thoughts.

“This is a purely character-driven novel, and Ella is a remarkable creation: she’s honest, tough, strong, funny, usually in pain, cranky, and frightened. Her narration is matter-of-fact, but laced with snarky one-liners. Having braved Chicago’s chaotic Dan Ryan Expressway, she comforts readers: “Between the two of us, we are one whole person.” John is a distressingly realistic portrait of a person with Alzheimer’s; Ella never knows when he’ll have a moment of lucidity or fly into a dangerous rage.

“Her middle-aged children’s panicked demands that the couple return home will resonate with any adult who has feared for a parent’s well-being. *The Leisure Seeker* is pretty much like life itself: joyous, painful, funny, moving, tragic, mysterious, and not to be missed.” (Amazon.com—Thomas Gaughan)

November Facilitator: Carolyn Hammond

**December Book: *Major Pettigrew’s Last Stand***

by Helen Simonson

Facilitator: Joyce Pickersgill

**How to Look at and Understand Great Art (The Great Courses)**

Monday mornings, 10:00 a.m.–noon  
During September and October, we have undertaken an in-depth exploration of the practical skill of viewing art through the lenses of line, light, perspective, composition, and other crucial elements of craft and technique. As the course moves into November, we study iconography, portraits, landscapes and then we begin to explore the major eras and movements in Western art, from the Renaissance to the present. Our sessions are structured around viewing and discussion of the recorded lectures by Professor Sharon Latchaw Hirsh PhD.

“Using timeless masterpieces of Western painting, sculpture, and graphic art, as well as hands-on studio demonstrations, Professor Hirsh gives you the specific visual and interpretive knowledge you need to approach great artworks, find their deeper meanings, and reach startling new levels of appreciation.” (The Great Courses)

Facilitators: Burt Litman and Roger Aikin

**World War I—Progenitor of the Modern Era**

Wednesday, November 5, 12, 19,  
and 26, 10:00 a.m.–noon

Join OLLI-CO as we examine the twentieth century’s greatest disaster—World War I: what preceded it; early wars leading directly to the outbreak;

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## 3 Monday

**10:00 a.m. How to Look at and Understand Great Art** [DVD study group] Signs—Symbols, Icons, and Indexes in Art; Portraits—How Artists See Others. Facilitator: Burt Litman (UOBC)

## 4 Tuesday

**10:00 a.m. Nonfiction Book Group** [book group] *Astoria* by Peter Stark. Facilitator: Russ Hopper (UOBC)

**Noon—Round Table Luncheon—The Pine Tavern** [social] For reservations contact Harlie Peterson, harliepete@hotmail.com, or call the UO Bend Center office at 541-728-0685.

## 5 Wednesday

**10:00 a.m. World War I—Progenitor of the Modern Era** [lecture series] Presenters: Cal Pulis, Bill McCann, Rod Charny, and Margaret Young (UOBC)

## 6 Thursday

**1:30 p.m. Memory and the Human Lifespan** [DVD study group] Memory Is a Party; The Ancient "Art of Memory." Facilitator: Larry Weinberg (UOBC)

## 7 Friday

**Noon—December Newsletter Submission Deadline**

**1:30 p.m. Armchair Traveler: Good Morning Teacher** [lecture] Presenter: Pat Ackley (UOBC)

## 10 Monday

**10:00 a.m. How to Look at and Understand Great Art** [DVD study group] Self-Portraits—How Artists See Themselves; Landscapes—Art of the Great Outdoors. Facilitator: Burt Litman (UOBC)

## 11 Tuesday

**10:00 a.m. Page-Turners** [book group] *The Leisure Seeker* by Michael Zadoorian. Facilitator: Bonnie Corley (UOBC)

## 12 Wednesday

**10:00 a.m. World War I—Progenitor of the Modern Era** [lecture series] Presenters: Cal Pulis, Bill McCann, Rod Charny, and Margaret Young (UOBC)

## 13 Thursday

**1:30 p.m. Memory and the Human Lifespan** [DVD study group] Memory Is a Party; The Ancient "Art of Memory." Facilitator: Larry Weinberg (UOBC)

## 17 Monday

**10:00 a.m. How to Look at and Understand Great Art** [DVD study group] Putting It All Together; Early Renaissance—Humanism Emergent. Facilitator: Burt Litman (UOBC)

## 18 Tuesday

**10:00 a.m. Nonfiction Book Group** [book group] *Astoria* by Peter Stark. Facilitator: Russ Hopper (UOBC)

## 19 Wednesday

**10:00 a.m. World War I—Progenitor of the Modern Era** [lecture series] Presenters: Cal Pulis, Bill McCann, Rod Charny, and Margaret Young (UOBC)

**12:15 p.m. Annual Membership Meeting** [business] (UOBC)

## 20 Thursday

**1:30 p.m. Memory and the Human Lifespan** [DVD study group] Memory Is a Party; The Ancient "Art of Memory." Facilitator: Larry Weinberg (UOBC)

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## 24 Monday

**10:00 a.m. How to Look at and Understand Great Art**  
[DVD study group] Northern Renaissance—Devil in the Details; High Renaissance—Humanism Perfected. Facilitator: Burt Litman (UOBC)

## 26 Wednesday

**10:00 a.m. World War I—Progenitor of the Modern Era** [lecture series]  
Presenters: Cal Pulis, Bill McCann, Rod Charny, and Margaret Young (UOBC)

## 27 Thursday

**UO Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday**

## 28 Friday

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### Locations

All meetings are held at the UO Bend Center, 80 NE Bend River Mall Drive, unless otherwise stated.

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

Bend Senior Center  
1600 SE Reed Market Rd., Bend

### Key

UOBC = UO Bend Center  
BSC = Bend Senior Center  
TBA = To Be Announced

### Parking at the UO Bend Center

OLLI-UE members and their guests should use the shopping center parking spaces at the side of the building when attending OLLI meetings and classes. Please note that the parking lot in front of the Duck Store should be left open for the store's customers.

### Questions?

Call 800-824-2714

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

### Renewals

Mail renewals and membership applications to:

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## Learning Circle

### Monthly Schedule

#### Monday

10:00 a.m. How to Look at and Understand Great Art: weekly

#### Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Page-Turners Fiction Group: second Tuesdays.

10:00 a.m. Nonfiction Book Group: first and third Tuesdays.

Noon Round Table Luncheon: first week at The Pine Tavern

#### Wednesday

10:00 a.m. World War I: Progenitor of the Modern Era

#### Thursday

9:30 a.m. Writer's Bloc: weekly

1:30 Memory and the Human Lifespan, weekly.

We welcome member proposals for study or discussion groups! Share your interests and expertise 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 proposing or leading a new group.

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the points where it could have been truncated or stillborn; the shape of the world affected; the changing nature of military science and the aftermath. And why did August Madness occur as nations celebrated in 1914 with speeches and parades their entry into this horrifying war?

We will analyze the 1919 peace settlement in Paris and the Versailles Treaty. This total war led to the rise of fierce ideological mass movements not only in Europe but also the Middle East. It led to the scapegoating of ethnicities believed responsible for the outcome of the war. It led to the creation of new nations and the beginning of the demise for colonial empires.

Presentation panelists: Bill McCann, Cal Pulis, and Margaret Young

### Memory and the Human Lifespan (The Great Courses)

Thursdays, November 6, 13, and 20, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

“What if your memory suddenly vanished? What if you could no longer summon up any recollections of your mother’s embrace, a best friend’s confidences, or the moment you first met your spouse? What if you couldn’t even remember yourself—not your name, your school, where you worked, or even the face of the total stranger staring back at you from the mirror? If all of these memories were gone, would “self” even have a meaning?

“The truth is that while you may think of human memory as a capacity—a way to call up important facts or episodes from your past—it is much, much more. In Memory and the Human Lifespan, Professor Steve

Joordens of the University of Toronto Scarborough, leads you on a startling voyage into the human mind, explaining not only how the various aspects of your memory operate, but the impact memory has on your daily experience of life.

“This DVD course from The Great Courses explores the different kinds of systems that come together to make memory possible; how those systems work together to build and access memories of specific events, solve problems, learn basic tasks like brushing your teeth, or acquire the skills to play a musical instrument; the kinds of memory deficits that result when various parts of the brain are damaged or deteriorate; how memory shapes not only your experience of the past but also of the present, as well as your expectations of the future; and how your memory systems develop throughout your life.” (The Great Courses)

OLLI Facilitator: Larry Weinberg

# Eugene/Springfield



## OLLI-ES President's Note

If you have read the lead story for the Eugene-Springfield section of the newsletter, you've noticed that we will offer a special recruitment event this month. The Day of Discovery scheduled for Wednesday, November 5. Based on an event first offered in fall of 2011, the day-long open house showcases program offerings and our members' talents. Nine sessions led by current members will offer nonmembers a sample of the various study and discussion groups, presentations and lectures members experience each month.

A full schedule for the event, and online registration, is available on the OLLI-UO website at [http://osher.uoregon.edu/day\\_of\\_discovery/](http://osher.uoregon.edu/day_of_discovery/)

Registration opened in mid-October, and the public's response has been tremendous, but we still need members' help to make the event a success. To learn more about The 2014 Day of Discovery, and how you can help spread the word or assist on November 6, please read the article that begins on page one.

**Pam McClure Johnston, OLLI-UO in Eugene-Springfield Council President**

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philosophy at Bates College, will give a lecture, "What Do Our Buildings Say About Us?"

All OLLI-UO Day of Discovery sessions will be held in the UO Baker Downtown Center classrooms. The regular OLLI schedule will be suspended for the day, but volunteer hosts may be needed! If you would like to volunteer, please contact Pam McClure Johnston at 541-683-1907.

There is no fee for the classes but preregistration is required due to limited seating. Invite your friends and acquaintances to preregister online at [http://osher.uoregon.edu/day\\_of\\_discovery/](http://osher.uoregon.edu/day_of_discovery/) or by calling 541-346-0697 or 800-824-2714.

### **Thomas Condon: Missionary, Geologist, and UO Professor**

Friday, November 7, 1:30–3:30 p.m. Last month UO Emeritus Professor of Geological Sciences, William Orr, introduced OLLI-UO members to the UO Condon Collection, which initially assembled by UO Geology Professor Thomas Condon. This month, members have an opportunity to learn more about the man behind the collection, Thomas Condon.

The Condons were newlyweds when they first arrived in 1852. Thomas and Cornelia Condon experienced in succession St. Helens, several Willamette Valley communities and the Dalles before Condon, a Congregational missionary, achieved his reputation as a geologist. Self-taught, observant, and a sought-after public speaker, Condon brought the mysteries of ancient Oregon flora and fauna

to national geological attention (think the John Day fossil beds). Described as a natural teacher, he left missionary work for college level instruction, teaching at the University of Oregon for almost thirty years. Beloved professor, contemporary of Charles Darwin, advocate for temperance and women's suffrage, Condon Hall on campus was named in his honor and a Condon Oak yet survives today.

**Robert "Bob" Hart**, executive director of the Lane County Historical Society, will bring to life pioneering Oregon missionary, geologist, and professor Thomas Condon with a Chautauqua-style program. The presentation will involve fossil samples, magic lantern scenes, and audience interaction.

Hart is married to the former Linda Gaw of Olympia, Washington.

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## 3 Monday

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

**12:15 p.m. Beginning Spanish** [study group] Contact: Sara Michener (BZ)

**1:30 p.m. From Page to Screen** [film series] *Goodbye, Columbus*  
Introduced by Craig Starr (AK/MX)

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

## 4 Tuesday

**10:00 a.m. Understanding Science**  
[DVD study group] Understanding the World's Greatest Structures: Trusses—The Power of the Triangle; Cables and Arches—The Power of the Parabola. Facilitator: John O'Brien (AK/MX)

**1:00 p.m. Solutions** [discussion group] Population—Bomb or Fizzle. Facilitator: Jerry Brule (CN)

**1:30 p.m. Art History** [DVD study group] British Painting Comes of Age; British and French Masters, c. 1785-1860. Facilitator: Ray Staton (AK/MX)

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

## 5 Wednesday

**9:30 a.m. Day of Discovery Reception**  
[recruitment event]

**10:00 a.m. Day of Discovery Breakout Sessions I** [recruitment event]

**11:00 a.m. Day of Discovery Breakout Sessions II** [recruitment event]

**Noon—Day of Discovery Lunch and Social** [recruitment event]

**1:00 p.m. Day of Discovery Lecture Session** [recruitment event]

**2:00 p.m. Day of Discovery Breakout Sessions III** [recruitment event]

## 6 Thursday

**10:00 a.m. Thinking Allowed** [discussion group] Is Marijuana a Criminal or Social Issue? Facilitator: Chuck Adams (CN)

**3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation** [study group] Facilitators: Carolin Keutzer and Stan Cook (CN)

## 7 Friday

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

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

**Noon—December Newsletter Submission Deadline**

**1:30 p.m. Thomas Condon** [lecture] Presenter: Bob Hart (AK/MX)

## 10 Monday

**10:00 a.m. Philosophy Salon** [study group] Science Wars: What Scientists Know and How They Know It. Kant Restores Certainty; The Age of Reason Facilitators: Byron Chell, Dennis Lawrence, and Lorraine Ironplow (CN)

**12:15 p.m. Beginning Spanish** [study group] Contact: Sara Michener (BZ)

**1:30 p.m. From Page to Screen** [film series] *The Old Man and the Sea* Introduced by Jack Powell (AK/MX)

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

## 11 Tuesday

**10:00 a.m. Historical Novels and Nonfiction** [book group] *The Sisters of Sinai* by Janet Soskice. Facilitators: Corinne Hunt (CN)

## 12 Wednesday

**10:00 a.m. Short Story Discussion** [study group] *The Ledge* by Lawrence Sargent Hall and *Defender of the Faith* by Philip Roth Facilitator: Shiela Pardee (CN)

**1:30 p.m. Armchair Traveler: Azerbaijan, Georgia, Armenia and Nagorno-Karabakh** [lecture] Presenter: Janice Friend (AK/MX)

## 13 Thursday

**10:00 a.m. News and Views** [discussion group] Facilitator: Jack Meacham (CN)

**1:30 p.m. Music Appreciation** [DVD study group] *The Operas of Verdi; Music and Mathematics*. Facilitator: Dennis Lawrence (CN)

**3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation** [study group] Facilitators: Carolin Keutzer and Stan Cook (CN)

## 14 Friday

**9:30 a.m. Governing Council Meeting**  
President: Pam McClure Johnston, 541-363-4878 (AK)

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

**1:30 p.m. Rethinking Easter Island** [lecture] Presenter: Terry Hunt (AK/MX)

## 17 Monday

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

**12:15 p.m. Beginning Spanish** [study group] Contact: Sara Michener (BZ)

**1:30 p.m. From Page to Screen** [film series] *The War of the Worlds*  
Introduced by Howard Schuman (AK/MX)

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



# Eugene/Springfield

## 18 Tuesday

**10:00 a.m. Understanding Science** [DVD study group] Understanding the World's Greatest Structures: Loads and Structural Systems; Egypt and Greece—Pyramids to the Parthenon. Facilitator: John O'Brien (AK/MX)

**1:00 p.m. Solutions** [discussion group] New Sources of Revenue. Facilitator: Jerry Brule (CN)

**1:30 p.m. Art History** [DVD study group] Impressionism in France; Post-Impressionism. Facilitator: Ray Staton (AK/MX)

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

## 19 Wednesday

**10:00 a.m. International Relations** [discussion group] topic TBA. Facilitator: John Attig (CN)

**1:30 p.m. The Peace Corps: Guinea** [lecture series] Presenter: Kathleen Conery (AK/MX)

## 20 Thursday

**10:00 a.m. Thinking Allowed** [discussion group] How Does the European Parliament Work? Facilitator: Chuck Adams (CN)

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

**3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation** [study group] Facilitators: Carolin Keutzer and Stan Cook (CN)

## 21 Friday

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

## 24 Monday

**10:00 a.m. Philosophy Salon** [study group] God and Morality: Plato's Question. Presenter: David Kolb. Facilitators: Byron Chell, Dennis Lawrence, and Lorraine Ironplow (CN)

**12:15 p.m. Beginning Spanish** [study group] Contact: Sara Michener (BZ)

**1:30 p.m. From Page to Screen** [film series] *From Here to Eternity* Introduced by John Attig (AK/MX)

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

## 25 Tuesday

**10:00 a.m. Historical Novels** [book group] *The Sisters of Sinai* by Janet Soskice. Facilitator: Corinne Hunt (CN)

**1:30 p.m. Classics/Philosophy** [book group] *The Stone Angel* by Margaret Laurence. Facilitator: Paul Holbo (CN)

## 26 Wednesday

**No OLLI-UE Events Scheduled**

## 27 Thursday

**UO Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday**

## 28 Friday

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### Locations

All meetings are 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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Eugene, OR 97403-1277

Or drop them off at the office:  
975 High Street, Eugene

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Betty Hosokawa, 541-683-1907

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Linda is an archaeologist employed by Heritage Research Associates. They have two daughters, one a graduate of Willamette University and the other a UO Duck. Hart is an avid history “junkie” and has worked with the public presentation of history and historic sites since working at Manassas National Battlefield Park in 1977. He has authored several articles, authored or cowritten five nomination for the National Register of Historic Places, and contributed to major studies. Hart is also a cofounder of the Eugene Civil War Roundtable. He enjoys public speaking on a variety of topics. Since 2009 (Oregon’s Sesquicentennial Year) he has been presenting solo living history programs. He first appeared as early Oregonian Joseph L. Meek and most recently as Professor Thomas Condon.

Mark your calendar for November 7, to see and hear Thomas Condon brought to life by Bob Hart!

## **Armchair Traveler: Azerbaijan, Georgia, Armenia, and Nagorno-Karabakh**

Wednesday, November 12,  
1:30–3:30 p.m.

We’ll start in Azerbaijan, at Baku and beyond, with its oil-rich history, then and now, good and bad. Next we go to Georgia for Basilicas, Synagogues, Monasteries, Fortresses, UNESCO archeological sites, and Stalin’s town. Then we move to Nagorno-Karabakh, its relationship to Armenia and Azerbaijan, and on to Armenia, with its complex relationships, stone crosses, and UNESCO sites. The tour was led by individual drivers and guides in all four countries. Presenter: **Janice Friend**

## **Rethinking Easter Island**

Friday, November 14, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

On Friday, November 14, **Dr. Terry Hunt**, Dean, Clark Honors College, and UO professor of anthropology, will present a lecture on “Rethinking Easter Island.”

Dr. Hunt recently joined the faculty in Eugene after teaching for twenty-four years at the University of Hawaii, where he served as director of the University of Hawaii’s Honors Program.

Hunt is an archaeologist whose research focuses on historical environmental change and life on the islands of the Pacific Ocean.

Dr. Hunt’s research was the focus of a *National Geographic* Magazine cover story, July 2012, and a full length TV documentary that aired on PBS In November 2012.

## **The Peace Corps Series: Guinea**

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

**Kathleen Conery** will speak on her recent Peace Corps service in Guinea, from which she was evacuated in August due to the Ebola outbreak. Kathleen was born and raised in Eugene and graduated from South Eugene High School with an international baccalaureate. She attended the University of Washington with a minor in global health.

# Eugene/Springfield

## **2015 Oregon Shakespeare**

### **Festival Trip**

Plans are underway for our spring 2015 trip to Ashland. Trip details, including travel dates, plays, and cost will be included in upcoming editions of *The Oregon Sage*.

Experience Oregon will provide comfortable motor coach transportation and cover registration. Members **Larry Leverone** and **Barbara Siebold** will serve as the trip coordinators this year. Watch the classroom bulletin boards and the weekly e-mail reminders for OSF trip announcements.

### **Volunteers Needed**

Volunteers are needed to help with the annual winter holiday party on Wednesday, December 19. Some tasks include decorating and food set-up the day of the event. While others, such as arranging for food, planning the program and entertainment, etc. may be done in advance.

For additional information, contact Flo Alvergue, 541-344-3430

## **Got News?**

Newsletter submissions are due by the first Friday of each month. Copy may be submitted electronically to: osher@uoregon.edu

Your timely submissions help us get the latest news and updates to the membership before the beginning of the month.

Please remember that newsletter production (compilation, copy editing, layout and publishing) takes approximately two weeks from start to finish.

A big “thank you” is due to our two program site editors: **Jeanne Freeman** (Central Oregon) and **Jill Overley** (Eugene-Springfield), as well as all the group facilitators, committee chairs, course and trip managers who make their submissions by the deadline.



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# Learning Circle

## Monthly Schedule

### Monday

10:00 a.m. Creative Writing Critique:  
first and third weeks

Philosophy Salon: second and  
fourth weeks.

12:15 p.m. Beginning Spanish, weekly

3:45 p.m. French Language, weekly

### Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Historical Novels and  
Nonfiction: second and fourth  
weeks.

10:00 a.m. Understanding Science

1:00 p.m. Solutions: first and third  
weeks

1:30 p.m. Art History: first and  
third weeks

Classics/Philosophy: fourth  
Tuesdays.

3:00 p.m. Interpretive Play Reading:  
first and third weeks

### Wednesday

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

Short Stories Discussion: second  
and fourth weeks.

### Thursday

10:00 a.m. Thinking Allowed: first  
and third weeks

News and Views: second and  
fourth weeks

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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