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### CENTRAL OREGON—Workshop: End of Life Conversations

Monday, April 4, 2016, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

Presenters **Wendy Howard** and **Jan Hildreth** explore the challenging topic of end of life care. Their workshop covers what options we have to support us at the end of life, including palliative care, hospice, and Compassion and Choices. They also discuss advanced directives and the Physician Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment (POLST), which are legal documents that help us express our wishes about the kind of interventions we would want when we are unable to speak for ourselves. It is important to bring our family, loved ones, and health care providers into this conversation so we can have support and agreement on what matters to us when our health declines.

Howard and Hildreth are both active, long-term hospice volunteers. Jan Hildreth has been a family nurse practitioner for more than 45 years. She is particularly skillful with helping health-challenged individuals understand and navigate the health care system. Wendy Howard was employed as a hospice social worker for more than 20 years. She has experience in supporting individuals and families in times of emotional and spiritual distress. Both Howard and Hildreth advocate

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### EUGENE/SPRINGFIELD—Brown Bag Opera

Monday, March 7, noon–1:00 p.m.

Come and reminisce about Eugene Opera’s March production of “*Onegin*” and prepare for four upcoming Met HD broadcast performances. Perhaps we’ll even have a surprise guest.

### China: A Cultural Odyssey

Tuesdays, April 5–26, 2:30–4:30 p.m.

This month, UO doctoral candidate **Qing Ye** continues her eight-session course for OLLI-UO. Conducted as a blend of lectures, discussions, and student learning activities, the course will provide a general survey and discussion of Chinese culture and history from ancient times to the present and evaluate a wide variety of interpretations. The class is structured chronologically with themes such as literature and art, philosophy, gender issues, film, music, and China’s interaction with the world.

### Part One:

April 5 Urbanization and Fictional Narrative

April 12 Chinese Masculinities and the Male Desire

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## OLLI-CO Editor's Note

When I sat down to write my first OLLI-UO Central Oregon newsletter in 2009, I was filled with excitement at the opportunity to participate in and

write for this group with so many illustrious members. Yes, I'm referring to all of you! I had just moved to Central Oregon from New Mexico and knew very few people. I found it easy to quickly immerse myself in the daily happenings of the OLLI group.

I've watched our program membership grow from 105 and counting, to its present 160-plus members, and wandered from the Chandler Building and Bend Senior Center, to Shevlin-Hixon, and finally to our present home at the UO Bend Center. My favorite columns were the member interviews we did prior to the combined newsletter. Who knew Helen was a Girl Scout or that Margaret was born in the Democratic bastion of the Kennedys!

It's now 75 issues later and time to pass the mantle to a new voice. Please welcome **Suzanne Butterfield** as the editor of the Oregon Sage Newsletter. Suzanne has newsletter experience from other organizations and is excited to jump into her new role at OLLI.

A reminder to all who provide copy for the newsletter—the deadline for copy to the editor is the Friday after the Program Committee meeting, which is held on the fourth Tuesday each month. Please e-mail your information to Suzanne at [srbutterfield@gmail.com](mailto:srbutterfield@gmail.com); she's been prepared for what to expect.

I'm not leaving OLLI or the Program committee, just making time for new commitments—like pickleball, silk painting, and a little more travel. See you in class.

**Jeanne Freeman, Editor for OLLI-UO in Central Oregon, 2009–2016**

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advance care planning for everyone, because facing our mortality with preparation can offer each of us meaning and quality at the end of life.

### **Desert Rain Home Tour**

Tuesday, April 26, 10:30 a.m.–noon  
Desert Rain House is one of the greenest houses in the world. This highly innovative residential project in Bend is designed to generate as much energy as it consumes and to harvest all the water needed from the snow and rain that falls on its roofs.

In the summer of 2009, **Tom Elliott** and **Barbara Scott** conceived the idea of building an extreme, green LEED certified home using the latest green technologies. Later that fall, well into the design process, they heard a presentation by **Jason**

**McLennan**, the originator of the Living Building Challenge—the most rigorous green building certification program ever created—and decided, “We can build a residence that meets this challenge!” Desert Rain is the first residential project in the world to strive for full certification under the Living Building Challenge.

Join Barbara Scott and Tom Elliott as we tour their home and learn the details and frustrations in completing their visionary challenge. The tour is limited to 30 OLLI members. Online and phone preregistration will be available starting Friday, April 8. Watch for the e-blast announcement with the registration link to come out around the beginning of the month. UO Academic Extension staff will contact by phone

those members without e-mail to share registration date information.

### **History's Greatest Voyages of Exploration**

Wednesdays, April 6 to June 22, 10:00 a.m.–noon

We again join **Professor Vejas Gabriel Liulevicius** in this awe-inspiring, vast, and surprisingly interconnected tale of world exploration in this 12-week history series. OLLI members will remember this presenter from last winter's popular course, *Turning Points in Modern History*.

Liulevicius examines the complex motivations behind explorers' journeys, including religion, conquest, commerce, scientific discovery, and the overwhelming sense of wanderlust. In creating new trade routes and initiating a commerce of ideas,

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explorers have played perhaps the most active role in shaping the globalized world. Liulevicius presents a meaningful portrait of the travels of non-Westerners, as well as European explorers.

Professor Liulevicius has won many awards and honors, including the University of Tennessee's Excellence in Teaching Award and a National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship.

Signups will have already taken place prior to the beginning of this course. Contact the Academic Extension office to see if there is room on a particular class day.

**Facilitator: Pat Ackley**

## **Nonfiction Book Group**

Tuesdays, April 5 and 19,  
10:00 a.m.–noon

Our April selection is *Thieves of State: Why Corruption Threatens Global Security* by Sarah Chayes.

Chayes spent most of the past decade living in Afghanistan. Her book, which is part memoir and part treatise, argues that the United States has a tendency not just to ignore international corruption but to compound it, and that in places like Afghanistan this willful ignorance can be destabilizing and dangerous. Chayes tells the fascinating story of her own quixotic effort to launch a Singapore-style anti-corruption campaign in one of the most corrupt countries on earth. Because the soldiers and civilians who flooded into Afghanistan after the fall of the Taliban did not know how to (or, in some cases, care to) engage with the local population except through their designated fixers, the fixers ended

up controlling the aperture through which key members of the international community perceived the conflict (*New Yorker* review).

Some economists argue that a certain amount of corruption is necessary in a rigid centralized government or nothing will happen. Chayes does not think that this was true for Afghanistan.

**Facilitator: Joyce Pickersgill**

May book selection: *The Good Spy* by Kai Bird

## **Page-turners Fiction Book Group**

Tuesday, April 12, 10:00 a.m.–noon

*Euphoria* by Lily King is the 2016 Deschutes Public Library's "A Novel Idea" selection. King tells the story of three young, gifted anthropologists in 1933. Set between World War I and II and inspired by events in the life of revolutionary anthropologist Margaret Mead, *Euphoria* is an enthralling story of passion, possession, exploration and sacrifice. —*Deschutes Library Review*

"...bestselling breakout novel of three young, gifted anthropologists of the '30s caught in a passionate love triangle that threatens their bonds, their careers, and, ultimately, their lives. ... "dazzling ... suspenseful ... brilliant...an exhilarating novel."  
—*Boston Globe*

"There are fascinating looks into other cultures and how they are studied, and the sacrifices and dangers that go along with it. This is a powerful story, at once gritty, sensuous, and captivating. —Elizabeth Dickie *Booklist*

Deschutes Public Library has planned more than 25 programs, classes, art shows, workshops, and performances for "A Novel Idea" 2016.

The final event, a presentation by author Lily King, is scheduled for Sunday, May 1, at Bend High School at 4:00 p.m. This is a free event but tickets are required.

**Facilitator: Carolyn Hammond**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Summer Documentary Programs**

Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

"Summertime, and the living is easy."

But let's not let our minds turn to mush while some of our recurring OLLI courses are on vacation.

As in the past several years, we will present a series of documentary films on Wednesday mornings, beginning July 6. Be a part of the selection process by making suggestions! We try to include all genres: music, history, politics, social issues, travel—whatever. Please submit a title in the Documentary Film Suggestion Box at the check-in counter, or e-mail OLLI-UO staff at [osher@uoregon.edu](mailto:osher@uoregon.edu) by April 20. We will publish the schedule and documentary titles in the June newsletter so you can mark your calendars!

### **OLLI Member Library**

Are you aware that OLLI-UO in Central Oregon has a library of books and CDs for all members to take, borrow, and/or contribute to? It's located on the bottom shelves of our rolling check-in cart. Feel free to browse the titles and pick up one that interests you. There is no check out procedure; just take and leave a book as you like.

We all have favorite books that are filling our shelves at home gathering dust. Now, you can share these

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## 1 Friday

No OLLI-UO in Central Oregon Events Scheduled

## 4 Monday

**1:30 p.m. End of Life Conversations**  
[workshop] Presenters: Wendy Howard and Jan Hildreth (UOBC)

## 5 Tuesday

**10:00 a.m. Nonfiction Book Group**  
[book group] *Thieves of State: Why Corruption Threatens Global Security* by Sarah Chayes. Facilitator: Joyce Pickersgill (UOBC)

**Noon—Round Table Luncheon—Greg's Grill in the Old Mill District**  
[social] For reservations, contact Harlie Peterson, 541-593-2015 or harliepete@hotmail.com. Space is limited.

## 6 Wednesday

**10:00 a.m. History's Greatest Voyages of Exploration** [DVD study group] *The Earliest Explorers; The Scientific Voyage of Pytheas the Greek.* Facilitator: Pat Ackley (UOBC)

## 7 Thursday

**9:30 a.m. Writers' Bloc** [study group]  
Facilitator: Carolyn Hammond (UOBC)

**1:30 p.m. Understanding the World's Greatest Structures** [DVD study group] *Suspension Bridges—The Battle of the Cable; Suspension Bridges—The Challenge of Wind.* Facilitator: Russ Hopper (UOBC)

## 8 Friday

**10:00 a.m. Membership Committee**  
[monthly meeting] Chair: Linda Redeker (UOBC)

## 11 Monday

No OLLI-UO in Central Oregon Events Scheduled

## 12 Tuesday

**10:00 a.m. Page-turners Book Group**  
[book group] *Euphoria* by Lily King. Facilitator: Carolyn Hammond (UOBC)

## 13 Wednesday

**10:00 a.m. History's Greatest Voyages of Exploration** [DVD study group] *St. Brendan: The Travels of an Irish Monk; Xuanzang's Journey to the West.* Facilitator: Jerry Roslund (UOBC)

**12:15 p.m. AV Volunteer Facilitator Training** [workshop] Instructor: Heather Inghram (UOBC)

## 14 Thursday

**9:30 a.m. Writers' Bloc** [study group]  
Facilitator: Carolyn Hammond (UOBC)

**1:30 p.m. Understanding the World's Greatest Structures** [DVD study group] *Great Cantilever Bridges—Tragedy and Triumph; The Rise of Iron- and Steel-Framed Buildings.* Facilitator: Russ Hopper (UOBC)

## 15 Friday

**10:30 a.m. OLLI-UO in Central Oregon Governing Council** [monthly meeting] President: Steve Hussey (UOBC 105)

## 18 Monday

No OLLI-UO in Central Oregon Events Scheduled

## 19 Tuesday

**10:00 a.m. Nonfiction Book Group**  
[book group] *Thieves of State: Why Corruption Threatens Global Security* by Sarah Chayes. Facilitator: Joyce Pickersgill (UOBC)

## 20 Wednesday

**10:00 a.m. History's Greatest Voyages of Exploration** [DVD study group] *Leif Eriksson the Lucky; Marco Polo and Sir John Mandeville.* Facilitator: Pat Ackley (UOBC)

## 21 Thursday

**9:30 a.m. Writers' Bloc** [study group]  
Facilitator: Carolyn Hammond (UOBC)

**1:30 p.m. Understanding the World's Greatest Structures** [DVD study group] *The Great Skyscraper Race; The Beauty and Versatility of Modern Concrete.* Facilitator: Russ Hopper (UOBC)

## 22 Friday

No OLLI-UO in Central Oregon Events Scheduled

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## 25 Monday

**No OLLI-UO in Central Oregon Events Scheduled**

## 26 Tuesday

**10:30 a.m. Desert Rain Home Tour** [field trip] Trip Coordinator: Barbara Jordan (Meet at UOBC by 10:00 a.m.)

**1:30 p.m. Program Committee** [monthly meeting] Chair: Helen Pruitt (UOBC)

## 27 Wednesday

**10:00 a.m. History's Greatest Voyages of Exploration** [DVD study group] Ibn Battuta: Never the Same Route Twice; Portugal's Great Leap Forward. Facilitator: Pat Ackley (UOBC)

## 28 Thursday

**9:30 a.m. Writers' Bloc** [study group] Facilitator: Carolyn Hammond (UOBC)

**1:30 p.m. Understanding the World's Greatest Structures** [DVD study group] Amazing Thin Shells—Strength from Curvature; Vast Roof Systems of Iron and Steel. Facilitator: Russ Hopper (UOBC)

## 29 Friday

**No OLLI-UO in Central Oregon Events Scheduled**

### Locations

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

### Key

UOBC = UO Bend Center  
TBA = To Be Announced

### Parking at the UO Bend Center

OLLI-UO members and their guests may use the shopping mall parking spaces adjacent to the UOBC 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.

OLLI attendees needing accessible parking may use the designated space in front of the Duck Store.

During the winter months, OLLI members and their guests may park in the Duck Store lot if snow and ice have not been plowed from the shopping mall parking lot.

### Questions?

Call 800-824-2714

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### Guest WiFi Upgrade: UO Bend Center

To better serve its noncredit patrons, the University of Oregon has created a new “self-sponsored” guest WiFi access. Once created, your guest access will last for seven days at *all University of Oregon run locations*.

This will provide a much more robust and secure network connection than currently supplied at the UO Bend Center.

At this writing, our older guest WiFi system is still available, but it will be phased out over the next three months.

You will find the new system is easy to use, and can be accessed as you need it. Fliers will soon be posted in the UOBC classrooms to assist you in these steps. Give it a try!

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## Learning Circle

### Monthly Schedule

#### Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Page-turners Fiction

Group: second week.

10:00 a.m. Nonfiction Book Group:

first and third weeks.

Noon First Tuesday Luncheon at

Greg's Grill in the Old Mill District

#### Wednesday

10:00 a.m. History's Greatest

Voyages of Exploration: weekly.

#### Thursday

9:30 a.m. Writers' Bloc: weekly.

1:30 p.m. Understanding the

World's Greatest Structures:  
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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with other OLLI members—and free up space at home!

### Get Involved!

The logistics of a class depend greatly on the participation of our members. For a long time, we have relied on the same three or four individuals to fire up the computer, turn on the TV screens, and control the audio levels. With more classes (not to mention more members!), we are in need of people who are willing to be trained to use the UO Bend Center's system. Heather will conduct a quick AV training session on Wednesday, April 13, immediately following the morning history class. Even after training, OLLI facilitators are never without the support of our UO staff (either Heather or Meah). Once you get the hang of how to work the system, it is rather easy. If you are willing and able to assist with our AV needs, call Heather at the Bend Center office (541-728-0685) to let her know you are ready to contribute to our wonderful group in a very practical way!

### OLLI-UO in Central Oregon

#### Preregistration Procedure

Over the past two months we have implemented a preregistration procedure for lectures and courses for which we expect high attendance. We have adopted this method of preregistration after the traditional academic model to *give everyone an equal chance to sign up for a course*. Here is how the preregistration process works:

1. Before preregistration opens, OLLI-UO staff sends out an e-mail to Central Oregon

members announcing the course and the time frame during which members can preregister. \*Pre-registration does not open when the e-mail is sent. It is simply an announcement informing members when they are eligible to register.

2. On the same day, OLLI-UO staff contacts by phone those members without e-mail access to notify them of the upcoming preregistration period.
3. The registration period typically opens on a Friday, at which point members can *either* sign up online or call into the office to register. The registration period lasts two weeks and closes on the Friday before the event.

Preregistration is not required for all OLLI events. When required, it will be noted on all of our communication (newsletters, weekly e-minders, and fliers). We thank you for your cooperation as we all get used to this new process.

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## OLLI-ES President's Note

Recently we moved a pair of chairs from our old house to our new living room. The chairs seemed much smaller and lower in the new location. Perhaps

the position of the windows or a different sofa changed their context, since context and relevant contrasts produce meaning and influence perceptions.

But what context and which contrasts? If I think about economic or political problems in the context of the geological age of the Earth or the history of the solar system they shrink away. But that's no help if I want to explore economic or healthcare politics, or the latest novel or TV show. Yet while the cosmic context is too wide, often the standard contexts are too narrow.

When we seek to understand difficult issues and prob-

lematic facts in our world today, we are offered standard contexts for them, usually binary oppositions: capitalism versus socialism, Republican versus Democrat, Fox versus CNN, right vs. left, Jedi vs. Sith, winners vs. losers, too much vs. too little government, nature vs. culture, and so on.

Such standard contrasts do seem too simplistic in matters of art and culture. We would not measure all novels by a contrast, say, between Virginia Woolf versus James Joyce, or Ursula Le Guin versus Rosamund Pilcher. There are too many directions for creativity to move, many axes for evaluation, many different values to be weighed. Maybe the same should be true for politics and economics.

**David Kolb, OLLI-UO in Eugene-Springfield Council President**

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### Part Two:

April 19 Death, Life and Ghosts  
in Chinese Culture  
April 26 Republic China

Please note: due to the instructional style of this course, preregistration is required. The first session is scheduled for Tuesday, March 29. Enrollment, which opened in late February, may be full by the time this newsletter reaches our members.

### Dipping Into the Digital World

Wednesdays, April 6 and 20,  
1:30–3:30 p.m.

**Larry Leverone, Gordon Nagai, and Jan Moursund** coordinate this presentation and discussion series. The current series will continue to meet on the first and third Wednesdays through May 4. April sessions include: *The Cloud: Saving, Schlepping,*

*Seeing and Sending, and Games and Other Time Wasters.* **Kirk Taylor** will lead a session on Security on May 4.

Look for more on this series in the May edition of *The Oregon Sage*.

### New Film Series: Faith and Religion

Mondays, April 11 and 25,  
1:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

Few things inspire such passion and conflict—and such meaningfulness and peace—in our lives as religion. Join us for different looks at faith and religion through the lens of the filmmaker as we start our next film series at OLLI-UO: Faith and Religion in Film on April 11. On second and fourth Mondays, April through July, we will screen and discuss these eight movies, each with differing perspectives on the role of religion in individual lives and in communities and civilizations:

April 11 *A Man for All Seasons*  
April 25 *Elmer Gantry*  
May 9 *Amazing Grace*  
May 23 *Going My Way*  
June 13 *Doubt*  
June 17 *The Chosen*  
July 11 *The Robe*  
July 25 *Jesus Christ Superstar*

A more detailed schedule, with release dates, cast lists, running times, and a short synopsis of each film, is available on the OLLI website.

Please note the change in start times for our movies beginning with this series. All movies will now start at 1:30 p.m. instead of 1:00 p.m. (Yes, for our long-time fans, you are right that this is a return to our original starting time.)

We'll see you at the movies!

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# Eugene/Springfield

## 1 Friday

**9:30 a.m. Membership, Promotions and Awards Committee** [monthly meeting] Co-Chairs: Wende Hitchcock and Betty Hosokawa (BZ)

**Noon—May Newsletter Copy Submission Deadline**  
Send contributions to:  
osher@uoregon.edu

## 4 Monday

**9:30 a.m. Creative Writing Critique** [study group] Facilitator: Livvie Taylor-Young (CN)

**Noon—Brown Bag Opera: *Eugene Onegin*** [interest group] Facilitator: Phyllis Villec (CN)

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

**3:30 p.m. French Language** [study group] Facilitator: Elaine deMartin Webster (CN)

## 5 Tuesday

**10:00 a.m. Understanding Science** [DVD study group] The Nature of Matter: Understanding the Physical World—The Air We Breathe; Materials: The Stone, Bronze, and Iron Ages. Facilitators: Barbara Nagai and Mike Rose (AK/MX)

**Noon—Interpretive Play Reading** [study group] Facilitator: Esther Erford (BZ)

**2:30 p.m. China: A Cultural Odyssey** [short course, session two of eight] Urban and Fictional Narrative. Instructor: Qing Ye (Olivia) (AK/MX)

## 6 Wednesday

**9:30 a.m. International Relations** [discussion group] Kamusta-ka Philippines Facilitator: Howard and Marvy Schuman (CN)

**1:30 p.m. Dipping Into the Digital World** [lecture] The Cloud: Saving, Schlepping, Seeing and Sending. Facilitators: Jan Moursund, Gordon Nagai, and Larry Leverone (AK/MX)

## 7 Thursday

**9:30 a.m. Classics/Philosophy** [book group] *A House for Mr. Biswas* by V.S. Naipaul. Facilitator: Paul Holbo (CN)

**11:30 a.m. Thinking Allowed** [discussion group] Can Stock Market Manipulation Be Avoided? Interim Facilitator Jerry Brule: (CN)

**1:30 p.m. Short Story Discussions** [study group] "Cinnamon Skin" by Edmund White and "You Can't Get Lost in Cape Town" by Zoë Wicomb. Facilitator: Shiela Pardee (CN)

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

## 11 Monday

**9:30 a.m. Philosophy Salon** [study group] TBD. Facilitators: Byron Chell, Lorraine Ironplow, and Dennis Lawrence (CN)

**11:45 a.m. Solutions** [discussion group] Islam: The Shiite-Sunni Proxy War. Facilitator: Jerry Brule (CN)

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

**1:30 p.m. Faith and Religion in Film** [film series] *A Man for All Seasons*. Introduced by Craig Starr (AK/MX)

**3:30 p.m. French Language** [study group] Facilitator: Elaine deMartin Webster (CN)

## 12 Tuesday

**10:00 a.m. For Future Generations: Celebrating 100 Years of the National Park Service** [lecture] Presenter: Doug Crispin (AK/MX)

**2:30 p.m. China: A Cultural Odyssey** [short course, session three of eight] Chinese Masculinities and the Male Desire. Instructor: Qing Ye (Olivia) (AK/MX)

## 13 Wednesday

**9:30 a.m. Program Committee** [monthly meeting] Co-chairs: Randall Donohue and Steve Koller (MX)

**10:00 a.m. Historical Novels and Nonfiction** [book group] *The Wright Brothers* by David McCullough. Facilitator: Corinne Hunt (CN)

**1:00 p.m. The Ten Most Famous Sculptures** [lecture] Presenter: Helene-Carol Brown (AK/MX)

## 14 Thursday

**9:30 a.m. News and Views** [discussion group] Facilitator: Susan Rutherford (CN)

**1:30 p.m. Music Appreciation** [DVD study group] Bernstein: The Unanswered Question 3—Musical Semantics. Facilitator: Dennis Lawrence (CN)

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

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[DVD study group] The Nature of Matter: Understanding the Physical World—Again and Again: Polymers; Recycling Materials. Facilitator: Barbara Nagai and Mike Rose (AK/MX)

**Noon—Interpretive Play Reading** [study group] Facilitator: Esther Erford (CN)

**2:30 China: A Cultural Odyssey** [short course, session four of eight] Death, Life and Ghosts in Chinese Culture. Instructor: Qing Ye (Olivia) (AK/MX)

## 20 Wednesday

**9:30 a.m. International Relations**  
[discussion group] Trade and Investment: TPP and TTIP  
Facilitator: Bill Taliaferro & Randall Donohue (CN)

**1:30 p.m. Dipping Into the Digital World**  
[lecture] Games and Other Time Wasters. Facilitators: Jan Moursund, Gordon Nagai and Larry Leverone (AK/MX)

## 21 Thursday

**11:30 a.m. Thinking Allowed** [discussion group] Is Inequality A Natural Anomaly? Interim Facilitator Jerry Brule: (CN)

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**3:30 p.m. French Language** [study group] Facilitator: Elaine deMartin Webster (CN)

## 26 Tuesday

**2:30 p.m. China: A Cultural Odyssey**  
[short course, session five of eight] Republic China. Instructor: Qing Ye (Olivia) (AK/MX)

## 27 Wednesday

**10:00 a.m. Historical Novels and Nonfiction** [book group] *The Wright Brothers* by David McCullough. Facilitator: Corinne Hunt (CN)

**11:00 a.m. Governing Council** [monthly meeting] President: David Kolb (MX)

**1:00 p.m. Restorative Justice Program** [lecture] Presenter: Chip Coker (AK/MX)

## 28 Thursday

**9:30 a.m. News and Views** [discussion group] Facilitator: Jack Meacham (CN)

**1:30 p.m. Music Appreciation** [DVD study group] Bernstein: The Unanswered Question 4—Delights and Dangers of Ambiguity. Facilitator: Dennis Lawrence (CN)

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

## 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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## **For Future Generations: Celebrating 100 Years of the National Park Service**

Tuesday, April 12, 10:00 a.m.–noon  
This year, the National Park Service turns 100 years old. Described as “America’s Best Idea,” what is the history of this proud organization? How did the idea to protect America’s natural wonders start, and who were the park’s early leaders?

Through the years the National Park Service expanded to include such historic icons as the Statue of Liberty, Independence Hall, and Gettysburg Battlefield. Prime natural real estate under its protection includes the Grand Canyon, Yosemite Valley, and Yellowstone National Park. What is the state of our National Parks today, and what does the next hundred years bode for America’s number one public conservation organization?

Have you ever wondered how park rangers predict geyser eruptions in Yellowstone National Park? Join Eugene resident **Doug Crispin**, for an answer as well as a special look at America’s national parks, only available from an insider’s perspective.

Doug Crispin graduated with a BA in anthropology in 1974 and hasn’t missed a summer since, working in one of the national or Oregon state parks! As a career park ranger, Doug has lived the dream, working and residing in some of our best parks. Soon “Ranger Doug” will be headed to national park number 13 on his list and summer number 44 in a park uniform. Mesa Verde National Park in Colorado, beckons, for the National Park Service’s centennial year.

## **The Ten Most Famous Sculptures**

Wednesday, April 13, 1:00–3:00 p.m.  
Of all the thousands of works carved in marble or cast in bronze, which 10 sculptures are the most famous? How did they become so popular with the public, and what do experts have to say about them?

In a PowerPoint presentation, **Helene-Carol Brown** will guide our examination of the sculptures in reverse order of their fame, starting with number 10, and working up to number one. There is a palatable reason for each sculpture having become so famous and so popular—and a human-interest backstory to match each of them!

You will have the opportunity to make your own list and then compare it to the consensus composed by many world-renowned art historians. You are invited to match wits with experts from the great museums around the world, and you are also invited to disagree or to suggest a few sculptures of your own to lengthen the list. Join us for an afternoon of fun and fame.

## **Restorative Justice Program**

Wednesday, April 27, 1:00–3:00 pm  
Since 1992 Conflict and Dispute Resolution (CDR) has contracted with the Lane County Department of Youth Services to handle cases where both the offender and the victim might be better served in an alternative process rather than going to court. These cases have involved a variety of offenses including vandalism, harassment, burglary, theft, and assault among others.

Through the mediation process, the victim and offender meet, communicate, and formalize an agreement

regarding actions the offender will take to make things right. CDR follows up by tracking compliance with the agreement. Participants come from all demographic and income groups. Target age for youth offenders is 12 to 17 years old.

**Chip Coker**, executive director of CDR, was trained and certified as a mediator in 1998 by the Orange County Human Relations Commission in California and has since mediated more than 50 cases. While in law school, Coker focused on alternative dispute resolution (ADR) subjects, including negotiation, arbitration and mediation; he earned a Bancroft-Whitney American Jurisprudence Award for his coursework in Advanced ADR. Since then, Coker has been licensed to practice law in three states, as well as before the US Supreme Court, and has emphasized mediation in his law practice. Before becoming our executive director, Coker was most recently an in-house attorney for Umpqua Bank.

## **Volunteer Needed!**

New Position: Posting editor for OLLI-UO newsletter

Minimal time involved:

1. Each month compile list of member leaders needing volunteers for an OLLI activity (name, task, contact number) for inclusion in the newsletter.
2. Post this same list on OLLI Program News bulletin board in the Alaska and Mexico classrooms.

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## Coming in May:

### Seeing Polar Bears

Monday, May 2, 2:00–3:00 p.m.

In 2014, **Paula** and **Dave Pottinger** were on two trips to view polar bears in their natural habitats. The first was to Svalbard, Norway, the second was to Churchill, Canada. While both adventures had the same objective, the results and how they were achieved were completely different. You won't want to miss this exciting chance to meet polar bears safely! Look for a full description in the May Newsletter.

David and Paula Pottinger, who are retired, travel around the world. Our presenter, David, is chair of the board for the Oregon Contemporary Theater, and is vice president of the Eugene Symphony board.

### Armchair Traveler: Cycling the Loire Valley: 400 Miles Through the Heart of France

Tuesday, May 3, 12:30–2:00 p.m.

OLLI-UO member **Ruthy Kanagy** will present a visual record her bike trip along the Loire River—the longest river in France. She began her journey in Le Puy en Velay, in the Massif Central near the source of the Loire, and pedaled over mountains and gorges to the Loire Valley, stopping in picturesque villages, farms, cathedrals, and castles. She traveled light and stayed in BNBs and small hotels. Bike demo included. Come see her adventure!

## Author Presentation

Tuesday, May 24, 1:30–3:00 p.m.

UO Professor **Lauren Kessler** returns to OLLI-UO to share insights into the experiences that inspired her latest book, *Raising the Barre: Big Drama, False Starts and My Midlife Quest to Dance The Nutcracker*.

## History in Context:

### The Twenties–The Fifties

Tuesdays, May 31–June 28

Members **Livvie Taylor-Young** and **Kirk Taylor** will bring their updated overviews of four decades together in a weekly series. The presentations, which integrate imagery and narration, were first shared at OLLI as single sessions between 2011 and 2012.

## Announcements

### Guest WiFi Upgrade:

#### Baker Downtown Center

To better serve its noncredit patrons, the University of Oregon has created a new “self-sponsored” guest WiFi access for network access. Once created, this guest access will last for seven days at all University of Oregon run locations.

This means that if you create your guest account at the Baker Downtown Center, you can also go elsewhere on campus and still use the same login.

This will provide a much more robust and secure network connection than currently supplied at the Baker Downtown Center, as well as consistency across campus locations.

At this writing, our older guest WiFi system is still available, but it will be phased out over the next three months.

The new system is easy to use, and can be accessed as you need it. Flyers will soon be posted in each of the classrooms to assist you in these steps.

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# Learning Circle

## Monthly Schedule

### Monday

- 9:30 a.m. Creative Writing Critique:  
first and third weeks
- 9:30 a.m. Philosophy Salon: second  
and fourth weeks
- 11:45 a.m. Solutions: second and  
fourth weeks
- 12:15 p.m. Beginning Spanish: weekly
- 3:15 p.m. French Language: weekly

### Tuesday

- 10:00 a.m. Understanding Science:  
first, third, and fifth weeks
- Noon Interpretive Play Reading:  
first and third weeks, during  
Spring term.

### Wednesday

- 9:30 a.m. International Relations:  
first and third weeks
- 10:00 a.m. Historical Novels and  
Nonfiction: second and fourth  
weeks

### Thursday

- 9:30 a.m. Classics/Philosophy:  
first Thursday
- 9:30 a.m. News and Views: second  
and fourth weeks
- 9:30 a.m. Poetry Writing: third week
- 11:30 a.m. Thinking Allowed: first  
and third weeks
- 1:30 p.m. Short Story Discussions:  
first and third weeks
- 1:30 p.m. Music Appreciation:  
second and fourth weeks
- 3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation:  
weekly

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### Recurring Payment Option for OLLI-UO Memberships

OLLI-UO offers a new payment option for membership fees: recurring monthly installments from your credit or debit card. This direct payment plan offers a convenient and affordable way to pay your annual or six-month membership fees through direct withdrawal deduction. Members choosing this option may request that the payments be made at either the beginning or end of each month.

For more information, please contact the OLLI-UO membership office at [osher@uoregon.edu](mailto:osher@uoregon.edu), or call the office 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Monday–Friday: 800-824-2714 or 541-346-0697 (in Eugene-Springfield) or 541-728-0685 (in Central Oregon).

### Weekly Reminders

Course updates and reminders are e-mailed to OLLI-UO members on Friday afternoons. The weekly reminders highlight the coming week's events. The e-mail sender is: [osher@uoregon.edu](mailto:osher@uoregon.edu), and the message subject line reads: UO OLLI-CO or ES Weekly Reminder.

If you are not receiving weekly reminders and would like to be included in future e-mail announcements, please contact the OLLI-UO Membership/Academic Extension Office at 800-824-2714, or [osher@uoregon.edu](mailto:osher@uoregon.edu)