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It's raining new learning opportunities



Just as we hope for sufficient rain this winter to supply enough snowpack for our coming needs, we also look for opportunities to gain new knowledge and friendships for the coming year. Classes at TELOS this Winter are designed to do just that. More than 40 classes are offered this quarter in a number of different areas of study.

Those registering at TELOS this quarter will have many options from which to choose: classes on any weekday (Monday through Friday) and at any of the three class times (9:30am, to 11:00am, 11:30am to 1:00pm, 1:30pm to 3:00pm.)

Some offer information in a traditional lecture format while others use lively class discussions. These non-credit classes are taught in a relaxed atmosphere with an emphasis on learning, growth and fun---not performance. A sample of the topics that will be offered include ...

Arts & Literature: Paintings of India, 20th century art, American comedy, George Eliot, great playwrights, iconic architecture, history of textile industry, Italian and Spanish classical music, jazz, understanding race through literature

History & Politics: Greek mythology, French Revolution, Egyptian voices, Russian history, ancient Chinese history,

capitalism in America, politics of climate change, the Supreme Court, National Park System

Science & Technology: Bird behaviors, geology of the US West, brain power and nutrition, 21st century genealogy, computer basics (Windows 10), social media, digitizing life, biomedical ethics

Philosophy & Religion: The New Testament, atheists and free thinkers, Mormonism, Quran and human rights, psychology pioneers, wisdom of aging

Interactive Classes: Current events, new ideas, creative writing, writing your stories, T'ai Chi, Feldenkrais, popular dances of 20th century

See page 4 for details about your opportunity to learn more about TELOS classes at the **Winter Course Preview** on Thursday, December 3, 2015



Jazz returns to TELOS Winter Quarter

By Randy Buehler



The TELOS staff is pleased to add a jazz class to its course offerings during winter quarter. It will be taught by long time musician, teacher, producer, broadcaster, and jazz enthusiast Jim Wilke. He returns to Bellevue College and TELOS starting January, 2016.

Wilke has been producing and directing since 1962

and has earned numerous awards.

“I’ve been a fan of jazz all my life and I still follow it extensively.” He said Jazz is a uniquely American art form. “I’ve had a lot of interaction with jazz players over the years.”

Wilke plans on using plenty of illustrations and examples as he relates the history of jazz over the decades. He said he will use the first class to get a

feeling of where the students are and what they are looking for and then adjust accordingly.

Wilke has produced programs on NBC, NPR, King-FM and KPLU. For 30 years his deep, well-modulated ‘radio voice’ could be heard on **Jazz After Hours** on Public Radio International. That program was named top national jazz program. He now hosts **Jazz Northwest** on KPLU.

TELOS fall enrollment breaks records

The TELOS program staff was all smiles as enrollment figures for the Fall Quarter were released. From course offerings to number of participants and multiple class takers, new records have been set.

Class offerings have increased from 40 in Fall Quarter 2014 to 48 in Fall

Quarter 2015. TELOS staff put that growth at a healthy 20%.

The largest increase, however, came in the number of students enrolled for fall. For the first time, class enrollments broke the 800 mark at 817. In Fall 2014 enrollment was 634. That represents a 29% increase.

Moreover, the number of students taking more than one class jumped by 90 students to 581, an 18% increase.

Registration for Winter Quarter classes is just around the corner and staff members are looking to break another record.

Extra seminars in December

During the month of December, TELOSians have the opportunity to enjoy extra seminars in the break between quarters. Several seminars are offered by popular TELOS instructors and an additional session will be presented by experts from the college and the city of Bellevue. Details about all seminars are available on the TSO website (www.tinyurl.com/telos-tso), in TELOScope EXTRA flyers and email alerts that TSO members who have provided permission to be contacted will receive. These extra sessions are as follows.

Tues, Dec 8 (10-12) Connie Sidles “*Birds in Winter: How birds cope with adverse conditions*”

Thurs, Dec 10 (10-12) Connie Sidles “*Waterfowl of Winter: Life is just ducky*”

Fri, Dec 11 (10:30-12) “*Emergency Preparedness—Planning for the Big One and More*”

Mon, Dec 14 (10-12) Dr. James Maynard “*The American Polity. An introduction to the philosophical roots of our political and cultural disputes—Part A*”

Tues, Dec 15 (10-12) Dr. James Maynard “*The American Polity—Part B*”

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Getting to know other TELOSians: Donnelly Wilburn

By Mona Zimmerman

Many of you may have seen Donny and her husband Robert walking down the halls at TELOS arm in arm. She has been blind for 8 years; a rare complication of back surgery. She has been taking classes since they were held at the NW center and thinks the transition to Bellevue College has been wonderful.

Donny grew up in Omaha, Nebraska and graduated from the University of Nebraska. Her father's side of the family came to the states in 1682 and fought in the revolutionary and civil wars, which qualified her for the DAR. She has two children, and two

granddaughters. After earning her bachelors she taught middle school English and History. When she moved to Seattle she went back to school for a Master's in Speech Communication. Later she earned a JD and a Master's in Library and Information Science. She worked in training and development, then did mediation at a law office and later worked for a Seattle law firm doing legal research.

She enjoyed sharing her passion for art as a docent for SAM. She now works with the ACCESS program which provides tours for folks with vision and hearing loss.

Donny was asked: *What does TELOS mean to you?* "I enjoy being a student and learning, more importantly love meeting and getting to know folks and the growing sense of community TELOS has experienced in the last couple of years."

How would you like to be remembered? "As someone who cared, respected other people and who enjoyed life."

What is the most important lesson you learned in life. "When I lost my vision suddenly all my priorities were right there. Bob, my family and friends and that is really what is important."

Planning ahead for the holidays



December can be a busy month for all of us, full of festivities and events to share with friends and family. Be sure to make room in your calendar for two holiday events from the TSO. First, the annual **TSO Holiday Party** will be held on Wednesday, December 9th between 12:00 noon and 2:00 pm. And new this year, a **free concert of holiday music** is being held at St. John's Episcopal Church on December 16th at 2 pm. Details will be available at the TSO website, through email alerts and flyers in class and at the front desk.

Hail from the "Chief"

By Randy Buehler, TELOScope Editor

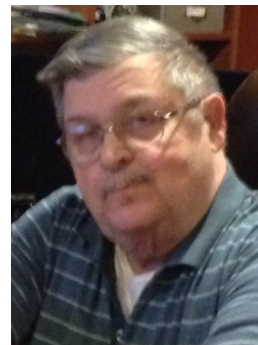
Not long after I came to live in Washington, I started looking for something to do. I thought I might like to go back to college. Someone suggested I check out TELOS. My drawl did not allow me to even pronounce it properly, but I moved forward anyway and took a class on types of mystery writing.

One TELOS class was all it took for this Baltimore via Tennessee boy to get hooked. I was surprised at the variety and quality of classes being offered. Somewhere during the eight classes I

have taken, I got the itch to teach again and am offering a class on the Civil War fall quarter.

Somewhere along the same line my 40 plus years of small town newspapering and marketing experience were discovered and tapped. Working on the TELOScope newsletter and serving on the Marketing Committee is my opportunity to contribute to what is a stellar program heading in the right direction.

Don't forget to say hi when you see me and give me some ideas of things you would like to see in your newsletter.



TSO members recommend great reading

Continuing with the idea of sharing recommendations for great reading, Chris Steel asked a variety of TSO members to suggest favorite books and received the following endorsements.

- Frederick Silber — *The Incarnations* by Susan Barker (Historical Fiction)
- Dee Koger — *The Accidental Superpower* by Peter Zeihan (Future World Politics)
- Cynthia Jarrett — *Fifty Russian Winters* by Margaret Wettlin (Biography)
- Shirley Sing — *We Were Liars* by E. Lockhart (Suspense Novel)
- Diane Kester — *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande (Physiology of Aging)
- Robert Dalgleish — *Old Age* by Helen M. Luke (Philosophy)

If you dash through all of the above suggestions and are interested in hearing about more good reads, consider attending one of the TSO Book Club meetings. They are usually held on the third Thursday of the month between 1:30 and 3:00 in room 1126. (Check the TSO website to confirm www.tinyurl.com/telos-tso)



SAVE THE DATE!

Be ready for the new year

with TELOS Classes!

Preview what will be available

Bellevue College Continuing Education TELOS Program presents a **Winter Course Preview** where you can learn about classes designed to enrich your life. An orientation to the TELOS program begins at noon. Short presentations about classes start at 1:00 pm and in-person conversations with instructors will be available afterwards.

Join us to hear overviews of many classes that are offered for the 2016 Winter Quarter:

Literature	Current Events	Science	Philosophy
History	Ideas	Arts	Creative Writing

TELOS provides a wide variety of cultural and academic enrichment classes designed to fit your lifestyle and interests. All classes are held weekday mornings or afternoons at the Bellevue College North Campus.

Thursday, December 3 — Noon to 3:00pm

Bellevue College North Campus — Room #1125

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