

Academy for Lifelong Learning

A Program of the OSU Alumni Association

*If you believe that learning never ends,
then you are invited to join ALL.*

THE ACADEMY FOR LIFELONG LEARNING

ALL is a self-funded, peer-led, membership organization that embraces learning as a lifelong process. Members are both students and volunteer instructors, who bring to the group a wealth of ideas, knowledge, and diverse interest areas to share with peers. Many of the ALL classes are developed and led by fellow members. Classes boast active, participatory learning environments.

MEMBERSHIP

ALL is open to any mature adult.

You do not have to be an OSU alumnus or retiree.
No particular experience or educational background is required.

All you need is a genuine interest in lifelong learning!

GOVERNANCE & AFFILIATIONS

ALL is self-governed and is administered by a volunteer Advisory Council. Active committees include Curriculum, Membership and Promotion. ALL is self-supporting and is a program of the OSU Alumni Association.

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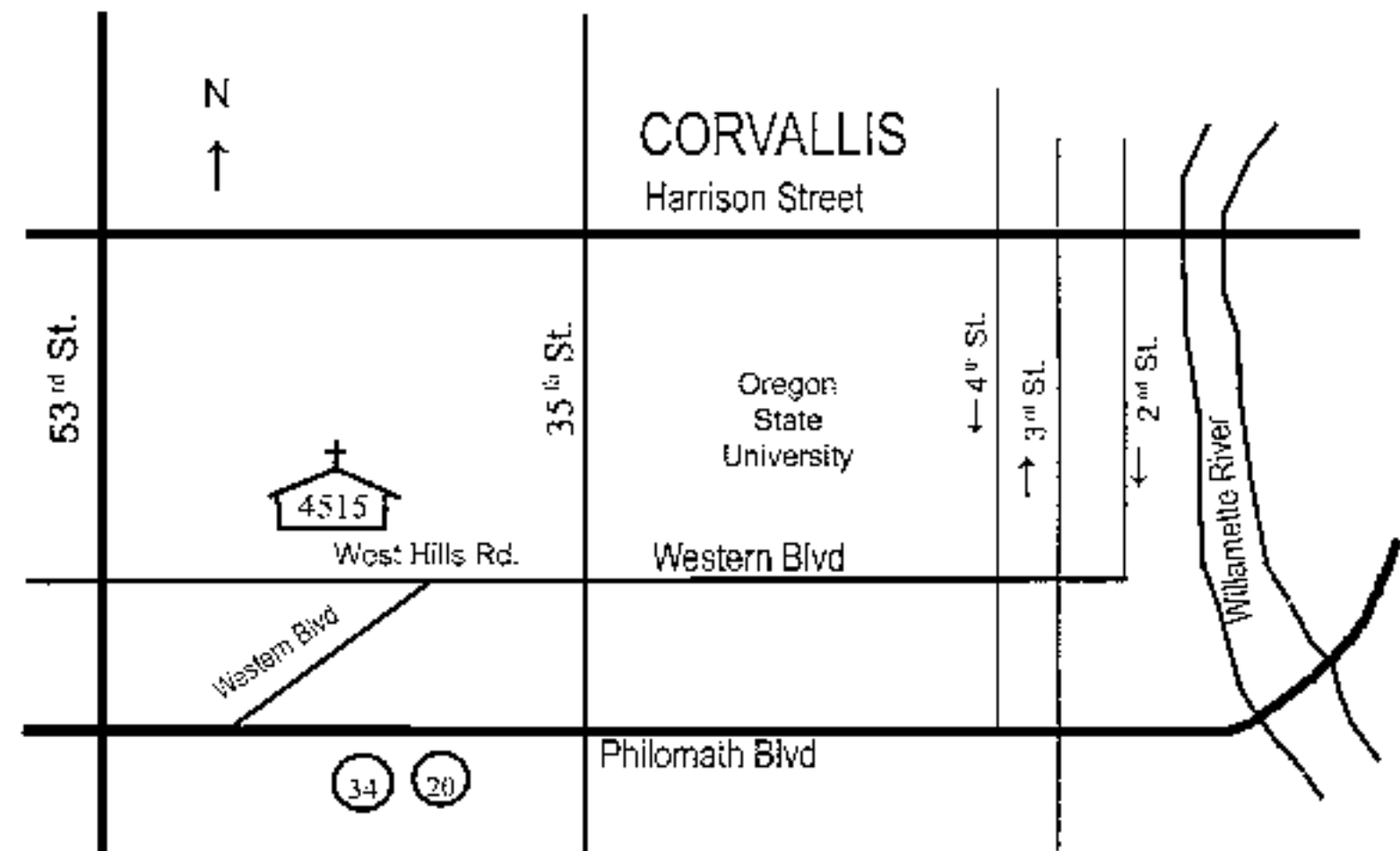
WINTER 2007
CLASSES BEGIN JANUARY 8
<http://oregonstate.edu/all/>

WHERE WILL THE CLASSES BE HELD?

ALL classes meet in the Meeting Room of the **First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ**, unless otherwise noted in the class listing. The church is located at 4515 SW West Hills Road, about a mile west of 35th street. (See the map at the right.)

WHAT ABOUT PARKING?

The church has ample parking behind the building (shaded area on map) and is delighted to have ALL use its facilities.



HOW DO I JOIN?

Membership in ALL is \$100 per year. You may attend as few or as many classes as you wish for a full year beginning the quarter in which you join. (Additional fees are charged for a few classes to cover books, travel, class materials, etc.). Use the included registration form to indicate your selections so instructors can plan for handouts. Some class sizes are limited.

The Winter Term deadline is December 4. Registrations will be accepted after that date, but limited-size classes fill quickly. Join or register today!

HOW DO I CONTACT ALL?

Address: OSU Alumni Association, 204 CH2M Hill Alumni Center, Corvallis, Oregon
97331-6303

Phone: (541) 737-9405 for messages. We will try to get back to you within 24 hours.

E-mail: OSUALL@Yahoo.com

Web: <http://oregonstate.edu/all/> (Includes the current class descriptions and Registration Form)

1. SCIENCE **Tuesdays, 9:30 - 11:30 am unless otherwise noted in the class listing.**

Facts and Fallacies of Vitamins

January 9

John Block, Ph.D., R.Ph., OSU Professor Emeritus of Medicinal Chemistry, teaches the biochemistry of vitamins to OSU's pharmacy students. He will describe vitamin labeling, potential toxicities and use in treating diseases as well as vitamin-nutrient interactions. The goal of his presentation is for the consumer of commercial vitamin products to be skeptical of advertising claims and articles found in many health magazines.

Curriculum Committee Contact/Host: Don Rounds

Old Growth, Owls, Policy, Poets—Stories from a Forest

January 16

Ecosystem scientist Fred Swanson will tell us about the H. J. Andrews Experimental Forest in the Cascades, the site of intensive studies of forests, streams and watersheds since 1948. His talk covers interesting aspects of research on old growth forests, spotted owls and effects of forestry on floods and landslides, as well as recent collaborations of poets, philosophers and scientists.

Curriculum Committee Contact/Host: Don Rounds

Taxonomy in the 21st Century & OSU Arthropod Collection

January 23

Dr. Christopher Marshall, Collection Manager and Assistant Curator for the OSU Arthropod Collection, will discuss the history of Natural History museums and the importance of modern taxonomy in understanding the diversity of life on our planet. The talk will be illustrated with examples from OSU's extensive and famous research collection.

Curriculum Committee Contact/Host: Denis Jarvis

Taking Leadership to Sustain our Planet - Biodiesel Fuel's Independence **January 30**

David Hackleman, Ph.D., Linus Pauling Chair, Chemical Engineering, OSU. The presentation will cover the overall "big picture" regarding energy demands by the human population of the world and then quickly narrow down to show how we in Oregon could pioneer our own independence from a precarious future by using a combination of local agriculture, waste materials and efficiency.

Curriculum Committee Contact/Host: Don Rounds

NASA Space Flight - The Non-Human Life Sciences

February 6

Joellen Jarvi, retired NASA Ames Research Center Payload Manager for Life Science Payloads on Space Shuttle and Assistant Project Manager for Biological Research Project on the International Space Station, will describe her experiences and discuss challenges of designing non-human life support systems and complex ground operations.

Curriculum Committee Contact/Host: Denis Jarvis

Restoring Endangered Species in Oregon

February 13

Charlie Bruce, wildlife biologist with the Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, will provide an historical perspective on protection and conservation of endangered species in Oregon over the past 35 years. He will focus on a number of species including bald eagles, peregrine falcons, Washington ground squirrels and wolves.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Dave Anderson

Wild Salmon: Prophetic Symbol

February 20

In the Salmon 2100 Project, 33 authors were challenged to look to the year 2100 and answer, "Given current failures to protect wild salmon, what would you do?" Dr. David Bella, Professor Emeritus of Water Resources Engineering, was one of those authors. His answer radically challenges current practices and habits of thought.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Dave Anderson

Did Free Radicals Kill Lou Gehrig?

February 27

Joseph Beckman, Ph.D., Principal Investigator, Linus Pauling Institute Director, Environmental Health Sciences Center and Professor of Biochemistry and Biophysics, will discuss his recent insights into Oxidants, Antioxidants and Neurodegeneration.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Don Rounds

The Science and Art of Felting

March 6

Nancy Bryant, OSU Professor Emeritus of Apparel Design, in retirement creates felted scarves in her Corvallis fiber arts studio. Nancy begins with a hand dyed silk scarf as the base material into which wool roving is intertwined by a felting process. The dyeing and felting processes will be described in detail with accompanying visuals.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Denis Jarvis

Ocean Ecosystem Changes: a Decade of Observations

March 13

Bill Peterson, NOAA Oceanographer, has made hundreds of oceanographic cruises to waters off Newport. He will share his observations of the impact of climate and ocean variability on marine food chains including survival and growth of salmon. He will also discuss some ecological indicators which allow forecasts of salmon returns one year in advance.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Dave Anderson

2. ISSUES AND IDEAS Tuesdays, 1:30 - 3:30 pm unless otherwise noted in the class listing

The Living Legacy of CH2M Hill

January 9

CH2M Hill Vice President Elizabeth French will tell the story of four friends — an OSU professor and three students—who came together in Corvallis 60 years ago and started a local engineering firm. Today the engineering firm they created is a global enterprise with 18,000 employees and projects ranging from clean drinking water to safer bridges. While the firm and projects grew over time, the values of the founders continue to provide the foundation for the work in the company today.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Ed Heath

Conflict: Cycles, Pathways and Patterns

January 16

Patricia Lacy, J.D. Director, ASOSU Office of Legal Advocacy. Do you dislike conflict? Future conflict lies embedded in every situation of harmony. Conflict is both inevitable and able to be resolved. It provides the opportunity to look at our relationships, realign and readjust our tasks, redistribute the resources we work with, renegotiate our understandings and come to new levels of communication. This presentation will cover conflict myths and include a role play. We will examine the pathways and patterns of conflict resolution.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Maxine Eckes

Great Decisions

January 23, 30, Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27, Mar. 6, 13

Issues and Ideas committee members will lead. The Great Decisions Program engages groups across the nation on subjects of interest in foreign affairs. Participants will purchase a Briefing Book (\$15) that provides background and current and alternative policies on each issue. Each of the eight sessions will begin with a televised update of the issue followed by group discussion. Topics for 2007 include: Middle East, Climate Change, Mexico, Migration, South Africa, War Crimes, Central Asia, Children.

Class Size Limit: 30 Cost: \$15 for materials

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Maxine Eckes

3. BRAZIL **Wednesdays, 9:30 - 11:30 am unless otherwise noted in the class listing.**

Brazil Under the Portuguese, 1500—1800

January 10

Nicole von Germeten, OSU Assistant Professor of History. Brazil came to the attention of various European powers in the early 1500s. For most of that century, the Portuguese only gave the region cursory attention, preferring to focus on their holdings in Africa and Asia. However, over the centuries, Brazil offered growing opportunities for wealth. The first boom was sugar, grown in the northeast, and massive gold and precious gem deposits which were found in the south in the late 1600s. By the 1700s, Brazil had a colonial infrastructure, and in 1808 Rio became the capital of the monarchy.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: David Eiseman

The Nineteenth-Century Brazilian Empire

January 17

Nicole von Germeten, OSU Assistant Professor of History. The Portuguese monarchs ruled their empire from Rio in the first few decades of the 1800s. When they had to return to Europe, one prince stayed, creating the Brazilian Empire which would last for most of the nineteenth century, supported by an export economy and slave labor. Many institutions of Brazilian life continued from the colonial era into the Empire and even the twentieth century. Although their revolution was less violent than others in the Americas, Brazilian society always suffers from extremes in wealth and underlying violence, which often breaks out into full scale rebellions – always unsuccessful.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: David Eiseman

Media and Politics in Brazil: The Impeachment of President Fernando Collor de Mello
Friday, Jan. 26, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m

OSU Professor and Chair of Economics Carlos Martins-Filho, from Brazil, will discuss the relationship between mainstream media and politics in Brazil. The impeachment of President Fernando Collor de Mello in the early '90s reveals the ties that exist between those who hold political power and those who control the newsrooms of major Brazilian newspapers, news magazines and TV networks.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: David Eiseman

The Brazilian Choro

Friday, February 2, 1:30 - 3:30 pm

Tom Bergeron, Saxophonist and Western Oregon University Professor of Music, will discuss and perform examples of the Brazilian musical genre that evolved independently of and contemporaneously with, ragtime, drawing on many of the same sources. Some 150 years later, the choro remains an important “roots” music that has taken hold in North America and Europe.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: David Eiseman

The National Era in Brazil, Twentieth Century

February 7

Nicole von Germeten, OSU Assistant Professor of History. Brazil became a republic in the late 1800s. As is often the case in Latin America, a change in government did not mean social change. While the society maintained strong regional and racial divisions, large numbers of immigrants entered the country, causing cities and urbanization to grow. Perhaps the most notable aspect of 20th century politics was the populist government of Getulio Vargas, a fascinating paternalistic dictator in power from the 1930s to 1950s. In the Vargas era, Brazilian national identity was forged, with familiar symbols of soccer, samba and carnival. Even AfroBrazilian religion, always suppressed, became a tourist commodity.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: David Eiseman

Manaus and Environs

February 14

Keith Muckleston, OSU Professor Emeritus of Geography. Topics: 1) Extraordinary characteristics of the Amazon-Rio Negro confluence, the world's two largest rivers. Manaus' strategic site is the junction of the Amazon and Rio Negro. The city is a hub for inland water transport and a large maritime port 1000 miles from the Atlantic Ocean. 2) Population growth, poverty and new roads that contribute to destruction of the rain forest. 3) Ecotourism in the region.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: David Eiseman

Soccer, Politics, Mixture of Races and Beautiful Geography. What Else to Ask For?

February 21, 1:30 - 3:30 pm

Luiz Bermudez, OSU Professor and Head of Biomedical Sciences, will reflect on his twenty years growing up under a military regimen and trying to understand the social and political dynamics of Brazil. He will tell his experience as a middle-class fellow growing up and being educated in Brazil.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: David Eiseman


Slavery: "The Peculiar Institution" in Brazil and the United States

February 28

Cliff Trow, OSU Professor Emeritus of History, will compare the prolonged existence of slavery in the two countries with an emphasis on how each approached emancipation and the consequences of the different approaches.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: David Eiseman


BRAZILIAN GALA DINNER

March 7, 6:00 pm 

- Appetizer:** Crostini Cheese Toasts with Camarao e maionese
(Shrimp Spread)
- Salad:** Salada Cariocu: Grapefruit and Cucumber Salad
- Main Course:** Feijoada: Brazil's National Dish of Black Beans and Meat
- Side Dishes:** Sliced Oranges, Greens, Salsas, and Avocados
- Arroz Blanc:** White Rice
- Dessert:** Bolo de Banana (Banana Cake)
- Beverages:** Sangria, Coffee and Tea
- Location:** Valley Catering at the Club House, 6097 NE Ebony Lane,
Adair Village.
- Cost:** **\$26.00, including gratuity.**
Submit payment with Class Reservation.

Brazilian Carnival: A Brief History

March 14

Vera Harding, from Brazil, has taught Spanish at OSU and LBCC. Carnival, originally a poor people's diversion, is now a tourist attraction of international appeal. She will share her personal experiences as a child dancing at private parties and in the streets, and as a grown woman leaving town during those crazy days. She will show DVD excerpts of Carnival 2006. 

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: David Eiseman

4. FINE ARTS Thursdays, 9:30 - 11:30 am unless otherwise noted in the class listing.

Sudoku for Sudoku-Phobes

January 11

Dianne Roth will teach simple strategies, sequences, and rules to make this mental exercise fun and easy. With Sudoku you can give your brain a daily workout using logic that forces your mind to be organized, flexible, and alert to possibilities.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Patty Eberhardt

Great Cities Have Great Museums

January 18

Benton County Historical Society Executive Director Ann Schirado, shares plans for the new museum being built in downtown Corvallis. At the heart of the museum will be the 60,000-object Horner collection, once housed in the Horner Museum on the campus of Oregon State University and currently locked away in the basement of Gill Coliseum.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Patty Eberhardt

Queens and Amazons in Renaissance Art and History

January 25

Amanda Powell, Uof O Senior Instructor of Spanish, and Dianne Dugaw, Uof O Professor of English, will narrate this U of O Center for the Study of Women in Society, Road Scholar presentation. Literature and music of the 16th and 17th century, with visual images of art works that portray women forcefully as queens and Amazons, reveal an early feminism in the Renaissance and Baroque context. Includes examples from Italy, France, Britain & Spain.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Lois Courtney

Hungarian Poetry

February 1

A brief introduction to contemporary Hungarian poetry followed by bilingual contemporary Hungarian poetry reciting. Ildiko Overbay, a Hungarian-born psychotherapist, and Eric Dickey, multi-talented co-editor of OSU's renowned *To Topos* contemporary poetry publication, join forces to bring this exciting event to you.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Lois Courtney

Beethoven's Violin Concerto: Context, Uniqueness and Influence

February 8

David Eiseman, OSU Professor Emeritus of Music. Beethoven's only concerto for violin retained the general outline of the classic concerto form. Yet here Beethoven considerably expanded the expressive range and dimension beyond the tradition. This work, unprecedented in its spaciousness,

motivic concentration, and unique expressive quality, transformed the conception and composition of violin concertos to come.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Lois Courtney

Bringing Dead Scientists to Life

February 15

Margaret Anderson, author of 25 books for children and young adults, will discuss different approaches that she has taken in writing biographies of famous scientists, focusing on her most recent book, *Olla Piska, Tales of David Douglas*.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Peter Burke

The Physics of Western Music History

February 22

John Maddy, B.S. in Piano Performance, M.S. in Piano and Music History, and teacher of music history and appreciation, will discuss the harmonic series, discovered by the Greeks and rediscovered by European scientists. Demonstrations of waves, overtones, and musical examples from different style periods will be presented.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Peter Burke

Beautiful Evidence - The Work of Edward Tufte

March 1

Peter Burke, retired engineer, spent much of his career collecting, analyzing, and presenting data. Tufte has gone one step farther, bridging the gap from data to evidence, from noise to information. Many of his approaches are visually beautiful, logical, learnable and will be presented in this lecture. Tufte warns against Power Point and Chart Junk!

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Peter Burke

Reduced Classics

March 8

Get reacquainted, or meet for the first time, some of the classics of Western literature, as eminent ALL class members review their favorite books. (Jane White will host 5 members)

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Jane White

Readers Theatre

March 15

Can three women survive the strictures of 1970s small town Texas? Can Viet Nam vet Roy Caulder ever reconcile what he once was with what he has become? Find out as together we read *Laundry and Bourbon* and *Lonestar*. The Janes (Donovan and White) direct. Rated R for language.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Jane White

5. HISTORY, POLITICS AND PHILOSOPHY

Thursdays, 1:30 - 3:30 pm unless otherwise noted in the class listing.

US Foreign Policy and the Middle East: What's Next?

January 11

David Bernell, OSU Assistant Professor of Political Science, will discuss American policy in the Middle East, looking at the prospects for success of American efforts regarding the war in Iraq, the growing confrontation with Iran over nuclear weapons and the chances for peace between Israel and its neighbors.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host : Cliff Trow

Alaska: From Russia with Love

January 18

The Russian influence on Alaska, from discovery by Vitus Bering to effects on religion and culture to fur trapping, and why they sold it to the U.S. will be discussed by Dr. Gary Ferngren, OSU Professor of History. Lloyd Swanson will follow with an illustrated presentation of present day Alaska, including the old Russian capital, Sitka.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Lloyd Swanson

Anatomy of the Book - Book Illustration I

January 25

Continuing his popular Anatomy of the Book series, librarian and historian Walter Frankel will cover illustration of books until the time of the printing press. He will feature illustrations from many illuminated manuscripts.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Barb Callner

The Descent Into Fascism

February 1

Richard Clinton, OSU Professor Emeritus of Political Science, examines today's political scene in the United States and assesses the direction of change at home and abroad.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Cliff Trow

Meditation: A Practical Approach

February 8 & 15

Terry Wood, OSU Associate Professor Emeritus of Exercise Science, long-time meditator and Buddhist practitioner, will share the nature and purposes of meditation, the path to a meditation practice and suggestions to enhance one's practice. Please dress in comfortable clothing.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Barb Callner

Twilight of Impunity: The Milosovic War Crimes Trial

February 22

Attorney Judith Armatta was an observer, analyst and commentator at the Milosevic trial in The Hague. It was the first trial of a head of state for war crimes. She will discuss the importance of this trial, as well as the development of individual accountability for crimes against humanity from Nuremberg to the present.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Barb Callner

Post Traumatic Stress Disorder: Cause and Recovery

March 1

Larry Bardell, psychiatric nurse practitioner with the Portland VA Medical Center, will discuss the psychophysiological aspects of the development and treatment of prolonged PTSD resulting from combat action. He will also share current interventions by the VA and branches of the US armed forces, as well as how friends and family can help.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Barb Callner

Black Leader: W.E.B. DuBois and the United States

Wed., March 14, 1:30 - 3:30 pm

Frank Shaw, OSU Professor Emeritus of History, discusses the troubled relationship of Black leader W.E.B. DuBois with the American government and the American people. DuBois was a towering figure in our history, being the co-founder of the Niagra Movement and the NAACP and the author of the important book, *The Souls of Black Folk*.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Cliff Trow

Thinking about Food: Is "Local" the New Organic?

March 15

The industrialization and globalization of organic food production has caused some disillusioned producers and consumers to renew their interest in much more local food systems. Dr. Larry Lev, OSU Extension Agricultural Marketing Specialist, will describe Oregon's contributions to this search for something else, something better.

Curriculum Committee Contact /Host: Bill Hohenboken

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