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Happy Holidays from the newsletter editorial staff! Be safe out there!

Winter Break! ICL Classes start again for Spring Semester on Thursday, January 18, 2024

There will be no classes until that date. So far, the board meetings will continue on the 2nd Thursday of each month. The next **Board** meeting will be this Thursday, **December 14th** at 1:00 PM on [Zoom](#).

The next **Curriculum Committee** meeting will be Thursday, **December 21st** at 12:00 PM on [Zoom](#).

All members are welcome to attend the board meetings and Curriculum Committee meetings.

The **ICL Wine Club** will not be meeting in December. See you next year! Cheers! 🍷

There will *not* be a newsletter on December 25th. Other than that, the newsletters will likely continue on a weekly basis (Mondays).

New Curriculum Committee Members! Thank you!

Welcome! to our two new Curriculum Committee members: **Ruth Crowley** (Humanities) and **Susan Miller** (At Large). Thank you for stepping forward to help out ICL with this critical job! We appreciate everyone on the committee.

Willamette Academy Writers' Bureau: An invite to ICL members to participate as reviewers

Throughout high school, and especially during the college process, [Willamette Academy](#) students produce a number of college and scholarship essays that benefit from multiple edits coming from different people.

The idea behind **Writers' Bureau (WB)** is simple: students will be able to save their college and scholarship essays as Google documents to be reviewed and edited by members of the WB, including ICL volunteers. You will be reviewing the Willamette Academy students' essays.

To get started, all you need is a computer with internet access and a Gmail account (Willamette account works). This is a flexible commitment where you can read and provide feedback when you can!

Please note: there are months when there aren't many essays to review mainly due to major deadlines.

For ICL this is another way we can help fulfill a part of our constitutional commitment "To provide support to the University, its faculty, and its students, in achieving the mission and goals of the University."

To volunteer for the Writers' Bureau, [please fill out this form](#). There will be a small training followed by your name and email being added to the WB platform.

Contact: [Delia Olmos-Garcia](#), Willamette Academy Executive Director, (503) 370-6371

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, Nov. 28th as to the lyrical content of the Fado song performed by Mariza.

Dates to remember:

- **ICL Board Meetings:** 2nd Thursday each month at **1:00 PM** on [Zoom](#). All members are welcome.
- **Curriculum Committee Meetings:** 3rd Thursday of each month at 12:00 PM, usually in Kaneko.
- **Wine Club:** on the third Monday each month at 4:30 PM. Contact [Dave MacMillan](#) to get details or to get on the mailing list.
- **Friday Virtual Happy Hours** on [Zoom](#) at **4:30 PM**. Open to all *past* members, *current* members, and *new* members! We'd love to see you and chat. *BYOB*