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DEAR FRIENDS,

It’s going to be an exciting spring semester with 30 new courses and five special events. We’re looking forward to gathering again in person and getting reacquainted. We’ve missed you!

As always, a very special thank you to our incredible instructors, who are truly the strength of our program. We are also grateful for the support of our 14 community partners who collaborate with us to provide easily accessible locations so our members can pursue their love of lifelong learning.

Our spring semester is January 24 to April 29. We’ll be hosting courses and events in various formats, including in-person, hybrid and online. You will have the choice to sign up for a class that meets in person to enjoy face-to-face contact, or you can sign up for an online offering and participate from the comfort of your home.

Enjoy perusing our spring catalog and select from a wide array of offerings. You will find a list of courses in your area by flipping to page 18. There, you will also see which courses are offered as “online only.”

Abbreviated course descriptions start on page 3 where they are listed in alphabetical order by course title. Complete descriptions can be found at lpe.ku.edu/osh. Instructor biographies are listed in alphabetical order by instructor last name beginning on page 15. Our special events are listed on pages 13 & 14.

Thank you for your continued support of Osher.

Sincerely,

Linda Kehres
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SUPPORT THE OSHER INSTITUTE AND SAVE MONEY!

Russ Sifers, a 1970 KU alumnus and longtime Osher member, understands how everyone wins when you make a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) to a charitable organization while fulfilling your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) each year. The year his wife died he was faced with having to take the RMD and pay income tax on it. Instead, he decided to make a QCD to avoid paying the taxes and helping a worthy cause.

Russ enjoys participating in Osher courses and likes to engage with classmates before and after class. He finds a commonality with new friends and even connects with other KU alumni who he went to school with. “I really love all the wonderful and fun classes I have experienced.”

Russ believes strongly in the Osher program and has selected Osher as a beneficiary for a portion of his IRA upon his death.

Russ encourages others to consider supporting Osher in this manner, stating, “You could give a little of your RMD now to avoid paying taxes on it. And you could give a percentage of your IRA upon your death, if you so designate it. Please think about your legacy.”

To learn how you can support Osher, call Andy Morrison at 785-832-7327 or email amorrison@kuendowment.org. Thank you!

COURSE FORMAT

In-person Courses
Courses take place in-person at the facility with the instructor present. All members are in the same room.

Online Courses
Courses take place online via Zoom. All members and instructors are attending from their home or other remote location.

Hybrid Courses
Some members are in-person at the facility with the instructor, and some will join the class remotely via Zoom from their home or other location. All members will be able to see and hear the instructor, view the PowerPoint presentation, and ask questions.

CLASS TIMES

Most in-person and hybrid classes meet for two hours with a 15-minute break. Most online classes meet for 90 minutes. There are exceptions, so make note of the class times for your selection. Special events vary. Refer to event description for more information.
COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Birds of a Feather: A History of American Birding

We’ll cover John James Audubon and the frontier ornithologists he inspired. Then we’ll examine the development of ornithology as a profession and the beginnings of conservation efforts, such as the Audubon Society. Finally, we’ll review the popularity of modern birding, which started in 1934 with “A Field Guide to the Birds”.

Tom Luellen
Fridays, Jan. 28, Feb. 4 & 11 1:30-3:30 p.m.
In Person
Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging
2910 S.W. Topeka Blvd., Topeka

Citizen MoJo - How to Contribute as a Citizen Mobile Journalist

TV, newspapers, and radio have all pivoted to mobile journalism, which is produced and consumed on smartphones. Media rely heavily on citizen journalists to shoot, edit, package, design and publish through a smartphone. We’ll learn to create and produce content with your smartphone for different audiences and how to deliver it.

Stephen Knifton
Tuesdays, Mar. 8, 15 & 22 10 a.m.-noon
Online

City and County Governments in Kansas: What Do They Do and How Are They Financed?

We will explore how Kansas counties are different from cities, what each does, and who pays for what. We’ll learn the history of these local governments and study our own city and county, covering budgets, taxation, planning, zoning, economic development, public health, and other major policy issues.

Hannes Zacharias
Tuesdays, Jan. 25, Feb. 1 & 8 6:30–8:30 p.m.
In Person and Online
Osher Institute
1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence

Charles Curtis: Native American, Kansan, Vice President of the United States

A member of the Kaw Nation, Charles Curtis served 33 years as congressman, then senator before Herbert Hoover chose him as his running mate in 1928. Their victory installed Curtis as the first person of color to be Vice President. He died while working on Alf Landon’s presidential campaign in 1936.

Deb Goodrich
Wednesdays, Jan. 26, Feb. 2 & 9 • 10-11:30 a.m.
In Person and Online
KU Edwards Campus
163 Regnier Hall
12610 Quivira Rd., Overland Park

Climate Change: More Fires, Floods, Droughts and Hurricanes

This class will discuss the causes of climate change and how the planet has been uninhabitable five times in the past. Evidence indicates that climate change is occurring and has caused more floods, droughts, fires, and storms in 2021. We’ll also consider solutions and explore what new industries will blossom and which will disappear.

Charles Keller
Wednesdays, Feb. 16, 23 & Mar. 2 • 6:30-8:30 p.m.
In Person
Osher Institute
1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence

Thursdays, Mar. 10, 17 & 24 2-4 p.m.
In Person (Open to the public)
St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church
6630 Nall Ave., Mission

Conquistadors in Kansas

During the 16th and 17th centuries, Spanish explorers Francisco Vazquez de Coronado and Juan de Oñate visited the plains in what is now Kansas in search of Quivira’s gold and found bustling Native villages. We’ll examine both the experiences of the Spaniards and of the indigenous peoples’ initial contact with the Europeans.

Lindy Eakin
Tuesdays, Feb. 15, 22 & Mar. 1 1-3 p.m.
In Person and Online
KU Edwards Campus
163 Regnier Hall
12610 Quivira Rd., Overland Park
CSPAN Ranks the U.S. Presidents

CSPAN asked distinguished historians to rank the presidents on ten criteria ranging from moral authority to international relations. Deb Goodrich, one of those historians, discusses the results and how perceptions of our chief executives evolve over time, who has risen and who has fallen, and why. Who made the top ten?

Deb Goodrich

Tuesday, Apr. 5 • 1-2:30 p.m.
Online, one day course

Cyrus Holliday in the Kansas Territory

Cyrus K Holliday, one of Topeka’s founders, was first president of the Atchison, Topeka, and Santa Fe Railroad. We’ll look at early life in the Kansas territory and the colorful history of the AT&SF Railroad as viewed through letters of Holliday to his wife Mary, who remained in Pennsylvania.

Tom Coleman

Wednesdays, Mar. 30, Apr. 6 & 13 • 7-9 p.m.
In Person and Online
Washburn University
Henderson Learning Center
1700 S.W. College Ave., Topeka

Distinctive Cattle

We’ll look at changes that have occurred on the Flint Hills of Kansas from the Open Range Era, through the Railroad Era, to today’s Trucking Era. We will examine differences that distinguish the Flint Hills from other ranching regions of the West and discuss stories of interesting people who have lived here.

Jim Hoy

Tuesdays, Mar. 8, 15 & 22
6:30-8:30 p.m.
In Person and Online
Osher Institute
1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence

Eleanor Roosevelt: Her Private Struggles and Public Triumphs

Eleanor Roosevelt overcame an affluent-but-unhappy childhood when both parents and a brother died before she was ten. Sent to school in London, she returned to marry Franklin Roosevelt, a marriage that combined a complicated personal life with an extraordinarily successful political role as FDR’s surrogate, First Lady, civil rights activist, and international diplomat.

Jim Peters

Thursday, Feb. 17, 24 & Mar. 3 • 2-4 p.m.
In Person (Open to the public)
Tallgrass Creek Retirement Community
13800 Metcalf Ave., Overland Park

Eugenics: Building the Perfect Race

We’ll discuss the scientific validity of eugenics (passing on positive characteristics and eliminating the less desirable) and examine how eugenics enabled sterilization of persons with mental disabilities and anti-immigration statutes, and how Nazi Germany used it to sterilize and kill thousands. We’ll also look at its legacy today.

Karl Menninger

Wednesdays, Feb.16, 23 & Mar. 2 • 1-3 p.m.
In Person and Online
KU Edwards Campus
163 Regnier Hall
12610 Quivira Rd., Overland Park

Exploration Time: Discover the Thirteen United States Presidential Libraries and Museums

The course explores the Who, Where, When, What and Why of the thirteen U.S. Presidential Libraries and Museums. We’ll focus on the two U.S. Presidential Libraries and Museums in the Kansas City area, Eisenhower, and Truman. The other 11 U.S. Presidential Libraries and Museums will also be discussed.

Anita Tebbe

Wednesdays, Feb. 16, 23 & Mar. 2 • 2-4 p.m.
In Person and Online
Osher Institute
1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence
Exploring the British Northern Isles

We’ll explore the physical, economic, and cultural geography of Shetland, Orkney, and the Outer Hebrides after an introduction to Highland Scotland. Then we will discuss topics such as archaeology (why Orkney is the “Egypt of the North”), land tenure (clans, crofts, and clearances), ecology (the machair) and economies (sheep and oil).

Tom Schmiedeler
Tuesdays, Mar. 8, 15, & 22
2-4 p.m.
In Person and Online
Osher Institute
1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence

Folklore of Kansas

Kansas is rich in folklore, arising from the many ethnic groups who have settled here. This course will consider the abundant legends and tales of Kansas, the rich tradition of folk art in the state, the unique folksongs that originated here, and our distinctive customs, traditions, and superstitions, among other things.

Jim Hoy
Tuesdays, Mar. 8, 15 & & 22
1-3 p.m.
In Person (Open to the public)
Brewster Place
1205 S.W. 29th St., Topeka

FRANCE - Liberté, égalité, fraternité…and Food

The culture of France has been shaped by geography, by historical events, and by foreign and internal forces and groups. France, and in particular Paris, has played an important worldwide role as a center of high culture since the 17th century. From the late 19th century, France has also played an important role in cinema, fashion, literature, technology, the social sciences, and cuisine.

Larry Canepa
Friday, Mar. 4
1-2:30 p.m.
Online, one day course

Finding the Forgotten: Lost Stories of Four American Soldiers

This course will examine three relatives of the instructor who served in World War I and II—and a fourth soldier (unrelated) who fought for the Confederacy. Each had a remarkable, but largely forgotten, wartime story. In each case, a single clue helped uncover the mysteries with a surprising ending in each. Don’t miss this unique course.

Kevin Boatright
Tuesdays, Mar. 29, Apr. 5 & 12
10 a.m. - noon
In Person and Online
Osher Institute
1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence

Fort Wallace: Protector on the Prairie

Fort Wallace was established in 1865 to protect the Smoky Hill Trail, which led from Atchison to Denver, but the Plains Tribes were resisting this encroachment. Learn the fort’s history and its ties to Capt. Myles W. Keogh, Medicine Bill Comstock, the Buffalo Soldiers, and Cheyenne leaders, Roman Nose and Tall Bull.

Deb Goodrich
Thursdays, Feb.17, 24 & Mar. 3
3-4:30 p.m.
Online

Frederick Douglass: From Slave to Statesman

Frederick Douglass was an American social reformer, abolitionist, orator, writer, and statesman. After escaping from slavery in Maryland, he became a national leader of the abolitionist movement in Massachusetts and New York. We’ll explore his life as a slave, look at his autobiographies and other writings, and conclude with his life in Washington, D.C. as an elder statesman.

Paul Post
Wednesdays, Mar. 30, Apr. 6 & 13 • 2-4 p.m.
In Person and Online
Osher Institute
1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence
From Gilded Age to the Progressive Era

The Gilded Age (1876-1896) saw unprecedented American industrial expansion, generating corporate empires, rising inequality, violent worker-management clashes, and populist discontent, as well as remedies ranging from “free silver” to socialism. The Progressive Era (1900-1916), saw modest reforms, such as “trust busting,” the Federal Reserve System, and Meat Inspection Act.”

Carl Graves
Mondays, Feb. 14, 21 & 28
2-4 p.m.
In Person
New Century Fieldhouse
551 New Century Parkway, Gardner

From Normality to Terror: Inside Nazi Germany

This course will explore the daily lives of ordinary citizens in 1930s Germany, examining their education, employment, cultural expression, and the role of women, but always subject to government surveillance and brutality. We’ll see how the German people oscillated between normality and terror and how the Nazis created a horrific dictatorship.

Anita Isaacs
Mondays, Feb. 14, 21 & 28
3:30-5 p.m.
Online

George Orwell: His Life and Works

George Orwell spent his short life as an obscure struggling writer. Today, his classic essays, novels and memoirs remain widely popular and are indispensable reference points for thinking about modern politics. We’ll review Orwell’s life and the sources of his greatness as a writer and political commentator.

Eliah Bures
Wednesdays, Feb. 16, 23 & Mar. 2 • 10-11:30 a.m.
Online

Going DEEP: U.S. Support to Democratic Institution Building

NATO’s Defense Education Enhancement Program (DEEP) is a vehicle for reform, providing tailored practical support to individual countries in developing and reforming their professional military education institutions. By enhancing our partners’ democratic institutions, it makes an important contribution to NATO’s efforts to project stability in the Euro-Atlantic area and beyond.

Randy Mullis
Tuesdays, Jan. 25, Feb. 1 & 8 • 3-4:30 p.m.
Online

Great Hebrew Prophets

We’ll examine key texts in the oracles of the Hebrew prophets to gain some insight into how these figures were remembered by those who preserved their legacy. We’ll also discuss the impact their words may have had in the social, political, and religious contexts in which they have been recalled.

Barry Crawford
Tuesdays, Feb. 15, 22 & Mar. 1
2-4 p.m.
In Person
Northland Innovation Center
4th Floor
6889 N. Oak Traffic Way
Gladstone, MO

Here Be Dragons: Maps & Imagination

Although conventional maps are a factual picture of geographic locations, they have an instinctive appeal to the imagination that echoes ancient charts of exploration into the unknown. We will trace the development of cartography from the earliest times as a history of adventures and ideas, often expressed with great artistry.

John Doveton
Wednesdays, Jan. 26, Feb. 2 & 9
2-4 p.m.
In Person
Osher Institute
1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence
History of the World According to the Great Composers, Part II

Organized as a world history course, we’ll begin with Marco Polo (composer Tan Dun) and continue with Tammerlane (Handel), the Renaissance (Ponchielli and Verdi), Dante (Puccini), Joan of Arc (Tchaikovsky), Martin Luther (Mendelssohn), Queen Elizabeth (Britten), and bring you up to the 21st Century. If you missed Part I, you’ll still enjoy this course.

Don Dagenais
Mondays, Jan. 24, 31 & Feb. 7
6:30–8 p.m.
Online

Introducing the Poetry of Anna Akhmatova

Anna Akhmatova was a Russian poet during the revolution, but never wavered in her commitment to her country and its people. Despite government censorship of her work for more than 25 years, she continued to live and write in Russia. We’ll learn about her life and sample her more than eight hundred poems.

Renee Neff-Clark
Thursday, Mar. 31
1-2:30 p.m.
Online, One day course

Kansans and the Experience of Civil War, 1861-65

How did Kansas fare during the Civil War? From 1861-65, Kansans fended off Confederate attacks, welcomed the formerly enslaved, and engaged in bitter political debates. White, black, and Native American men served in uniform, while women managed farmsteads and aid societies. We’ll examine the experiences of Kansans during this pivotal period.

Will Haynes
Mondays Mar. 7, 14 & 21
1-3 p.m.
In Person and Online
KU Edwards Campus
163 Regnier Hall
12610 Quivira Rd., Overland Park

“I goes to fight mit Sigel!”: The German-American Experience in the U.S. Civil War

Join us as we explore this popular song of the Civil War era, which reflects that roughly one-third of the soldiers fighting for Union cause were either recent immigrants from German states or sons of such immigrants. We’ll discuss military leaders, such as Friedrich Hecker, Carl Schurz and especially Franz Sigel.

William Keel
Thursdays, Feb. 17, 24 & Mar. 3
2-4 p.m.
In person and Online
Osher Institute
1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence

John Brown: Ardent Abolitionist or Domestic Terrorist

John Brown opposed slavery and became the leading exponent of violence in the abolition movement. We’ll examine Brown’s life and his association with Bleeding Kansas, the sacking of Lawrence, the Pottawatomie massacre, the battles of Black Jack and Osawatomie, incursions to free Missouri slaves, and finally, the failed raid on Harper’s Ferry.

Jim Peters
Thursdays, Jan. 27, Feb. 3 & 10
10 a.m.-noon
In Person and Online
Osher Institute
1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence

Movies that Changed the World

Movies have transformed our world, like “The Birth of a Nation”, “2001: A Space Odyssey”, and the work of Charlie Chaplin and Walt Disney, which used comedy and animation. Today the medium has been transformed by filmmakers like Ken Burns in his documentaries about the Civil War, jazz, and baseball.

John C. Tibbetts
Wednesdays, Mar. 9, 16 & 23
10 a.m. - noon
In Person
KU Edwards Campus
163 Regnier Hall
12610 Quivira Rd., Overland Park
**COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**Music and Lives of the Great Composers, Part I**
We’ll explore the music and lives of some of the great composers of classical music and track their careers from early influences that impacted their style, to later work that culminated their career. Each class looks at one or two composers, with many examples. Composers will range from Johann Sebastian Bach to Philip Glass and several in between.

**Don Dagenais**
**Tuesdays, Mar. 29, Apr. 5 & 12 2-4 p.m.**
**In Person and Online**
KU Edwards Campus 163 Regnier Hall 12610 Quivira Rd., Overland Park

**“Nonsense Up with Which I Will Not Put!” Writing Rules for the Digital Age**
Do grammar and punctuation still matter in the age of texts and tweets? This class will consider the nature of writing rules, where they come from, which ones can’t be broken, and which ones can. We will look at cases of shifting usage and frequently confused words that embody subtleties worth preserving.

**Eliah Bures**
**Thursdays, Mar. 31, Apr. 7 & 14 6:30-8:30 p.m.**
**In Person and Online**
Osher Institute 1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence

**Pluralism, Communitarianism, and Declining Social and Political Trust**
We’ll focus on declining social and political trust by refusal to submit to public mandates to contain the Corona pandemic, protests against police brutality, and the Jan. 6 insurrection. How persuasive and alarming is the evidence? What are main causes? We’ll consider analyses by David Brooks, Robert Putnam and Heather McGhee.

**Paul Schumaker**
**Thursdays, Jan. 27, Feb. 3 & 10 2-4 p.m.**
**In Person and Online**
Osher Institute 1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence

**Prominent Women of the Late 1800s—Paving the Way**
While suffragettes and temperance leaders are better known, other women forced their way into professions and influential roles previously reserved for men. In the late 1800s, women paved the way as newspaper writers and editors, ministers, lecturers, social reformers, and lawyers among others, whether married or single, with or without children.

**Lyn Fenwick**
**Friday, Feb. 4 10 a.m.-noon**
**Online, One day course**

**Redistricting, Gerrymandering, and Representation**
The drawing of district lines decides how much electoral competition exists, who gets represented, the diversity of government, and the fates of politicians and their careers. We’ll examine the nature of representation and redistricting, focusing on how states draw lines, partisan and racial gerrymandering, the effect of redistricting on elections, and alternatives to our system.

**Patrick Miller**
**Thursdays, Mar. 31, Apr. 7 & 14 10 a.m. - noon**
**In Person and Online**
Osher Institute 1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence

**Reminiscences of a Career Soldier**
Bernie Kish rose to the rank of Army colonel during 29 years of service. He’ll discuss three tours: Germany (1960-1964) the Berlin Wall, the Cuban Missile Crisis, and the Kennedy assassination; Vietnam (1968-1969) fighting the Viet Cong and North Vietnamese; and Cambodia (1974-1975), supporting Cambodian forces against the Khmer Rouge.

**Bernie Kish**
**Tuesdays, Mar. 29, Apr. 5 & 12 10 a.m. - noon.**
**In Person**
KU Leavenworth Campus TownPlace Suites, Jayhawk Room 1001 N. 4th St., Leavenworth
### Rockne, Haskell, and Mizzou: Memorable Kansas Sport History Reflections

Join us as we explore Notre Dame Coach Knute Rockne and his many Kansas connections. We’ll study the Glory Days of Haskell Athletics from 1900-1932 and discuss the Border Showdown: Kansas vs. Missouri while we learn about its roots in the Civil War era. Let’s relive some memorable games and outstanding players and coaches.

**Bernie Kish**  
**Mondays, Feb. 14, 21 & 28**  
10 a.m. – noon.  
**In Person**  
KU Edwards Campus  
163 Regnier Hall  
12610 Quivira Rd., Overland Park

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### Supporting the Foster Care System

This is an overview of TIPS-MAPP classes (Trauma Informed Partnering for Safety and Permanence – Model Approach to Partnerships in Parenting). It is NOT preparing you to be a foster home, just sharing trauma-informed information on the history of foster care, requirements on licensing foster homes and how to advocate for these vulnerable populations.

**Lucas Shivers**  
**Tuesdays, Jan. 25, Feb. 1 & 8**  
10-11:30 a.m.  
**Online**

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### Spirit of the Mask: Works of Mystery and Beauty

For thousands of years, people have created masks as a means of expression. We’ll review their historical and cultural significance attributed to folklore, chiefs, shamans, and religious leaders, and the role they play in dance and storytelling in agriculture, carnivals, celebrations, death, fertility, hunting, initiation, midwinter observances, religion, and theater.

**Carla Hanson**  
**Thursdays, Mar. 10, 17 & 24**  
1-3 p.m.  
**In Person**  
Senior Resource Center for Douglas County  
745 Vermont, Lawrence

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### Teddy Roosevelt: An American Icon

We’ll review Theodore Roosevelt’s life, overcoming debilitating asthma to build a reputation as an outdoorsman, politician, conservationist and statesman. He was New York City’s police commissioner, assistant secretary of the Navy, Rough Rider, New York governor, vice president and president at age 42 following William McKinley’s assassination.

**Jim Peters**  
**Wednesdays, Mar. 16, 23 & 30**  
2-4 p.m.  
**In Person (Open to the public)**  
Claridge Court  
8101 Mission Rd., Prairie Village  
**Tuesdays, Mar. 29, Apr. 5 & 12**  
2-4 p.m.  
**In Person (Open to the public)**  
Village Shalom  
5500 W. 123rd St., Overland Park

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### The 1930s: A Troubled Decade

We’ll explore the Depression and its effects on society, politics, and the military. We’ll talk about Europe and its response to economic dislocation, including the rise of fascism in Germany and the Stalinist Revolution. We’ll discuss Asia and the rise of militarism in Japan, India’s struggle for independence, Mao Zedong’s challenge to the government, and origins of the Sino-Japanese War.

**Robert Smith**  
**Mondays, Mar. 7, 14 & 21**  
6:30-8:30 p.m.  
**In Person and Online**  
Osher Institute  
1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence

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COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

The 1936 Olympics and the History of Athletic Shoes

Jesse Owen made history at the 1936 Berlin Olympics winning four gold medals, refusing to wear shoes provided by Nazi Party members, and dispelling Adolf Hitler’s notion of Ayran superiority. We’ll discuss that incident and the eventual colorful intersection of athletic shoe manufacturers, sports stars, music celebrities and movie icons.

Rich Hughes

Thursdays, Mar. 10, 17 & 24 10 a.m. – noon.
In Person and Online
Osher Institute
1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence

The American Generals Who Helped Win WWII

We’ll learn the strategies and tactics employed by generals George Marshall, Omar Bradley, George Patton, Dwight Eisenhower, and Douglas MacArthur to win the war. We’ll also examine Gen. Joseph Stillwell’s stand against the Japanese and discuss Gen. Lee Chenault and Gen. Hap Arnold’s reorganization of the Army Air Corps.

Russ Hutchins

Mondays, Jan. 24, 31 & Feb. 7 1-2:30 p.m.
Online

The Art of Albrecht Durer and Pieter Bruegel the Elder: Two Great Northern Renaissance Masters

Northern Renaissance is a blending of Late Gothic art, a careful observation of a man centered world, and the ideas found in the Reformation. No finer examples of this blending can be found than in the master works of Albrecht Durer and Pieter Brueghel the Elder. We will see in Durer’s prints and his self-portraits hints of things modern. In Brueghel’s work common people and their everyday activities become worthy of the artist’s attention.

Dan Kirchhefer

Wednesdays, Mar. 9, 16 & 23 1-2:30 p.m.
Online

The Generals Wives

This course explores the biographies of several first ladies, including Martha Washington, Julia Dent Grant, and Mamie Doud Eisenhower. We’ll discuss how they enacted the role of first lady and examine how the role of first lady has evolved over the years emphasizing how each first lady put her own mark on the position.

Diana Carlin

Tuesdays, Mar. 29 Apr. 5 & 12 1-3 p.m.
In Person (Open to the public)
Brewster Place
1205 S.W. 29th, Topeka

The Geography of Kansas: What Dorothy Didn’t Know About a Place Called Home

From the Ozark lowlands to the High Plains, come explore the physical and human geography of Kansas. Explore nature as the context for human interaction in the form of resource extraction and learn about the rise of key cities. Learn how the struggle for rural survival takes us back to our roots and suggests a problematic future.

Tom Schmiedeler

Thursdays, Jan. 27, Feb. 3 & 10 2-4 p.m.
In Person (Open to the public)
Aberdeen Village
17500 W. 119th St., Olathe

The Life and Music of George Gershwin

George Gershwin combined influences from Tin Pan Alley, classical music, jazz, and blues into a distinctive style heard in songs for Broadway musicals, films, and concerts. We’ll explore his biography and musical output, including Girl Crazy, Of Thee I Sing, Porgy and Bess, Rhapsody in Blue, and An American in Paris.

Paul Laird

Mondays, Feb. 14, 21 & 28 1-3 p.m.
In Person and Online
Osher Institute
1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence
COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

The Medical History of the American Presidency
This course details the impact injuries and illnesses have had on American presidencies. We’ll examine the diagnoses, treatments and controversies surrounding the presidents Andrew Jackson, James Garfield, Woodrow Wilson, Franklin Roosevelt, Dwight Eisenhower, and John Kennedy. Finally, we’ll review the role the media played in covering, and uncovering, these ailments.
Jay Murphy
Tuesdays, Apr. 5, 12 & 19
2-4 p.m.
In Person (Open to the public)
Tallgrass Creek
13800 Metcalf Ave., Overland Park
Wednesdays, Apr. 6, 13 & 20
2-4 p.m.
In Person
Northland Innovation Center 4th Floor
6889 N. Oak Traffic Way
Gladstone, MO

The Tallgrass Prairie Origins, Inhabitants and Remnants
Come explore the geologic and climatic factors that created the North American Tallgrass Prairie and discuss key inhabitants, from bison to butterflies to meadowlarks. We’ll discuss the first humans and indigenous tribes and examine prairie remnants, starting with the long struggle to establish the National Prairie Preserve.
Thomas Luellen
Tuesdays Mar. 8, 15 & 22
1-3 p.m.
In Person (Open to the public)
Mission Chateau
4100 W. 85th Street
Prairie Village

Travels in Europe
Discover the “do’s” and “don’ts” of travel from someone who has done everything from backpacking alone to attending group tours by bus, train, or river boat. Favorite countries will include Italy, France, Portugal, Germany, Austria, the Netherlands, Norway and England.
Georgia Klein
Mondays, Mar. 7, 14 & 21
10 a.m.-noon.
In Person and Online
Osher Institute
1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence

The Politics of Public Health
Health is one of our most commodified social goods. This course examines several public health controversies, including healthcare access and cost; inequity across economic class, race, and gender; the politics of defining what is a disease; mental health access; conflicts surrounding individual rights in public health initiatives; and Covid-19.
Patrick Miller
Tuesdays, Feb. 15, 22 & Mar. 1
10 a.m.-noon.
In Person and Online
Osher Institute
1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence

Three Incredible American Military Campaigns
We’ll focus on a trio of military campaigns. First, we’ll examine the Revolutionary War campaign of Nathanael Greene who successfully drove the British from the South. Then we’ll look at “Stonewall” Jackson’s 1862 Shenandoah Campaign. Finally, we’ll review the largest American operation of World War I, General Pershing’s Meuse Argonne Campaign.
Robert Smith
Tuesdays, Mar. 8, 15 & 22
6-8 p.m.
In Person
Jayhawk Area Agency on Aging
2910 S.W. Topeka Blvd., Topeka

U.S. Religious History, 1925 to the Present
After the Scopes Trial of 1925, the mainline denominations were dominant through the Depression, WW II, and the immediate Post-War period. Church attendance boomed and Fundamentalism and Pentecostalism expanded. In the 1970’s, the new white religious right emerged and grew greatly in size and voice. Into that maelstrom we shall carefully tread.
James Showalter
Thursdays, Mar. 10, 17 & 24
1-2:30 p.m.
Online

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William Inge: Playwright of the Plains

Kansan and KU grad William Inge was one of the most acclaimed playwrights of the 1950s. His portraits of small-town and rural America won Oscars and Tony Awards. We’ll explore Inge’s troubled and triumphant, but ultimately tragic life—from Independence, Kan. to Broadway to Hollywood, where he died, a suicide, at age 60.

Robert Weibezahl
Mondays, Mar. 7, 14 & 21
3-4:30 p.m.
Online

World Mysticism: The Quest to Merge with the Ultimate

Religions have a concept of an ultimate state of being or consciousness, “merging with the ultimate,” generally called “mysticism.” There are traditions in both Western and Eastern religions that might be called “spiritual mysticism,” not attached to any religion. We’ll explore examples of mysticism in world history, examining mystical theories and methods.

Jim Gaither
Wednesdays, Mar. 9, 16 & 23
2-4 p.m.
In Person
Northland Innovation Center 4th Floor
6889 N. Oak Traffic Way
Gladstone, MO

Woodstock at 50

Join the conversation as we recall this seminal time in American history. We’ll explore cultural and political events of the time. While Monterey introduced the world to many soon-to-be famous performers, Woodstock gave its name to a generation, and Altamont brought the era of love and trust to a sad end.

Steve Lopes
Thursdays, Jan. 27, Feb. 3 & 10
2-4 p.m.
In Person
Meadowbrook Park Clubhouse
9101 Nall Ave., Prairie Village

Would You Like To Meet the Beatles You Thought You Knew?

The Beatles were more than just another rock band. They were a cultural tsunami that forever changed fashion, manners, humor, media, values, and style, while influencing musical genres and future musicians long after the group’s demise. In addition to reviewing their origin story and “Beatlemania,” we will try to understand how these four became so fabulous.

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Cruising Concordia
Join us as we explore many of the unique sites in Concordia. We’ll visit the Cloud County Historical Museum which preserves and exhibits objects and documents of historical items representing early-day Kansas. Records are on display of the military Prisoner of War Camp, churches, organizations, schools, and businesses.

While enjoying lunch you will be treated to a presentation about the history of Cloud County.

We’ll spend time at the Whole Wall Mural, the longest sculpted brick mural in the U.S. which is 140 feet in length. This incredible piece of public art depicts the history of Cloud County.

Next, we’ll visit Camp Concordia, a prisoner of war camp for captured Germans, which was maintained a few miles north of Concordia during World War II. At its peak, the Camp housed 4,000 German prisoners and 1,000 military and civilian staff. We’ll stop by the large T-9 warehouse where the POW Museum is located and see the original guard house that has been restored. Lowell May, author of *Camp Concordia: German P.O.W.s in the Midwest* will serve as our tour guide offering insights and additional information.

Concordia is the home of the national Orphan Train complex, housed in the restored historical Union Pacific Railroad Depot. The Orphan Train Museum pays tribute to a partnership forged with the railroads in which infants and children, orphaned or abandoned, were systematically relocated away from large cities by two of New York’s Largest orphanages, the Children’s Aid Society, and the New York Foundling Home. We’ll tour the museum and research center dedicated to the preservation of stories and artifacts of those who were part of the Orphan Train Movement from 1854 to 1929.

Our last stop will be at the Brown Grand Theatre, a fully outfitted opera house restored to its original 1907 state which now serves as a tourist attraction and performing arts/community center.

Friday, April 29
- 7:30 a.m. – Coach departs the Osher Institute, 1515 St. Andrews Dr., Lawrence
- 6:45 p.m. – Arrive back at Osher Institute

$120 fee includes coach transportation, museum admissions, guided tours, presentations, snacks, and lunch.

Refund must be requested by April 22, minus a $25 administrative fee.

Groundbreaker, Trailblazer: Elizabeth Dole’s Career of Firsts
Join us as we partner with the Dole Institute of Politics to bring you this exciting event. When she was appointed U.S. Secretary of Labor in 1989, Elizabeth Dole became the first woman to serve in two different cabinet positions in two different presidential administrations. Other firsts in her career include when she became the first woman U.S. Secretary of Transportation in 1983, and in 2002, when she became the first woman elected to the U.S. Senate for North Carolina.

In this exclusive Osher program, come explore a reinstallation of the Dole Institute exhibit, “What Would a Woman Offer Her Country? Elizabeth Dole’s Ground-breaking, Trail-blazing Life of Service,” dedicated to Senator Elizabeth’s career in service and featuring materials from her own archives that are housed at the Dole Institute. Participants will tour the museum and archives, look in depth at the exhibit, and explore related archival materials with special, behind the scenes access.

Mondays, Mar. 28, & Apr. 4
1-3 p.m.
Dole Institute of Politics
2350 Petefish Dr., Lawrence

$50
Refund must be requested by March 21, minus a $15 administrative fee.

Above: As Secretary of Transportation, Elizabeth Dole’s top priority was increased safety. She is well known for the “Trifecta” – state seat belt laws, car airbags, and the 21-year old drinking age – which have saved thousands of lives. She is seen here leaving a meeting with the Senate Finance Committee in February 1984.
BEAUTIFUL–The Carole King Musical

BEAUTIFUL–The Carole King Musical tells the inspiring true story of King’s remarkable rise to stardom, from being part of a hit songwriting team with her husband Gerry Goffin, to her relationship with fellow writers and best friends Cynthia Weil and Barry Mann, to becoming one of the most successful solo acts in popular music history. Along the way, she made more than beautiful music, she wrote the soundtrack to a generation, featuring a stunning array of beloved songs. Join us for dinner and a presentation before the show.

Monday, Feb. 14
Pre-performance Presentation and Dinner • 6 p.m.
Lied Center Pavilion
Performance • 7:30 p.m.
Lied Center
1600 Stewart Dr., Lawrence
$90 fee includes pre-performance presentation, dinner, drinks and a ticket to the show. Deadline for registration is February 4.

Refund must be requested by February 3rd, minus a $15 administrative fee.

And Then There Were None: A Mystery by Agatha Christie

In partnership with Theatre Lawrence, we present the classic! Ten strangers are summoned to a remote island all with wicked pasts they are unwilling to reveal and secrets that will seal their fates. As the weather turns and the group is cut off from the mainland, they begin to disappear one by one according to the lines of a sinister nursery rhyme. Don’t miss this Osher exclusive to hear behind the scenes stories from the show director and designer as they discuss special effects and share the changes that have been required of the script over the years.

Thursday, March 10
Pre-performance Preview and Dinner • 6 p.m.
Performance • 7:30 p.m.
Theatre Lawrence
4660 Bauer Farm Dr., Lawrence
$65 fee includes pre-performance preview, dinner, drinks, and a ticket to the show. Deadline for registration March 3.

Refund must be requested by March 2nd, minus a $15 administrative fee.

At press time, Theatre Lawrence stated they will require proof of vaccination from patrons. Stay tuned for updates.

A History of Community Involvement: Women in Lawrence

Join Osher as we partner with the Watkins Museum of History to bring you this exclusive event. Celebrate Women's History Month with an exploration of the ways women shaped Lawrence into the community we are today. A presentation by Kathryn Nemeth Tuttle and Georgann Eglinkski will tell the story of the Lawrence Friends in Council, the oldest women's study club west of the Mississippi, founded in 1871 and still active today. The purpose of Friends in Council has been to study, in friendly association, a subject drawn from literature, the arts, and the culture of the ages, including history, science, and music. The group will celebrate its sesquicentennial in April 2022.

Following the presentation, museum staff will lead tours of two exhibits at the Watkins, Dear Friends: Lawrence’s Literary Societies, and Lawrence Memorial Hospital: A Century of Care, which marks the centennial of the founding of the hospital and the legacy of Elizabeth Miller Watkins.

Friday, March 11
Presentation and exhibition tours • 10 a.m.
Lunch • 12 p.m.
Watkins Museum of History
1047 Massachusetts St., Lawrence
$40 fee includes presentation, tours and lunch.

Refund must be requested by March 4, minus a $15 administrative fee.
INSTRUCTOR BIOGRAPHIES

Kevin Boatwright is emeritus director of external affairs in the KU Office of Research. He has a bachelor’s degree in English and master’s degrees in journalism, history, and higher education administration. He studied Canadian history at the University of Northern Iowa and the University of Manitoba and is a past president of the Midwest Association for Canadian Studies.

Eliah Bures holds a Ph.D. in history from UC Berkeley. He is a fellow at Berkeley’s Center for Right-Wing Studies and the author of multiple essays and scholarly articles on far-right politics.

Chef Larry Canepa is a Certified Culinary Educator with over 40 years of food and beverage experience and 20 years of teaching cooking, food and culture, and STEAM-focused classes. He has taught culinary classes at Le Cordon Bleu, the International Culinary School at the Art Institute, corporate wellness events, libraries, community centers and other venues. His engaging, entertaining, educational ‘food-tainment’ events have been enjoyed by hundreds.

Diana Carlin, Ph.D., is Professor Emerita of Communication at Saint Louis University and a retired professor of Communication Studies at KU. Dr. Carlin has written several articles and co-authored a book on gender and politics. She also taught courses on women as political leaders, the rhetoric of women’s rights, and communication and gender.

Tom Coleman holds a bachelor’s degree in business and economics from Washburn University and is a retired Federal Contracting Officer.

Barry Crawford, Ph.D., is professor emeritus of religious studies at Washburn University.

Don Dagenais has been a preview speaker for the Lyric Opera for more than 20 years, and he teaches classical music and opera courses for local organizations. He enjoys studying American political history and has compiled an extensive collection of memorabilia from presidential political campaigns from 1840 to the present. He recently retired as a real estate attorney.

John Doveton grew up in Britain and has visited and lived in many of the locations associated with British fiction. He describes the story behind each of the stories of these magical places. John studied geology at university and took field trips all over Europe before starting his career as a wellsite geologist on drilling rigs in Canada. He taught at KU for more than 40 years.

Lindy Eakin has his doctorate in history from the University of Kansas. He has taught classes in Native American history, the Spanish Frontier in North American and U.S. history. He has published on native peoples in Spanish Texas.

Lynda Beck Fenwick lives a life fueled by curiosity, as a teacher, attorney, and author. She has published three books, one of which she was named nonfiction Georgia Author of the Year. Born and raised in Kansas, her career took her to New England, New York City, and the South. Her new book is, Prairie Bachelor, the Story of a Kansas Homesteader, and the Populist Movement.

James Gaither, Th.D., holds a master’s degree in philosophy from the University of Kansas and Th.D. from Holos University Graduate Seminary. For over 25 years he has taught courses in history of Western thought, world religions, metaphysics, and ethics and is currently a “semi-retired.”

Deb Goodrich, the host of the TV show “Around Kansas,” and the Garvey (Texas) Foundation Historian in Residence at the Fort Wallace Museum, chairs the Santa Fe Trail 200. She has appeared in many documentaries including “The Road to Valhalla,” “Aftershock,” and “American Experience” on Jesse James, and the series, “Gunsmingers” on AHC. She wrote and produced the docudrama, “Thof’s Dragon.”

Carl Graves, Ph.D., holds a master’s degree in U.S. history from KU and a doctorate from Harvard. He taught at the university and community college levels, and at Kansas City’s Pembroke Hill School.

Carla Hanson, a K-State University music graduate, is curator of “Spirit of the Mask,” a traveling mask exhibit. Her collection, representing more than 45 countries, numbers in the hundreds. She is currently studying with the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts adding music and dance to her presentation.

Will Haynes has a doctorate in history from the University of Kansas. He plans, manages, and promotes public programming at the Watkins Museum of History, the headquarters of the Douglas County Historical Society.
Jim Hoy, a native of the Flint Hills near Cassoday ("Cow Capital of Kansas"), is director emeritus of the Center for Great Plains Studies at Emporia State University. He is the author of "Flint Hills Cowboys: Tales from the Tallgrass Prairie" and "My Flint Hills: Observations and Reminiscences from America’s Last Tallgrass Prairie."

Rich Hughes received a bachelor’s degree from KU and a master’s in computer science from KSU. Hughes worked in various information technology and data analytic jobs and is an avid history buff after retirement. He has written three books rooted in Kansas and American history: Netting Out Basketball, 1936, Hitler’s Olympic Festival, and If the Shoe Fits.

Russ Hutchins teaches U.S. History, Western Civilization, Economics, Business, Philosophy, and Business Management at Friends University-Topeka. He is a retired public-school administrator and educator of 40 years.

Anette Isaacs, M.A., a German historian and public educator, has been presenting hundreds of programs on more than 30 different topics (all pertaining to her native country’s history, politics, and culture). She holds master’s degrees in American studies, political science, and history and is an adjunct faculty member at many OLLI Institutes.

William Keel, Ph.D., is a professor emeritus of German at KU, having taught the history and culture of German settlements in Kansas and Missouri.

Charles “Chick” Keller is a retired senior executive and retired professor. He worked 15 years each at Sprint, and Black and Veatch in strategic planning and strategic marketing rising to the V.P. level both times. In 2000, Chick began a career as a professor at the University of Kansas, Master of Engineering Management program where he taught finance and strategic planning.

Dan Kirchhefer is an artist and professor emeritus who taught drawing, printmaking, and the history of American art at Emporia State University.

Bernie Kish has taught sport management classes at KU since 2005. He has authored the chapter on KU Athletics in the recently published book Transforming the University of Kansas: A history, 1965-2015. Kish is a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving on active duty for over 29 years and completing his service as a full colonel.

Georgia Klein is a retired secondary educator from the Shawnee Mission School District. She has been to Europe 26 times and has presented workshops on travel to other continents. She has been a guide for Road Scholars on a walking tour of the Country Club Plaza in Kansas City, MO.

Stephen Knifton, an Emmy-award winning TV news producer, is credited for creating and producing engaging and highly rated news programming. In the digital content world, he has created work for museums, engineers, architects, designers, hospitality and tourism, and others. He teaches video storytelling and smartphone filmmaking at several colleges in Canada and the U.S.

Paul Laird is professor of musicology at the University of Kansas. He has published widely on musical history topics including four books on Leonard Bernstein. The most recent is the biography of Leonard Bernstein in the “Critical Lives” series from Reaktion Books (University of Chicago Press).

Steve Lopes, A.E., B.A., M.A., M. Ed., was an educator for 15 years prior to 30 years of advocating for teachers as a Kansas-NEA organizer. He enjoys researching Rock ‘n Roll history and sharing it with Osher participants.

Thomas Luellen recently retired after 31 years in hospital administration and 14 years as an adjunct instructor at Washburn University. He has a master’s degree in geography from KU. His personal interests have always been his native state and its history.

Karl Menninger recently retired from a legal career in federal and state government, mostly dealing with issues concerning persons with disabilities. He teaches courses on disabilities and the law and the insanity defense at the University of Missouri - Kansas City School of Law.

Patrick Miller, associate professor of political science at KU, directs the Washington, D.C. Internship Program specializing in political psychology, public opinion, electoral behavior, survey methods, and statistics. He received his B.A. from the College of William & Mary in Virginia, and his Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
Tony R. “Randy” Mullis, Ph.D., is professor of military history at the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College at Redstone Arsenal, Alabama. Professor Mullis holds a doctorate in history from the University of Kansas. His major fields include the history of the United States and military history and indigenous nations studies. He is the author of Peacekeeping on the Plains: Army Operations in Bleeding Kansas.

Dr. Jay Murphy is a recently retired cardiologist who practiced in Johnson County, Kan. for 40 years. He graduated from Denison University and The Ohio State College of Medicine then completed post graduate training at KU in internal medicine and cardiology. He is the author of What Ails the White House, An Introduction to the Medical History of the American Presidency.

Renee Neff-Clark has a degree in religious studies from the University of Kansas and has been a lover of all types of literature since she learned to read.

Jim Peters, J.D., is director emeritus of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at KU and author of Arlington National Cemetery: Shrine to America’s Heroes. He also teaches a course on the Underground Railroad in Northeast Kansas.

Paul Post, a native Kansan, received a B.A. in History from KSU and a law degree from the KU Law School in 1974. Now retired from the practice of law, he is a member of the Topeka Landmarks Commission and was Commission Vice Chair in 2018. He has authored essays on the history of SBA Hill/former Menninger Campus in Topeka; Topeka’s Bates Family; The Fred Harvey Company; and on Duke Ellington.

Tom Schmiedeler, Ph.D., is professor emeritus of geography at Washburn University.

Paul Schumaker, Ph.D., is a retired University of Kansas political science professor. He has taught courses in American political history and democratic theory.

Lucas Shivers, Manhattan-Ogden USD 383 director of elementary education, channels his lifelong passion for positive student and staff development to build the core values of student-centered learning, responsible character development and adaptive leadership to facilitate growth for every student as a champion and advocate for innovative instruction.

James Showalter has seven years of experience with historic preservation and 31 years of teaching history at the university level. One of several areas of expertise he has developed is the history of religion worldwide, and particularly the history of religion in the area that is now the United States.

Robert Smith, Ph.D., is the director of the Fort Riley Museum. He has a doctorate in history from KSU and has published numerous articles on military history.

Attorney Anita Tebbe is a retired professor of legal studies at Johnson County Community College.

John Tibbetts is emeritus professor at KU, where he taught courses in film history, media studies, and theory and aesthetics. He is an author, educator, broadcaster, artist, and pianist. He holds a Ph.D. from KU in multi-disciplinary studies and was awarded the Kansas Governor’s Arts in Education Award in 2008. In class he draws upon his book, Composers in the Movies (Yale, 2005).

Robert Weibezahl is a writer, editor, cultural critic, and publishing industry veteran who has worked with Nobel laureates, Pulitzer Prize winners, and countless bestselling authors. He has published several works of fiction and nonfiction, is an award-winning, internationally produced playwright, and writes a monthly literary column for BookPage.

Hannes Zacharias is the Robert A. Kipp Professor of Practice for the KU School of Public Affairs and Administration following a 35-year career in local city and county government administration. He has served as City Manager of Boonville, Mo., Hays, Kan., and County Manager for Johnson County, Kan.

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### B. COURSES  
Abbreviated course descriptions can be found on pages 3-12. Full descriptions available online at osher.ku.edu. All courses are three-week sessions unless noted. All are Central Time.

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OSHER SPRING 2022 REGISTRATION (continued)

C. SPECIAL EVENTS  
Special events are not considered courses. All events are Central Time. lpe.ku.edu/osher-special-events

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D. SCHOLARSHIPS
- Aberdeen Village residents (No charge for “The Geography of Kansas”; $50 for other courses)
  - # of courses (x0) = $____
  - # of courses (x50) = $____
- Brandon Woods residents may choose one course for free. All other courses are $50.
- Title of free course ______________________
  - # of courses (x50) = $____
- Brewster Place residents (No charge for “Folklore of Kansas” and “The Generals Wives”)
  - $50 for other courses)
  - # of courses (x0) = $____
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- Claridge Court residents (No charge for “Teddy Roosevelt”; $50 for other courses)
  - # of courses (x0) = $____
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- Clay County residents, age 60+ ($15 per course for “World Mysticism”; “Great Hebrew Prophets”; “The Medical History of the American Presidency”; $50 for other courses)
  - # of courses (x $15) = $____
  - # of courses (x50) = $____
- Mission Chateau residents (No charge for “The Tallgrass Prairie Origins, Inhabitants & Remnants”)
  - $50 for other courses)
  - # of courses (x0) = $____
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- St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church members ($40 for the “Climate Change”)
  - $50 for other courses):
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- Tallgrass residents (Pay $0 upfront for “The Medical History of the American Presidency” and “Eleanor Roosevelt”; billed $50 each by Tallgrass upon course completion; $50 for other courses)
  - # of Tallgrass sponsored courses (x50) = $____
  - # of other Osher courses courses (x50) = $____
- Village Shalom residents (No charge for “Teddy Roosevelt”; $50 for other courses)
  - # of courses (x0) = $____
  - # of courses (x50) = $____

SUBTOTAL $____

E. Osher Course Fees
- Number of 3 week courses (x50)
- Number of 1 day courses (x25)

SUBTOTAL $____

F. Alumni Association Discount (Discount is for courses only.)
- Member # __________________________ .................................................................~$10
- Choose only one:  □ KU   □ KSU   □ Washburn

SUBTOTAL $____

Be a Friend of Osher. Please contribute to our campaign.
  □ $50 Supporter  □ $75 Patron  □ $100 Benefactor  □ $250 Sponsor
  □ $500 Trustee  □ $1000+ Regent  □ Other $________

SUBTOTAL $____

Add SUBTOTALS for total payment .......................................................... GRAND TOTAL DUE $____

□ Check enclosed, payable to the University of Kansas.

□ Credit Card. For security reasons, KU cannot accept credit card information written on the registration form. If you wish to pay by credit card, please call our Contact Center at 913-897-8530.

Mail  Osher Institute, Registrations, 12600 Quivira Rd., Overland Park, KS 66213

Individuals with disabilities are encouraged to attend University of Kansas sponsored events. If you require a reasonable accommodation in order to participate in an event, please email lpe@ku.edu or call 913-897-8530 at least three weeks before the first day of the event. Some events may require notice earlier than three weeks and require you contact a specific individual; if so, that information is provided in the event-specific information.
IN LOVING MEMORY OF JON WOODWARD

The Osher Institute recently lost a dear friend. Jon Woodward, a longtime Osher participant and generous supporter, passed away last month and will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family and anyone grieving his passing.

Jon was an active member of our institute, engaging in numerous courses each semester. During the pandemic, thanks to the Zoom platform, we had the pleasure of enjoying virtual coffee with Jon every month. It was wonderful to be able to share in meaningful conversation and to get to know more about Jon and what was important to him.

One thing he felt strongly about was how Osher had deeply enriched his life in powerful ways. During one of our monthly visits, Jon communicated his desire to include Osher in his estate planning, and he was very passionate about encouraging others to join him. The conversation we shared with Jon is included below. It’s our hope, and Jon’s wish, that others sincerely consider joining him in his support of Osher.

Osher Member Jon Woodward Promotes Planned Giving

Planned giving is a way to leave a legacy of lifelong learning to ensure future learners have the opportunity for intellectual engagement that enriches their lives. Unlike cash donations, these gifts are made from assets in your estate rather than disposable income and come to fruition upon your death. They include a bequest in your will or living trust; a charitable gift annuity; a charitable lead trust; an endowment fund; retirement plan assets; and life insurance policies.

Jon and Vickie Woodward are shining examples of what it means to be a Legacy Friend of Osher. Jon’s firsthand experience through his participation in the program enticed him to designate a gift in his estate that will ensure other seniors are given the chance to enjoy lifelong learning.

They have three daughters and four grandchildren.

“My career was one in which I traveled all over the world and participated in a lot of different cultures,” he said. “When I retired, it all disappeared, but with Osher I got a portion of it back.”

Jon has been taking Osher courses for nearly a decade and remembers his first impression of the program: “Where did this come from and why haven’t I seen it before?” He was hooked after his first course, stating he tends to overindulge sometimes, jumping in with five courses at a time. “I find it so stimulating and the teachers are very well-versed in their subject matter,” said. “There is simply no way you can choose not to participate.”

Jon enjoys the many benefits of the Osher program especially “connecting with people who are engaging, intellectual and capable of understanding complex topics.” He admits he has some favorite teachers but admires the diverse offerings Osher presents. “The courses have given me an opportunity to learn and better understand a lot of things I was never exposed to before,” he said.

When asked why he selected Osher as the beneficiary of his generosity, he stated, “I have always believed in setting aside a portion of my estate for use by others when I pass. Osher is a place where people in the later stages of life can go to connect with others in a stimulating manner to learn about things they never knew. Its makes you think about the world differently and allows you to grow.”

Jon hopes his gift will enable the continuation of the diverse coursework going forward. He encourages others to join him in gifting a portion of their estate to Osher. “This is a great way for you to give back to the community what you’ve been given,” he said. “It’s my pleasure to support a great program.”

To learn how you can support Osher, call Andy Morrison at 785-832-7327 or email amorrison@kuendowment.org. Thank you!

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