



# Institute for Continued Learning Digest

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## ICL Update:

### Board Meeting Update:

- **The One Link Solution!** From now on, all virtual classes, board meetings, committee meetings, Happy Hour, Wine Club, and social gatherings. The link is the one we have been using for classes:
  - [JOIN ZOOM MEETING](#)
    - <https://willametteuniversity.zoom.us/j/92212104940>
  - **Meeting ID:** 922 1210 4940
  - To use a phone with no video, dial one of these numbers and enter the Meeting ID above:
    - 1-669-900-9128 (San Jose)
    - 1-253-215-8782 (Tacoma)
    - To **mute** the phone on and off, press: \*6
    - To **raise your hand** (the rest of us will see it): \*9
  - **Tip:** Save this information somewhere easy to find (Notes app, bookmarks, Word document, Post-It on the monitor,...)
- The Board has decided to plan for Zoom classes for the entire **2021-2022 academic year** (Fall '21 and Spring '22). This could change if circumstances with the pandemic and Willamette University change during that time. This decision helps our Curriculum Committee plan for the future sessions and for bringing in speakers. These sessions will be Tuesday mornings, much like they were this semester, with occasional Thursday specials.
- The **ROC** (Reopening Operations Committee) of Willamette invited input from the community about reopening opportunities. It is with this in mind that the Board has elected to have Eric Reif and Tom Hibbard (former interim Registrar at WU) to represent us and open conversations with the ROC about our return to the campus. We are very aware that the ROC has many more priorities to consider at this time. We are just making contact as requested.
- The Board decided to bring in sufficient people from the waiting list to bring our membership up to **160** as stated in our Policies and Procedures. There will be **no fee** for the 2021-2022 academic year.
- The Board appreciates the **Potpourris** and the opportunity they give members to share more about themselves, however, it has been decided to put these on hold until we can offer them face-to-face, again.
- **A revised constitution and brand new bylaws!** Both documents will be available soon via email and snail-mail (in a few cases) so that members have an opportunity to review them before a vote on April 27th.

## The Spring 2021 Schedule is posted online:

- Link to [ZOOM](#) classes. This is the same link each week.
- on the [Google Calendar](#)
- the [full online version](#)
- and the [Schedule Reports](#)
- [Recorded Presentations!](#)

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## Missing ICL Friends?

Join us for...

- [Virtual Happy Hour](#) on Fridays at 4:30PM.
- [Zoom Help](#) - Find tips, FAQ, and other resources available on the ICL Website.

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**Gov. Kate Brown and the OHA have announced** that Oregon will be able to meet the May 1 vaccine goal. All Oregonians 16 and older will be eligible for the vaccine. To determine when and where, please visit [Get Vaccinated Oregon](#).

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## [Science on Tap](#)

**Thursday, March 25-7:00PM**  
Discoveries in NeuroScience -  
New Treatments for Mental Illness.

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## Book Recommendation:

- [Simon the Fiddler](#) by Paulette Jiles, author of [News of the World](#)
- [Cascadia's Fault: The Coming Earthquake](#)

- **We want your feedback!** Stay tuned for a survey from the Board to check in with you on how things have been going and where to go from here.



**Willamette University Update: University Chaplain Karen Wood to retire in July** by Jennifer Johnson, March 22, 2021

COMMUNITY REFLECTS ON THE BELOVED CHAPLAIN'S TWO DECADES OF SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP AT WILLAMETTE.

“Vocation, as we interpret it, refers to the way in which we live out our passions in the world, the way in which our values, our commitments and our beliefs are embodied in our choices about work, about family, about our political and social lives, and about how we inhabit our environment.”

This statement, penned by Chaplain Karen Wood for a 2010 alumni magazine story, illustrates the singular joy experienced when one finds their true calling. Wood discovered hers at Willamette University, where she has been an ubiquitous member of the community since 2002. Now her vocation has shifted direction: She will retire at the beginning of July.

For generations of staff, faculty members and students, Wood has been a cheerful source of compassion, prayer and guidance. She's an easy walking companion with a seemingly endless capacity to listen and maintain confidentiality, whether it's about personal issues or the irreverent, and the quiet ability to calm a room. She has a great COVID-19-themed Spotify playlist. For the past year, she has gathered a group of Willamette and Claremont School of Theology students, staff and alumni from across the world every weekday morning on Zoom for a brief prayer.

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**WU student published in Young Scholars in Writing**

[Noah Bolls '24 has a comment and response essay in the latest issue of Young Scholars in Writing.](#)

[“For all of us”: Feminine Style in the Rhetoric of Rosalynn Carter](#)

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**In honor of Women’s History month:**

Here are a few everyday items that were invented by women:

- Disposable coffee filters – Melitta Bentz
- Modern dental fillings – Dr. Sumita Mitra
- Non-reflective glass – Katharine Burr Blodgett
- User-friendly diabetes testing – Helen Free
- Dishwashers – Josephine Cochrane

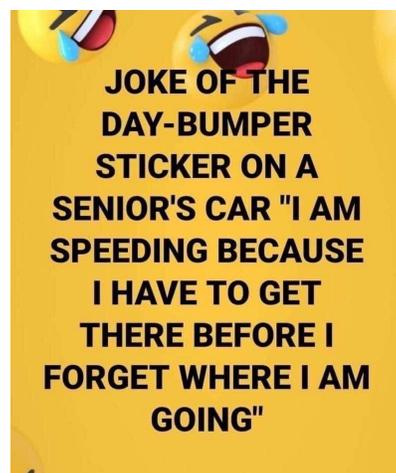
**and Tsunami that Could Devastate North America** by Jerry Thompson

**Vote for your favorite local talent in the [Elsinore Talent Contest](#)**

Vote between March 24-April 2. Winners announced on April 7.



**[Ruth Bader Ginsburg statue unveiled](#) in her native Brooklyn, NY on her birthday this month (March 15, 1933).**



- Home security systems – Maria Van Brittan Brown
- Modern Medical Syringes – Letitia Mumford Geer
- Windshield wipers – Mary Anderson
- Circular saw – Tabitha Babbitt
- Ice cream maker – Nancy Johnson
- Life raft – Maria Beasley
- Fire escape – Anna Connelly
- Ironing board – Sarah Boone
- Car heater – Margaret A. Wilcox
- Street sweeper and the Electric refrigerator – Florence Parpart
- First Monopoly game – Elizabeth Magie
- Retractable dog leash – Mary A. Delaney
- Electric hot water heater – Ida Forbes
- Central heating – Alice Parker
- Foot pedal trash can – Lillian Gilbreth
- Caller ID and Call waiting – Shirley Ann Jackson
- Laser cataract surgery – Patricia Bath
- And you – your mom!

Thank you, ladies!

### [Colorful murals showcase the mid-willamette valley](#)

The Mid-Willamette Valley is home to a rich history, natural and otherwise: The Kalapuya have spent millennia fishing, hunting, and gathering in the region; generations of farmers have tilled the region's fertile soils; and our outdoor ecosystems display a natural beauty unlike anywhere else in Oregon.

Much of that history, stretching back thousands of years, has been captured on splashy murals throughout the mid-Willamette Valley; from the bustling downtown core in Salem to some of the area's quieter communities, the region's pioneering past and exciting present have taken center stage in a variety of colorful, creative presentations.

And Norm English, president of the Silverton Mural Society, thinks that's a history with preserving, sharing, and celebrating. "It's important to know where we've been and how we got here," he says.

So if you'd like to see some of the area's murals, here's where to go, what to watch for – and what makes each mural (or collection of murals) so special. [Continue...](#)

### **UofO Students Create Quarantine Cookbook:**

When OSU was shut down due to the pandemic, senior Emily Fowler, back at home in Portland, opened a weekly Zoom session, "Connecting While Quarantined." They were all members of a Political Science class by Professor, Dr. Alison Gash. She found that they didn't discuss classes or assignments and, after a few weeks, the emergent theme was food. Because they were cooking for themselves and often for neighbors, they began sharing the recipes and the idea of a cookbook emerged. Students collaborated with artwork, poetry and stories and filled two books.

[For more information about the books that are in production, as well as being included in food boxes and help for Texas.](#)

### **How to Get to Mars! Very Cool! ("Roger that!")**

#### [Why your arm might be sore after your vaccine.](#)

When we speak we are afraid our words will not be heard or welcomed. But when we are silent, we are still afraid. So it is better to speak.  
- Audre Lorde

### **A Word to Know: Cynosure**

(SY-nə-shur) noun  
Origin: French, late 16th century

1. A person or thing that is the center of attention or admiration.

"The prince was the cynosure of the coronation."

"The song "Dancing Queen" describes a teenager who is the cynosure of the dancefloor."

### **Fun Fact:**

Women were the first beer brewers in Ancient Egypt. The goddess of beer, Tenenet, watched over brewers and made sure that the recipe was observed for the best quality beer.

### **Writer Roxane Gay tweet:**

"I miss calls where I don't need to show my face. It doesn't need to be a Zoom. It just doesn't."

### **How to play the [violin while surfing](#)**

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