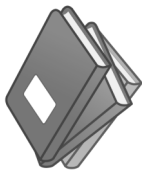
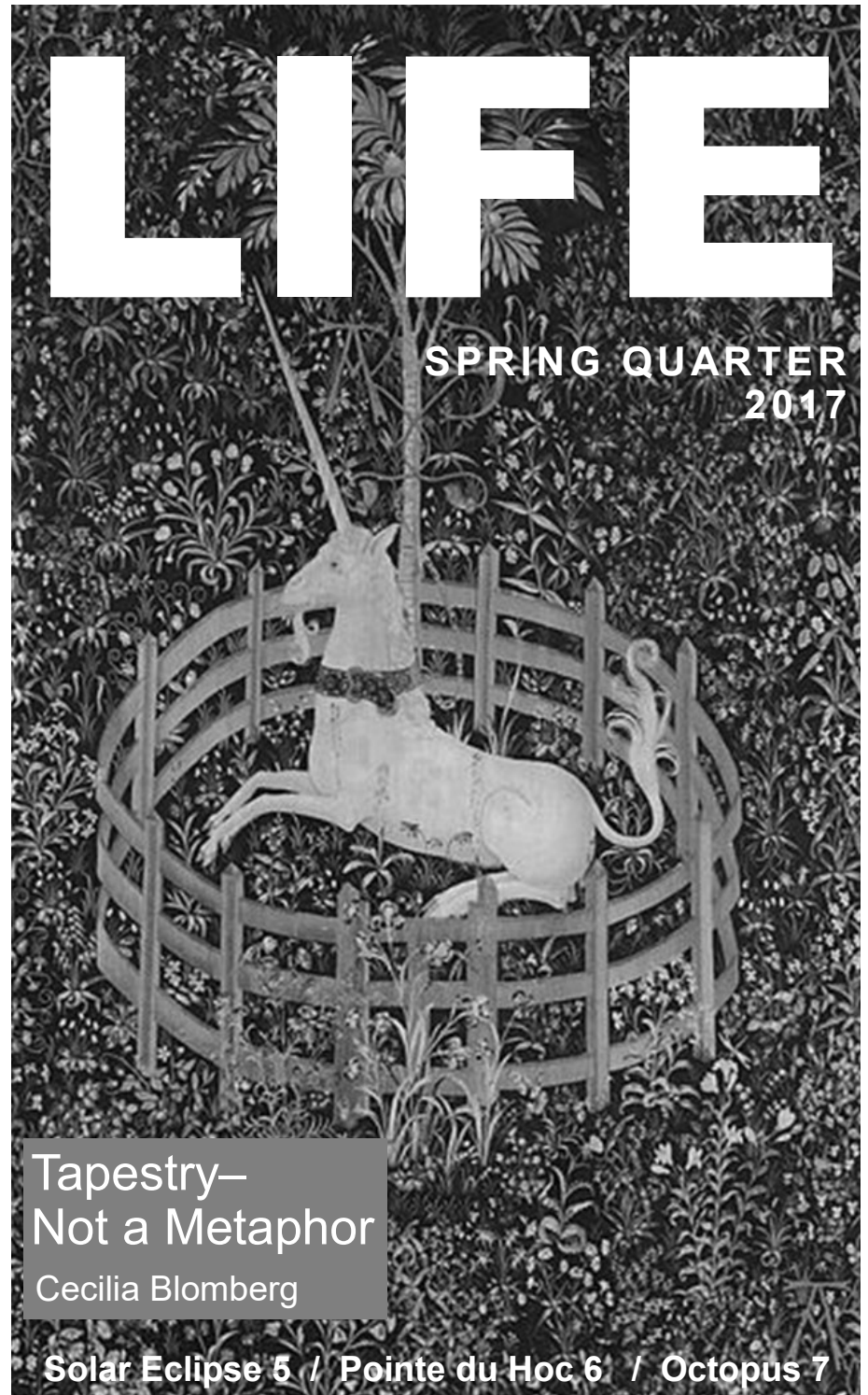


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SPRING QUARTER
2017



Tapestry—
Not a Metaphor
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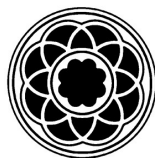
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Learning Is ForEver (LIFE) is a non-profit, member driven organization located in Pierce County, Washington.

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 under the Office of Graduate Programs and Continuing Education.

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

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ROAD SCHOLAR®

Institute Network

Spring Quarter 2017 Registration Form

Name (s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Check Box	Class	Date	Class Fee	Enclosed
	Tapestry-Not a Metaphor	4/4	\$15	
	Confederates on the NW coast	4/12	\$15	
	Solar Eclipse 2017	5/10	\$15	
	Pointe du Hoc (Preregistration required.) <input type="checkbox"/> Park & Ride or _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Meet on base	5/18	\$15	
	Octopus- Smarter Than a 5th Grader?	5/24	\$15	
	Wildfire: DNR Preparedness and Suppression	6/6	\$15	
Total Enclosed				\$



Make checks payable to : PLU/LIFE

Mail to: LIFE
2504 - 92nd St. E.
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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 *most* classes at the door. An exception this quarter- the Pointe du Hoc event. Each class has a facilitator whom you may contact with questions you might have about that class.

1. Fill out registration form on page 13 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**
3. 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 instruction as above.

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

FOR YOUR RECORDS

- Tapestry-Not a Metaphor - 4/4 10:30 AUC 101*
- Confederates on the NW Coast -4/12 10:30 Morken 103*
- Solar Eclipse 2017 - 5/10 10:30 Morken 103*
- Pointe du Hoc - 5/18 9:00 Park & Ride in DuPont **or**
 Meet on base
- Octopus - 5/24 10:30 Morken 103*
- Wildfire - 6/6 10:30 Morken 103*

Amount Paid: \$ _____ Check # _____

Registration mailed on : _____

*** Remember to place the PLU Campus Parking Pass on your vehicle's dashboard.**

TAPESTRY- NOT A METAPHOR

Handwoven Tapestry as an Art Form

DATE

Tuesday, April 4, 2017

TIME

10:30 a.m. –12:30 p.m.

LOCATION

PLU's Anderson University Center
Room 101 *
12180 Park Avenue South
Tacoma 98447

CLASS FEE

\$15.00

PRESENTER

Cecilia Blomberg

CLASS FACILITATOR

Marilee Titus -(253) 588-0498,
matitus@comcast.net

DESCRIPTION

An informal two part presentation on tapestry as an art form. The first focus will be the beautiful tapestries designed and woven by our speaker for specific public buildings and private homes. These include four major pieces for the Washington State Arts Commission. Her current project is a series depicting eight saints for the Air Force Academy's Catholic Chapel. Second, we will learn about The Stirling Castle Project - an effort to recreate the ancient Unicorn Tap-

estries which currently hang in the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York– Cloisters.

In addition, books, tapestries and materials showing the process of producing tapestries will be on display for our viewing.

Cecilia Blomberg trained for six years in textile arts in Stockholm, Sweden. Moving to the PNW, she taught at the University of Oregon, and the Oregon School of Arts and Crafts, in Portland. Cecilia was chosen to work on the Stirling Castle tapestries, and did so in Scotland, from 2005 to 2007. www.ceciliablomberg.com

* A Parking Pass is required to use campus lots. It may be found on pages 8-9 of this brochure.



CONFEDERATES ON THE NORTHWEST COAST

DATE

Wednesday, April 12, 2017

TIME

10:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

LOCATION

PLU's lower campus, Morken Center, Room 103 *

CLASS FEE

\$15.00

PRESENTER

Les Eldridge

CLASS FACILITATOR

Bette Catlin—(253) 846-0354

DESCRIPTION

This presentation will focus on fascinating facts of the 1850's and 1860's rarely featured in textbooks-

- Rebel secret society attempts to balance political power prior to the war;
- Confederate Navy sending the CSS Shenandoah (pictured) to attack Union merchant ships;

- A covert plan to attack San Francisco and to hold the Mint hostage.

Learn about these and other stories set along the coasts of California, Oregon, Washington Territory and British Columbia.

Les Eldridge After his retirement from careers in university administration, elected office and administrative law, Eldridge dived into his passion - maritime history. He has authored five maritime novels, the *Dunbrody-St. John* series. As president of the South Sound Maritime Heritage Association, he narrates the Olympia Harbor Days tug-boat races each Labor Day weekend.

* Parking pass required.

Limited Mobility?

PLU's Campus Safety is ready to assist you to our Learning Is ForEver classes.

1. Park your vehicle, making note of your location.
2. Using a cellular phone, call the non-emergency number for Campus Security (253) 535-7441.
3. Ask the dispatcher for a "special escort for a LIFE student" describing where your vehicle is parked.

Please allow extra time to allow a Campus Safety Officer in a marked PLU vehicle to be dispatched. They are authorized to pick you up within a couple of blocks from campus property, and drive you right up to the door of the building.

Note: If you use Pierce Transit, catch Bus Route #1 to South 121st Street, **or** Bus #45 or #55 to the Parkland Transit Center, then call Campus Security for a ride.

FROM LAURA'S DESK...

I've worked for PLU since November of 2010, tasked with assisting LIFE as their Program Coordinator. If asked- What do I enjoy about my work? I would reply:

1. *Attending fascinating LIFE lectures.*
2. *Meeting new people.*
3. *Interacting with the Program Committee - Working to reach a common goal.*
4. *Working part-time from my home office.*

What do you enjoy about LIFE?

If you bookmark LIFE on your cell phone, you will have our website's calendar ready to share with a friend-

www.plu.edu/liferoadscholar

You may contact me by email- stewarla@plu.edu or on my cell phone (253) 241-4166.



Learning Is ForEver- Q & A

Q. Where are Learning Is ForEver /LIFE classes held?

A. The majority of LIFE classes are held on the campus of Pacific Lutheran University- **12180 Park Avenue S., Tacoma, WA 98447**
Anderson University Center sits just two blocks west of Pacific Avenue S. (State Route 7) on the corner of 122nd St. South and Park Ave. South. There are four campus parking lots along Park Ave S.
Morken Center is located on the west side of campus, near Olson Auditorium. Morken's parking lot sits across 10th Ave. S.
Note: We may use campus lots with a valid parking pass.

Q. I see the class fees are set at \$15. What does this cover?

A. The LIFE Council sets the amount to cover office overhead (printing, postage, insurance, etc.), speaker honorariums, and salary of one part-time employee.

Q. Who finds the speakers for LIFE lectures?

A. The LIFE Program Committee meets monthly to brainstorm ideas and plan each year's classes. (Our committees volunteer their time.)

Q. What is Road Scholar?

A. Road Scholar offers educational travel-vacations with experts speaking on specific topics. www.roadscholar.org

Q. How is LIFE connected with Road Scholar's Network?

A. Road Scholar's network of Lifelong Learning Institutes (LLI) is North America's largest and most respected educational network for adults- over 400 unique and independent LLI's, with more joining all the time.

Q. How is LIFE different from some other LLI's?

A. In the year 2000, when LIFE was organized, the members voted in favor of two hour lectures during the school year, to keep costs down. Some LLI's are organized more like a traditional college class- meeting once or twice a week, for 8-15 weeks, some with reading/ writing assignments.

Q. Where can I find out more?

A. Visit our website- www.plu.edu/liferoadscholar
Or request a class brochure -stewarla@plu.edu / 253.241.4166

Q. Count me in! How can I help?

A. Fantastic! Contact Laura, or one of the Program Committee members (listed as Facilitators in the class descriptions) to ask how you can lend a hand.

SOLAR ECLIPSE 2017

DATE

Wednesday, May 10,
2017

TIME

10:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

LOCATION

PLU's Morken Center,
Room 103 *

CLASS FEE

\$15.00

PRESENTER

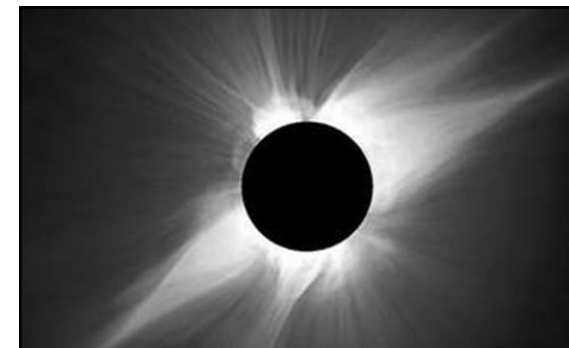
Dana Rush

CLASS FACILITATOR

Marilee Titus-
matitus@comcast.net
(253) 588-0498

DESCRIPTION

A major astronomical event will take place this summer. A total solar eclipse will cross the entire country on August 21st, beginning in Oregon, crossing 10 states, to the coast of South Carolina. This will be the first full eclipse to be seen in the continental U.S. since 1979. Its path clipped just five states in the Northwest, and as it was winter, not many were able to see it. This illustrated talk will provide the details of what causes solar



eclipses, where in the country you need to be to view the eclipse, what to look for during the various phases of the eclipse, and how to view this once-in-a-lifetime event safely.

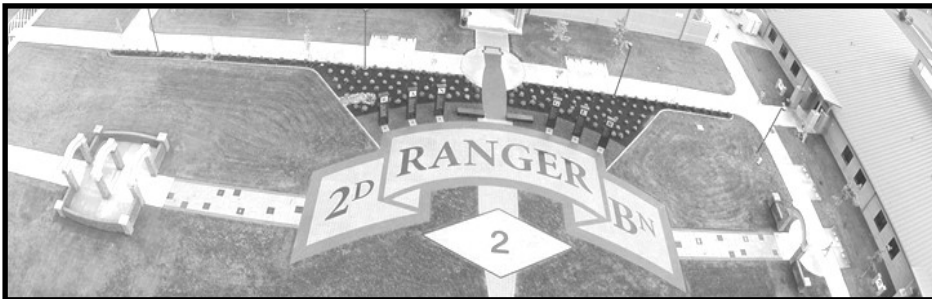
Dana Rush graduated with a B.S. in Physics and Mathematics from UPS. He then attended graduate school at the University of Iowa.

As an Astronautical Engineer in the U.S. Air Force, his first assignment was the Space Missile Systems Division at Los Angeles AFB. Moving to Hanscom AFB, Capt. Rush worked in the Geophysics Laboratory, Space Physics Division.

Dana began teaching astronomy at the college level in 1991 for several schools: PLU, Green River, UPS, and UWT.

We welcome Dana back to LIFE to share his expertise with us.

* Parking pass required.



POINTE DU HOC

DATE

Thursday, May 18, 2017

TIME

9:00 a.m. to approx. 2:00 p.m.

LOCATION

Joint Base Lewis-McChord

CLASS FEE

\$15.00 **Pre-registration is required.** Our group is limited to 25, based upon postmark. A wait list will be established.

PRESENTERS

2nd Ranger Battalion

CLASS FACILITATOR

Margie Hoffman- (253) 588-4589, mteach65@runbox.com

DESCRIPTION

“These are the boys of Pointe du Hoc. These are the men who took the cliffs. These are the champions who helped free a continent. These are the heroes who helped end a war.”

-Pres. Ronald Reagan

Join us for this rare opportunity to visit with and learn about the

Army’s elite special operations warriors, their history, missions and training.

Open house events include: Unit capability briefings; tour of the Ranger Complex; up-close look at the Ranger’s unique special operations equipment; and a visit to the 2nd Battalion Memorial.

Photo ID is required. Bus transportation onto JBLM will be provided from DuPont’s Park & Ride (Wilmington Dr. & Palisade Blvd.). If you have military ID and wish to meet at the Ranger headquarters, indicate this on your registration form. Lunch will be provided in the dining facility.

The Pointe du Hoc Foundation was named after the historic 2nd Ranger Battalion mission during World War II in Normandy. The Foundation aims to recognize and respect the historic relevance and acts of heroism. They provide a variety of assistance and support to the 2nd Battalion, and organize this annual event. LIFE will give a donation to the Foundation. Photo: Pointe du Hoc Memorial, dedicated in 2012.

LIFELines Newsletter

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March 2017

Great Decisions 2017 Continues Into Spring Quarter

March 2nd– Saudi Arabia in Transition

March 16th– U.S. Foreign Policy and Petroleum

March 30th– Latin America’s Petroleum Pendulum

April 13th– Prospects for Afghanistan and Pakistan

April 27th– Nuclear Security

1:00-3:00 p.m. at Puyallup Public Library

Gene Giannobile— dgg2504@comcast.net (253) 531-9037

TOPICS IN THE WORKS

A Librarian’s book talk

Janet Camarata on genealogy the basics of DNA

Duncan Foley on the science of earthquakes

A behind the scenes look at theater production
Steve Niva returns for a series on the Middle East

Beth Griech-Polelle on WWII Holocaust

Elisabeth Ward on Vikings

Jim Ross to give another talk on Nat’l Parks

Greg Youtz on the writing of an opera

Thailand

Can you help us?

The Program Committee is looking for leads to experienced speakers, with expertise in the following topics-

American Musicals

Tiny Homes Movement

Robotics & Ai

Therapy Dogs

Shipbuilding in Puget Sound

Birding or native swans

Winter music traditions from a variety of cultures and beliefs

WILDFIRE: DNR PREPAREDNESS AND SUPPRESSION

DATE

Tuesday, June 6, 2017

TIME

10:30 a.m.– 12:30 p.m.

LOCATION

PLU's Morken Center, Room 103*

CLASS FEE

\$15.00

PRESENTER

Aaron Schmidt

CLASS FACILITATOR

Gene Giannobile– (253) 531-9037
ddg2504@comcast.net

DESCRIPTION

The WA Department of Natural Resources Wildfire Department is the on-call fire service with 1200 fire fighters tasked with protecting 13 million acres of private and



state forest lands. In this presentation we will discuss the last 100 years of wildland suppression, current forest conditions in our state, some recent fire history, tactics and hazards, contemporary issues with wildfire, planning, and response. Additionally, we will look at why fire is important to our environment, why recent fires burn the way they do, fuels mitigations, Fire wise, safety, and regulations.

Aaron Schmidt began his wildfire career at the age of 16 by volunteering for a local fire department. At 18, he joined Washington State's Department of Natural Resources working on a fire engine crew. His USFS career took him to New Mexico, Oregon, and California, where Aaron worked on engines, helicopters, hand crews, fire ecology teams and was part of an elite force called the "Hotshots."

Currently, Aaron serves as the Assistant Division Manager for Fire Operations at DNR Headquarters in Olympia. He has two adult children, enjoys hunting, fishing, and any outdoor activity.

* PLU Parking Pass Required.

OCTOPUS– SMARTER THAN A 5TH GRADER?



DATE

Wednesday, May 24, 2017

TIME

10:30 a.m.– 12:30 p.m.

LOCATION

PLU's lower campus,
Morken Center, Room 103 *

CLASS FEE

\$15.00

PRESENTER

Russel Higley

CLASS FACILITATOR

Lynn Gracey -(253) 582-1992,
Lgracey62@yahoo.com

DESCRIPTION

This presentation will feature one of the most amazing animals in the ocean. We'll learn

about their amazing abilities and intelligence. Although we'll explore a variety of different octopuses, this talk will focus on the world's largest, the Giant Pacific Octopus– averaging from 22 to 110 pounds.

Rus Higley has managed Highline College's Marine Science and Technology Center (MaST) since its opening in 2003.

He teaches Oceanography and Marine Biology to Highline C.C. students, and Environmental Science at the UWT.

When not teaching students, or overseeing operations at the MaST Center, Rus enjoys spending time in the water- he is a certified SCUBA Master Diver, and river rafting tour guide.

* Parking Pass required.

