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CENTRAL OREGON—The Mexican Revolution of 1910–1920

Mondays, July 10 and 17, 1:30–3:30 p.m.
and Tuesdays, 11 and 18, 10:00 a.m.–noon

As part of the 2016–17 Speaker Exchange project funded by our Osher Capacity Grant, summer term begins with a special four-session course taught by Eugene member, **Ilene O'Malley**. The Mexican Revolution, which began on November 20, 1910, and continued for a decade, is recognized as the first major political, social, and cultural revolution of the 20th-century. It claimed between one and two million lives and radically transformed Mexican culture and government. We are familiar with the names Emiliano Zapata and Pancho Villa, but do we remember what they were fighting for?

Ilene's presentation of the history of the Revolution consists of four parts: Part 1, the factors contributing to the revolution, the rise of prodemocracy and agrarian reform movements that brought down the 30-year dictatorship of Porfirio Diaz; Part 2, the factionalization (roughly along class lines) of the seemingly united revolutionaries; Part 3, the leftward pressures from campesino-based movements (most famously those led by Emiliano Zapata and Pancho Villa) and

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EUGENE/SPRINGFIELD—Gift Children: A Story of Race, Family, and Adoption in a Divided America

Wednesday, July 19, 1:30–3:30 p.m.

Nearly 50 years ago, a young Eugene couple, Doug and Gloria Bates, both white and the parents of two very blond little boys, adopted a pair of young African-American girls. It thrust the family to the forefront of a controversial social experiment that's still being debated today. So how did it all work out for the Bateses? Join **Doug Bates**, a University of Oregon graduate and Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist, for a discussion of his book, *Gift Children*, in which he tells the compelling and sometimes gritty story of his family's interracial odyssey.

The book draws its title from a custom of the Old South, where the adoption of "gift children" by close friends was common among poor blacks. Though published 25 years ago, *Gift Children* remains a remarkably relevant portrait of family and race today, exploring the theme of whites and blacks trying to live together in a country gripped by racial dissension.

Bates retired in 2009 as an associate editor at *The Oregonian* and a member of its editorial board. He has worked as assistant managing editor of *The San Diego*

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Central Oregon



OLLI-CO Program Chair Editorial

We did it! Change isn't always easy—especially for us OLLI-aged folks—and rescheduling our ongoing classroom programming from four weekdays into

three was a challenge. With the involved input of our Learning Circle facilitators and group members, we arrived at a schedule that works for everyone.

In September, both book groups move to Mondays, 10:15 a.m. to noon (Nonfiction the first and third weeks; Page-Turners the second week) and Film Appreciation moves to the third Monday, 1:30–4:00 p.m. Membership Committee meets the second Monday, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. and the Program Committee meets the fourth Monday,

1:30–3:30 p.m. On Tuesdays, Writers' Bloc meets from 9:30–11:30 a.m. and Science classes follow from 1:45–3:45 p.m. (this change begins with the new July/August course). History classes will remain on Wednesday mornings beginning at a new time, 9:30–11:30 a.m. Governing Council meetings are the third Wednesday, 1:00–3:00 p.m.

Many thanks to our study group coordinators for working with their members to meet the challenge and make this new schedule possible: **Carolyn Hammond**, Writers' Bloc; **Joyce Pickersgill**, nonfiction book; **Deb Hollens**, Page-Turners; **Bonnie Campbell**, Film Appreciation; **Russ Hopper**; Science "Tuesday"; **Linder Redeker**, Membership; **Steve Hussey**, Council.

Helen Pruitt

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counterrevolutionary pressures from foreign interests; and Part 4, the gradual consolidation of a new "revolutionary" state and the emergence of a new national cultural identity, 1920–1940.

Ilene O'Malley has worked on labor advocacy issues and is a former migrant farmworker attorney. Ilene has a PhD in history from the University of Michigan with a specialization in Latin America. She lived and studied in Mexico on a Fulbright Scholarship.

The Aging Brain

Tuesdays, July 11 through August 22, 1:45–3:45 p.m.

The summer term science class, *The Aging Brain*, begins a six-week course using recorded lectures by Professor Thad A. Polk on our newly scheduled science day and time: Tuesday, July 11 at 1:45 p.m.

We're all getting older every day,

and scientific research has shown that starting in our twenties, some brain functions begin a linear decline. Even if we avoid diseases such as Alzheimer's and Parkinson's, parts of the brain inevitably shrink, replicating cells become damaged, and fluid processing skills such as multitasking and episodic memory worsen. But is old age all doom and gloom? Are we destined for senescence once we're barely out of adolescence?

Not at all! Join us in this six-week study group as we look at issues like the biology of aging, changes in the brain, diseases and conditions, and future therapies. The lecturer is an Arthur F. Thurnau Professor in the Department of Psychology and the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at the University of Michigan. He will also explore issues of improving or maintaining memory, and how physical activity, diet, and socialization (i.e., OLLI

membership) can help maintain brain function.

Course Manager/Facilitator: **Russ Hopper**

Pretrip Meeting: Pendleton and Baker City Historical Tour

Wednesday, July 12, 12:30 p.m.

Registration has now closed for our tour of historical Pendleton and Baker City scheduled for July 26–29—thank you for your enthusiastic response.

There is a pretrip meeting for all registered members on July 12, 12:30 p.m. in the Bend Center classroom. Waivers will be signed, and carpools formed then, if desired.

If you have questions about the meeting or the trip, please call Trip Coordinators Marcia Stone at 541-815-7983 or Suzanne Butterfield at 541-306-6720.

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OLLI Summer Documentaries

Wednesdays, July 12–September 6,
10:00 a.m.

An interesting and diverse lineup of documentaries is waiting for you! This lineup is slightly different than what was printed in the June newsletter. Check your E-blasts for any further changes in the lineup.

July 12: *Kumare: The True Story of a False Prophet* (2011) 83 min.

While making a documentary about people who set themselves up as religious leaders, the director decided to see if he could get away with forming his own cult. The documentary describes his progress and his followers, including their reaction to discovering the deception.

Facilitator: **Don Hartsough**

July 19: *Antarctica: A Year on the Ice* (2013) 92 min.

Spend a summer day in Bend watching other people cope with living in Antarctica for a full year. Some of you may remember Dr. Tien, who last fall gave us a lecture about his own year on the ice: in his opinion, this is the truest documentary about what it is like.

Facilitator: **Steve Hussey**

Aug. 2: *13th* (2016) 100 min.

Academy Award Nominee and Netflix Original: “Slavery, Jim Crow, Criminalization. Links in a chain of racial inequality, forged by political and economic motives.”

Facilitator: **Bonnie Campbell**

Aug. 9: *The Battered Bastards of Baseball* (2014) 80 min.

The story of the Portland Mavericks,

the defunct baseball team made up of wanna-bes that won the loyalty and affection of the city.

Facilitator: **Rod Charny**

Aug. 16: *The Galapagos Affair: Satan Comes to Eden* (2013) 120 min.

We all know about the animals of the Galapagos Islands, but how many of us know the story of mystery and murder among a handful of Europeans who settled there in the 1930s? Grand old photos and videos depict this little-known tale.

Facilitators: **Jeanne Freeman** and **Burt Litman**

Aug. 23: *1971* (2014) 79 min.

Remember Resistance before the Internet? Take a look back at the break-in of an FBI office in Pennsylvania that exposed illegal surveillance, secretly targeting pretty much whomever the FBI wanted. This is certainly a topical subject in our times of unlimited surveillance of citizens. Includes present day interviews with participants on both sides.

Facilitator: **Leslie Koc**

Aug. 30: *An Honest Liar* (2014) 92 min.

A documentary about James, “The Amazing,” Randi, an escape artist and magician famous for exposing frauds.

Facilitator: **Leslie Koc**

Sept. 6: *East Jerusalem/West Jerusalem* (2014) 80 min.

Steve Earle and David Broza, an Israeli singer/songwriter, explore the divisions and similarities between Israelis and Palestinians as they make an album in East Palestine with

musicians across the divide. The film is as much about culture and politics and people as it is about music.

Facilitators: **Burt Litman** and **Jeanne Freeman**

Fall Term Reading Selections

Page-turners Fiction Book Group

September 11: *Death of a Nationalist*
by Rebecca Pawel

Facilitator: **Joyce Pickersgill**

October 10: *Underground Railroad*

by Colson Whitehead

Facilitator: **Deb Hollens**

November 13: *Tightrope*

by Simon Mawer

Facilitator: **Diane Pollard**

December 11: *All the Pretty Horses*

by Cormac McCarthy

Facilitator: **Bonnie Corley**

Nonfiction Discussions Book Group

September 18 and 25: *Eruption*

by Steve Olsen

Facilitator: **Steve Hussey**

October 3 and 18: *Dreamland*

by Sam Quinones

Facilitator: **Rod Charny**

November 7 and 21: *Lab Girl*

by Hope Jahren

Facilitator: **Susan Grosziewicz**

December 5 and 19: *The Oregon Trail*

by Rinker Buck

Facilitator: **Dottie Blalock**

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JULY

4 Tuesday

UO Offices Closed in observance of Independence Day Holiday.

10 Monday

12:30 Membership Committee [monthly meeting] Chair: Linda Redeker (UOBC)

1:30 p.m. Mexican Revolution [lecture] Session 1 of 4. Presenter: Ilene O'Malley

11 Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Mexican Revolution [lecture] Session 2 of 4. Presenter: Ilene O'Malley

1:45 p.m. The Aging Brain [DVD study group] The Aging Mind: What Changes; Why Don't We Live Forever? Facilitator: Russ Hopper

12 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Kumare: The True Story of a False Prophet (2011) [DVD] Facilitator: Don Hartsough

12:30 p.m. Pendleton Trip Premeeting [meeting] Coordinators: Marcia Stone and Suzanne Butterfield

17 Monday

1:30 p.m. Mexican Revolution [lecture] Session 3 of 4. Presenter: Ilene O'Malley (UOBC)

18 Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Mexican Revolution [lecture] Session 4 of 4. Presenter: Ilene O'Malley (UOBC)

1:45 p.m. The Aging Brain [DVD study group] Is Aging a Disease?; Aging and Brain Structure Facilitator: Russ Hopper (UOBC)

19 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Antarctica: A Year on the Ice (2013) [DVD] Facilitator: Steve Hussey (UOBC)

1:30 p.m. OLLI-UO Central Oregon Governing Council [monthly meeting] President: Steve Hussey (UOBC).

26 Wednesday

8:15 a.m. Pendleton/Baker City Field Trip

27 Thursday

Pendleton/Baker City Field Trip

28 Friday

Pendleton/Baker City Field Trip

31 Monday

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

AUGUST

1 Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Program Committee [monthly meeting] Chair: Helen Pruitt (UOBC)

Noon—Round Table Luncheon—Moose Sisters [social] For reservations, contact Barbara Jordan, 541-385-6935, or bjordan@bendbroadband.com

1:45 p.m. The Aging Brain [DVD study group] Aging and Brain Function; Emotional Aging. Facilitator: Russ Hopper (UOBC)

2 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. 13th (2016) [DVD] Facilitator: Bonnie Campbell (UOBC)

8 Tuesday

1:45 p.m. The Aging Brain [DVD study group] Strategies for an Aging Memory; Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease. Facilitator: Russ Hopper (UOBC)

9 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Battered Bastards of Baseball (2014) [DVD] Facilitator: Rod Charny (UOBC)

10 Thursday

9:30 a.m. Experience OLLI [program sampler].

14 Monday

12:30 Membership Committee [monthly meeting] Chair: Linda Redeker (UOBC)

15 Tuesday

1:45 p.m. The Aging Brain [DVD study group] Parkinson's Disease and Stroke; Aging Well: Staying Active. Facilitator: Russ Hopper (UOBC)

16 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. The Galapagos Affair: Satan Comes to Eden (2013) [DVD] Facilitator: Jennie Freeman and Burt Litman

1:30 p.m. OLLI-UO Central Oregon Governing Council [monthly meeting] President: Steve Hussey (UOBC)

22 Tuesday

1:45 p.m. The Aging Brain [DVD study group] Aging Well: Diet and Stress; The Science of Immortality. Facilitator: Russ Hopper (UOBC)

23 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. 1971 (2014) 79 min. [DVD] Facilitator: Leslie Koc (UOBC)

28 Monday

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

30 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. An Honest Liar (2014) [DVD] Facilitator: Leslie Koc (UOBC)

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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
LGC = Looking Glass Café

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.

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REGULAR MONTHLY SCHEDULING 2017-18

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	All classrooms	All Classrooms	All Classrooms	Off contract	Off contract
Week 1	8:30–10:00: Open 10:15–11:45: Nonfiction Noon–1:15: Short block 1:30–4:00: Open	8:30–9:30: Open 9:30–11:30: Writers' Bloc 12:00–1:30: Short block 1:45–3:45: Science Class	9:30–11:30: History Class 11:45–1:45: Short block 2:00–4:00: History Class?	a.m. p.m.	a.m. p.m.
Week 2	8:30–10:00: Open 10:15–noon: Page-Turners Noon–1:15: Short block 1:30–4:00: Open	8:30–9:30: Open 9:30–11:30: Writers' Bloc 12:00–1:30: Short block 1:45–3:45: Science Class	9:30–11:30: History Class 11:45–1:45: Short block 2:00–4:00: Open	a.m. p.m.	a.m. p.m.
Week 3	8:30–10:00: Open 10:15–11:45: Nonfiction Noon–1:15: Short block 1:30–4:00: Film Series	8:30–9:30: Open 9:30–11:30: Writers' Bloc 12:00–1:30: Short block 1:45–3:45: Science Class	9:30–11:30: History Class 11:45–1:45: Short block 2:00–4:00: Open	a.m. p.m.	a.m. p.m.
Week 4	8:30–11:45: Open Noon–1:15: Short block 1:30–4:00: Open	8:30–9:30: Open 9:30–11:30: Writers' Bloc 12:00–1:30: Short block 1:45–3:45: Science Class	9:30–11:30: History Class 11:45–1:45: Short block 2:00–4:00: Open	a.m. p.m.	a.m. p.m.

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Learning Circle

Monthly Schedule

Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Nonfiction Book Group: on summer hiatus.

10:00 a.m. Page-turners Fiction Group: on summer hiatus.

Noon—First Tuesday Luncheon at Currents at The Riverhouse.

1:45 p.m. The Aging Brain: second and third weeks in July; weekly in August.

Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Documentary Film Series: 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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Volunteers at Center of OLLI-UO Organization

For new and old members alike, it is important for us all to keep in mind that volunteer organization is at the center of OLLI-UO. In fact, your Program Committee recently added a new volunteer position, called *Volunteer Coordinator*. I have stepped up to fill that spot. I want to use this space in the newsletter to describe to you how and why we plan to add more volunteers to the Program Committee crew that brings to us all, this great programming.

The programs we enjoy are developed by, or approved by, the *Program Committee*. The positions on the Program Committee are “working positions” (i.e., everyone goes away from the monthly meetings with assignments). We want to expand and deepen the Program Committee with more volunteers. We know that many of you will step up—you just want to know what to do! After a number of discussions about how to organize volunteers, and writing a Volunteer Handbook for our site, we are looking for OLLI members who would enjoy helping out in the following categories:

Field Trip Coordinators: We are very happy to announce that new members Marty Rose and Mike Graham have stepped up to fill this spot. They would be happy to have additional help.

History Programming: Point Person, Pat Ackley, is looking to add team members to assist her in bringing great programming to members including programming ideas, serving as course manager, check-in of participants,

setting up and taking down chairs and tables, writing fliers and other publicity.

Health and Medicine: Point Person, Burt Litman, is seeking a team.

Humanities: Point Person, Barbara Jordan, is seeking a team.

Newsletter: Suzanne Butterfield is seeking someone to back her up or take over as newsletter editor so she can concentrate fully on the Volunteer Coordinator position. Also “Newsletter” will involve more writing than the monthly newsletter to include e-blasts, fliers, and public announcements.

General: This position would assist the Program Committee Chair Helen Pruitt in preparing for, and following up on assignments that come out of the monthly Program Committee meetings.

Not part of the Program Committee, but a volunteer need, is for a few members to assist OLLI-CO staff whenever they yell “help”! There is more work to be done by staff than there are hours paid for in the OLLI-CO budget.

Please call me to discuss any of these positions that sound interesting to you. I can tell you it is fun, you learn about new programming first, and no one is asked to do more than they wish to do. You are also a vital part of keeping this great organization alive and well.

Suzanne Butterfield, OLLI-CO Volunteer Coordinator, 541-306-6720

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OLLI-ES Editor's Note

Try something new; you might surprise yourself.

Last fall, after a hiatus of 45 years, I began taking ballet classes, despite

considerable negative self-talk: "You're overweight and creaky; won't you look silly?" Nevertheless, as the saying goes, I persisted.

The first day of class, I made it through the hour, but just barely. I told my classmates, "It's time for a hot bath with Dr. Teal." By the third class, I found myself standing taller and actually watching my movements in the mirrors. By the fifth class, I was hesitantly enjoying myself. Now in my third term of ballet, I still leave the studio feeling beat. Occasionally, one or the other of my hips will just say, "I'm done" and crumple on me. But I keep going back, and so do my classmates, including one in her 80s who had never taken a class before.

Being an avid hiker, I was accustomed to having a certain amount of strength and endurance, but this venture into daunting territory has given me a new sense of power. I'm ready to take on other challenges, even thinking about trying interpretive play reading here at the UO Osher Lifelong Learning Institute. Although my negative self says, "performance anxiety," my positive self says, "go for it!"

I imagine many of us have some similar underexplored area(s) of interest. OLLI-UO is the perfect place to explore those interests in a rich, encouraging environment. Although the August calendar is a bit sparse because of vacations and the UO schedule, a full complement of courses, trips, and learning circle activities will fire back up in the fall. Learn a new language, read a great book, become an armchair philosopher or archaeologist. Tell yourself, "just go for it."

Enjoy your summer!

Judy Johnston, Eugene-Springfield Editor

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Union-Tribune, news editor of *The Seattle Times* and managing editor of *The Register-Guard* in Eugene. He has also held editing and writing positions at daily newspapers in Spokane and Bend.

In 2006, Bates was corecipient of the Pulitzer Prize, along with his colleague at *The Oregonian*, Rick Attig, who is also a UO journalism alumnus. Their 15-part series on abusive conditions at the Oregon State Hospital won the prize for editorial writing along with several other national honors.

Born in McMinnville, Oregon, Bates grew up in Oakridge and graduated from the University of Oregon with a degree in journalism in 1968. He and his wife Gloria moved back to Oakridge in retirement. Besides *Gift Children*, Bates is also the author of *The Pulitzer Prize: The Inside Story*

of America's Most Prestigious Award, a book he wrote 15 years before receiving the honor himself.

Annual Picnic at Lively Park Shelter
Friday, July 21, 4:00–6:00 p.m.
Mark your calendars for the OLLI-UO Eugene-Springfield annual picnic, at Lively Park Shelter, 2100 Thurston Road, in Springfield.

The picnic is a potluck with OLLI providing the beverages and set up (cups, flatware, etc.) Please bring a dish to share, according to your last name: A–H, desserts; I–R, appetizers or salads; S–Z, entrée or a protein dish.

Following positive feedback from members last year, we have booked the same venue, which has a playground for any visiting grandchildren. Please bring guests if you would like. Volunteers for set up and clean up will be

appreciated. We hope many members will attend this great social gathering.

Ukraine's "Revolution with Dignity" and U.S. Foreign Policy
Wednesday, July 26, 1:30–3:30 p.m.
Bend resident **Bruce Donahue**, who recently retired as Minister-Counselor from the U.S. Department of State, speaks about his last assignment as Deputy Chief of Mission at the United States Embassy in Kiev, Ukraine, from 2013–2015. In his presentation, Donahue reviews the often-misunderstood events of the winter of 2013–2014, which led then-Ukrainian President Yanukovich to flee the country and allowed a pro-Western government to come to power. He also discusses Russia's actions during the "Revolution of Dignity," including the invasion of

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3 Monday

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

Noon—Meditation Series [short course] Facilitator: Janice Friend (MX)

3:15 p.m. French Language [study group] Facilitator: Elaine deMartin Webster (CN)

4 Tuesday

UO and OLLI-UO Closed for Independence Day Holiday

5 Wednesday

9:30 a.m. International Relations [study group] Topic TBA. Co-Facilitators: Bill Taliaferro and Randall Donohue (AK/MX)

3:30 p.m. Interpretive Play Reading [study group] Facilitators: Iona Walker and Jack Bennett (CN)

6 Thursday

9:30 a.m. Classics/Philosophy [book group]: *Gabriela, Clove and Cinnamon* by Jorge Amado. Facilitator: Paul Holbo (CN)

9:30 a.m. Poetry on Wheels: Writing and Speaking [study group] Facilitator: Charles Castle (BZ)

11:45 a.m. Thinking Allowed [discussion group] Renewable Energy. Interim Facilitator: Jerry Brule (CN)

1:30 p.m. Short Story Discussions [study group] "Cold Little Bird" by Ben Marcus and "The Politics of the Quotidian" by Caille Millner, from *The Best American Short Stories of 2016*, Junot Diaz, editor. Facilitator: Shiela Pardee (CN)

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

3:15 p.m. Italian Language [study group] Facilitator: Lee Altschuler (BZ)

10 Monday

9:30 a.m. Philosophy Salon [study group] Selected topics in Philosophy of Mind, Consciousness, the Self, and Cognitive Science Facilitators: Byron Chell, Lorraine Ironplow, and Dennis Lawrence (CN)

11:45 a.m. Solutions [discussion group] GDP Vs. the Happiness Index. Facilitator: Jerry Brule (CN)

Noon—Meditation Series [short course] Facilitator: Janice Friend (MX)

1:30 p.m. With a Song in My Heart: Great Hollywood Musicals [film series] *Singing in the Rain*. Introduced by Andy Walcott (AK/MX)

3:15 p.m. French Language [study group] Facilitator: Elaine deMartin Webster (CN)

12 Wednesday

9:30 a.m. Program Committee [monthly meeting] Chair Steve Koller (MX)

10:00 a.m. Historical Novels and Nonfiction [book group] *Under the Wide and Starry Sky* (fiction) by Nancy Horan. Facilitator: Joyce Churchill (CN)

13 Thursday

9:30 a.m. News and Views [discussion group] Group Facilitated (CN)

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

3:15 p.m. Italian Language [study group] Facilitator: Lee Altschuler (BZ)

17 Monday

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

11:00 a.m. Membership and Awards Committee [monthly meeting] Interim Chair: Julie Jessal (PT)

Noon—Meditation Series [short course] Facilitator: Janice Friend (MX)

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

3:15 p.m. French Language [study group] Facilitator: Elaine deMartin Webster (CN)

18 Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Understanding Science [DVD study group] How Do Archaeologists Know Where to Dig? —Prehistoric Archaeology. Facilitators: Barbara Nagai and Mike Rose (AK)

19 Wednesday

9:30 a.m. International Relations [study group] Update on Iran. Co-Facilitators: Bill Taliaferro and Randall Donohue. Presenter: Ambassador John Lambert (AK/MX)

1:30 p.m. Gift Children: A Story of Race, Family, and Adoption in a Divided America. [lecture] Presenter: Doug Bates (AK/MX)

3:30 p.m. Interpretive Play Reading [study group] Facilitators: Iona Walker and Jack Bennett (CN)

20 Thursday

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3:15 p.m. Italian Language [study group] Facilitator: Lee Altschuler (BZ)

Eugene/Springfield

21 Friday

3:00 p.m. Annual Member Picnic [social]
Lively Park, Springfield

24 Monday

8:00 a.m. Archaeology up Close: The Northern Great Basin Connley Caves [field trip] Limited enrollment; registration required.

9:30 a.m. Philosophy Salon [study group]
Selected topics in Philosophy of Mind, Consciousness, the Self, and Cognitive Science. Facilitators: Byron Chell, Lorraine Ironplow, and Dennis Lawrence (CN)

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How to Make America Smart Again. Facilitator: Jerry Brule (CN)

Noon—Meditation Series [short course]
Facilitator: Janice Friend (MX)

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

1:30 p.m. With a Song in My Heart: Great Hollywood Musicals [film series] *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*. Introduced by Howard Schuman (AK/MX)

3:15 p.m. French Language [study group]
Facilitator: Elaine deMartin Webster (CN)

26 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Historical Novels and Nonfiction [book group] *Under the Wide and Starry Sky* (fiction) by Nancy Horan. Facilitator: Joyce Churchill (CN)

11:00 a.m. Governing Council [monthly meeting] President Randall Donohue (MX)

1:30 p.m. Ukraine's "Revolution of Dignity" and U.S. Foreign Policy [lecture] Presenter: Bruce Donahue (AK/MX)

27 Thursday

9:30 a.m. News and Views [discussion group] Group Facilitated (CN)

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

3:15 p.m. Italian Language [study group]
Facilitator: Lee Altschuler (BZ)

31 Monday

Noon—Meditation Series [short course]
Facilitator: Janice Friend (MX)

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

3:15 p.m. French Language [study group]
Facilitator: Elaine deMartin Webster (CN)

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1 Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Understanding Science [DVD study group] *Archaeology—An Introduction to the World's Greatest Sites: Gobekli Tepe, Catalhoyuk, and Jericho—Pyramids, Mummies, and Hieroglyphics*. Facilitators: Barbara Nagai and Mike Rose (AK/MX)

2 Wednesday

9:30 a.m. International Relations [discussion group] *International Courts in World Affairs*. Co-Facilitators: Bill Taliaferro and Randall Donohue, Presenter: Mary Durfee (AK/MX)

3:30 p.m. Interpretive Play Reading [study group] Facilitators: Iona Walker and Jack Bennett (CN)

3 Thursday

9:30 a.m. Classics/Philosophy [book group] *The Death and Life of Great American Cities* by Jane Jacobs. Facilitator: Paul Holbo (CN)

9:30 a.m. Poetry on Wheels: Writing and Speaking [study group] Facilitator: Charles Castle (BZ)

11:45 a.m. Thinking Allowed [discussion group] *Opiates, Addiction, and Alternatives*. Interim Facilitator: Jerry Brule (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
PT = Patagonia Room
TBA = To Be Announced

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

3:15 p.m. Italian Language [study group]
Facilitator: Lee Altschuler (BZ)

4 Friday

Noon—September Newsletter Copy Submission Deadline

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7 Monday

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

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

3:15 p.m. French Language [study group] Facilitator: Elaine deMartin Webster (CN)

8 Tuesday

10:00 a.m. UO Campus Tree Tour [field trip] Guide: Whitey Lueck. Limited enrollment; registration required.

9 Wednesday

9:30 a.m. Program Committee [monthly meeting] Chair Steve Koller (MX)

10:00 a.m. Historical Novels and Nonfiction [book group] *West with the Night* (nonfiction) by Beryl Markham. Facilitator: Joyce Churchill (CN)

10 Thursday

9:30 a.m. News and Views [discussion group] Group Facilitated (CN)

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

3:15 p.m. Italian Language [study group] Facilitator: Lee Altschuler (BZ)

14 Monday

9:30 a.m. Philosophy Salon [study group] Selected topics in philosophy of mind, consciousness, the self, and cognitive science. Facilitators: Byron Chell, Lorraine Ironplow, and Dennis Lawrence (CN)

11:45 a.m. Solutions [discussion group] Logic, Reasoning, and How to Think. Facilitator: Jerry Brule (CN)

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

1:30 p.m. With a Song in My Heart: Great Hollywood Musicals [film series] *The King and I*. Introduced by Susan Walcott (AK/MX)

3:15 p.m. French Language [study group] Facilitator: Elaine deMartin Webster (CN)

15 Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Understanding Science [DVD study group] Archaeology—An Introduction to the World's Greatest Sites: King Tut's Tomb; How Do You Excavate a Site? Facilitators: Barbara Nagai and Mike Rose (AK/MX)

16 Wednesday

3:30 p.m. Interpretive Play Reading [study group] Facilitators: Iona Walker and Jack Bennett (CN)

17 Thursday

9:30 a.m. Poetry on Wheels: Writing and Speaking [study group] Facilitator: Charles Castle (BZ)

11:45 a.m. Thinking Allowed [discussion group] Conflict between Faith and Reason. Interim Facilitator: Jerry Brule (CN)

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

3:15 p.m. Italian Language [study group] Facilitator: Lee Altschuler (BZ)

21 Monday

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

11:00 a.m. Membership and Awards Committee [monthly meeting] Interim Chair: Julie Jessal (PT)

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

3:15 p.m. French Language [study group] Facilitator: Elaine deMartin Webster (CN)

23 Wednesday

10:00 a.m. Historical Novels and Nonfiction [book group] *West with the Night* (nonfiction) by Beryl Markham. Facilitator: Joyce Churchill (CN)

11:00 a.m. Governing Council [monthly meeting] President Randall Donohue (MX)

24 Thursday

9:30 a.m. News and Views [discussion group] Group Facilitated (CN)

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

3:15 p.m. Italian Language [study group] Facilitator: Lee Altschuler (BZ)

28 Monday

9:30 a.m. Philosophy Salon [study group] Selected topics in philosophy of mind, consciousness, the self, and cognitive science. Facilitators: Byron Chell, Lorraine Ironplow and Dennis Lawrence (CN)

11:45 a.m. Solutions [discussion group] Is Religion Good or Bad? Facilitator: Jerry Brule (CN)

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

3:15 p.m. French Language [study group] Facilitator: Elaine deMartin Webster (CN)

29 Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Understanding Science [DVD study group] Archaeology—An Introduction to the World's Greatest Sites: Discovering Mycenae and Knossos; Santorini, Akrotiri, and the Atlantis Myth. Facilitators: Barbara Nagai and Mike Rose (AK/MX)

31 Thursday

10:00 a.m. Fifth Thursdays [discussion group] Facilitator: Phil Smyser (CN)

3:15 p.m. Italian Language [study group] Facilitator: Lee Altschuler (BZ)

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

Please Note: The August schedule may be subject to change. Please check the weekly e-minders for updates for the Learning Circles.

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Crimea and eastern Ukraine. Finally, he outlines implications for U.S. foreign policy and lessons learned from the Ukrainian revolution.

Donahue retired from the Foreign Service in 2016 after a 33-year career as a Foreign Service Officer. During most of his career, he focused on Russia and Eastern and Central Europe, serving in Poland and Moscow. Other overseas assignments included South Korea and Armenia. Donahue received his BA from Cornell University and his MA and PhD from the University of Oregon. He has been married to his wife, Karen, for 34 years; they have four adult children.

Campus Tree Tour

Tuesday, August 8, 10:00 a.m.–noon
Whitey Lueck, an instructor in the UO Department of Landscape Architecture, annually leads a two-hour walk called *Campus Tree Tour* at the University of Oregon to discuss the campus's landscape history and especially its trees, usually in the fall. He has given campus tours for many other groups, too, from the Society of American Foresters to garden clubs, school groups, and Boy Scout troops, and is available to lead private groups. The university's lovely tree-studded and mostly car-free campus lends itself perfectly to this type of educational outdoor activity. Lueck never gets tired of "showing off" the university campus's ever-changing landscape. The special tour for OLLI members will take place in August. Participants will meet at the Pioneer Mother statue south of Johnson Hall, at 10 a.m. The tour is limited to the first 25 people to preregister.

Registration will open July 11 and remain open until tour enrollment fills. Watch the weekly e-minders for preregistration information.

Learning Circle Updates

Fifth Thursday Discussion Group

Thursday, August 31

This discussion group focuses on life experiences. Join facilitator **Phil Smyser** for an open discussion. Topic will be announced in upcoming e-minders.

Interpretive Play Reading

Seeking New Members

On the first and third Wednesday of each month, a group of eager, if aging, thespians meet, not on stage but reading assigned parts with enjoyment and pleasure. The plays may be tragic or comedic, but everyone is engaged from curtain up at 3:30 p.m. until the finale at 5:30 p.m., according to cofacilitator Iona Waller. The group is seeking new members to share the pleasure of the dramatic word and to expand the cast to be able to select plays with larger *dramatis personae*.

Each member of the cast provides materials of their choice, and generally one play is performed per month, but Waller adds this is a very flexible and accommodating schedule.

"Cast members await your debut performance with great anticipation and sincere appreciation. You would be a most welcome addition to this group of enthusiasts," Waller said. Meetings are scheduled for first and third Wednesdays, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. For more information, contact Jack Bennett at jbennett@uoregon.edu or Iona Waller at ionawallter@comcast.net.

Upcoming Fall Term Events

History in Context—the 1960s

Tuesdays, September 19 and 26, This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Summer of Love; yet hippies and the Counter Culture tell only a fraction of the 1960s story. In September, the latest chapters of *History in Context* will have fun with the colorful nostalgia, but also offer a broader perspective that captures the decade's changing times and often indefinable blending of despair and hope.

History in Context—the 1960s continues **Kirk Taylor's** and **Livvie Taylor-Young's** scripted PowerPoint series that chronicles several decades of the 20th-century.

Reconstructing the '60s presented some challenges. So much happened that even dividing the presentation into Parts 1 and 2 forced choices between what to include, touch lightly, or examine in depth. Our goal was—and is—for you to analyze, re-experience and even cry and, at the same time, laugh, remember, and enjoy. So mark your calendar and save the dates.

The Baroque World

Wednesdays, September 20, October 18, November 15, and December 20, 1:30–3:30 p.m. Save the dates for this art history lecture series by **Helene-Carol Brown**. Each session will focus on the baroque expression by country, as illustrated in the work of Italian, French, Spanish, and Dutch/Flemish painters, sculptors, and architects. More information will be available in the September *Oregon Sage*.

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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.
1:30 p.m. Film Series: second and fourth weeks.
3:15 p.m. French Language: weekly.

Tuesday

- 10:00 a.m. Understanding Science: first, third, and fifth weeks
11:45 a.m. Brown Bag Opera: on summer hiatus.

Wednesday

- 9:30 a.m. International Relations: first and third weeks.
10:00 a.m. Historical Novels and Nonfiction: second and fourth weeks.
3:30 p.m. Interpretive Play Reading: first and third 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 on Wheels: first and third weeks
11:45 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: on summer hiatus.
3:15 p.m. Spanish Conversation: weekly.
3:15 p.m. Italian Language: weekly.

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Fall Term Reading Selections

Classics/Philosophy Book Group

September: *The Temple of the Golden Pavilion* by Yukio Mishima

Historical Novels and Nonfiction Book Group

September: *To Capture What We Cannot Keep* by Beatrice Colin (fiction)

October: *Over the Edge of the World* by Laurence Bergreen (nonfiction)

November: *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles (fiction)

December: *Hero of the Empire* by Candice Millard (nonfiction)

Eugene-Springfield Learning Circle Summer Hiatus Notes

Short Story Discussions will not meet during August and will resume September 21.

With a Song in My Heart: Great Hollywood Musicals will take a break on August 28 and resume on September 11.

OLLI-UO Eugene-Springfield Annual All Member Meeting

Wednesday, September 13, Noon–2:00 p.m.
Council elections, general business and updates and plenty of time to socialize over a catered lunch. Details to be announced through special e-blasts and in the weekly e-minders.