OLLI AT UNT
A VIBRANT LEARNING COMMUNITY
FOR ADULTS 50 AND BETTER
LIFE'S NEXT ADVENTURE

SPRING 2018

100+
CLASSES
A wide variety of topics.
Multiple locations.

NO TESTS
NO GRADES
Distinguished and
friendly faculty.

EVENTS
AND TRIPS
Annual member events.
Educational trips.
FROM THE DIRECTOR

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the spring semester of 2018 at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at UNT! Our program is in the midst of amazing growth and innovation. This spring we are offering 114 stimulating classes to choose from making this the largest number of class offerings to date! Please peruse this catalog to see the wide variety of classes as well as special new programs and events.

I would like to introduce our new OLLI after 5:00 Lecture Series that will take place at Robson Ranch from 5:30-6:30 pm and feature distinguished speakers. This new series will allow members the opportunity to attend classes outside of our normal hours while enjoying wine and cheese. Additionally, we are highlighting area Visiting Professors through our new Lunch and Learn Lecture Series. Members will bring a “brown-bag” lunch to enjoy while listening to engaging topics at Robson Ranch from 11:45 am-12:45 pm.

We are very excited about these new lecture series as well as the new member benefits that are described in this catalog. In addition to our classes and lecture series, we have many special events and cultural activities that we hope you will take part in. This organization is YOUR organization and we want to help make it the best it can possibly be.

OLLI at UNT is a member-driven organization and we would love to have your participation in the form of volunteering for a committee, serving as an OLLI at UNT Ambassador or joining a special-interest group. Our volunteers are an essential part of our program and I strongly encourage your participation. Thank you for being a part of our vibrant educational community. I hope you enjoy a great spring semester full of learning, inspiration and growth at OLLI at UNT.

Warm regards,

Stephanie Reinke, EdD
Director
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Welcome to the 2018 Spring semester at OLLI at UNT! Incredibly exciting, interesting and stimulating classes and activities fill out the new term. It’s also exciting to anticipate continued growth in the number of members as well as more and more involvement of our members in determining the future of the program through participation on the Advisory Council and on Committees. OLLI at UNT is a member-driven enterprise and I encourage every member to seriously consider joining a committee. Looking forward to seeing you in class!

Tom Hoemeke
President, OLLI at UNT Advisory Council

Member Leadership & Participation

The OLLI at UNT Advisory Council reviews and approves policy in consultation with the Director of OLLI at UNT. The responsibilities of the Advisory Council include evaluating all OLLI at UNT policies, programs and operations and providing strategic planning for the growth and quality of the program. The OLLI at UNT Advisory Council consists of nine (9) persons elected from the general membership (five elected in even numbered years and four in odd numbered years). Terms of service are two years, with the possibility of serving a second consecutive term. Persons making a nomination are encouraged to ensure that nominees have agreed to the nomination. Self-nominations are welcome.

OLLI at UNT’s Standing Committees are very important in carrying out the functions of the program. There are three standing committees with different responsibilities. All committee members are volunteers from the OLLI at UNT Membership. Each committee can have 7 members. The term of service is one year for Standing Committees. Standing Committee Members may extend their term of service for a second consecutive term if they choose.

Standing Committee Chairs

COMMUNICATIONS & MARKETING COMMITTEE: Jonathan Hall
CURRICULUM COMMITTEE: Patti Smith
MEMBERSHIP, NOMINATIONS, & ELECTIONS COMMITTEE: Tom Hoemeke

Want to get involved? Contact olli@unt.edu.

Let us know if you’re interested in forming a club with other members. We’d love to help you coordinate the creation of a book club, dinner club, or any other idea you might have!
ABOUT OLLI AT UNT

Thousands of older students across the nation are going back to college to keep their brains sharp, to connect with their peers and to experience the joy of learning. Denton has its own “college for seniors,” the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of North Texas (OLLI at UNT). Since 2009, UNT has offered classes that let seniors experience college in a new way.

OLLI at UNT is a lifelong learning program with classes, events, and trips designed by and for adults 50 and better. We are a vibrant community of curious minds, adventurous hearts, and welcoming members. Our classes are selected by your peers and taught by distinguished university professors and area professionals. Access to special collections and sites provide extra enrichment. With over 100 classes, multiple locations, and a wide variety of topics, we have options for everyone. There are no tests, no grades, and no mandatory homework.

STAFF

Director: Stephanie Reinke, EdD
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LOCATIONS

UNT Denton Campus
1155 Union Circle
Denton, TX
Mondays & Wednesdays
10:00am - 11:30am
and 11:45am - 1:15pm

Robson Ranch Denton
9501 Ed Robson Blvd.
Denton, TX
Tuesdays & Thursdays
10:00am - 11:30am
1:00pm - 2:30pm
and 2:45pm - 4:15pm

UNT New College at Frisco
2811 Internet Blvd.
Frisco, TX
Fridays & Saturdays
10:00am - 11:30am
and 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Class Formats
Single 90 Minute Lecture
1 - 2 Week Seminar
Small Discussion Group
PARKING

Robson Ranch Denton

Complimentary parking is available in the Clubhouse parking lot.

UNT New College at Frisco

Complimentary parking is available in the main parking lot and parking garage.

UNT Denton Campus

Highland Street Parking Garage
620 Central Ave, Denton TX, 76201

- Pay to park in the garage once each semester OR pay an $8 one-time fee at the parking office on the 1st floor of the garage.
- Then go to the parking office, identify yourself as an OLLI at UNT member, and request your semester parking pass.
- Use your OLLI at UNT parking pass to park in the garage for the rest of the semester at no additional cost (valid for attending OLLI at UNT classes only).
- Your OLLI at UNT parking pass is also valid in the ADA accessible lot located in front of the UNT Union.

OTHER INFO.

Adverse Weather and Class Cancellations

If the University of North Texas announces a closure, all OLLI at UNT classes will be cancelled. Please check the UNT website (www.unt.edu) or Facebook page for closure notifications.

Dining Options

Retail dining options are available on the First and Second Floor of the UNT Union.

There are over 75 restaurants near the UNT New College at Frisco.

Members receive a 10% discount at the Wildhorse Grill in Robson Ranch Denton.

Donations

We accept donations online at one.unt.edu/olli.

OLLI at UNT Ambassadors

Our Ambassadors are volunteers who spread the word about OLLI at UNT at events and group meetings in our community.

Interested in becoming an Ambassador? Contact olli@unt.edu.
MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

$55 Annual Membership
Pay $10 Per Class

$140 Annual Membership
All Classes Included

MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE PER PERSON

OLLI at UNT classes take place during three semesters: Spring, Summer, and Fall. As many as 100 unique classes may be offered during a single semester. An annual membership lasts for three full semesters. We accept new members throughout the year. There are no registration deadlines for OLLI at UNT membership.

Become a Member
To become an OLLI at UNT member, simply submit our membership form (by mail or online) and pay your annual membership fee.

olly.unt.edu/register

Already a Member?
Your annual membership is valid for three full semesters. Until it expires, you may enroll in classes and sign up for events.

Member Portal
The OLLI at UNT Member Portal allows you to renew your membership, sign up for classes and events, and make online credit card payments.

olly.unt.edu/members

Give the Gift of OLLI
Our registration forms can be used to purchase a membership for a loved one. Contact us for more details.

Scholarships Available
Apply online
olly.unt.edu/scholarship

Guests
Your friend or loved one can attend one class at no cost.
olly.unt.edu/guests

UNTRA Discount
UNT Retiree Association members are eligible for a $75 Annual Membership with all classes included.

FOR REGISTRATION ASSISTANCE

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MEMBER BENEFITS

**Exclusive Events**

OLLI at UNT members are granted special access and discounts to a number of UNT events. These events include:

- UNT Distinguished Lecture Series
- UNT College of Music Performances
- UNT Athletics Events and Games
- UNT Dance & Theater Performances
- UNT Office of the President Events

OLLI at UNT also coordinates exclusive events for members only.

*Our complete list of Spring 2018 events can be found on page 11.*

**Wildhorse Grill**

Your OLLI at UNT membership entitles you to a 10% discount at the Robson Ranch Wildhorse Grill, which is located in the building next to the Clubhouse.

**Member ID Cards**

All OLLI at UNT members receive a UNT ID card. Members may present their ID card at the Barnes & Noble on UNT’s Denton campus for a 10% discount.

**UNT Willis Library**

Members are eligible to obtain a UNT Library card with borrowing privileges at Willis Library. Contact olli@unt.edu to request your library card.

**UNT Parking Pass**

The UNT Parking Office is offering OLLI at UNT members their own special parking pass for attending classes on the UNT Denton campus. Members can use this pass to park in the Highland Street Garage at a dramatically reduced rate.

OLLI at UNT members enjoy free parking at our UNT New College at Frisco and Robson Ranch locations.

*Full parking details can be found on page 5.*
WHY MEMBERS LOVE OLLI

OLLI at UNT is built around the feedback of our members. In our most recent member survey, we asked members to describe the greatest strengths of OLLI at UNT. Here’s what they told us:

"Stimulates creative thinking"

"[I enjoy] interacting with people who are interested in exploring and responding analytically to an information-filled world...because it stimulates creative thinking and promotes making connections with ideas that may seem unrelated but at a different level do interconnect."

"Just plain fun"

"[OLLI at UNT provides] opportunities to keep the old brain sharp with new and interesting classes. As I get older, this kind of interaction and learning is not only good for me, but also is just plain fun."

"Grounded in academics"

"[OLLI at UNT has] excellent instructors, great energy, interesting members from diverse backgrounds. I am constantly amazed at the caliber of folks who are willing to teach for the love of doing it. It is a quality program that is grounded in academics with a flair for fun."

Be on the lookout for our Member Surveys!

All member responses are collected anonymously.
TEACH A CLASS

We invite you to teach a class for OLLI at UNT. Many OLLI at UNT faculty are retired professors, but others are active UNT faculty or area professionals who are interested in sharing their expertise and love of a subject with a community of senior learners. You may teach in your area of academic expertise or offer classes in subjects of personal interest to you.

You may propose as many topics and classes as you would like, but please bear in mind that the Class Selection Committee must approve your class before it is added to the official OLLI at UNT calendar.

BENEFITS

• Community engagement that looks great on a resume.
• Opportunity for retired educators to continue teaching.
• Interact with motivated learners of various life experiences.
• Complimentary semester of OLLI at UNT membership.
• Annual Faculty Appreciation Reception.

For UNT Faculty and Staff:
• Letter of appreciation from OLLI at UNT Director delivered to your Dean or Chair.

At UNT Denton campus:
• Parking validation in Highland Street Garage.

At UNT New College at Frisco:
• $100 stipend per class.

At Robson Ranch:
• Discounted meal at Robson Ranch Wildhorse Grill.

LEARN MORE:  olli.unt.edu/teach
We'd like to introduce you to three dedicated faculty members who are teaching for OLLI at UNT this semester.

JENNIFER EVANS-COWLEY

Planning for Growth: How to Effectively Engage in City Development

A native of Arlington, Texas, Evans-Cowley has worked in city government in College Station and Amarillo. She was the chair of City and Regional Planning in the Knowlton School at Ohio State University and also served as OSU's vice provost for capital planning and regional campuses from 2014 to 2017.

Evans-Cowley holds a Bachelor of Science in political science, a master’s of urban planning and a Ph.D. in urban and regional science from Texas A&M University, as well as a master’s of public administration from UNT.

BRADFORD LEALI

A Deeper Understanding of Jazz!

A native of Denver, Colorado, Leali was raised in the Baptist Church. In addition to gospel music, he spent countless hours listening to the music his parents played (Coltrane, Cannonball, Bird, James Brown, Marvin Gaye, and Nancy Wilson).

Leali received a Bachelor of Arts degree in music education from the University of North Texas in 1989, where he played with the world-renowned One O’Clock Lab Band. He has also performed with The Harry Connick, Jr. Orchestra and the Count Basie Orchestra. He currently tours with Lyle Lovett & His Large Band.

PAMELA PADILLA

The Biology and Genetics of Aging: How to Live Long and Prosper

Dr. Padilla is interested in how environmental stress affects living organisms at the cellular, genetic and molecular level. She received her Ph.D. from the University of New Mexico and conducted her post-doctoral research at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle, Washington.

Aside from her intense interest in science and education she is passionate about equality & workforce diversity, enjoys running half marathons, playing with dogs, listening to loud music and spending time with her family and friends.
SPECIAL EVENTS
Spring 2018

Lone Star Gardening with Neil Sperry
Saturday, February 3, 2:30pm

Texas gardening expert Neil Sperry will be giving an exclusive free presentation on “Lone Star Gardening” for OLLI at UNT members, followed by a Q&A session. This special event will take place at our UNT New College location in Frisco, TX. Parking is available at no cost. Refreshments will be provided and Mr. Sperry will be signing books following his presentation.

There is limited seating for this event, so we encourage members to RSVP early. RSVP through the OLLI at UNT Member Portal or by contacting olli@unt.edu.

President's Tour of UNT CVAD Building
Monday, February 19, 1:30pm - 3:00pm

Join UNT President Neal Smatresk and several top administrators for UNT and the College of Visual Arts & Design on a "hard hat" walk-and-talk tour of this new facility.

Designed by the Corgan and Machado-Silvetti architecture firms, the facility will be a four-story masonry building with classrooms, lecture halls, 3D graphics and visualization labs, study areas, seminar rooms, multimedia equipped classrooms, art galleries, student studios, administrative offices, meeting rooms and informal work areas. The new building will be a high-performance energy efficient facility targeted to attain a minimum LEED Silver certificate.

RSVP through the OLLI at UNT Member Portal or by contacting olli@unt.edu.
Flowers for Algernon (Play)
Saturday, February 24, 7:30pm

This is the compelling story of Charlie, a mentally disabled man, and the strange interweaving of his life with that of Algernon, a mouse. Experimental surgery has been performed on Algernon, increasing his intelligence fourfold. The operation is tried on Charlie, who rapidly changes into a genius, far more intelligent than his teacher, Alice Kinnian, or the doctors who created the operating technique. As Charlie approaches the peak of his brilliance, Algernon shows frightening symptoms of regression. The play becomes a race against time in which Charlie tries to keep his new intelligence long enough to save himself and thus continue what he and Alice have found. This is a different kind of play: poignant, romantic, funny and tragic, but with hope of man's indomitable spirit.

Purchase your ticket through the OLLI at UNT Member Portal. Ticket cost for OLLI at UNT members: $5.00.

UNT Basketball with President Smatresk
Thursday, March 1, 7:00pm

Join President Smatresk for an exclusive pregame reception and then help us cheer on the Mean Green men’s basketball team as they take on the UTSA Roadrunners.

Tickets for this game are complimentary for members. RSVP through the OLLI at UNT Member Portal or by contacting olli@unt.edu.
Texas Tulips Tour
Friday, March 9

Join us as we tour the tulip fields at Texas Tulips in Pilot Point. Following the tour, we will have lunch at MOMS in Aubrey.

There will be a fee for this event. More details will be announced soon.

RSVP through the OLLI at UNT Member Portal or by contacting olli@unt.edu.

Tomorrow and Beyond with Jane Goodall
Monday, April 9, 7:00pm

Jane Goodall is coming to UNT! The university’s Distinguished Lecture Series is offering a special $10 ticket price for OLLI at UNT members. Each member who purchases a ticket will be entered in a drawing for a chance to attend the VIP reception with a guest.

For instructions on how to purchase your ticket, please visit: studentaffairs.unt.edu/distinguished-lecture-series. Make sure you purchase your ticket at the special rate for OLLI at UNT members!
Thin Line Festival
Opening Night VIP Reception
Wednesday, April 18

Thin Line is a one-of-a-kind festival that combines the best of modern media to create an engaging, multi-layered experience that appeals to all. OLLI at UNT members have been invited to attend the opening night VIP reception as complimentary guests of the festival. General admission for all other festival events is free.

RSVP for the reception through the OLLI at UNT Member Portal or by contacting olli@unt.edu.

Hands on a Hardbody (Musical)
Thursday, April 26, 7:30 pm

For 10 hard-luck Texans, a new lease on life is so close they can touch it. Under a scorching sun for days on end, armed with nothing but hope, humor, and ambition, they’ll fight to keep at least one hand on a brand-new truck in order to win it. In the hilarious, hard-fought contest that is "Hands on a Hardbody" only one winner can drive away with the American Dream.

Purchase your ticket through the OLLI at UNT Member Portal. Ticket cost for OLLI at UNT members: $5.00.
LUNCH & LEARN LECTURE SERIES

Pack and bring your own lunch and enjoy talks from visiting professors, courtesy of the University of North Texas and Texas Wesleyan University.

Beyond Standing Rock: Native Americans and Environmental Justice
Dr. Adam Dunstan
Thursday, February 15
11:45am - 12:45pm
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Standing Rock and the Dakota Access Pipeline brought widespread attention to what is an invisible but daily reality for Native American nations across North America: environmental racism and sacred land threats. In this lecture, environmental anthropologist Dr. Adam Dunstan outlines critical issues confronting tribes in the quest for true environmental justice.

Do It Yourself (D.I.Y.) Culture and the Importance of Artist Run Spaces
Dr. Arthur Pena
Thursday, March 8
11:45am - 12:45pm
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Artists have the power to create their own world and invite the viewer to join. What happens when these same artists take ownership of this agency and use it to push against the status quo and challenge the culture around them?

Disasters and Our Vulnerability
Dr. Alison Simons
Thursday, April 12
11:45am - 12:45pm
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Are we all affected by disasters in the same way? Is our environment the only aspect that determines our vulnerability to disasters? We will examine the social structures in our society which dictate who are more likely to be affected by disasters, whatever their nature.
OLLI AFTER 5:00 LECTURE SERIES

Looking for more intellectual stimulation after the school day ends? Consider joining us for OLLI After 5:00, a special lecture series where we will enjoy wine and cheese while listening to a select group of speakers.

"People Who Have Inspired Me"
Dr. Reid Ferring
Tuesday, February 13 & Tuesday, February 27
5:30pm - 6:30pm
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

My long academic career, including lots of international travel, has led to my knowing and learning from many individuals who made a difference in my life - both personally and intellectually. I enjoy telling stories about those people and what they have given me, with the goal of "passing their gifts on." For these two lectures, I’ll tell about Justus Cohn, whom I met in Israel in 1969, beginning a life-long friendship. Justus lost his family at Auschwitz, immigrated to Palestine and survived four wars. His ability to continue to love life has inspired me until today. My second story is about Zaal Kikodze, whom I met in Georgia in 1993. We became friends like brothers but were separated by his tragic mountain climbing accident in 2005. A hero in the Caucasus, Zaal gave his life to helping others, and for many more he gave us inspiration as a brilliant thinker and humorist.

"Do it Now!"
Joshua Okpara
Tuesday, March 13
5:30pm - 6:30pm
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Joshua Okpara is the founder of The Dedicated Men, an organization at the University of North Texas that promotes academic excellence, leadership, professionalism, and networking among minority male students. He is a motivational speaker and published author of *She’s the One but You’re Not the One Yet!* In this lecture, he will be encouraging OLLI at UNT members to chase their dreams, regardless of circumstances. He is currently finishing the last year of his undergraduate degree, majoring in marketing at the University of North Texas.
OLLI AFTER 5:00 LECTURE SERIES

"Top 10 Nutrition Tips for Healthy Aging"
Dr. Anna Love
Tuesday, April 3
5:30pm - 6:30pm
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Learn nutrition steps you can incorporate daily to help you age well by increasing longevity and quality of life. This lecture includes a nutrition screening to see how you are currently doing on some of the most common pitfalls in nutrition and simple ways to correct them. Dr. Anna Love has degrees in dietetics, sports nutrition, and community health education.

"Cyber Forensics and the Dark Web"
Dr. Scott Belshaw
Tuesday, April 17
5:30pm - 6:30pm
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Dr. Belshaw is the director of the Cyber Forensics Lab at UNT New College at Frisco, where his goal is to connect with as many police departments and federal agencies as possible to accelerate investigation processes. In this lecture, he will discuss how law enforcement uses a lab like UNT's to catch criminals. He will also talk about the dark web and its role in criminality.

This event schedule is also available on our website olli.unt.edu/events
New Members
If you are joining OLLI at UNT for the first time, you can register as a member and enroll in classes simultaneously by using our online registration form, which is available at olli.unt.edu/register.

If you prefer to register by mail, you should submit a Membership Registration Form (available at olli.unt.edu/register), payment for your membership fees, and a Class Enrollment Form (available at olli.unt.edu/classes).

Current Members
If you are currently a member of OLLI at UNT and your membership fees have been paid, you can enroll in classes online using the Member Portal, which is available at olli.unt.edu/members. You will find a guide on how to use the Member Portal on our site.

Current members can also enroll in classes by mail by submitting a Class Enrollment Form (available at olli.unt.edu/classes).

What is OLLI 101?
On the first class day at each of our locations, OLLI at UNT Director Stephanie Reinke will begin the day with an orientation session called OLLI 101. This session will be for current as well as new members. Dr. Reinke will explain what members can expect out of the upcoming semester. Member ID cards will also be available for pickup at these sessions.

Enrollment questions?
Contact olli@unt.edu or 940.369.7293
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1:00pm-2:30pm  
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1:00pm-2:30pm  
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2:45pm-4:15pm  
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**Class Number: 01D**  
**OLLI 101**  
Monday, February 5  
10:00am – 11:30am  
UNT Union Room 382B  

This will be a class led by OLLI at UNT Director Stephanie Reinke. During the class, members will learn about what they can expect out of the upcoming semester. Refreshments will be provided.

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**Class Number: 02D**  
**Protecting Your Good Name: Identity Theft Prevention**  
Monday, February 5  
11:45am – 1:15pm  
UNT Union Room 382B  

This class will cover what identity theft is and how your identity can be stolen. The members will discuss how identity thieves can use your personal information and what to do if you’re the victim of identity theft.

**Cpl. Kevin Crawford** is currently a Police Officer for the UNT Police Department, serving as the department’s Community Relations/Crime Prevention Officer, a position he has been occupying since February 2015. Prior to this job position, Cpl. Crawford worked as a uniformed patrol officer for 8 years. As a patrol officer, his responsibilities included patrolling for criminal activities and/or responding to calls of service. While serving in the patrol division, Cpl. Crawford further achieved the title of Field Training Officer, giving him the additional certification to train new officers starting their careers in law enforcement. Before coming to the UNT Police Department, Cpl. Crawford was Military Police in the U.S. Army for six years.

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**Class Number: 07D**  
**Should the U.S. Maintain or Lift Sanctions on Cuba?**  
Wednesday, February 7  
10:00am – 11:30am  
UNT Union Room 382B  

For more than 50 years, the U.S. has imposed sanctions against Cuba. Between 2014 and 2016, President Obama’s administration took steps to lift sanctions against Cuba but to remove them completely would require actions of the U.S. Congress. Since taking office, President Trump has made clear that the U.S. will have more confrontational relations with the island nation. Is it time for the Congress and the administration to lift sanctions or should sanctions be maintained?

**Dr. Glen Biglaiser** is a professor in the Department of Political Science at UNT. His areas of specialization include comparative politics, Latin American politics, and economic and political issues in the developing world. He has written widely on foreign direct investment, portfolio investment, bond ratings by credit rating agencies, economic sanctions, and the International Monetary Fund. He is the author of several articles and books in comparative politics, political economy, and Latin American studies.

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**Class Number: 08D**  
**Today’s Global Troublespots**  
Wednesday, February 7  
11:45am – 1:15pm  
UNT Union Room 382B  

International politics are increasingly marked by instability and uncertainty. This class will survey the most pressing current trouble spots in today’s world and evaluate their implications for both the U.S. and the world at large. This class will also provide a background in the root sources of this instability and discuss the prospects for their stabilization.

**Dr. Michael Greig** is a Professor of Political Science and University Distinguished Teaching Professor at UNT. His research focuses on conflict in the international system and approaches to manage it. He is author of the book *International Mediation* and has published research on conflict and conflict management. Dr. Greig serves on the advisory board of the Correlates of War project and on the editorial boards of *Foreign Policy Analysis* and *International Interactions*. He received his PhD in political science with a focus on international relations from the University of Illinois.
**Class Number: 15D**  
**A Love of Words**  
Monday, February 12 & Wednesday, February 14  
10:00am – 11:30am  
UNT Union Room 382B

This class is for those who want to deepen their love of verbal art. Ezra Pound said that literature is “language charged with meaning.” But how is this charging done? He also said that one learns more from reading a few poems slowly than from reading many fast. The class will help to slow down the act of reading – to study the authors’ words, their sounds, the phrases they make up, the images they paint, and the meanings of what they wrote – for a small number of poems. The class will see how interconnected a work of art can be. The only prerequisite is a fascination with the power and beauty of words.

**Mr. Haj Ross** is a professor of linguistics at UNT. He has been studying the power and beauty of verbal art for 40 years.

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**Class Number: 16D**  
**“I Don’t Understand What You’re Saying!” Cultivating Intercultural Communication Competencies**  
Monday, February 12  
11:45am – 1:15pm  
UNT Union Room 382B

The world is becoming increasingly smaller and smaller because of advanced transportation systems and communication technologies, but the world is still so disconnected. That’s because most people respectively belong to one national culture that provides an overarching framework for how to interpret beliefs, values, norms and social practices. In this class, members will learn the fundamentals of intercultural communication and learn how to gain intercultural competence in a globalized world. Topics include cultural taxonomies (e.g., individualism and collectivism, power distance, uncertainty avoidance), culturally unique features (e.g., silence, politeness), complexities of culture (e.g., dynamic, disruptive), and cultural biases (e.g., fundamental attribution error). The class will primarily focus on Japan and the United States as examples.

**Dr. Koji Fuse** (Ph.D., The University of Texas at Austin) is an associate professor of public relations in the Mayborn School of Journalism at the University of North Texas. After working in sales and marketing communications for a Japanese whisky manufacturer, he traveled to the United States by himself more than a quarter century ago to study public relations. His research focuses on intersections between intercultural and mass/mediated communications in the context of Japan-U.S. relations.

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**Class Number: 20D**  
**Pollinators, Pollination, and Propagation of Native Plants**  
Wednesday, February 14  
11:45am – 1:15pm  
UNT Union Room 382B

How did we get such a diversity of plants and those that pollinate them? What’s the difference between pollination and pollinators? What does it mean to propagate plants? This class will explore the differences between pollination and propagation and the importance to gardeners. Members will learn how to more effectively propagate native plants in a landscape.

**Mr. Cecil Carter** has been a presenter at OLLI at UNT for 4 years. He is the incoming President of the Native Plant Society of Texas. He has been president of his local native plant society chapter twice and completed the Native Landscaping Certification Program with a Level III designation. He writes a monthly column about native plants for a local newsletter. Cecil is a former instructor at the Oklahoma State University branch in Oklahoma City, where he taught on the Adjunct Faculty for 20 years. He is also a consultant for non-profit organizations.
Peleliu is almost forgotten in history, as most have heard of Okinawa, Midway, Iwo Jima, and Guadalcanal. This session will focus on where Peleliu is and its strategic importance to the Japanese, the U.S. positioning to take it from the Japanese, the battles that took place on Peleliu and on other nearby islands, and the occupation of Japan and what returning soldiers' lives were like.

**Dr. Darrel VanDyke** is an avid reader of WWII history, and have travelled to the South Pacific to walk on Peleliu to understand the battle that took place there during WWII.

The American author Don DeLillo called the JFK assassination “seven seconds that broke the back of American history.” This brief class is intended to highlight scholarly perspectives from social psychology and political science on the arguably distinctive “paranoid style” in American politics that fosters conspiratorial belief. This class is not intended to inquire as to the truth or falsity of individual conspiracies, but, instead, to ask more general questions. Why do so many Americans readily believe in conspiracies? Is this tendency corrosive to democracy by eroding faith in our institutions and leaders? Does the paranoid style reflect some deeper skepticism and/or cynicism embedded in our culture?

**Dr. Tom Miles** received his Ph.D. in political science and is currently a Lecturer in the Honors College and the Department of Political Science where he teaches courses in research, research methodology, and state and local government. He has published various journal articles on American law and institutions and is currently turning his research on conspiracy theories and conspiracy ideation into a book-length manuscript.

This class will summarize the consensus and advice of nutrition experts regarding eating choices that can help adults achieve better health and avoid chronic diseases. Members will participate through self-evaluation of eating habits. Discussion will focus on food groups and nutrients that should be increased, such as vegetables, fruits, and whole grains as well as foods/nutrients that should be decreased, such as sodium, sugar, and saturated fat. Examples will be given of small shifts in food choices that can make a difference in health over time. Ways to modify recipes for more healthful eating will also be discussed.

**Carolyn Bednar, PhD, RDN** is a retired Professor Emeritus who served 22 years as a faculty member at Texas Woman’s University. She holds a PhD in Nutrition from the University of Nebraska and is a registered dietitian/nutritionist. She believes that good cooking, healthy eating, and regular exercise promote a healthy lifestyle.
**Class Number: 29D**  
*Landscaping with Natives to Attract Birds to Your Backyard*  
Wednesday, February 21  
11:45am – 1:15pm  
UNT Union Room 382B

This class will answer the question: “What does it take to attract birds to my yard?” It will explore the basics of native plants and landscaping, combining these elements to make a small oasis for birds right in the backyard. Members will learn about the soil, insect, and plant connections to birds. This class will provide answers to many landscaping and birding questions.

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**Class Number: 32D**  
*Fire in the Mind: The 1970's Computer Decade and How the Microprocessor Changed the World*  
Monday, February 26  
10:00am – 11:30am  
UNT Union Room 382B

In 1970, the microprocessor became commercially available for the first time. For the first time ever, a company no longer had to be tethered to a mainframe for a computer to work. Explore the ideas that sprang up and discuss many early ideas that came from Atari, Apple, and hundreds more. At the end of the class, members will have a new appreciation of what makes a computer tick, and how the 1970’s decade positioned every idea seen today in computer technology.

**Dr. Darrel VanDyke** holds a PhD in Computer science and has worked with several early computer companies. He is also an author.

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**Class Number: 36D**  
*21st Century Policing: A Paradigm Shift?*  
Wednesday, February 28 & Wednesday, March 7  
10:00am – 11:30am  
UNT Union Room 382B

This class will focus on the changes to law enforcement in the 21st century. President Obama’s task force report on 21st century policing will be explored, specifically focusing on transparency, procedural justice, and community engagement.

**Chief Russell Kerbow** is the chief of police of the Lewisville Police Department and has served with the Lewisville Police Department since 1978. He has held positions in the department as a police office, sergeant, lieutenant, captain, assistant chief and was appointed the chief in 2007. Chief Kerbow is active in the Lewisville community and is a graduate of Lewisville High School. He holds a bachelor’s degree in business administration from the University of North Texas and holds a Masters Peace Officers license. Chief Kerbow is a member of the Lewisville Noon Rotary club and current chair of the 'Heroes of Denton County.'

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**Class Number: 37D**  
*Gilgamesh, the Bible, and Human Nature*  
Wednesday, February 28  
11:45am – 1:15pm  
UNT Union Room 382B

The oldest book in the world is the Epic of Gilgamesh that relates the tale of an ancient king and his transformation from an unjust tyrant into a true shepherd of his people. Given the date and the culture in which it was written, it is remarkable how 21st century readers can still relate to its recurring themes and lessons. It is also remarkable how many episodes in the Gilgamesh appear in slightly altered form in the book of Genesis from the Hebrew Bible. The class will discuss questions and possible lessons we can learn from this ancient text.

**Dr. Rafael Major** specializes in the study of literature as a way of exploring issues and questions of politics, morality, and philosophy that seem to face every generation of human beings. His Ph.D is from the University of North Texas (2002) and he is currently working on a book length study of political themes in Shakespeare’s Comedies. He is a Senior Lecturer in UNT's Honors College.
**Class Number: 43D**

**Sexuality for Older People**

Monday, March 5
10:00am – 11:30am
UNT Union Room 382B

This class will provide a brief description of senior sexuality and some of the issues or challenges for older men and women. This class will open up a discussion of the issues and have a question and answer session.

**Dr. Lee Ancona** currently teaches an undergraduate Human Sexuality class at UNT. He has a Health Promotion/Education background and has taught for many years.

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**Class Number: 44D**

**Wearing Green on St. Patrick's Day? Probably!**

Monday, March 5
11:45am – 1:15pm
UNT Union Room 382B

St. Patrick’s death on the 17th of March has been celebrated for at least a thousand years in Ireland. The day is now celebrated in more countries than any other holiday. Almost 34 million U.S. residents claim Irish ancestry. Others claim everyone wants to be Irish on this day. The religious and secular origins, development, and spread worldwide of this celebration will be explored in this class.

**Dr. Rudy Ray Seward** is a descendant of one of three Lowery brothers who migrated to the U.S. during the Great Irish Famine. He first visited Ireland in 1971 and in 1998 was Research Fellow at National University of Ireland, Galway. In 2012, he was designated Professor Emeritus at UNT after 39 years on faculty. He has authored a book, book chapters, and journal articles dealing with family issues, including Irish families, fathers, demographic history, and work/family balance.

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**Class Number: 47D**

**Fences and Two Other Great Plays by August Wilson**

Wednesday, March 7,
Wednesday, March 21,
& Wednesday, March 28
11:45am – 1:15pm
UNT Union Room 382B

This class will be covering 3 plays of two-time Pulitzer Prize winner August Wilson (1945-2005). Wilson has been ranked among this country's elite dramatists since the 1980s; the recent film of his *Fences* has augmented his considerable popularity and further cemented his position in the canon. Members will read and discuss the following plays in the following order: *Ma Rainey's Black Bottom*, *The Piano Lesson*, and *Fences*.

**Dr. Alex Pettit** joined UNT’s English department in 1991 as an assistant professor. He is currently professor of English, University Distinguished Teaching Professor, and affiliated faculty in Women’s and Gender Studies. Dr. Pettit publishes regularly on modern drama, but, really, is more interested in teaching.

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**Class Number: 53D**

**Introduction to Criminal Profiling for the Amateur**

Monday, March 19,
Wednesday, March 21,
Monday, March 26,
& Wednesday, March 28
10:00am – 11:30am
UNT Union Room 382B

This class will introduce what profiling is, its history, and the circumstances and cases in which it is most often used. The class will then examine common misconceptions about what profilers actually do versus what many people believe that they can do. The class will next do an exercise in which we cover a few famous cases (not merely homicide but other types of crime such as bank robbery, embezzlement, scam artists, white-collar crimes, etc.) by retracing the steps taken by actual FBI profilers (they are called 'behavioral analysts') in those cases to bring the offender to justice. Part of the exercise is to teach students the skills that are important for any profiler to have.

**Dr. Valerie Bell** is a computational social scientist who also has a Master's in Forensic Psychology, and another Master's in Social Psychology. She is trained to use computationally-intensive tools and methods, as well as the Internet, to explore and investigate research questions. She is also trained to conduct forensic mental health evaluations for the criminal and civil courts in all 50 states including criminal profiling for serial murderers and serial sex offenders, insanity defenses, and jury and trial consulting.
**Class Number: 54D**

**Texas Culture**

Monday, March 19 & Monday, March 26
11:45am – 1:15pm
UNT Union Room 382B

This class will go through all the various types of immigrants that were drawn to Texas in the 19th century and follow their accomplishments to the present day. Members will examine each culture in depth and record what they brought to Texas and how their cultures incorporate into what we call the Texas Culture.

**Mr. James McLaren** is a lover of history. He dedicates many hours to the Denton County Historical Park and the Denton County Courthouse. After graduating with a BS degree in Business from Texas A&M-Commerce (originally East Texas State University), Mr. McLaren’s working career was spent at Halliburton, FedEx, and The Denton State Supported Living Center. When he retired in 2012, he began doing volunteer work at the Corinth Police Department and several other non-profits in the Denton area.

**Class Number: 67D**

**Introduction to Internet True Crime Sleuthing**

Monday, April 2, Wednesday, April 4, Monday, April 9, & Wednesday, April 11
10:00am – 11:30am
UNT Union Room 382B

This class will explore the relatively recent phenomenon of crowdsourced Internet sleuthing and its role in the 21st century American criminal justice system. The discussion covers exactly what Internet sleuthing is, and introduces several cold cases in which the good-intentioned involvement of ordinary citizens through Internet sleuthing has resulted in positive criminal justice outcomes including the discovery of new evidence, valid leads, as well as the actual identification and apprehension of perpetrators. Dr. Bell will also outline precisely how interested individuals can constructively contribute to the solving of cold homicide cases: what skills are helpful and how they can be applied from the safety and security of one's own home, how to get started, how and when to participate in crowdsourced communities online such as "WebSleuths."

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**Class Number: 68D**

**Learning from Young Immigrants’ Stories**

Monday, April 2
11:45am – 1:15pm
UNT Union Room 382B

Immigration is all over the news today: foreign-born, DREAMERS, refugees, unaccompanied minors, etc. Gain knowledge on this relevant issue through a human lens. Hear the stories of young people in the Denton and Fort Worth area who represent various categories of immigrants. Travel with them back to life in their countries. Learn about their journeys to get to the U.S. and their experiences here. Walk in their shoes as they pursue their dreams, learn English, and strive to graduate high school and attend college. In this class, members will meet adolescents who live near and want to be the future of the country. This class will hear their voices, read their narratives, and view their artwork as they share their lives.

**Dr. Mandy Stewart** is faculty at TWU and the author of the book *Understanding Adolescent Immigrants: Moving toward an Extraordinary Discourse for Extraordinary Youth*. For 15 years, she has worked with middle and high school students from other countries in Denton and Tarrant counties, winning national awards for her work. By studying immigration through local long-term research, in addition to analyzing reports, government documents, and other research, she presents a human-centered view on this topic.
This class shall interpret two works of literature: the first, "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening," by Robert Frost; the second, "My Kinsman Major Molineux," by nineteenth-century writer Nathaniel Hawthorne. Both works lend themselves to a variety of interpretations, and this class will be highly interactive. Participants will receive or download copies of the works and will prepare several observations about each.

Dr. James Duban is Professor of English and Associate Dean for Research and National Scholarships in TAMS and the Honors College. He has published books and articles on Herman Melville, the Henry James Family, Robert Frost, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Henry David Thoreau, and Jonathan Edwards. More recently, he has been engaged with the works of Philip Roth, and the influence on Roth of Arthur Koestler, Jean-Paul Sartre, and Martin Heidegger.

This class will combine an overview of the history of sound recording formats and their playback devices with demonstrations of both, utilizing the UNT Music Library’s collections. Special emphasis will be given to phonograph cylinders, shellac 78rpm discs, and reproducing player piano rolls; attendees will learn about the confluence of factors that drove these technological developments and enjoy vintage music reproduction.

Mr. David Huff is a musician and sound engineer who has worked in the DFW area since 1996. His work includes freelancing as a bassist and vocalist as well as live sound and recording. He is the Sound Preservationist for the University of North Texas Music Library, where he performs digitization and restoration of legacy media sound recordings in the library’s collections. David is also a doctoral candidate in music theory at UNT’s College of Music and is currently completing a dissertation on the analysis of electroacoustic music.

This class will provide an in-person look at highlights of the UNT Music Library's special collections. The presentation will demonstrate how they are used to preserve important regional, national, and international cultural history, and how they augment the educational experience by offering opportunities for original research with unique materials that can only be found at UNT. Participants will see original manuscripts from jazz collections, including the Maynard Ferguson and Stan Kenton collections, and classical collections including letters from Arnold Schoenberg and a first edition of Handel’s Messiah. The members will hear archival recordings, and see a working player piano in action.

Ms. Maristella Feustle is the Music Special Collections Librarian at the University of North Texas. She oversees the processing and curation of over 100 special collections in the UNT Music Library, and is the current chair of the Preservation Committee of the Music Library Association. She is active as a jazz guitarist in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, and her research interests include jazz history and digital humanities.
Class Number: 84D
“Kirk and Spock Did What?”
A Brief History of Fanfiction as a Tool for Learning to Write
Monday, April 16
10:00am – 11:30am
UNT Union Room 382B

Although transformative works have roots as far back as Virgil and became popular in 1960’s America, opportunities to create and consume fanfiction—stories that involve characters, settings, or elements from existing works or famous real-life situations—have increased exponentially in recent decades. People of all ages and backgrounds interact within online fanfiction communities, where authors receive “distributed mentoring” that shapes not only their writing skills but their approach to life. Come hear the history of this particular art form, learn why researchers and educators defend fanfiction opportunities, and try expanding a fictional world that already exists. Be prepared to write a short piece to share and to provide friendly feedback to fellow participants.

Dr. Sarah Evans is an Assistant Professor in the School of Library & Information Studies at Texas Woman’s University. Informed by her work in public and school libraries since 1999, she researches the literacies used and the identities developed when people undertake voluntary learning experiences. Dr. Evans has a Bachelor of Arts in Drama, a Master of Library & Information Science, and a Doctorate of Philosophy in Learning Sciences from the University of Washington.

Class Number: 85D
Little Engines that Could: Microenterprises in Developing Countries
Monday, April 16
11:45am – 1:15pm
UNT Union Room 382B

Billions of the world’s people live on an income of $5 per day or less, at least one billion people are illiterate, and 22,000 children die every day as a result of poverty. This class considers the causes of these and other problems, and why some countries have managed to progress towards development while others never seem to manage it. Much of the class will involve learning about tiny businesses, called microenterprises, which may help individuals and nations escape poverty. Participants will learn about the nature of microenterprises, as well as what factors seem to constrain them. We’ll also learn about microfinance and how this worldwide movement has provided a boost to microenterprises.

Dr. Michael McPherson is an Associate Vice Provost for Faculty and Professor of Economics. He has been a faculty member at UNT since finishing his doctorate in Economics in 1992 at Michigan State University. Dr. McPherson has lived and worked in more than a dozen different developing countries such as Africa, Southeast Asia, the Middle East, Eastern Europe, and Latin America. He lived in Uganda for a year as a Fulbright Scholar, teaching and carrying out research at Makerere University. He has published numerous articles in professional journals in the areas of economic development, international trade, and the economics of higher education. He has been recognized for his teaching and his service with several university-wide awards.

Class Number: 88D
Arts Education as Citizenship Education
Wednesday, April 18
10:00am – 11:30am
UNT Union Room 382B

Arts education is a form of citizenship education, for the arts are a reflection of American culture and American democracy. An educated citizenry needs to be able to experience, appreciate, and learn from diverse works of art. In this class, participants will use principles and techniques of Discipline-based Arts Education and Comprehensive Arts Education to do just that. The instructor will take participants through the steps of experiencing and analyzing works of art – visual and musical. Participants need to be prepared to sing, draw, write, dance, and role play.
Dr. James D. Laney is a Professor and Chair for the Department of Teacher Education and Administration at UNT. He received his B.S. and M.Ed. in Elementary Education from UNT and his Ph.D. in Learning and Instruction from UCLA. Dr. Laney is a social studies educator with expertise in arts integration; he is an active participant in the arts community in Denton, Texas. The 2017-2018 school year marks his 33rd year at UNT.

Gerrymandering is the process by which legislators set voting districts to favor incumbents and to purposely limit the vote of citizens. This political practice has been around for two hundred years but in the last few decades, it has become extreme. Partisan politics is due in part to this practice. The Supreme Court will hear two important cases – Wisconsin for Partisan Gerrymandering and Texas for Racial Gerrymandering. This class will provide background on the history of gerrymandering, how it impacts our political processes, and how we as citizens can work to take back our vote!

Ms. Jennifer Lane, Professor of Voice at UNT, has had a stellar 45 year operatic career with a specialty in 17th and 18th century opera. She was nominated for a Grammy and has over 50 commercial CD recordings to her name. She has registered over 400 Dentonites to vote and is an active member of Indivisible and other community groups.

Ms. Joanne Mason, a former educator and business manager, has recently become engaged in civic activism. As the DFW Area Coordinator/Education and Outreach for Independent TX Redistricting, she seeks to educate citizens on the dangers of gerrymandering and the urgent need for redistricting reform.

This class will engage audiences in understanding how jazz musicians’ collaborate in the performance setting. The class will discuss improvisation, aspects of listening and reaction, musical dialogue and audience awareness. Also, the class will delve into the dynamic of how we attempt to communicate with our audience.

Mr. Brad Leali is currently a UNT Professor of Jazz Saxophone. Mr. Leali is also one of the most notable saxophonists of current times. He has a unique style and sound, which echoes the influences of his past. In addition to gospel music, he spent countless hours listening to the music his parents played (Coltrane, Cannonball, Bird, James Brown, Marvin Gaye, and Nancy Wilson).

This class will engage the audience with questions as well as lecture on the topics of "The Technology of Art," the "Art of Technology," and how Technology is used in the Art world today. This class will also explore the reason why the love of Art and Technology, although seemingly diametrically opposed in a person, is in fact, from a personality view, quite common.

Mr. Raymond Pahler majored in Engineering and minored in Art. While working as an executive in the Plastics industry, he also became an accomplished artist working in a wide range of media. Examples of his work are used primarily to demonstrate the points of the lecture. As a UNT Adjunct Faculty member he has taught Engineering classes as well as presented this class as a guest lecture to senior engineering students.
The stunning scenery of the Pacific Northwest and northern California is extremely well known. In this class, members will explore the less known cultural and political history, including the early settlement of Astoria; Russian, English, and Spanish interests; and the survival of certain indigenous peoples.

Dr. Milan J. Reban has taught at UNT for four decades, focusing on international and comparative politics. Dr. Reban’s travels to the Pacific Northwest have been extensive and enlightening.

This class will look at how to pay for long-term care, how to reduce taxes on your retirement income, how to avoid estate-planning blind spots, how to maximize Social Security, and how to make smart choices about Medicare.

Mr. Paul Weathers helps retirees answer two fundamental questions: will they make it and are there any blind spots? Paul is a Certified Financial Planner and has spent 14 years in the financial services industry.

This class covers psychosocial factors impacting the way humans live and die. Members will look at death and dying from a historical perspective as well as covering how psychological and cultural factors shape dying today in the American health care system. Topics will include discussion of end-of-life care and end-of-life preparation.

Michael D. Barnett, Ph.D., is a licensed psychologist and a senior lecturer in the Department of Psychology at UNT, where he teaches the class Psychology of Death and Dying and is the director of the Adult Development and Aging lab. His research interests include gerontology and thanatology.
This will be a class led by OLLI at UNT Director Stephanie Reinke. During the class, members will learn about what they can expect out of the upcoming semester. Refreshments will be provided.

Economic crises, panics, or depressions are linked to the roles played by money and banks which, in turn, are inextricably linked to the actions of powerful personalities such as Alexander Hamilton, Thomas Jefferson, Andrew Jackson, William Jennings Bryan, J. P. Morgan, Franklin Roosevelt, and prominent heads of the Federal Reserve System. In this class, the crises, their impact on citizens, and how recovery takes place will be explained with an emphasis on bank behavior and the actions of the major players. How regulations are constructed to strengthen the banking system will be briefly reviewed. Session 1 will address crises from 1797 through 1900; session 2 will address crises from 1900 to the present.

Dr. David Higgins earned his doctorate in financial management and investments from The University of Texas at Austin. He also possesses a B.A. from Rutgers University, an MBA from the University of Arizona, and a M.S. from the University of North Texas. He taught at universities in Arizona, Wisconsin, and Texas. His teaching interests now encompass economics, finance and investments, and the history of the southwestern United States.

How can a survey of 1,000 people tell what the whole U.S. thinks? When should we trust and distrust the polls? This class will address these and other questions and show how public opinion polling has become an integral part of politics. The class will look at how technology has changed polling, how polling is used (and misused) in campaigns, and what polls tell us about politics today.

Dr. Patricia Bayer Richard is Trustee Professor Emeritus of Political Science at Ohio University. She has taught courses about elections and campaigns, women, law, politics, and public opinion, among others. Her research spans democracy, public opinion, political culture, and reproductive rights. She is most recently an author, with John A. Booth, of Latin American Political Culture: Public Opinion and Democracy (2015).

The class will read and analyze this intriguing short story set in London shortly after the end of World War II. Members will find it stimulating and full of insights into questions that plague people daily. It is bound to spark a spirited discussion. The class will enjoy the presentation more and be better able to follow and participate in the discussion if members read the story beforehand. The text is available at www.anyflip.com/ckqk/mhvm.

Dr. Don Vann is a Professor Emeritus, Department of English and retired Regent’s Professor. He has been an author or editor of eight books, as well as scores of articles and reviews.
American higher education is now involved in a deep examination of the curricula devoted to prepare musicians to enter the music professions. This exercise is driven largely by a recognition that the music professions are more diverse than ever before and also that the monolithic institutions that organized these professions (orchestras, opera companies, record companies) are less central to the business models important to young musicians emerging from universities. Dr. Richmond will trace the recent history of this tectonic change and explain responses big and small in American higher education and at UNT to help equip new generations for the opportunities that awaits them.

**Dr. John Richmond** began his tenure as Dean of the College of Music at the University of North Texas in 2016. He came to UNT from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, where he served for 13 years as Professor and Director of the Glenn Korff School of Music. Dr. Richmond’s research focuses on arts education policy and philosophy with a particular focus on role of litigation in changing or affirming the conditions and circumstances of arts instruction in schools.

From rock carvings to smartphone apps, graphic design has played an important part in determining how we perceive information. This presentation will include examples of the work of prominent designers along with guidelines for good design. The use of design in illustrated manuscripts, posters, books, magazines, newspapers, movie and television titles, product packaging, websites, and other media will be given consideration.

**Dr. John Neal** received his doctorate from The University of Texas and taught journalism and mass communication at the college level for more than 30 years. He has given presentations at the state convention of the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association, and in 1998 he was named Adviser of the Year by that organization. He has also served as a panelist at national conventions of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication. In addition, he has worked in graphic design and newspaper advertising.

In this class, members may expect to move quickly into creating effective presentations by avoiding many of PowerPoint’s formatting decisions ("clutter"). Dr. Morley will use examples from his own presentations, and he will explain the details of how he structured animations, transitions, and music examples with timings set to a group of photographs. Other topics will include: using basic principles of good design, making text more readable, and keeping PowerPoint compelling without distracting from your information. Dr. Morley will discuss issues involving connectivity, compatibility, and the dreaded "Death by PowerPoint." Please bring your laptop (PC or Mac) to this class.

**Dr. Max Morley** retired from the School of Music at Stephen F. Austin State University in 2010. He held three positions at SFA: 20 years as trumpet specialist; 15 years in Arts Programming and Development; and five years teaching music history and literature. He holds the degrees, Bachelor of Music, Master of Music, and Doctor of Musical Arts from the University of North Texas.
If These Walls Could Talk!
King Louis XIV at Versailles

This class will go on a journey as King Louis XIV, the Sun King, and his wife Marie-Thérèse of Austria set up royal residence at Versailles. The stories of this famous palace and selected French chateaux built during the rise of the classical French Baroque period will be described, along with the tales of the characters that inhabited them. This visual treat will demonstrate how political, economic, and social systems shaped architecture, decorative arts, and fashion during the Sun King's 72-year rule (1638-1718). During this time period, France dominated European culture and become the fashion icon for hundreds of years. Learn more about the red-heeled Bourbon monarchy and how French court enhanced the Baroque movement.

Dr. Lynn Brandon, associate professor in UNT's Department of Merchandising & Digital Retailing, serves as the program coordinator for the home furnishings program. Earning her doctorate in interior design from Virginia Polytechnic University, Dr. Brandon teaches courses in decorative accessories, CAD for interiors, and history and contemporary styles of home furnishings.

Dr. Christy Crutsinger is Professor in the Merchandising & Digital Retailing Department and currently serves as Vice Provost for Academic affairs. Prior to her recent administrative post, Dr. Crutsinger was the chair of the department, teaching fashion theory, merchandising strategies, and trend analysis?

2017 US Tax Laws / Preparation for the Newly Single

This class will discuss tax filing for couples and singles with emphasis on tax implications for the newly single. Any tax law changes for individuals implemented by Congress since the last tax season will also be discussed. This class will assist those filing their own taxes or preparing their tax documents.

Mr. Gary Koenig has been instrumental in filing tax returns for hundreds of individuals and couples over the last 40+ years. He has been an AARP tax-aide volunteer for 10+ years and specializes in helping folks who are transitioning from one tax situation to another, especially through death or divorce.

The Buzz About CBD

Everyone’s heard about cannabidiol (CBD), a cannabis compound, and its apparently miraculous healing qualities, but what is it really? Is it legal? How do you use it? Will it help your symptoms? How does it work? The class will discuss the answers to these and many other questions in this exploration into exactly what CBD is and isn’t, what it will and won’t do for you, and how to find good quality CBD products.

Ms. Dena Kirk has been studying natural healing for over 26 years when her son was diagnosed with ADHD as a symptom of Asperger’s. Through reading and talking with experts in natural and plant-based healing, along with trial and error, she was able to help her son thrive without pharmaceuticals. When she discovered CBD five years ago, she began studying its healing properties and working with physicians, scientists, and natural paths to understand how and why it works to help so many patients. She is currently helping adults and families of children with epilepsy and autism access and use CBD in order to improve quality of life.
**Class Number: 22R**  
**Investing for Beginners**  
Thursday, February 15  
2:45pm – 4:15pm  
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Whether you are preparing to do your own stock market investing or want to make sure your financial advisor is giving you good advice, this class is designed to help you answer common questions of neophytes. You will learn what to look for in a good stock, bond, or mutual fund. Class topics will include: asset allocation, detecting expenses on mutual funds, mutual funds vs. private portfolio management, commission broker vs. fee based financial advisor, and finding long-term stock investments. Learn to recognize and develop a good investment allocation in your portfolio.

**Mr. James Wigen** founded Wigen Financial Services, LLC, a Registered Investment Advisory firm, in May 2005. His primary focus is on portfolio management and financial advisory services. James advises individuals, small to mid-size companies, and non-profit organizations. Prior to Wigen Financial, LLC, James worked as a Portfolio Manager & Financial Advisor for two international investment firms. From 2001 to 2005, James worked with Prudential Securities, and from 1996 to 2001, he was working with Merrill Lynch. James has taught investment & real estate classes through continuing education at universities and community colleges since 1997.

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**Class Number: 27R**  
**Music at the Movies: The Sequel**  
Tuesday, February 20 & Thursday, February 22  
10:00am – 11:30am  
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

If you attended his "Music at the Movies" classes at Emeritus College (now OLLI at UNT), you know that Dr. Morley’s main focus was on the score and soundtrack (the incidental music) for the movies. The score and soundtrack will again be featured in this sequel. However, expect to see a selection of movies with slightly different criteria applied to the selection process. Dr. Morley’s choice of movies will follow an important principle that leads you through fine arts history. “The moral, political and social attitudes of an era seek to be expressed in the works of art of that era.” We certainly find movies today and yesterday that make social comment, sometimes subtle and sometimes overt, about the moral, political and social attitudes of the times in which they are produced. You will see a selection of movies that were found to have enjoyable soundtracks, and subject matter with significant cultural, historic, or literary interests.

You may look for these names and places to be part of this class: Anne Frank, Chief Caddo, Ernest Hemmingway, Giacomo Puccini, India, James Jacques Tissot, John Glenn, Larry McMurtry, Don Juan, Natchitoches, Louisiana, Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, Queen Victoria, Roger Ebert, Ron Kovic, Rwanda, Africa, and the War in Vietnam.

**Dr. Max Morley** retired from the School of Music at Stephen F. Austin State University in 2010. He held three positions at SFA: 20 years as trumpet specialist; 15 years in Arts Programming and Development; and five years teaching music history and literature. He holds the degrees, Bachelor of Music, Master of Music, and Doctor of Musical Arts from the University of North Texas.
This class will survey the history and development of Denton’s Quakertown district. This Quakertown Story will chronicle the African-American experience in Denton both before and after the displacement of Quakertown residents, paying tribute to the courage and enduring resilience of Denton’s remarkable citizens.

Ms. Karyn Blucker is a retired school teacher who taught in Denton ISD for 21 years. She taught language arts and social studies in sixth and fifth grades. She has been a volunteer with the Denton County Office of History and Culture for five years.

This class will be an updated nostalgic look at the rich political humor of the oppressed in the Soviet realm and the fraternal allies of East-Central Europe.

Dr. Milan Reban fled Communist Czechoslovakia and spent time as a refugee in Germany. He studied at Miami and Vanderbilt, receiving his doctorate from Michigan State. In his 40+ years at UNT, he taught courses on European politics and the former Communist world, as he was a frequent visitor there. He has been a frequent OLLI at UNT presenter.

This class will provide insight into the American Deaf community through tracing the roots and history of American Sign Language and American Deaf culture. Topics addressed will include a basic introduction to American Sign Language, the important grammatical parts of American Sign Language, how technology is changing the Deaf world, and discussion of the DeafBlind community. We will explore the various aspects of American Deaf culture, including the description of deafness, Deaf people, the deaf community as defined by audiological and/or cultural means, services for Deaf people, and culture as reflected in the arts and language of Deaf individuals.

Dr. Sonya Spolsky is an Assistant Professor at Texas Woman's University the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders. She is a certified teacher of the deaf, a certified educational sign language interpreter, a practicing video relay sign language interpreter, and has worked with the DeafBlind community as a Support Service Provider. She has experience teaching deaf and hard-of-hearing students at a school for the deaf as well as in the public schools. She has a Master’s Degree in Deaf Education and a PhD in Special Education with a minor in Family Studies and Human Development from The University of Arizona in Tucson.
Class Number: 38R
Arts Education as Citizenship Education
Thursday, March 1 & Tuesday, March 6
10:00am – 11:30am
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Arts education is a form of citizenship education, for the arts are a reflection of American culture and American democracy. An educated citizenry needs to be able to experience, appreciate, and learn from diverse works of art. In this class, participants will use principles and techniques of Discipline-based Arts Education and Comprehensive Arts Education to do just that. The instructor will take participants through the steps of experiencing and analyzing works of art-visual and musical. Participants need to be prepared to sing, draw, write, dance, and role play.

Dr. James D. Laney is a Professor and Chair for the Department of Teacher Education and Administration at the University of North Texas. He received his B.S. and M.Ed. in Elementary Education from UNT and his Ph.D. in Learning and Instruction from UCLA. Dr. Laney is a social studies educator with expertise in arts integration; he is an active participant in the arts community in Denton, Texas. The 2017-2018 school year marks his 33rd year at UNT.

Class Number: 39R
Wearing Green on St. Patrick’s Day? Probably!
Thursday, March 1
1:00pm – 2:30pm
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

St. Patrick’s death on the 17th of March has been celebrated for at least a thousand years in Ireland. It is now celebrated in more countries than any other holiday. Almost 34 million U.S. residents claim Irish ancestry. Others claim everyone wants to be Irish on this day. The religious and secular origins, development, and spread worldwide of this celebration will be explored.

Dr. Rudy Ray Seward is a descendant from one of three Lowery brothers who migrated to the U.S. during the Great Irish Famine. He first visited Ireland in 1971 and in 1998 was Research Fellow at National University of Ireland, Galway. In 2012, he was designated Professor Emeritus at UNT after 39 years on faculty. He has authored a book, book chapters, and journal articles dealing with family issues, including Irish families, fathers, demographic history, and work/family balance.

Class Number: 40R
Digital Photography as a Hobby
Thursday, March 1
2:45pm – 4:15pm
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Digital cameras contain phenomenal technology, from cell phones and point and shoot cameras that fit in a pocket, to digital SLRs costing thousands of dollars. Many of us have cameras still in the box ‘cause we’re afraid of them! This class will outline the different cameras available today, offer some guidance to reduce the fear, and show examples of the kinds of pictures that you can take. The different shooting modes will be explained and the final portion will cover resources to help you buy a suitable camera and guide you through transferring your pictures to a computer, including a simple filing technique, how to do quick editing, and how to display your pictures.

Mr. Dick Remski is a retired research manager in avionics and military manufacturing. He holds a bachelor’s and two master’s degrees. He has been a serious hobby photographer for the past nearly 50 years. Starting with simple film cameras and SLRs, and then moving into digital. He is an active bird, nature and travel photographer and also has experience in several digital processing programs for home computers.
The world is becoming increasingly smaller and smaller because of advanced transportation systems and communication technologies, but the world is still so disconnected. That’s because most people respectively belong to one national culture that provides an overarching framework for how to interpret beliefs, values, norms and social practices. In this class, members will learn the fundamentals of intercultural communication and learn how to gain intercultural competence in a globalized world. Topics include cultural taxonomies (e.g., individualism and collectivism, power distance, uncertainty avoidance), culturally unique features (e.g., silence, politeness), complexities of culture (e.g., dynamic, disruptive), and cultural biases (e.g., fundamental attribution error). The class will primarily focus on Japan and the United States as an example.

Dr. Koji Fuse (Ph.D., The University of Texas at Austin) is an associate professor of public relations in the Mayborn School of Journalism at the University of North Texas. After working in sales and marketing communications for a Japanese whisky manufacturer, he traveled to the United States by himself more than a quarter century ago to study public relations. His research focuses on intersections between intercultural and mass/mediated communications in the context of Japan-U.S. relations.

Immigration is all over the news today: foreign-born, DREAMERS, refugees, unaccompanied minors, etc. Gain knowledge on this relevant issue through a human lens. Hear the stories of young people in the Denton and Fort Worth area who represent various categories of immigrants. Travel with them back to life in their countries. Learn about their journeys to get to the U.S. and their experiences here. Walk in their shoes as they pursue their dreams, learn English, and strive to graduate high school and attend college. In this class, members will meet adolescents who live near and want to be the future of the country. This class will hear their voices, read their narratives, and view their artwork as they share their lives.

Dr. Mandy Stewart is faculty at TWU and the author of the book *Understanding Adolescent Immigrants: Moving toward an Extraordinary Discourse for Extraordinary Youth*. For 15 years, she has worked with middle and high school students from other countries in Denton and Tarrant counties, winning national awards for her work. By studying immigration through local long-term research, in addition to analyzing reports, government documents, and other research, she presents a human-centered view on this topic.

This is the second half of a two-part series. As a way to explore the basis of Islamic beliefs, the class will compare verses and stories about New Testament figures and concepts found in both the Quran and the New Testament. The discussion will also focus on Satan, the Antichrist, the End of Days, Judgement Day, and the afterlife.

Mr. Greg Hawk is a frequent OLLI at UNT presenter of lectures on the intersection of science and religion. His lifelong interests have included the origin and evolution of ideas due to the discovery of new knowledge. He holds a B.A. in psychology from Moorhead State College and a B.S. in chemistry from The University of Texas at Austin. He is currently the Director of Environmental Services of Scientific Consulting Laboratories in Farmers Branch, Texas.
Aging is a natural process that can make our lives rather difficult and brings about many questions. Why do we age? How can we stop or slow down aging? How much of it is the environment and how much of it is our genetics? This class will address different studies and theories about the aging process. For example, we will discuss the role of oxygen free radicals and DNA damage in aging. The class will also describe the use of model organisms to study aging and address some illnesses that accompany aging, such as cancer and diabetes.

Dr. Pamela Padilla received her PhD from the University of New Mexico, conducted research at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center and is currently Professor and Associate Dean of Research and Graduate Studies.

Dr. Ron Mittler got his BA from the Hebrew University, Israel and his PhD from Rutgers University, NJ. He has been a Full Professor at the University of North Texas since 2010. Padilla and Mittler each have active research programs.

Dr. Morley will present an audio visual lecture of the American Musical from 1879 to the present. This class will feature discussions of more than 90 musicals, their composers, lyricists, actors, actresses, and especially the music. Expect to hear interesting information and the best songs from the past 100 years from the American Musical. New musicals have been added to this presentation for 2018.

Dr. Max Morley retired from the School of Music at Stephen F. Austin State University in 2010. He held three positions at SFA: 20 years as trumpet specialist; 15 years in Arts Programming and Development; and five years teaching music history and literature. He holds the degrees, Bachelor of Music, Master of Music, and Doctor of Musical Arts from the University of North Texas.

This class will cover the formation of the Hebrew Canon (Old Testament). After that, the class will address the three sections of the Old Testament and give special attention to significant portions which point to important events that shaped the Hebrew people. After the class, the students will have a general knowledge of the sweep of the Old Testament literature and understand terms such as tanakh, torah, nevi'im, kethuvim, and deuteronomistic history.

Dr. Russell Gregory, a native of Oklahoma, attended Oklahoma Baptist University where he majored in history. Thinking he was destined to be a pastor, he attended a Baptist seminary in Louisville, Kentucky. That experience convinced him to switch to academics, so he went to Vanderbilt University where he completed a Ph.D. in Biblical Studies. He taught for twenty-five years at Radford University in Virginia. Wanting to continue sharing his perspective and learning from others, he began teaching with OLLI at UNT.

This class will engage audiences in understanding how jazz musicians’ collaborate in the performance setting. The class will discuss improvisation, aspects of listening and reaction, musical dialogue and audience awareness. Also, the class will delve into the dynamic of how we attempt to communicate with our audience.

Mr. Brad Leali is currently at UNT Professor of Jazz Saxophone. Mr. Leali is also one of the most notable saxophonists of current times. He has a unique style and sound, which echoes the influences of his past.
How Color Psychology Can Enrich Your Life

Tuesday, March 27
1:00pm – 2:30pm
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Everyone has one or two colors that give insight to their soul. Some love the color green, the color of balance that may offer harmony, prosperity, and acceptance. Others feel the color blue defines their inner peace, love, or emotional depth. The cells of our body react to color, or the lack of it, and research shows how color directly affects people physically, emotionally, and mentally. Color also plays a big role in daily language - people may feel a little blue, look as white as a sheet, be in the pink, have a green thumb and boast that they are a red-blooded American.

People use color to proudly represent their cultural identity and yet, because color is so trendy, they fear getting caught wearing last year’s hit shade. In this class, members will learn how to play with color, embrace it, and try a little color therapy in their home and in their wardrobe. Members will learn to use color to energize or to cool down, to set the mood or to attract attention. Color can be the most powerful design element and with a little practice, members will learn to use it effectively. Everyone should come to this class wearing their favorite colors.

Ms. Peggy Higgins, MS, retired from teaching at UT Southwestern Medical Center as Asst. Professor of Health Care Sciences, School of Health Professions, and as the Director of Education for the Alzheimer’s Disease Center, Dept. of Neurology, and UT Southwestern Medical School. As the ADC Education Director, Ms. Higgins developed national programs for Alzheimer’s awareness and conducted workshops with community leaders throughout the US. Ms. Higgins’ first career was interior design and focused on showroom design for national furniture manufacturers, and interiors for nursing home/assisted living facilities. The study of the psychology of color has been a long-standing interest throughout both career paths.

Gerrymandering is the process by which legislators set voting districts to favor incumbents and to purposely limit the vote of citizens. This political practice has been around for two hundred years but in the last few decades, it has become extreme. Partisan politics is due in part to this practice. The Supreme Court will hear two important cases – Wisconsin for Partisan Gerrymandering and Texas for Racial Gerrymandering. This class will provide background on the history of gerrymandering, how it impacts our political processes, and how we as citizens can work to take back our vote!

Ms. Jennifer Lane, Professor of Voice at UNT, has had a stellar 45 year operatic career with a specialty in 17th and 18th century opera. She was nominated for a Grammy and has over 50 commercial CD recordings to her name. She has registered over 400 Dentonites to vote and is an active member of Indivisible and other community groups.

Ms. Joanne Mason, a former educator and business manager, has recently become engaged in civic activism. As the DFW Area Coordinator/Education and Outreach for Independent TX Redistricting, she seeks to educate citizens on the dangers of gerrymandering and the urgent need for redistricting reform.
**Class Number: 63R**  
**The Material History of Uncle Tom’s Cabin**  
Thursday, March 29  
1:00pm – 2:30pm  
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Harriet Beecher Stowe's *Uncle Tom's Cabin* was the first certifiable best seller in the American print marketplace. From its original, serialized release, it has been transformed into a variety of forms from the page to the stage and back again. In this class, participants will explore the print history of the novel, develop an understanding of the cultural impact of *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, see examples of adaptations of the novel in other media, and learn about how a novel becomes a best-seller.

**Dr. Spencer Keralis** is a scholar of the past, present, and future of the book. He is Head of Digital Humanities and Collaborative Programs with the UNT Libraries.

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**Class Number: 69R**  
**Protecting Your Health and Your Wealth**  
Tuesday, April 3  
& Thursday, April 5  
10:00am – 11:30am  
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

The participants will be invited to take a journey into the world of a lawyer. The journey will show them what happens when planning has been done and when it has not, allowing them to determine how they want their story to end. The participants will then be presented with fictional and real life examples to help them understand the complex legal issues and the steps they could take now to prevent an unintended outcome. The participants will be introduced to the various planning documents, types of ownership, trusts, Medicaid and asset based long-term care planning.

**Mr. Richard Barron** is a graduate of SMU, BBA 1977 and Texas Tech School of Law, JD 1981. He has practiced law in the North Texas area for over 35 years and assisted thousands of clients with estate and disability planning, Medicaid and Veteran's benefits, asset protection planning, and long-term care planning.

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**Class Number: 70R**  
**Focus on Forgiveness for Health and Happiness**  
Tuesday, April 3  
& Thursday, April 5  
1:00pm – 2:30pm  
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Most individuals need support to look inward and release past regrets about their own behavior or the actions of others. **Session 1:** Through discussion and interactions, participants will identify unresolved forgiveness issues with themselves and with other key relationships. I will present relevant research findings on the healing power of releasing resentments and engaging in forgiveness. Class members will write a letter of forgiveness to themselves for homework prior to Session 2, an important prerequisite to forgiving others. **Session 2:** Attendees will watch a 14-minute video by Jack Kornfield called the "12 Principles of Forgiveness." Through both interactions and introspection, attendees will create a forgiveness strategy for releasing other lingering issues with others. We will explore the different benefits and limitations of doing forgiveness work directly with another versus by oneself. The class will generate alternate resources to incorporate ongoing compassion and forgiveness practices. These tools will accelerate future forward movement in healthy ways.

**Nancy Little, PhD**, a Licensed Professional Counselor since 1983, specializes in supporting others on their life journeys. As a professional speaker and member of the National Speakers Association, Nancy offers keynotes and workshops to call forth the Energy Creator in all of us. She coaches clients to more fully utilize their energies in healthy ways. When they do, they possess the energy they need to succeed! They are Perceptive, Proactive and Purposeful!
**Class Number: 71R**

**Life Balance and Stress Reduction Through Meditation**

Tuesday, April 3, Thursday, April 5, Tuesday, April 10, & Thursday, April 12
2:45pm – 4:15pm
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Meditation is the experience of inner silence, which brings a peaceful and pure awareness. It reduces stress, promotes general health, and facilitates both individual and inter-personal productivity through objectively verifiable thoughtless awareness. The session will provide a meditation experience that utilizes a unique, authentic, and research-proven technique that is easy to learn, to verify and, with practice, generates significant results quickly.

**Dr. Kinshuk** is the Dean of the College of Information at the University of North Texas. He has practiced meditation for past 25 years, and has experienced significant benefits in personal and professional spheres. He is an active member of the Center for Evolutionary Learning, a meditation based nonprofit global research network specialized in the study of how individuals and organizations learn to evolve towards ideal models of responsibility and sustainability in their identity and behavior.

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**Class Number: 76R**

**A Brief History of Early Jazz**

Tuesday, April 10
10:00am – 11:30am
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

From the end of ragtime to the beginning of swing (Scott Joplin to Duke Ellington), the members will hear musical excerpts and learn about descriptions of musicians and events that led to the birth of America's art form: Jazz.

**Dr. Ron Fink** has several degrees from the University of Illinois, taught at Northern Illinois and was at UNT for 35 years. He was the first full-time percussion teacher in Texas and he is currently a Professor Emeritus and a professional musician with multiple bands. He was also formerly a principal timpanist and percussionist with the Fort Worth Symphony.

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**Class Number: 77R**

**A Discussion of First Women by Kate Brower**

Tuesday, April 10, Thursday, April 12, Tuesday, April 17, & Thursday, April 19
1:00pm – 2:30pm
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Explore the behind the scenes dynamics of the ultimate power couples, showing how modern first ladies have used their privileged access to the President to influence staffing, promote causes and engage directly in policy making. In each of the four sessions, through an interactive exchange of ideas, participants will examine presidential marriages of the past fifty+ years that shaped our nation’s history and culture. Sessions will include activities that will not only create heightened discussion but also give opportunity for sharing multiple perceptions of our first ladies. **Participants are strongly encouraged to read First Women by Kate Brower prior to attending this discussion group.**

The format of this class will be that of a small discussion group. Class size will be limited to preserve an intimate environment for small group discussions.

**Mrs. Kaye Nubel** is a former Associate Professor, has taught at university and college levels for over 25 years as well as high school and junior high. She has provided speaking presentations, workshops and consulting for the business, educational, health care and retirement communities. Her areas of expertise are in Public Speaking, Interpersonal Communication, Intercultural Communication including Gender Communication (He Says—She Says), Group Dynamics and Team Building.
Class Number: 80R
Sense OR Sensibility? That is the Question
Thursday, April 12
10:00am – 11:30am
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

This class is a continuation of the study of Jane Austen, this time looking at her first published book. The novel that became Sense and Sensibility was originally titled "Elinor and Marianne." Changing the title added "philosophical depth" to what began as a sketch of two characters. The question is: do we find 'true' love by following our heart (sensibility) or our brain (sense)? It is more drama than comedy, but shows Austen's wit as she surrounds her two central heroines with characters who deserve laughter from the reader. It has been filmed several times. There are three versions available at the Denton Public Library. It is not necessary to read the book or watch the movie prior to attending this class.

Mrs. Elaine Kushmaul graduated from the University of Missouri in nursing and was in the healthcare field for 25 years. A mid-life change in direction led to a Masters in Library Science from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro and a new career as an academic librarian at Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, NC. As a retiree at Robson Ranch, she gets to indulge her enjoyment of being a lifelong learner with the OLLI at UNT program.

Class Number: 86R
Hurricanes and Severe Storms: Is This Climate Change Revenge?
Tuesday, April 17
10:00am – 11:30am
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Severe storms and hurricanes have plagued the weather in the Western Hemisphere over the last year. Is this due to just bad luck or is it due to our climate being warmer than in the past? This presentation will address the problem and discuss what choices people have to be concerned with that will help to avoid this from happening in the future.

Dr. Fred Busche earned his BS and his MS in Geology from the University of Illinois and the University of Hawaii, respectively. His PhD in Terrestrial and Extra Terrestrial Geochemistry was completed at the University of New Mexico. Dr. Busche has worked for Westinghouse, Shell Oil Company, US EPA, IBM, and he was Chair of the Department of Geography/Cartography at East Central University in Ada, Oklahoma. He currently teaches as an adjunct professor at Brookhaven College, a member of the Dallas Community College System, and is CEO of WinTechGeo, LLC.

Class Number: 87R
A View From the Intersection of Art and Technology
Tuesday, April 17
2:45pm – 4:15pm
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

This class will engage the audience with questions as well as lecture on the topics of "The Technology of Art," the "Art of Technology," and how Technology is used in the Art world today. This class will also explore the reason why the love of Art and Technology, although seemingly diametrically opposed in a person, is in fact, from a personality view, quite common.

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**Class Number: 90R**

**Two Views of Iwo Jima: How the Japanese and American Media Interpreted the Iconic Battle**

Thursday, April 19  
10:00am – 11:30am  
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

The battle of Iwo Jima in 1945 was one of the bloodiest of World War II in the Pacific. It was the first time American troops invaded the Japanese home islands. The fighting was ferocious; only a few hundred of the 22,000 Japanese soldiers surrendered. The battle was the site of the famous flag-raising that has become an iconic image in American history. This class will be taught by an American professor and a Japanese professor who examined the media coverage of the battle in their respective countries. The class will discuss news coverage and popular media including movies like “Flags of Our Fathers” and “Letters from Iwo Jima”.

**Dr. James E. Mueller** is a professor and interim associate dean at the Mayborn School of Journalism at the University of North Texas in Denton. He is the author of three books, including Shooting Arrows and Slinging Mud: Custer, the Press and the Little Bighorn. He holds a B.J. and M.A. from the University of Missouri and a Ph.D. from The University of Texas. He worked as a journalist for about 10 years before entering academia.

**Class Number: 91R**

**The Spanish Romeria to Rocio**

Thursday, April 19  
2:45pm – 4:15pm  
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

This class will define Romeria not just as a religious pilgrimage to Rome, but any religious pilgrimage in Spain, like the popular one to Rocio where the Virgin was reported seen in the swamps of southwestern Spain, and where brotherhoods have been organized in numerous towns for yearly visits to the site during Pentecost. Each group has an oxcart with the Virgin's banner followed by pilgrims walking or riding in wagons or pickups and who camp every night and sing, dance, and drink. With flower-covered carts and women in their feria dresses, the pilgrimage is a perfect mixture of religious devotion and worldly joie de vivre. This class will feature lots of photos providing a clear picture of the full event giving class members time to ask questions or add comments. Thousands of Spaniards make this yearly trek to Rocio while hundreds of tourists look on.

**Dr. Charles Martin** taught English Literature and Language for 35 years at UNT retiring in 1999. He taught two different years at the University of Seville in Spain. His extensive travel in Spain, Mexico, and Guatemala led to his interests in Hispanic culture.

**Class Number: 96R**

**Border Wall or No Border Wall: How Will its Possible Construction Affect the Border Environment?**

Tuesday, April 24  
10:00am – 11:30am  
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Currently there is much discussion of building a border wall along the border with Mexico. Some of the wall has already been completed. However, presently there is consideration of expanding the wall not only in areas near cities but also through some of the most delicate natural aquatic as well as desert environments in this country. This class is designed to discuss some of the suggested possibilities of what a border wall might consist of, but also what affect these different border walls might have on the fragile desert environment as a result of its construction. Effectiveness of the different approaches will be discussed as well as the positive and negative outcomes on the border culture and environment that we might expect to occur.

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Class Number: 97R  
North Texas State Fair and Rodeo  
Tuesday, April 24  
1:00pm – 2:30pm  
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

In this class, members will learn the history and fun facts of the North Texas State Fair and Rodeo - the premier event that has been held in Denton, Texas for over 100 years. Nanci Kimmey and Georgia Caraway spent about a year and a half researching the colorful and important history of the Fair.

Ms. Nanci Kimmey has been the executive assistant of the North Texas State Fair Association for 12 years. Under Kimmey's and executive director Glenn Carlton's leadership, the fair has won the prestigious Texas Association of Fairs and Events Award of Excellence from 2009-2012 and 2014-2016.

Ms. Georgia Caraway, author of four titles about Denton, TX, retired after 14 years as the executive director of the Denton County Museums. Kimmey and Caraway collaborated to create an entertaining photographic book about the 125 year history of the North Texas State Fair and Rodeo.

Class Number: 98R  
Texas Culture  
Tuesday, April 24  
& Thursday, April 26  
2:45pm – 4:15pm  
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

This class will go through all the various types of immigrants that were drawn to Texas in the 19th century and follows their accomplishments to the present day. Members will examine each culture in depth and record what they brought to Texas and how their cultures incorporate into what we call the Texas Culture.

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Class Number: 100R  
He'd Rather be Exploring: Henry Morton Stanley's Adventure Journalism in Africa  
Thursday, April 26  
10:00am – 11:30am  
Robson Ranch Clubhouse

This class will discuss Henry Morton Stanley's expeditions to find the missing Dr. David Livingstone and the source of the Nile River in the 1870s. The Welsh-born Stanley was an adventurer who had been a miner, a sailor, and a veteran of both the Confederate and Union armies during the Civil War. He turned that wanderlust to journalism after the war, covering gunfighters and Indian wars in the West before going to Africa as a correspondent for the New York Herald. His African stories made him one of the most famous journalists in the world. The class will focus on Stanley's newspaper stories, which were an early form of literary journalism, foreshadowing later writers like Tom Wolfe and Hunter Thompson.

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This class will provide an overview of the musical skill and preference trends of older adults, followed by musical excerpts and personal descriptions of active music making by older adults in music settings (New Horizons band participants). The class will conclude with an "instrument petting zoo" that will allow participants the chance to try to make sounds on selected music instruments.

**Dr. Debbie Rohwer** is a Professor of Music Education at UNT and has been the conductor of the Denton New Horizons Band since it began in 1998. Her primary research area addresses learning in adult music environments.

Billiards played on a triangular table is called Triangular Billiards and is an active research topic in modern mathematics. Perhaps surprisingly to the general public, there are many basic questions whose answers are unknown. In this class, Dr. Gao will talk about the Periodic Path Problem and give a history of the study of this problem from 1775 to the modern day. He will also review all the basic geometry that is needed for the understanding of the problem during the class. No knowledge of college level mathematics nor experience of pool playing is assumed. The class will not improve your pool games, but will be very satisfying to the open and curious mind.

**Dr. Su Gao** is a Professor of Mathematics and the Interim Dean of the College of Science at the University of North Texas. His research interests include foundations of mathematics, theoretical computer science, dynamical systems, mathematical logic, set theory, and topology. He has published over 50 articles in mathematical research journals, 2 research monographs, and the book Invariant Descriptive Set Theory. He was Principal Investigator for over $2 million of research grants from the National Science Foundation. At UNT he has taught all courses from Pre-Calculus to PhD level seminars in mathematical logic and topology.

International politics are increasingly marked by instability and uncertainty. This class will survey the most pressing current trouble spots in today's world and evaluate their implications for both the U.S. and the world at large. This class will also provide a background in the root sources of this instability and discuss the prospects for their stabilization.

**Dr. Michael Greig** is a Professor of Political Science and University Distinguished Teaching Professor at the University of North Texas. His research focuses on conflict in the international system and approaches to manage it. He is author of the book *International Mediation* and has published research on conflict and conflict management. Dr. Greig serves on the advisory board of the Correlates of War project and on the editorial boards of Foreign Policy Analysis and International Interactions. He received his PhD in political science with a focus on international relations from the University of Illinois.
### Class Number: 107R
#### Appealing Your Denton County Property Appraisal
- **Tuesday, May 1**
- **2:45pm – 4:15pm**
- Robson Ranch Clubhouse

This class will discuss how to appeal your Denton County property appraisal when it is mailed in early May. Techniques that others have used to appeal will be discussed and data gathering from the DentonCAD.com website will be used to show how to gather other similar properties with differing appraisal amounts. Using these data, attendees will be encouraged to submit their own appeals.

**Mr. Gary Koenig** is a retired computer professional who has taught tax courses and appraisal appeal courses for several years. He is a volunteer with AARP Tax-Aide.

### Class Number: 109R
#### Understanding Wireless Mobile Phones for Seniors
- **Thursday, May 3**
- **10:00am – 11:30am**
- Robson Ranch Clubhouse

This class will help members understand the differences between an Apple versus an Android Wireless Mobile Phone. The class will also cover how to select the best wireless mobile phone based upon carrier signal strength, mobile phone pricing, and how a wireless mobile phone functions.

**Mr. Steve Simpson** has over twenty years of experience working for various Japanese Manufacturers of Wireless Mobile Phones while working closely with all Major Carriers and Independent Business Owners.

### Class Number: 110R
#### Protecting Your Good Name: Identity Theft Prevention
- **Thursday, May 3**
- **1:00pm – 2:30pm**
- Robson Ranch Clubhouse

This class will cover what identity theft is and how your identity can be stolen. The members will discuss how identity thieves can use your personal information and what to do if you’re the victim of identity theft.

Cpl. Kevin Crawford is currently a Police Officer for the University of North Texas Police Department serving as the department’s Community Relations/Crime Prevention Officer, a position he has been occupying since February 2015. Prior to this job position, CPL. Crawford worked as a uniformed patrol officer for 8 years. As a patrol officer his responsibilities included patrolling for criminal activities and/or responding to calls of service. While serving in the patrol division CPL. Crawford further achieved the title of Field Training Officer giving him the additional certification to train new officers starting their careers in law enforcement. Before coming to the UNT Police Department, CPL. Crawford was Military Police in the U.S. Army for six years.

### Class Number: 111R
#### Women and Money: Taking Charge of Your Financial Future
- **Tuesday, February 20**
- **2:45pm – 4:15pm**
- Robson Ranch Clubhouse

Discover some of the unique challenges women face from a financial planning perspective, and learn specific steps women can take to take charge of their financial futures for themselves and their families. This class will focus on the specific challenges women face that their male counterparts do not and provide six steps to take responsibility for financial well-being. The class will also discuss specific tips and resources for women over 50 including Social Security and estate planning.

**Ms. Sonja Borda** began her financial services career in mortgage sales at Countrywide Financial, where she learned the particulars of selling mortgage products, creditworthiness, and mortgage loan origination. She then went on to gain insurance and securities licenses to engage in financial planning for individuals and to small businesses in a retail banking setting at Chase and Wells Fargo/Wachovia. Ms. Borda later joined Fidelity Investments where she deepened her knowledge of investment products and financial planning. During her tenure there she gained additional securities licenses while advancing through the organization.
This will be a class led by OLLI at UNT Director Stephanie Reinke. During the class, members will learn about what they can expect out of the upcoming semester. Refreshments will be provided.

“Populism” today is rampant in the American political system and abroad, yet remains poorly understood. Historical examples promised democracy in the name of the people, but undermined institutions and enthroned authoritarians. To understand contemporary U.S. populism we must ask: How is populism defined in the political arena? Who does “the people” populist movement represent? What are the characteristics of populist leaders? Does populism have specific ideological orientations? How does populism relate to democracy? May it contribute to the deterioration of political systems? Treating populism as a particular style of practicing politics, this class explores examples of other populist movements that can illuminate contemporary American populism. It concludes by examining the populist style and effects of President Trump.

Dr. John Booth is a Regents Professor Emeritus of Political Science at the University of North Texas and a frequent presenter of OLLI at UNT classes. At UT San Antonio and at UNT he has taught classes on Latin America, U.S. politics, democracy, and revolution. He is the author or coauthor several books on Latin American politics, including, Latin American Political Culture: Public Opinion and Democracy (2015, with Patricia Richard). He also serves on the editorial board of the journal Latin American Politics and Society.

There have been numerous looks at other planets, moons, asteroids, comets, and a bit of the Ort belt planetoids. The information that has been gathered by all of the probes sent to these planets with respect to life, climate, physical makeup and life cycle etc. of our local solar system neighbors will be discussed in this class. In addition, a look at the future of space investigation and projects will be presented to see how humans plan to continue to understand our local solar system as well as the Universe they live in.

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If you attended Dr. Morley’s "Music at the Movies" classes at Emeritus College (now OLLI at UNT), you know that the main focus was on the score and soundtrack (the incidental music) for the movies. The score and soundtrack will again be featured in this sequel. However, expect to see a selection of movies with slightly different criteria applied to the selection process. Dr. Morley’s choice of movies will follow an important principle that leads you through fine arts history. “The moral, political and social attitudes of an era seek to be expressed in the works of art of that era.” We certainly find movies today and yesterday that make social comment, sometimes subtle and sometimes overt, about the moral, political and social attitudes of the times in which they are produced. You will see a selection of movies that were found to have enjoyable soundtracks, and subject matter with significant cultural, historic, or literary interests.

You may look for these names and places to be part of this class: Anne Frank, Chief Caddo, Ernest Hemmingway, Giacomo Puccini, India, James Jacques Tissot, John Glenn, Larry McMurtry, Don Juan, Natchitoches, Louisiana, Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, Queen Victoria, Roger Ebert, Ron Kovic, Rwanda, Africa, and the War in Vietnam.

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**Class Number: 24F**  
**Song Interpretation**  
Saturday, February 17 & Saturday, February 24  
10:00am – 11:30am & 1:00pm – 2:30pm  
UNT New College at Frisco  
Room 123

This class will show an introduction to acting a song from musical theatre, jazz, pop, rock. The discussion will also follow the nature of solo performance and a contract with the spectator. The members will also be working session with 3-4 singers on a song of their choice.

**Dr. Marjorie Hayes** is a professional actor, singer, and director who has worked all over the world. She is a UNT professor of acting and directing. She has been a Fulbright-Hayes and Institute of the Arts Fellow and is the recipient of national grants including the Artlink Grant. She has performed Off-Broadway and in Films and TV.

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**Class Number: 31F**  
**Focus on Forgiveness for Health and Happiness**  
Friday, February 23  
10:00am – 11:30am & 1:00pm – 2:30pm  
UNT New College at Frisco  
Room 123

Most individuals need support to look inward and release past regrets about their own behavior or the actions of others. **Session 1:** Through discussion and interactions, participants will identify unresolved forgiveness issues with themselves and with other key relationships. I will present relevant research findings on the healing power of releasing resentments and engaging in forgiveness. Class members will write a letter of forgiveness to themselves for homework prior to Session 2, an important prerequisite to forgiving others. **Session 2:** Attendees will watch a 14-minute video by Jack Kornfield called the "12 Principles of Forgiveness." Through both interactions and introspection, attendees will create a forgiveness strategy for releasing other lingering issues with others. We will explore the different benefits and limitations of doing forgiveness work directly with another versus by oneself. The class will generate alternate resources to incorporate ongoing compassion and forgiveness practices. These tools will accelerate future forward movement in healthy ways.

**Nancy Little, PhD**, a Licensed Professional Counselor since 1983, specializes in supporting others on their life journeys. As a professional speaker and member of the National Speakers Association, Nancy offers keynotes and workshops to call forth the Energy Creator in all of us. She coaches clients to more fully utilize their energies in healthy ways. When they do, they possess the energy they need to succeed! They are Perceptive, Proactive and Purposeful!

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**Class Number: 41F**  
**Exploring the Quran through New Testament Figures and Concepts**  
Friday, March 2  
10:00am – 11:30am & 1:00pm – 2:30pm  
UNT New College at Frisco  
Room 123

This is the second half of a two-part series. As a way to explore the basis of Islamic beliefs, this class will compare verses and stories about New Testament figures and concepts found in both the Quran and the New Testament. The discussion will also focus on Satan, the Antichrist, the End of Days, Judgement Day, and the afterlife.

**Mr. Greg Hawk** is a frequent OLLI at UNT presenter of lectures on the intersection of science and religion. His lifelong interests have included the origin and evolution of ideas due to the discovery of new knowledge. He holds a B.A. in psychology from Moorhead State College and a B.S. in chemistry from The University of Texas at Austin. He is currently the Director of Environmental Services of Scientific Consulting Laboratories in Farmers Branch, Texas.
**Class Number: 42F**

**Thomas Aquinas: A Catalyst in the History of Human Thought**

Saturday, March 3
10:00am – 11:30am
& 1:00pm – 2:30pm
UNT New College at Frisco Room 123

Thomas Aquinas is a giant in the history of human thought; his thought significantly impacted western intellectual, legal, and political structures for centuries and its impact is still here to this day. His story is of the conflux of historical events that lead to the creation of his intellectual structure and its impact is one of the most dramatic, tragic, and interesting stories of the past. The class is NOT an analysis of Thomas' thought; it is the story of Thomas, how his thought came to be created, and its impact. This story spans the history of philosophical thought from Aristotle through Augustine to Thomas with his impact affecting millions, into the present day.

**Mr. Robert Jackson** has a lifelong passion for the history of human thought, its structure, its creation and its impact. Mr. Jackson has lectured extensively on complex topics for over 40 years and enjoys educating on complex topics by making them understandable, interesting and enjoyable.

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**Class Number: 50F**

**Protecting Your Health and Your Wealth**

Friday, March 9
10:00am – 11:30am
& 1:00pm – 2:30pm
UNT New College at Frisco Room 123

In this class, the participants will be invited to take a journey into the world of a lawyer. The journey will show them what happens when planning has been done and when it has not, allowing them to determine how they want their story to end. The participants will then be presented with fictional and real life examples to help them understand the complex legal issues and the steps they could take now to prevent an unintended outcome. The participants will be introduced to the various planning documents, types of ownership, trusts, Medicaid and asset based long-term care planning.

**Mr. Richard Barron** is a graduate of SMU, BBA 1977 and Texas Tech School of Law, JD 1981. He has practiced law in the North Texas area for over 35 years and assisted thousands of clients with estate and disability planning, Medicaid and Veteran's benefits, asset protection planning, and long-term care planning.

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**Class Number: 51F**

**Planning for Growth: How to Effectively Engage in City Development**

Saturday, March 10
10:00am – 11:30am
UNT New College at Frisco Room 123

Great cities are planned. City planning is a technical, as well as a political, process that integrates the development and use of land, design of the built and natural environment, and the infrastructure supporting the health, safety, and welfare of communities. In this class, members will learn about the foundations of city planning, how city planners think about the future of communities, and how they engage the public to create a vision for the future. Members will also explore visible signs of change in cities and engage in discussion on the connection between quality of life, economic development, and city planning.

**Dr. Jennifer Cowley** is the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, as well as a Professor of Public Administration and Emergency Management & Disaster Science at the University of North Texas. She came to UNT from The Ohio State University where she served as the vice provost for capital planning and regional campuses. She holds a BS, Master’s in Urban Planning and a PhD in Urban and Regional Science from Texas A&M University and a Master's in Public Administration from the University of North Texas.
St. Patrick's death on the 17th of March has been celebrated for at least a thousand years in Ireland. It is now celebrated in more countries than any other holiday. Almost 34 million U.S. residents claim Irish ancestry. Others claim everyone wants to be Irish on this day. The religious and secular origins, development, and spread worldwide of this celebration will be explored.

**Dr. Rudy Ray Seward** is a descendant from one of three Lowery brothers who migrated to the U.S. during the Great Irish Famine. He first visited Ireland in 1971 and in 1998 was Research Fellow at National University of Ireland, Galway. In 2012, he was designated Professor Emeritus at UNT after 39 years on faculty. He has authored a book, book chapters, and journal articles dealing with family issues, including Irish families, fathers, demographic history, and work/family balance.

This class will look at how to pay for long-term care, how to reduce taxes on your retirement income, how to avoid estate-planning blind spots, how to maximize Social Security and how to make smart choices about Medicare.

**Mr. Paul Weathers** helps retirees answer two fundamental questions: will they make it and are there any blind spots? Paul is a Certified Financial Planner and has spent 14 years in the financial services industry.

Harriet Beecher Stowe’s *Uncle Tom’s Cabin* was the first certifiable best seller in the American print marketplace. From its original, serialized release, it has been transformed into a variety of forms from the page to the stage and back again. In this seminar participants will explore the print history of the novel, develop an understanding of the cultural impact of *Uncle Tom’s Cabin*, see examples of adaptations of the novel in other media, and learn about how a novel becomes a best-seller.

**Dr. Spencer Keralis** is a scholar of the past, present, and future of the book. He is Head of Digital Humanities and Collaborative Programs with the UNT Libraries.

This class will provide an in-person look at highlights of the UNT Music Library’s special collections. The presentation will demonstrate how they are used to preserve important regional, national, and international cultural history, and how they augment the educational experience by offering opportunities for original research with unique materials that can only be found at UNT. Participants will see original manuscripts from jazz collections, including the Maynard Ferguson and Stan Kenton collections, and classical collections including letters from Arnold Schoenberg and a first edition of Handel’s Messiah. The members will also hear archival recordings.

**Ms. Maristella Feustle** is the Music Special Collections Librarian at the University of North Texas. She oversees the processing and curation of over 100 special collections in the UNT Music Library, and is the current chair of the Preservation Committee of the Music Library Association. She is active as a jazz guitarist in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, and her research interests include jazz history and digital humanities.
Members may expect to move quickly into creating effective presentations by avoiding many of PowerPoint’s formatting decisions (“clutter”). Dr. Morley will use examples from his own presentations and he will explain the details of how he structured animations, transitions, and music examples with timings set to a group of photographs. Other topics will include: using basic principles of good design, making text more readable, and keeping PowerPoint compelling without distracting from your information. Dr. Morley will discuss issues involving connectivity, compatibility, and the dreaded “Death by PowerPoint.” Please bring your laptop (PC or Mac) to this class.

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This class will answer the question: “What does it take to attract birds to my yard?” It will explore the basics of native plants and landscaping, combining these elements to make a small oasis for birds right in the backyard. Members will learn about the soil, insect, and plant connections to birds. This class will provide answers to many landscaping and birding questions.

Mr. Cecil Carter has been a presenter at OLLI at UNT for 4 years. He is the incoming President of the Native Plant Society of Texas. He has been president of his local native plant society chapter twice and completed the Native Landscaping Certification Program with a Level III designation. He writes a monthly column about native plants for a local newsletter. Cecil is a former instructor at the Oklahoma State University branch in Oklahoma City, where he taught on the Adjunct Faculty for 20 years. He is also a consultant for non-profit organizations.

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Do you know what actions to take to protect yourself in everyday situations from individuals intending on causing you harm? In this class, you will learn basic actions that you can take to avoid a potential danger.

**David Owen** serves as a captain in the University of North Texas Police Department. David currently supervises the administration division which includes a variety of support functions within the department including community relations, training, accreditation, communications, and technical services. In David’s 12 years with the department, he previously served in the operations division and criminal investigation division. David has a bachelor’s degree in criminal justice and political science from Midwestern State University and has attended several leadership training programs hosted by the Law Enforcement Management Institute of Texas, Institute for Law Enforcement Administration, International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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This class will present the origins of the first settlers in North Texas and the creation of Denton and Denton County. Members will also explore the progress of Denton and Denton County from origin to the present.

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How Color Psychology Can Enrich Your Life

Friday, April 13
10:00am – 11:30am
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Room 123

Everyone has one or two colors that give insight to their soul. Some love the color green, the color of balance that may offer harmony, prosperity and acceptance. Others feel the color blue defines their inner peace, love or emotional depth. The cells of our body react to color, or the lack of it, and research shows how color directly affects people physically, emotionally and mentally. Color also plays a big role in daily language - people may feel a little blue, look as white as a sheet, be in the pink, have a green thumb and boast that they are a red-blooded American.

People use color to proudly represent their cultural identity and yet, because color is so trendy, they fear getting caught wearing last year’s hit shade. In this lecture members will learn how to play with color, embrace it, and try a little color therapy in their home and in their wardrobe. Members will learn to use color to energize or to cool down, to set the mood or to attract attention. Color can be the most powerful design element and with a little practice, members will learn to use it effectively. Everyone should come to this class wearing their favorite colors.

Ms. Peggy Higgins, MS, retired from teaching at UT Southwestern Medical Center as Asst. Professor of Health Care Sciences, School of Health Professions, and as the Director of Education for the Alzheimer’s Disease Center, Department of Neurology, and UT Southwestern Medical School. As the ADC Education Director, Ms. Higgins developed national programs for Alzheimer’s awareness and conducted workshops with community leaders throughout the US. Ms. Higgins first career was interior design and focused on showroom design for national furniture manufacturers, and interiors for nursing home/assisted living facilities. The study of the psychology of color has been a long-standing interest throughout both career paths.

Pollinators, Pollination, and Propagation of Native Plants

Saturday, April 14
10:00am – 11:30am
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How did we get such a diversity of plants and those that pollinate them? What’s the difference between pollination and pollinators? What does it mean to propagate plants? This class will explore the differences between the pollination and propagation and the importance to gardeners. Members will learn how to more effectively propagate native plants in a landscape.

Mr. Cecil Carter has been a presenter at OLLI at UNT for 4 years. He is the incoming President of the Native Plant Society of Texas. He has been president of his local native plant society chapter twice and completed the Native Landscaping Certification Program with a Level III designation. He writes a monthly column about native plants for a local newsletter. Cecil is a former instructor at the Oklahoma State University branch in Oklahoma City, where he taught on the Adjunct Faculty for 20 years. He is also a consultant for non-profit organizations.
Social Security planning is complex. This class will explain how Social Security works so members can avoid costly mistakes and maximize their family’s benefit. Social security offers you a lifetime annuity, cost-of-living adjustments, and right of survivorship. Members will explore answers to the following questions: Will social security be there for me? How much can I expect to receive? When should I apply for Social Security benefits? How can I maximize my benefits? Will Social Security be enough to live on? Social Security is too important for guesswork.

This is a repeat offering of the class listed under class number 67F.

Mr. Shawn Foster is a Retirement Income Certified Professional, Chartered Financial Consultant and fellow of the Life Underwriting Training Council. He holds a BA in Economics from SMU as well as the series 6, 7, 63, 26, and 65 securities licenses. His father founded FFG in 1969 and Shawn joined him in 1987. He is a lifetime member of The North Dallas Chamber of Commerce, has served on the Board of The Plano Rotary.

This presentation will go through all the various types of immigrants that were drawn to Texas in the 19th century and follows their accomplishments to the present day. Members will examine each culture in depth and record what they brought to Texas and how their cultures incorporate into what we call the Texas Culture.

Mr. James McLaren is a lover of history. He dedicates many hours to the Denton County Historical Park and the Denton County Courthouse. After graduating with a BS degree in Business from Texas A&M-Commerce (originally East Texas State University), Mr. McLaren’s working career was spent at Halliburton, FedEx, and The Denton State Supported Living Center. When he retired in 2012, he began doing volunteer work at the Corinth Police Department and several other non-profits in the Denton area.

This class will introduce play analysis and exercises to learn how to truthfully listen and respond on stage. The class will begin with coaching monologues/scenes and have partner exercises.

Dr. Marjorie Hayes is a professional actor, singer, and Director who has worked all over the world. She is a UNT professor of Acting-directing. She has been a Fulbright-Hayes and Institute of the Arts Fellow and is the recipient of national grants including the Artlink Grant. She has performed Off-Broadway and in films and TV.
Class Number: 102F
The Historical Jesus, A Teacher of Enlightenment, Jesus Through the Prism of the Ancient Jewish Mystical Tradition, The Kabbalah
Friday, April 27
10:00am – 11:30am
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Applying the knowledge of the Ancient Jewish Mystical Tradition, The Kabbalah, to the Gospel accounts of Jesus, this class will explain (1) the purpose of Jesus’ mission, namely, to establish in Israel the Kingdom of God prophesied by Isaiah with its peace, prosperity, abundance, and non-predation in man and animals, (2) how Jesus attempted to do this, (3) what Jesus did when he failed to bring about the Kingdom of God in Israel, and (4) the mechanics of gaining Enlightenment and Salvation.

Mr. Leonard C. Scott is an historical researcher who has been conducting research on the Historical Jesus for the past twenty-five years using Ancient Jewish Mystical Tradition, Kabbalistic, sources. He has written articles and a book, soon to be published, on the Historical Jesus and made presentations on the Historical Jesus at the University of Texas at Austin, The University of North Texas, and the Unity Church of Dallas.

Class Number: 103F
Protecting Your Good Name: Identity Theft Prevention
Friday, April 27
1:00pm – 2:30pm
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The class will cover what identity theft is and how your identity can be stolen. The members will discuss how identity thieves can use your personal information and what to do if you’re the victim of identity theft.

Cpl. Kevin Crawford is currently a Police Officer for the University of North Texas Police Department serving as the department’s Community Relations/Crime Prevention Officer, a position he has been occupying since February 2015. Prior to this job position, Cpl. Crawford worked as a uniformed patrol officer for 8 years. As a patrol officer his responsibilities included patrolling for criminal activities and/or responding to calls of service. While serving in the patrol division Cpl. Crawford further achieved the title of Field Training Officer giving him the additional certification to train new officers starting their careers in law enforcement. Before coming to the UNT Police Department, Cpl. Crawford was Military Police in the U.S. Army for six years.

Class Number: 112F
Needlework Through History
Friday, May 4
10:00am – 11:30am
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This class will cover the history of needlework and its evolution over time. While members are listening to the history of needlework, they will also receive hands on instruction in how to do needlework.

Ms. Tammy Clark has taught over 50 classes of all types of crafts and needlework, either through machine or handwork.

Class Number: 113F
Psychology of Death and Dying
Friday, May 4
1:00pm – 2:30pm
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This class will cover psychosocial factors impacting the way humans live and die. Members will look at death and dying from a historical perspective as well as covering how psychological and cultural factors shape dying today in the American health care system. Topics will include discussion of end-of-life care and end-of-life preparation.

Michael D. Barnett, Ph.D. is a licensed psychologist and a senior lecturer in the Department of Psychology at UNT, where he teaches the class Psychology of Death and Dying and is the director of the Adult Development and Aging lab. His research interests include gerontology and thanatology.
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