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[Carol Neuman Teagle obituary in the Statesman Journal](#)

ICL Board Election: December 7th, after the luncheon - We expect to have a quorum!

Thank you to all who signed up to come to the luncheon. All members have a vote. Here is the [Nominating Committee Report](#) for the new members nominated to the board of directors. New members of the board will take office after the end of the Spring semester and the Annual Meeting on May 2, 2024. This gives them Spring semester to shadow their predecessor(s) in order to learn the job.

This Week's Schedule (Please check the [online schedule](#) as it is subject to change):

4	Date	Start	End	Presenter	Representing	Title	Place
Tuesday	12/5/2023	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	Kimberly Jensen	Outside	Oregon Women – Citizenship, Civil Liberties and the Surveillance State from 1913-1922	Kaneko
Tuesday	12/5/2023	1:00 PM	3:00 PM	Betty Kasoff, Rebecca Miller-Moe, Jan Petroski, Bob Muir, Chris Duval, Kasia Quillinan, Vernelle Judy, Lois Rosen	WUICL	Welcome to the ICL Writing Potpourri!	Kaneko
Thursday	12/7/2023	10:00 AM	12:00 PM	Don Beckman, Helen Beckman, Vicki McLean	WUICL	Up Close & Personal	Kaneko
Thursday	12/7/2023	12:00 PM	2:00 PM	Social Services	WUICL	Tis the Season Luncheon and Elections	Cat Cavern

ICL Book: Announcing the Spring 2024 book that ICL will be reading and discussing - from Becky Miller-Moe

The ICL Book selection for 2024 is “Trust” by 51 year old Argentinian born Hernan Diaz, who was awarded the 2023 Pulitzer Prize for fiction for this historical novel. The book is ingeniously constructed and the story, which most reviewers agree is all about money, begins in 1937 and is told in four different ways. Summarizing a New York Times Review, the novel is unpredictable and sometimes disorienting, which could be attributed to Diaz’s treatment of the misleading power of memory. As noted in Goodreads, the title itself takes on multiple meanings, exploring “trust” as a moral virtue, a financial instrument and the reliability of a narrator. For those of you who find yourself “disoriented”, annoyed or bored, many readers have told me they didn’t like the book until reaching the story as told by Ida Partenza, a working class, second generation immigrant, now an older woman looking back seventy years on her experience as a “typist”. Keep reading to the end where you may find a surprise.

Note: Becky started distributing ICL purchased books on Nov. 30th. These will be passed around over the next 3 or 4 months. Please let Becky know when you have passed a book to another member.

Book Recommendation by Ned Rosch, guest speaker on the Israeli/Gaza conflict: *The Ethnic Cleansing of Palestine* by Ilan Pappé. Available through Summit at Hatfield Library and on order at the Salem Public Library.

Marion/Polk County Environmental Health Hazards and Threats research follow-up:

If you would like to complete the survey online, link to it here: [Environmental Health Hazards and Threats Survey](#). If you would like hard copies of the survey for yourself or friends, GwenEllyn has them along with pre-addressed and stamped envelopes.

[Mariza - O Gente Da Minha Terra](#) → English translation

There were some inquiries after Rich Wilcox’s Music Potpourri presentation on Tuesday (11/28) as to the lyrical content of the Fado song performed by Mariza.

Theatre 33 presents: [HOLIDAY SHORTS](#)

- December 8–15 at 7 p.m.
- December 9–10 at 2 p.m.

With a blend of wit, warmth, and a touch of holiday magic, Holiday Shorts offers a unique perspective on the essence of the yuletide season. Join Theatre 33 for an enchanting evening featuring a collection of short plays by Pacific Northwest Playwrights. [PURCHASE TICKETS](#)