

# PILLAR INSTITUTE



*LEARNING FOR THE FUN OF IT*

## March and April 2024 Class Catalog



### New PILLAR Location

6385 Corporate Dr., Suite 200, Colorado Springs, CO 80919

719-633-4991

<https://www.PillarInstitute.org/>

**PILLAR Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:30am-12:30pm, Closed on Friday**

## **New PILLAR Location: New Altitude Q&A**

### **Where is PILLAR located now?**

PILLAR is located on the New Altitude floor of the Resource Exchange Building across from Furniture Row. You can take I-25, Nevada Ave., or Woodman Rd. to get to Corporate Drive.

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### **Where do I park?**

You must park on the north side of The Resource Exchange building. The south doors are usually locked as that floor is The Resource Exchange. The north entrance will have you enter directly into the New Altitude floor without having to climb stairs or use the elevator. That is the floor on which our office is located and our classes are held.

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### **Where is the new PILLAR office in New Altitude?**

Take the first hallway to the right as you enter the main lobby (not the first lobby) and follow the Redwood signs. PILLAR is the last office on the right before Redwood. You do not need to check in with the receptionist.

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### **Where are the classes held?**

At New Altitude there are six conference rooms. We will try to use the same room (Pinon) all of the time, but sometimes, due to class size or someone else having the room, we will be in another room. Check to make sure you know in what room the class is being held. Class sizes will be limited to the room capacity.

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### **What time are classes at New Altitude?**

At New Altitude, we will reserve the conference room for two hours from 10am - 12pm. That means the class will start at 10 minutes after the hour so that we can get the computer running. Use those ten minutes as getting your coffee time. So morning classes will begin at **10:10am** and go to 12:00pm. Afternoon classes will begin at **1:10pm** and go to 3:00pm. Zoom classes and classes outside of New Altitude will begin at 10am. Do not arrive earlier than 10am or 1pm in the assigned conference room. You are welcome to wait in the lobby.

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### **What about coffee and snacks?**

Coffee and tea are free at New Altitude. Each conference room has a Keurig. If you want bottled water or snacks, PILLAR has them in the office for fifty cents.

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### **Important Class Registration Information**

- Pre-registration is required for all classes and tours as all classes have maximums.
  - Check the times and locations of each class as some are at different times or locations.
  - Register for classes online yourself at <https://www.PillarInstitute.org/learn>, call the office at 719.633.4991, mail in a registration, or come in when the office is open.
  - Most classes are at the 2019 pricing of \$25 for members and \$40 for nonmembers.
  - The most current class schedule is on the website and weekly emails. Make sure you are on the PILLAR email list. Classes are subject to change due to instructor illness or weather.
  - Print catalogs are \$3. A mailed print catalog is \$5. Call or come by the office to request one.
  - Cancellations: As each conference room is reserved and paid for, registrations cannot be canceled at the last minute. Please read the cancellation policy below.
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### **The Pillar Institute Cancellation and Refund Policy**

**PILLAR Cancellations:** PILLAR Institute reserves the right to cancel, combine, or reschedule classes to adjust for enrollment, technical difficulties, weather, instructor illness, or other unavoidable circumstances. If it is necessary for PILLAR Institute to cancel a class for any reason, all registered participants will be informed as soon as possible. If possible, the class will be rescheduled. If the class cannot be rescheduled, then the class fee can be transferred to another class within the same term, donated, or refunded.

**Participants Cancellations:** If a participant cannot attend a previously registered class, they will need to cancel the class with the office by email or phone call (do not leave a message) 72 business hours before the class is to be held to receive a class credit.

**Registration Minimums:** Since each conference room is reserved and paid for by the number of people registered, classes may be canceled if the minimum registrations are not made. If the class is canceled by PILLAR, registered participants will receive a class credit.

**Membership:** There are no refunds on membership.

**Day Trips and Special Events:** Daytrip and special event fees are non-refundable as fees are paid in advance to secure buses, performers, admissions, food, books, etc. However, day trip and special event fees are transferable to another person.

**Participants will be charged currently acceptable fees for all returned checks and chargebacks of credit cards.**

**Amended and Adopted by PILLAR's Board of Directors – 1-4-2024.**

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#### **Director's Letter**

*Welcome to PILLAR*, the Pikes Peak region's only institute for lifelong learning for the past 25 years! Each year over three hundred lifelong learning opportunities are created for and by adults with no homework, no tests, and no papers. *Just learning for the fun of it!* PILLAR offers lifelong learning in a variety of subjects including history, science, philosophy, literature, art history, music appreciation, global affairs, and more.

*Vickie Heffner*  
**PILLAR Executive Director**

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**PILLAR's Mission:** To provide lifelong learning, volunteer, and social opportunities for engaged adults.

**PILLAR's Vision:** PILLAR Institute for Lifelong Learning seeks to stimulate adult brain health through interactive learning, volunteering, and socializing opportunities.

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#### **PILLAR Membership**

**PILLAR is a membership organization. Although PILLAR membership is not required to take classes, it does provide a discount per class and free member events.**

**\$100 for a 12-Month PILLAR Membership**

Click here: [Membership | Pillar Institute](#)

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#### **PILLAR Sponsors and Partners**



## **Mah Jongg Tuesdays**

**Tuesday afternoons, 1:00pm - 3:00pm, is Mah Jongg Play.**

Every Tuesday afternoon, we will play Mah Jongg with the 2023 National Mah Jongg League card.

Points will be added up for each term and a prize given at the end of each term. No registration needed.

\$2 per session. Pay at the door.

**Location: [New Altitude Lobby](#)**

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**Tuesday, March 5, 10:10am - 12:00pm**

**#1040 AI: Where Are We Now?**

**Instructor: Don Rossi**

AI has come a long way in a short time since CHAT GPT, experiencing a staggering leap in both sophistication and application. While ChatGPT laid the groundwork for natural language processing (NLP), today's models exhibit a deeper understanding of language context and engage in more nuanced reasoning. We've witnessed a step change in fields like machine translation and text summarization, where models now capture complex ideas. AI has infiltrated realms like healthcare by predicting disease outbreaks and tailoring treatments. Yet, challenges remain such as bias in algorithms and alignment with human values. The journey has just begun and the possibilities are truly exhilarating.

**Don Rossi: MS** with majors in Economics and International Business from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and a **Fine Arts Degree** from Paier School of Art. He was a Senior Program Manager for the Aerospace Division of Honeywell International in Phoenix. He managed Research and Development programs for current and next-generation technology. He is a board certified Six Sigma Black Belt.

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**Wednesday, March 6, 10:10am - 12:00pm**

**#1041 Foundations of Liberty, Part I**

**Instructor: David Griffith, JD**

This class is a legal history of fundamental rights, protection against tyranny, and the liberty of the individual. It includes the signing of Magna Carta in 1215, the English Glorious Revolution of 1688, the writing of the U.S. Constitution in 1787, the Thirteenth, Fourteenth, and Fifteenth Amendments after the Civil War. The instructor will also discuss current events related to this topic.

**E. David Griffith: JD** in Law from Denver University College of Law and a **BA** from Wesleyan University in Middletown, Connecticut. He has been a lawyer, a lumberjack, a factory worker, a firefighter, and a father. He has worked as a trial lawyer and a Deputy Public Defender. He was appointed to the bench as Magistrate of the Fourth Judicial District Court for Probate, Trusts and Estates, Guardianships, and Conservatorships in El Paso and Teller Counties. He has served as an expert witness and as the President emeritus, CLE Colorado, Inc. David was also co-chair of the Medical Legal Ethics Club. His published works are far too numerous to list here.

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**Thursday, March 7, 10:10am - 12:00pm**

**#1042 Foundations of Liberty, Part II**

**Instructor: David Griffith, JD**

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**Tuesday, March 12, 10:10am - 12:00pm**

**#1045 The Ten Commandments Applied Today**

**Instructor: Jamie Foster**

If everyone in the world followed even a subset of the Ten Commandments, we'd be about as close to a utopia as is possible. We'll walk through each of the Ten, explain what the commandment actually commands, and look at some real-world applications. You need not be any particular religion or even religious at all.

**Jamie Foster: BA** in Geology from Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota. Jamie has been a primary and secondary school teacher and has developed and taught several church-related courses. ["God Is Good" (from Genesis and Exodus); "Saint Nicholas Tells His Story;" "In His Own Hand" (a look at the four times God wrote in His own hand); "Is God Expanding, Too?" (a study on cosmology and creation); "Out of the Ashes," (stories and characteristics of resurrections); and "This Train is Bound for Glory," (the chapel car experience).]

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**Tuesday, March 12, 1:10pm - 3:00pm (Note Time)**

**#1046 Exploring Narrative Structure: How Does This Story Work?**

**Instructor: Durthy Washington**

When we sit down to read a novel, we tend to approach it based on our experience of reading other novels. But postmodernism, which defies all notions of what a novel "should be," compels us to abandon our preconceived notions of literature and explore new ways of reading. This class offers an overview of post-modernism and an introduction to narrative structure as the foundation of fiction. To illustrate these concepts, participants will read and discuss excerpts from three novels with radically different narrative structures: *The Love Songs of W.E.B. Du Bois* (Honoree Fanonne Jeffers), *Our Missing Hearts* (Celeste Ng), and *Open City* (Teju Cole). Note: This class explores some of the concepts discussed in Durthy's book, *Culturally Responsive Reading: Teaching Literature for Social Justice* (Teachers College Press, 2023) available on Amazon.

**Durthy A. Washington: MA, MS**, a former English professor, is the founder of LitUnlocked, LLC, and author of *Culturally Responsive Reading: Teaching Literature for Social Justice* (Teachers College Press, 2023). Her book has been endorsed by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Junot Díaz and selected as a Reading Group Guide by the Colorado State Library's Book Club Resource. Durthy's classes focus on helping readers access and analyze literature through her LIST Paradigm, a guided approach to critical reading that "unlocks" literature with four keys to culture: Language, Identity, Space, and Time.

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**Wednesday, March 13, 10:00am - 12:00pm (Note Time)**

**#1047 Zoom only class: The Ice Age: A Journey into Earth's Frozen Past**

**Instructor: Steven Veatch**

The Ice Age was a transformative period in Earth's history, shaping landscapes, ecosystems, and even the evolution of species. This course delves into the fascinating world of the Ice Age, exploring the scientific theories, geological evidence, and paleontological discoveries that have shed light on this extraordinary era. From the colossal ice sheets that covered vast regions to the unique adaptations of the creatures that roamed the icy landscapes, we will investigate the causes, effects, and legacy of the Ice Age. Attendees will gain a comprehensive understanding of this dynamic epoch and its significance in shaping our planet.

**Steven Veatch: MS** in Earth Science from Emporia State University in Kansas. Steven Wade Veatch was born in Denver and grew up in the Pikes Peak region. Steven is a geoscientist and was an Adjunct Professor of Earth

Science at Emporia State University in Kansas. He is an award-winning writer of over one hundred articles about science, nature, and history and is known for his articles, books, and presentations on local history. He is a member of the Colorado Springs Mineralogical Society and a 2015 National Rockhound and Lapidary Hall of Fame inductee.

**Zoom only: \$25 PILLAR Members / \$40 Nonmembers**

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**Thursday, March 14, 10:10am - 12:00pm**

**#1048 Don't Get Taken By The Undertaker**

**Instructor: Nita Mathews**

It is important to think about and make end-of-life plans while you are here. The class focus is on making informed plans for your funeral and burial, having discussions with your loved ones, and putting things in place before your death. The benefits are many, but certainly may include substantial financial savings and peace of mind for you and your family.

Pastor Nita will cover the advantages of making funeral and burial plans for yourself before death occurs. Having a plan in place gives your loved ones left behind the gift of knowing what to do at the time of your death. With a plan, survivors are able to focus on celebrating your life, instead of having the stress of endless decisions to make in a hurry in order for the celebration to happen. Handouts will be provided to help participants in the class better understand their options and to give helpful ideas. Pastor Nita Mathews is a retired Lutheran minister who has spent the last twenty years of her ministry working in Hospice. She has walked with many families, including her own, through the difficult time of a loved one's death and funeral planning. She brings to her presentations helpful advice, personal stories and humor.

**Nita Mathews: MDiv** from Pacific Lutheran Theological Seminary. She is currently working with Heartful Caregiving from her home.

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**Tuesday, March 19, 10:10am - 12:00pm**

**#1050 Boston: The Making of an Irish City**

**Instructor: Dr. Michael LeMay**

Historic Boston is the cradle of the American Revolution and the quintessential Irish American city! Historian Mike LeMay explains why a couple of million Irish left their native land, with many settling in Boston. This class covers when and why they came, how they shaped the cultural, economic, and political life of Boston, and so much of American politics. The class will highlight famous Irish-American politicians from Curly to the Kennedys.

**Michael LeMay: Professor Emeritus at California State University in San Bernardino, PhD** in Political Science and History from the University of Minnesota, a **BS** and **MA** in Political Science and History from the University of Wisconsin. He is a retired professor who taught for thirty-five years at the University of Wisconsin, Frostberg State, and California State University at San Bernardino. He has written thirty-six books.

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**Wednesday, March 20, 10:10am - 12:00pm**

**#1051 2024 - A Year of Anniversaries!**

**Instructor: Sandy Halby**

2024 – wow! Who would believe it's been fifty years since Nixon resigned? And fifty years since Happy Days debuted on ABC and we met Richie, Ralph and Potsie? It's been forty years since Rubic came out with his famous cube! This year is also the centennial of the first Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade. Let's take a look at 2024 and see what other historic anniversaries we have to celebrate – or perhaps try to forget – during this upcoming year!

**Sandy Halby: BS** in Mathematics from the University of Alaska. She is a military veteran and retired from the federal government as a civil servant. Currently, she is president of a local Mensa group and active in the Pikes Peak Beekeepers Association.

**FREE for PILLAR Members / \$40 Nonmembers**

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**Thursday, March 21, 10:10am - 12:00pm**

**#1052 Sudden Cardiac Arrest**

**Instructor: Dr. Deborah Johnson**

A continuation of my Forensic Pathology 101 course, this class will discuss the single greatest cause of death we see in Medical Examiner's/Coroner's Offices across our nation and in the world. Your odds of having a sudden cardiac arrest in the US are about 1 in a 1000. How not to be that one is always the emphasis in my classes. My own father died at the age of forty-seven when I was only eight – a death that was completely preventable.

We'll look at some of the more well-known SCAs, such as those that happen in otherwise young, healthy athletes like LeBron James's son Bronny and Damar Hamlin. We will examine how these are different from heart attacks, and other cardiac pathologies which, sadly, can also strike otherwise young, healthy adults, but more often take people in their 40s, 50s, and beyond. Many of these deaths can be prevented by lifestyle changes, and we'll look at some of the medical interventions, as well, which are life-prolonging.

**Deborah G. Johnson: MD** from CU School of Medicine, Denver, Colorado, and an **MS** and **BS** in Chemistry from CU Boulder and Texas Tech Lubbock respectively. She had a post-graduate residency in anatomic clinical pathology at UC Health and The Children's Hospital and a forensic pathology fellowship in the Office of the Medical Investigator, University of New Mexico. For twenty-seven years, she was employed as a forensic pathologist/Medical Examiner at various locations. She is self-employed as a consultant in her own business, Pikes Peak Forensics, PC, founded in 2003. There she served as Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) medical director at Chematox in Boulder (2010-19). She has also worked extensively for the Colorado Public Defender's Office since 2017.

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**Tuesday, March 26, 10:00am - 12:00pm (Note Time)**

**#1055 Zoom only class: Colorado Heroines of Equity for All: State and Local Women Pioneers of Diversity**

**Instructor: Katherine Sturdevant**

For March, which is Women's History Month, the 2024 national theme is "Women Who Advocate for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion." This presentation will serve the month's goal by highlighting stories of progressive Colorado women who championed not only women's equality, but also the rights and needs of workers, mothers, immigrants, children, former slaves, Native Americans, and interned Japanese Americans.

**Katherine Scott Sturdevant: MA, BA** in History from San Francisco State University, **PhD Candidate** in Public History at UC Santa Barbara. She is Pikes Peak State College's Senior History Professor and started teaching with what became PILLAR when PPSC first offered lifelong learning classes. She has won awards in teaching and diversity. Kathy serves as a speaker, writer, editor, and consultant for community history organizations such as the Colorado Springs Pioneers Museum and the Pikes Peak Library District. Her first two books teach about using historical methods in family history. As a social historian, Kathy emphasizes past people's authentic experiences.

**Zoom only: \$25 PILLAR Members / \$40 Nonmembers**

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**Wednesday, March 27, 10:10am - 12:00pm**

**#1056 The Shape of Jazz to Come 1923 to 1933**

**Instructor: Dick Fairley**

Louis Armstrong and Lil Hardin (Armstrong) changed the shape of jazz to come in the 1920s; and Fletcher Henderson, with Louis's influence, changed the shape of swing music to come in the late 1920s and early 1930s. Louis Armstrong began his rise to fame when he arrived in Chicago in 1922 to join King Oliver's Creole Jazz Band. Lil Hardin was a pianist in Oliver's Jazz Band when Louis joined the band. They married in 1924, the same year the Oliver band broke up. At Lil's urging, Louis accepted an invitation from bandleader Fletcher Henderson to join his orchestra in New York after Oliver's band broke up. He was with Henderson for one year and taught the orchestra to swing and improvise. Henderson and his orchestra became the founders of the swing era to come in the 1930s. Louis returned to Chicago, again at Lil's urging, in late 1925. Lil organized some of Louis's pals who had migrated from New Orleans to record the first Hot 5 album that determined the shape of jazz to come. The adventures of Louis, Lil, and Fletcher during the era of 1923-1933 will be told and their music will be heard.

**Dick Fairley: PhD** in Computer Science and Systems Engineering from UCLA. He worked as an engineer, university professor, consultant, and as a jazz disk jockey at KRCC.

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**Thursday, March 28, 10:00am - 11:30pm (Note Time)**

**#1057 IGP: United States Vice Presidents**

**Instructor: William (Bill) Wright**

Fifty individuals have occupied the slot of United States Vice President: a murderer, a crook, four traitors, two Nobel Peace laureates, and a composer of a 1950s top musical hit. Many of them had very funny insights about serving as Veep. Of the forty-five different men who have served as President, fifteen of them came from the Vice Presidential ranks.

**Location: Inn at Garden Plaza**

**William (Bill) Wright: MSA** in Management Engineering from George Washington University and a **BS** in Mechanical Engineering from Virginia Tech. Bill has thirty-seven years of federal service as an engineer for the US Navy and as a VA Hospital Administrator. He retired as a Federal Senior Executive Service (SES 4) member.

**\$25 PILLAR Members / \$40 Nonmembers**

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**Tuesday, April 2, 10:10am - 12:00pm**

**#1060 The Desert Storm Air War and Other Flying Stories**

**Instructor: Ed Herlik**

Ed interviewed many pilots, weapons officers and their families right after Desert Storm and assembled their stories into the oral history book *Separated by War*. It includes Air Force, Navy, Marine and Army stories in the Apache, A-6, A-10, B-52, C-5 Galaxy, F-15, F-16, F-18, F-117, Harrier, and British Tornado. Each chapter includes the flier in combat and a loved one back on the home front.

This program will cover the highlights of each aircraft's action with Ed's own photos, gun camera videos and stories interspersed as the education required to understand what's really going on. Some of the home front stories are pretty special too, as Ed lived in the family of a combat officer and Prisoner of War.

**Ed Herlik: BS** in Engineering and Political Science from the US Air Force Academy; **MA** in National Security Studies from California State University. Ed is a recognized authority on "near space" or stratospheric unmanned systems. He is a pilot (both military and civilian aircraft), and served in the Air Force Space Command developing unmanned systems.

**\$25 PILLAR Members / \$40 Nonmembers**

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**Thursday, April 4, 11, 18, 25, 10:00am – 12:00pm**

**#1017 Beginning Mah Jongg Lessons: Four Weeks of Individual Lessons**

**Instructor: Sandy Halby**



Learn American Mah Jongg, which is a fun game to play and great for your brain! This series of classes is Beginning Mah Jongg using the National Mah Jongg League card (2023 version) and NMJL rules. We'll start with the very basics and progress to full-on play by the fourth session. **Max: 3**

**Location: PILLAR office**

**Sandy Halby:** BS in Mathematics from the University of Alaska. She is a military veteran and retired from the federal government as a civil servant. Currently, she is president of a local Mensa group and active in the Pikes Peak Beekeepers Association. Sandy also plays in Mah Jongg tournaments.

**Members \$75 / Non Members \$100 - for all four sessions**

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**Thursday, April 4, 10:00am - 11:00am**

**#1063 Hear Better: With Hearing Loops, FM Systems, and Infrared Systems**

**Presenter: Wynne Whyman**

What can you do when you just can't hear or understand everything at performing arts centers, movies, libraries, government meetings, or at your place of worship? Learn how you can connect your hearing aids, cochlear implants, or headphones directly to the venue's PA system via a hearing loop for clear speech everywhere! Try out the library's hearing loop, and learn about other systems in the Colorado Springs area (FM and infrared). Come and learn about assistive listening systems, to include: FM, infrared, hearing loops.

**Location: East Library, 5550 N. Union Blvd. Colorado Springs, CO 80918**

**Wynne Whyman, MA, MSS**, volunteers with the Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA) Get in the Hearing Loop program committee (national) and chairs the Let's Loop Colorado project.

<https://www.loopcolorado.org>. 2023 HLAA Community Access Award for her work with Google Maps. She lives with hearing loss.

**FREE**

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**Tuesday, April 9, 10:10am - 12:00pm**

**#1065 Is God Expanding, too?**

**Instructor: Jamie Foster**

Our scientific understanding of "The Beginning" is expanding. The universe itself is expanding. Is our understanding of God expanding? We'll explore what the Genesis story tells us about Creation alongside the science of it all. You may be surprised what the Biblical Creation story is really trying to impart.

**Jamie Foster: BA** in Geology from Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota. Jamie has been a primary and secondary school teacher and has developed and taught several church-related courses. ["God Is Good" (from Genesis and Exodus); "Saint Nicholas Tells His Story," "In His Own Hand" (a look at the four times God wrote in His own hand); "Is God Expanding, Too?" (a study on cosmology and creation); "Out of the Ashes," (stories and characteristics of resurrections); and "This Train is Bound for Glory," (the chapel car experience).]

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**Wednesday, April 10, 10:10am - 12:00pm**

**#1066 Custer: Perspectives on the Washita Battle & Beyond**

**Instructor: George Koros**

Learn eye-opening facts about the real events and actual reasons for Lt. Col. George A. Custer's charge against the Cheyenne Dog Soldiers at Black Kettle's camp in 1868. Speaker G. Koros will discuss the subject with a focus on Custer's leadership & accomplishments. He will also include a fresh look at Custer's friendships with Indian tribes, including the Arikara-Ree and Osage.

**George Koros** has studied American history both inside and outside of academia. His specialty includes the Indian wars and Lt. Col. George A. Custer. But he also speaks about other pioneer figures, such as Daniel Boone, Davy Crockett and others. He has spoken at Colorado's History Camp event 4 times in a row in 2017,

2018, 2019 and 2022. He has written about history, with a Civil War article that is currently under consideration by a history magazine.

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**Tuesday, April 16, 10:10am - 12:00pm**

**#1070 The Historic Films of the Pikes Peak Region**

**Instructor: Steven Antonuccio**

Based on Steve Antonuccio's book "There is No Such Thing as a Typical Librarian" this program features video clips and information on the historic films of the Pikes Peak region. Steve has previously given a program on the history of Alexander Film Company for Pillar, and this program will feature the history of filmmaking in Colorado Springs starting with an Edison film shot in 1897 showing local cowboys branding steers. The presentation will also feature some of the commercials and films produced by the Alexander Film Company and film clips from the extensive historic film collection of the Pikes Peak Library District.

**Steven Antonuccio: MLS** from Emporia State. **BS** in Communications from the University of Colorado. He worked as a Media Specialist for Pikes Peak Community College, managed Cable Channel 17 for the Pikes Peak Library District for twenty years and was a Library Branch Manager for the Pueblo City/County Library District for six years.

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**Wednesday, April 17, 10:10am - 12:00pm**

**#1071 UNESCO, Part II**

**Instructor: Julia Hargrove**

You probably are aware of the United Nations Educational, Social, and Cultural Organization's World Heritage Sites such as the Taj Mahal, Machu Picchu, Timbuktu, and Angkor Wat. What you might not know about is UNESCO's efforts to save unique cultural skills and arts. The Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity, founded by UNESCO in 2009, supports skills such as flamenco dancing, silk making, Chinese calligraphy, and bell casting. Come learn about these and other amazing skills that are being preserved for future generations!

**Julia Hargrove: MA** in American History from the University of Texas at Austin; **BA** with a double major in History and English from WSC (now WSCU) in Gunnison, Colorado. She was a high school teacher for thirty years and was a professional writer of educational materials.

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**Tuesday, April 23, 10:10am - 12:00pm**

**#1075 The Internet and Cell Phones**

**Instructor: Carl Reese**

Did you wonder how the internet works? Or your cell phone? How did we ever live without these two technologies that are now an integral part of our lives?

**Carl Reese: MS** in Computer Science from Colorado Technical University and a **BS** in Computer Science from University of Pittsburgh.

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