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Learning Is ForEver (LIFE) is a non-profit, member driven organization, located in Pierce County, Washington.

We offer educational classes for active retirees, with the belief that learning throughout life has multiple benefits.

LIFE is affiliated with Pacific Lutheran University, working as a community outreach of the Office of Graduate Programs and Continuing Education.

We are associated with Road Scholar's network of Lifelong Learning Institutes.

LIFE Program Coordinator-Laura Stewart 253. 241.4166 stewarla@plu.edu

#### www.plu.edu/liferoadscholar

The PLU Campus is located two blocks off Pacific Avenue S. at 12180 Park Avenue South Tacoma, WA 98447

#### ROAD SCHOLAR

Institute Network



# **Picture Book Biographies:**

Credibility, Representation and Engagement

#### DATE

Thursday, April 5, 2018

#### TIME

2:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

#### LOCATION

Anderson University Center, Room 201\*

#### **CLASS FEE**

\$10.00

#### **PRESENTER**

Dr. Wendy Gardiner

#### DESCRIPTION

Did you read Black Beauty, Swiss Family Robinson, and the Oz books as a child? Can you identify of the characters of Scout and Jem; Cherre Ames; Anne Shirley; and brothers, Frank and Joe? If so, then you likely have fond memories of the tales of yesteryear.

Have you kept up with the trends of today's popular children's books? Do you recognize the names Harry, Bella, or Katniss? Have you spent time in children and young adult sections of your local bookstore or library? No? Then this is the class for you!

Beginning with an overview of the history of children's literature, we will then focus on the current publication of books for juveniles. One strong trend is the picture book biography, which frequently features historically marginalized people in a style which is both engaging and accurate. Finally we will learn how these "new" biographies, which include back matter and promote critical literacy in our children.

Wendy Gardiner, Ph.D. As a primary school teacher, Wendy's experience working with students and families in the high-poverty schools of Chicago, solidified her commitment to literacy as a central means to see one's self, the world, and to increase life opportunities. Dr. Gardiner joined PLU's English Department as a literacy specialist in 2016.

\*Parking pass on pages 8 & 9.

# Two Hundred Years of Fort Vancouver History

From Hudson Bay Company to Spruce Production Division

#### DATE

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

#### TIME

10:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

#### LOCATION

PLU's Morken Center, Room 103\*

#### **CLASS FEE**

\$10.00

#### **PRESENTER**

Dr. Robert J. Cromwell

#### **DESCRIPTION**

center of the region's operations until the Oregon Treaty in 1846. This fort was the terminus of the Oregon Trail in the 1830's and 1840's and was known as the "New York of the Pacific." The U.S. Army established the nearby Vancouver Barracks in 1849- the first U.S. Army post in the PNW. Later, in response to the need for airplanes during WWI, the Army established the Spruce Production Division, which began harvesting Sitka Spruce to send to aircraft pro-

The British Hudson's Bay Com-

pany established Fort Vancou-

ver in 1824, which remained the

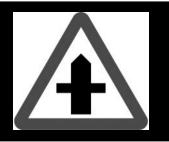
duction plants on the east coast. These remarkable historical stories are supplemented by the Fort's incredibly well preserved archaeological legacy. The Fort has over two million artifacts in its collection, and in partnership with Portland State University, trains the next generation of archaeologists.

Robert J. Cromwell, Ph.D.— Serving the U.S. National Park Service as an archaeologist at the Fort Vancouver National Historical Site, we are grateful for Dr, Cromwell's willingness to travel to PLU to present this class to LIFE. Earning his undergraduate degrees at Oregon State University, Bob attended Syracuse University for his Doctorate in Anthro pology.

\* PLU parking pass required.



# Turkey at the Crossroads of History



#### DATE

Thursday, May 17, 2018

#### TIME

10:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

#### LOCATION

PLU's Morken Center, Rm. 103 \*

#### **CLASS FEE**

\$10.00

#### **PRESENTER**

Dr. Steve Niva

#### **CLASS FACILITATOR**

Gene Giannobile -253.531.9037 dgg2504@comcast.net

#### DESCRIPTION

Although Turkey did not itself experience the violent turmoil that has upended many of its neighboring countries in the Middle East, it is in the throes of a transformation just as profound. A country that once served as a pro-Western ally on NATO's southern flank is now at the center of a new and evolving region, and is again at a pivotal point in its history. Turkey, which hosts over three million Syrian refugees, has

recently endured a failed military coup; a string of bloody terrorist attacks; and has been deeply involved in the never-ending war across the border in Syria. It also has a government led by President Erdogan which is seeking to transform the secular basis of modern Turkey that had been laid by Kemal Mustapha Ataturk, the founder of the modern republic. This class will explore the historical dynamics that are being played out in the contemporary nation, and the nature of the "new" Turkey that is being established by President Erdogan. What are the options for Turkey? And which way will it turn in the

Steve Niva Ph.D.—A graduate of Columbia University, Niva teaches International Politics and Middle East Studies at The Evergreen State College. He is currently researching countries in Europe and elsewhere, which are re-establishing borders in light of refugee crises. We are pleased to have Dr. Niva sharing his expertise on this multi-faceted topic.

newly evolving Middle East?

\* PLU parking pass required.

# Exploring the Catholic Church's Response to Nazi Persecution of the Jews

#### DATE

Friday, May 25, 2018

#### TIME

10:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.

#### LOCATION

PLU campus, Ingram Lecture Hall\*

# CLASS FEE

\$10.00

#### **PRESENTER**

Dr. Beth Griech-Polelle

#### **CLASS FACILITATOR**

Gene Giannobile– 253.531.9037 dgg2504@comcast.net

#### **DESCRIPTION**

In 1933, Germany had approximately 40 million Roman Catholics, and 525,000 Jews living in the country. Have you ever wondered what the Roman Catholic Church leadership said about the persecution and discrimination against the Jewish population in Germany? In this class, we will explore what German Catholic Church leaders did

and said regarding Hitler's efforts to isolate and destroy the Jewish community. Dr. Beth Griech-Polelle will address the protests as well as the silence, on the part of Catholic leadership.

#### Dr. Beth Griech-Polelle

Awarded her Doctorate in Modern European History from Rutgers, Beth has served as Chair for Holocaust Studies at PLU since 2015.

Author of <u>Bishop von Galen:</u>
<u>German Catholicism and</u>
<u>National Socialism</u>, on the life of a Catholic priest who was renowned for his opposition to Nazism

\* Parking pass required.





#### DATE

Tuesday, June 5, 2018

#### TIME

10:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. (See note on social time.)

#### LOCATION

PLU campus, Morken Rm. 103\*

### CLASS FEE

\$10.00

#### **PRESENTER**

Leigh Calvez

#### **CLASS FACILITATOR**

Gene Giannobile– 253.531.9037 dgg2504@comcast.net

# Life on Land and Sea: Owls and Whales

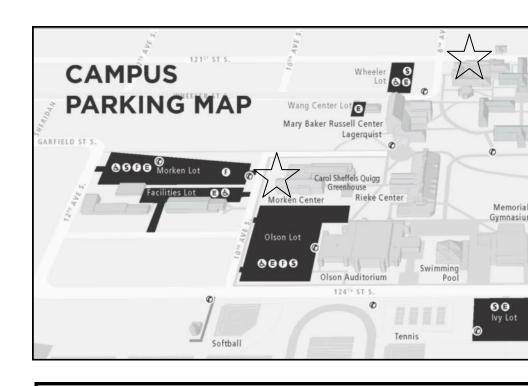
#### DESCRIPTION

Owls are fascinating avian predators. Whales are the largest creatures on the planet. Wonder what they have in common? Join naturalist and nature writer, Leigh Calvez for an amazing look into the lives of these seemingly disparate species. Leigh will discuss the biology and ecology of local owls and whales, as well as sharing a few of her wild encounters along the way.

Leigh Calvez is the author of the New York Times bestseller, The Hidden Lives of Owls: The Science and Spirit of Nature's Most Elusive Birds. Leigh is currently at work on her second book on whales in the Pacific, which is due to be published next spring.

\* PLU parking pass required.

Note: For this final LIFE class, please allow time to join us in some light refreshments. If you are able, please RSVP to Laura at stewarla@plu.edu or 253.241.4166



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Welcome to

UNIVERSITY

# PARKING PASS

2018 Dates: April 5 & 25, May 17 & 25, and June 5

Contact person: Laura Stewart LIFE Program Coordinator-(253) 241-4166

Pierce Transit

Parkland Transfer Station 8 GARFIELD ST Centennial Karen Hille Phillips Center 0 Anderson University Center Nesvig Lot 9 Staff Lot 0 Center 125" ST S.

Authorized PLU Lots: All (issued by Unit 11/CSAF)

Pacific Lutheran University Campus Safety
12180 Park Ave. Tacoma, WA 98447 (253) 535-7441 (Info.)

event: Learning is Forever class

Follow I-5 to Tacoma
Take Exit 127 (East –WA- 512)
(towards Puyallup/Mt. Rainier)
Take Exit for WA-7/Pacific Ave. Head south on Pacific
Turn right on 121<sup>st</sup>
Turn left on Park Ave S.
Turn right on Wheeler St. S.

Turn left into the Mortvedt Library lot entrance
-Pass is not transferrable
and invalid if altered.

-Please park in non-reserved parking

spaces only.

PLEASE PLACE ON DASH OF VEHICLE

# **Great Decisions**

**Great Decisions** is America's largest discussion program on world affairs, sponsored by the Foreign Policy Association.

<u>Who?</u> Anyone with an interest in expanding his/her knowledge of international relations, and engaging in a respectful discussion of global issues is invited to join the group.

What? Discussions on foreign policy issues

Where? Puyallup Public Library, 324 S. Meridian

When? Select Thursdays & Fridays through April, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

<u>How much</u>? Free (A copy of this briefing book has been placed in the Reference Section of the Puyallup Library for those who wish to read the background articles.)

Questions? Contact Gene Giannobile for more detailsdgg2504@comcast.net (253) 531-9037

#### Remaining Dates and Topics-

- 3/15- Turkey: a partner in crisis
- 3/29- U.S. global engagement and the military
- 4/13 (Fri.)- South Africa's fragile Democracy
- 4/26- Global health: progress and challenges



Learning Is ForEver coordinates with the Puyallup Public Library, and Senior Center, to offer these meetings to the public without charge. You may attend any topics which are of interest to you.

# Where are LIFE classes held on campus this quarter?

<u>Anderson University Center (AUC)</u> is located on the east side of campus where 122nd St South "T's" with Park Ave South.

<u>The Morken Center</u> is located on the west end of campus where 124th St. South "T's" with 10th Ave. South. A large parking lot sits across 10th Ave.

**Ingram Hall** is located on the north edge of the campus, where 121st Street S. intersects 8th Ave S. The closest parking lot is across 8th Ave from the Ingram building.

On the map of the campus (pages 8 & 9) these buildings are marked with a star.

As with all our LIFE classes on campus, if you drive and park in the PLU lots, remember to place our LIFE parking pass from the middle of this brochure, on your vehicle's dashboard.

# Missed a class?

If you were unable to attend a LIFE class for which you pre-registered, your funds can be applied to another class before the end of the school year. This applies to our recent snowy day class, as well.

# LIFELines Newsletter

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#### THINGS TO DO

#### On Campus

Jazz Under the Stars-July 19, July 26, August 2 & August 9 Scandinavian Center

#### **Activities & Classes**

Local Historical Societies
Parks & Recreation
Public Libraries
Community Centers

#### **Learning Opportunities**

UW Tacoma's ACCESS program
Franke Tobey Jones' Senior University
Road Scholar educational travel
Humanities Washington classes

#### **Exploring our Communities**

www.downtownonthego.com/go/walking
www.piercecountytrails.org/trail-maps/ foothills trail
Grandview/Soundview trails in University Place
Fort Steilacoom Park in Lakewood
Sequalitchew Creek Trail in DuPont
GPSmycity app

## From Laura's Desk...

On behalf of the leadership of Learning Is ForEver, I wish to thank our LIFE students for

their encouragement and support of our lifelong learning classes. To show our appreciation, we have reduced the registration fees for Spring Quarter.

In recent years, LIFE has offered scholarships to PLU students. As the LIFE Council looks to distribute our remaining funds, it seems a clear option, to do so again.



<u>Council</u> Jane Anne Allen Judy Hopkins

Shirley Peterson

<u>Financial Officer</u> Dot Giannobile

Program Committee
Bette Catlin
Gene Giannobile
Lynn Gracey
Margie Hoffman
Barbara Pick
Marilee Titus

I have enjoyed my 7+ years working with Learning Is ForEver, and will be staying on through July. —Warmly Laura

#### **Registration Information**

We recommend that you **pre-register** for classes, so in case weather or illness causes a class to be cancelled, we can notify you by phone. That said, you may register for our LIFE classes at the door.\*\*

- 1. Fill out registration form on page 15 to show which classes you wish to attend. If two or more people are registering, place that number in the check box, then figure class fees accordingly.
- 2. Make check out to: PLU / LIFE
- Mail registration form & check to: LIFE
   2504 92nd St. E.
   Tacoma, WA 98445

If you have received this brochure by email, print out the registration document and follow the instructions above.

\*\* As a "walk-in" student, we will accept payment (cash or check) at the door, as space is available.

FOR YOUR RECORDS
Picture Book Biographies April 5, <b>2:00 p.m. AUC 201</b> *
Fort Vancouver History April 25, 10:30 a.m. Morken 103*
Turkey at the Crossroads May 17, 10:30 a.m. Morken 103*
Catholic Church's Response May 25, 10:30 a.m. Ingram
Lecture Hall*
Owls & Whales (& social time) June 5, 10:30 a.m. Morken 103*
Great Decisions continues March 15—April 26, 1:00 p.m.
Puyallup Library
Amount Paid: \$ Check #
Registration mailed on :
* Place the PLU Parking Pass on your vehicle's dashboard.

## **Spring Quarter 2018 Registration Form**

Name (s):		<del></del>
Address:		
	Phone:	
E-mail:		

Check Box	Class	Date	Class Fee	Enclosed
	Picture Book Biographies	4/5	\$10	
	Fort Vancouver History	4/25	\$10	
	Turkey at the Crossroads	5/17	\$10	
	Exploring the Catholic Church's Response	5/25	\$10	
	Owls and Whales (& social time)	6/5	\$10	
	Great Decisions	3/15- 4/16	Free	
Total Enclosed				\$

Make checks payable to: PLU/LIFE

Mail to: LIFE

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