



PILLAR Class Catalog

Fall 2022

...For People Who Love to Learn...



PILLAR Office and Classroom

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PILLAR Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 9:30am-3pm

Thursday 9:30am - 12pm

Closed Friday

Director's Letter



Welcome to PILLAR, the Pikes Peak region's only institute for lifelong learning for the past 23 years! Each year over 300 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.

We are putting more and more of our classes only in the classroom. The hybrid system worked during the pandemic, but it is a lot of work to maintain. However, if the instructor is coming to us on Zoom, then the class will be available on Zoom and video too, when you register. Note that in this catalog, Zoom and video will have a different number (for example #4000B). If a class isn't listed as Zoom and video and you would like to view it that way, please email me one week in advance, and we will try to make it happen. Not all classes are available on Zoom and video.

Please join us as we return to the PILLAR classroom for learning and comradery.

Vickie Heffner
PILLAR Executive Director

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, volunteer, and social opportunities.

PILLAR Membership

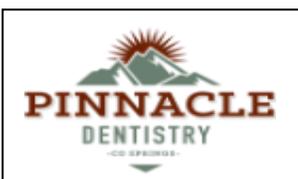
PILLAR is a membership organization. Although PILLAR membership is not required to take classes, it does provide a discount per class. **Most classes for members are \$20 or less.**

\$75 for a 12-Month PILLAR Membership
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Important Class Registration Information

- Pre-registration is required for all classes.
- Register early for in-person classes, as in-person classes will be limited in size.
- Most classes are approximately 90 minutes.
- You can 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.

To attend classes in the PILLAR classroom, a signed COVID waiver is required once.
Vaccination and masks are optional.



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October 2022

Friday, September 23, 2-4pm

#3058 PILLAR Open House and Art Show

Come and see your friends and meet PILLAR instructors. Register for classes. Print catalogs will be available for \$3. And there will be an art show from a local artist who will be in attendance. Art will be available for purchase. Refreshments will be served.

FREE

Tuesday, September 27, 12:30-3pm

Mah Jongg

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Thursday, September 29, October 6, 13, 10am (*This class is a continuation from the summer term.*)

#3049 Book Discussion: 12 Rules for Life: An Antidote to Chaos by Jordan Peterson (6-part class, originally a 3-part class)

Instructor: Daryl Kuiper

This was originally scheduled to be a three-part book discussion in September, but the first session was a rousing success. Therefore, we extended it to six weeks. Join the discussion even if you haven't read the book.

Jordan Peterson's essays in ethical principles, psychology, philosophy, mythology, and religion for today's world is a 2018 self-help book by the Canadian clinical psychologist Jordan Peterson.

In this book we are counseled on how to live with one foot in Chaos and the other foot in Order. Jordan Peterson advocates for a life based on meaningfulness not happiness. We will discuss this book once a week for six weeks in an open forum setting. We will discuss four chapters at a time. Please read the appropriate chapters prior to each session. c. 2018. PPLD 12 copies, print and audio books.

Week one and two:

1. "Stand up straight with your shoulders back."
2. "Treat yourself like you are someone you are responsible for helping."
3. "Make friends with people who want the best for you."
4. "Compare yourself to who you were yesterday, not to who someone else is today."

Week three and four:

5. "Do not let your children do anything that makes you dislike them."
6. "Set your house in perfect order before you criticize the world."
7. "Pursue what is meaningful, not what is expedient."
8. "Tell the truth – or, at least, don't lie."

Week five and six:

9. "Assume that the person you are listening to might know something you don't."
10. "Be precise in your speech."

11. "Do not bother children when they are skateboarding."

12. "Pet a cat when you encounter one on the street."

Daryl Kuiper, MA in Mathematics from the University of Nebraska, and a BA in Mathematics from the University of Colorado. He has been a teacher, business owner, plumbing inspector supervisor, and a school administrator.

In Person Only - \$30 Members/\$40 Nonmembers for all six classes

Tuesday, October 4, 10am

#4000 NATO's Response to the Ukraine Crisis: Is it Sustainable?

Instructor: Dr. Sky Foerster

In the aftermath of Russia's invasion of Ukraine in February 2022, NATO has balanced the needs (1) to provide substantial support to Ukraine and (2) not to provoke an escalation of the conflict. Finland and Sweden have broken from long-standing traditions of neutrality to apply for NATO membership, and Allies have come together to defy Russia in a variety of ways, including through adoption of a new strategic concept. But important decisions and new challenges are on the horizon; how will Allies respond?

Schuyler Foerster, PhD in Politics and Strategic Studies from Oxford University and Master's degrees from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, and The American University. He is a graduate of the USAF Academy. He retired as a colonel in the U.S. Air Force. He is professor emeritus at the USAF Academy, where he previously served as the Brent Scowcroft Professor of National Security Studies, and he currently teaches as a visiting professor at Colorado College and at Masaryk University in the Czech Republic. Dr. Foerster has invested over 25 years in civic education on global issues, as President of the World Affairs Council of Pittsburgh for 12 years, and as the volunteer president for the Colorado Springs World Affairs Council, on whose board he continues to serve.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Tuesday, October 4, 12:30-3pm

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Wednesday, October 5, 10am

#4001 60th Anniversary of Bond ... James Bond

Instructor: Sandy Halby

Let's take a look at this iconic spy, James Bond, or as he is also known "007", and his inventor, author Ian Fleming, on the 60th anniversary of the first James Bond movie, "Dr. No." We'll look at the books that inspired the movies and the Bond franchise impact on culture, music, and the movie industry.

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.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Wednesday, October 5, 1pm

#4002 Blue Star Recyclers: Recycling Electronics to Create Jobs for People with Disabilities

Instructor: Bill Morris

In 2009, Blue Star Recyclers was founded in Colorado Springs to provide adults with disabilities in our community with meaningful and competitive employment. Thirteen years later, the business has grown to become Colorado's largest electronics recycler, with an employment model replicated in the US and abroad. Learn the history and growth of Blue Star Recyclers and how Blue Star transforms waste into local opportunity and positive impact for everyone.

We will discuss how our triple-bottom line impact, environmental, social return on investment, and economic impacts, are produced through fulfillment of our mission. We will share how electronic waste is the most problematic and fastest-growing waste stream in the world, and why it must be ethically recycled. Finally, we will talk about how Blue Star shares what it has learned to help other recyclers in the US and abroad replicate our employment and social enterprise model.

Bill Morris has spent 25 years in the telecom industry and 13 years at Blue Star Recyclers.

Members \$10 / Non Members \$20

Thursday, October 6 at 10am (*This class is a continuation from the summer term.*)

#3049 Book Discussion: 12 Rules for Life: An Antidote to Chaos by Jordan Peterson (6-part class, originally a 3-part class)

Monday, October 10, 9:30am (**note time**)

#4010 The Stained Glass Windows of Grace and St. Stephen's Episcopal Church Tour

Grace and St. Stephen's Episcopal Church was founded in 1923, merging two separate parishes. Join us as we learn the history of Grace and St. Stephen's, its architecture, its beautiful stained glass windows, and its music.

Location: Grace and St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 601 N Tejon St, Colorado Springs, CO 80903.

You can park in the parking lot south of the church building between the church building and the administration building, McWilliams House. That parking lot is accessible only through the alley. Or you can park in the choir parking lot which is just off Monument Street in front of the small building which is the Choir House.

Meet by 9:30 in the Memorial Garden around the St. Francis statue.

Members \$10 / Non Members \$20

Max: 15

Monday, October 10, 1pm

#4011 Philosophical Discussion: Happiness

Moderator: Daryl Kuiper

Will happiness ever make you happy? What do some philosophers think about happiness? We will discuss what you think happiness is, what it is not and how it fits into your other moral values. The group needs you and your thoughts. This is how we learn. It is fun and rewarding; it might just make you happier!

Philosophy is the love of knowledge. Daryl will act as moderator, but your views will be the substance of the discussion. You will either gain new insights or have your existing ones strengthened. This class will be an open discussion, so bring your opinions and ideas! A topic paper will be emailed to you to review before the class. The purpose of this paper is to stir your philosophical juices.

Daryl Kuiper, MA in Mathematics from the University of Nebraska, and a BA in Mathematics from the University of Colorado. He has been a teacher, business owner, plumbing inspector supervisor, and a school administrator.

In Person Only - Members \$10 / Non Members \$20

Tuesday, October 11, 10am

#4012A or 4012B Columbus Day, Spanish Conquest, and The Doctrine of Discovery

Instructor: Katherine Sturdevant (*Instructor will be coming into the classroom via Zoom.*)

Most Americans probably believe they know both the original version of Columbus's discovery of America, and they might know the revisionist version put forward by and about Native Americans as the long-term victims of that "discovery." You will learn how a Coloradoan proposed Columbus Day as a holiday to uplift an oppressed ethnic group, what Columbus really did, the Spanish policy that governed what he did, and why Mother Cabrini Day makes sense.

Katherine Scott Sturdevant, MA and BA in History from San Francisco State University, **PhD Candidate** in Public History at UC Santa Barbara. She is Pikes Peak Community College's Senior History Professor and started teaching with what became PILLAR when PPCC 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 Pikes Peak Library District. Her first two books teach using historical methods in family history. As a social historian, Kathy emphasizes past people's authentic experiences.

#4012A In Person: Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

#4012B Zoom and Video: \$35

Tuesday, October 11, 12:30-3pm

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Wednesday, October 12, 10am

#4013 The History of the Cripple Creek Mining District

Instructor: Steven Antonuccio

Steve Antonuccio produced three one-hour documentaries on the history of Cripple Creek for the City of Cripple Creek. These can be viewed on YouTube. His presentation will highlight many of the books written about Cripple Creek history and includes historic video clips and interviews with some of the authors and historians. This PowerPoint program will be followed by various video clips and interviews from the Emmy-nominated documentary "The Treasure of the Cripple Creek Mining District."

Steven Antonuccio, Master of Library Science (MLS) from Emporia State. Bachelor of Science 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 20 years and was a Library Branch Manager for the Pueblo City/County Library District for 6 years.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Wednesday, October 12, 1pm

#4014 The Carol Gogat House Tour and Reception

This historic home was built *circa.* 1897 by George Babbit. This home is not a gingerbread Queen Ann Victorian, but falls more into the style of Charles Eastlake, a late 19th century architect. There is a coved ceiling in the kitchen and restored pocket doors, as well as a sleeping porch off the master bedroom, as befitting a turn-of-the-century house when Colorado Springs was popular as a spa/resort area for those needing to regain their health from tuberculosis.

During the tour you will also learn what famous screen star once lived across the street, learn what happened during wartime that changed the configuration of the house, learn why Cascade Street is so wide, and learn how children played in canals and floated small boats along the curbs.

Join us for a tour of this beautiful home that will be fully decorated for the Fall holidays. It will be followed by a reception with cookies and punch!

Max: 20

Location: 1421 N. Cascade Ave, Colorado Springs, CO 80907

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Thursday, October 13, 10am (*This class is a continuation from the summer term.*)

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Monday, October 17, 10am

#4019 Old North End Walk (Monument Valley Park Area)

Tour Leader: Katie Rizzo

During this walk, we'll explore together the Monument Valley Park area in the Old North End section of Colorado Springs. We'll walk past several old homes and discuss a bit of history and/or architecture of the home. This walk will be approximately 1.5 miles in length. The instructor will provide handouts on the homes at the start of the walk. Bring your local history knowledge, some water, and your walkin' shoes!

Location: Tour will begin at 1414 Culebra Ave., Colorado Springs, CO 80907, near Columbia and Wood Ave.

Katie Rizzo, MPA in Public Administration from the University of Oklahoma. She spent 10 years as a middle school teacher, four of those years at an international school in Damascus, Syria. Additionally, she's worked as an academic advisor for an online college and as a career counselor for the US Army. She has also lived in Japan and Australia.

Members \$10 / Non Members \$20

Monday, October 17, 1pm

#4020 A Study of the November 8, 2022 Ballot Initiatives - Become Informed

Instructor: Daryl Kuiper

It is not just VOTING that counts; it is INFORMED VOTING that is important. Understanding the issues allows for a more educated citizen. There are city, county and state issues; some are statutory, some are constitutional, some are brought to the ballot by citizens, and some by the governmental jurisdictions involved. Understanding these issues is key. Join me, we will have fun. We will have an open discussion without pressure to vote a certain way.

In Person Only - \$5

Tuesday, October 18, 10am

#4021 Race Betterment Through Sterilization and Immigration Laws, circa 1930s

Instructor: Norm Renaud

Part I: A live performance by Norm Renaud.

“Let’s reduce poverty, crime, and feeble-mindedness. Let’s help the deficient masses end their suffering. Join our cause to make society better. We owe it to those who have inherited poor germ plasm. Allowing more of their children in the world is so destructive to mankind.”

Declaration by Harry H. Laughlin, cousin to Charles Darwin, superintendent of the Eugenics Record Office. circa. 1933.

Part II: Through a PowerPoint presentation, we will uncover the stories behind the decades-long Eugenics Movement and immigration restrictions in the United States, which were supported by world leaders and scientists and influenced Hitler’s genocide.

Norm Renaud, MS in Administration with a major in Elementary Education from UCCS. He was a 5th grade teacher, a Gifted and Talented teacher, a Principal in District 20, and is now a docent at the Fine Arts Center at Colorado College. His presentations for PILLAR include “John Muir,” “John James Audubon,” and “The Brooklyn Bridge.”

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

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Wednesday, October 19, 10am

#4022 History: Not in Your History Book II

Instructor: Daryl Kuiper

We learned in the last class about the new history that was either not taught or not known about the New World up until about 1550. We start again but now limit the scope to North America from 1550 to 1620 approximately. I will share with you interesting stuff that I learned recently. You will find this session as compelling as the last.

Daryl Kuiper, MA in Mathematics from the University of Nebraska, and a BA in Mathematics from the University of Colorado. He has been a teacher, business owner, plumbing inspector supervisor, and a school administrator.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Wednesday, October 19, 1pm

#4023 Architecture and Horticulture in the Early Fountain Colony Development

Instructor: Eric Metzger

The McAllisters built the first substantial house in Colorado Springs. For its design, they looked to a prominent American named Andrew Jackson Downing. To complement their well-designed home, the McAllisters created an experimental garden on their property and attempted to grow plant varieties that were well adapted to our climate here on the high plains of eastern Colorado.

Eric Metzger, MA in Museum Administration from Harvard University, BA in Anthropology from the University of Colorado at Boulder. Eric served as the Treasurer for the Massachusetts Archaeological Society, Gene Winter Chapter, and as a board member there as well. He is currently a board member for the Historic Preservation Alliance of Colorado Springs. He is also the Executive Director at McAllister House.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Thursdays, October 20, 27, and November 3

#4024 Invitation to a Peaceful Death – a three-part series

Instructor: Sandra Felt

Organizing our legal and personal affairs to ease our death for both ourselves and our loved ones can be a daunting challenge. The Five Wishes model and this simple 3-session workshop will walk you through ways to understand and document your preferences with group support and even a bit of humor. Five Wishes booklets and relevant handouts will be provided, including checklists and recommended reading. Participants are strongly encouraged to attend all three sessions.

Sandra Felt, MSW in Social Work from Syracuse University. She has been a psychotherapist, a presenter of conference workshops and is a Certified Conscious Dying Coach and Licensed Clinical Social Worker. Sandra has been in private practice in Colorado Springs for the past 40 years and has helped numerous survivors heal from traumatic experiences. She is the author of *Beyond the Good Girl Jail: When You Dare to Live from Your True Self*. Her current focus is helping people make peace with aging, dying, death, and grief.

In Person Only - Members \$25 for all three sessions / Nonmembers \$50 for all three sessions

#4025 October 20: Wishes 1, 2, and 3 -- How do you want to be treated medically?

- How the medical system works – quality vs. quantity of life
- Available life-saving treatments – emphasizing our choices
- Choosing a Medical Power of Attorney we trust
- Living with pain

Members \$10 / Non Members \$20

#4034 October 27: Wish 4 – What will help you feel peaceful?

- Asking for help means letting go of our need to control

- Training our “love circle” to provide the care we want – safe and comfortable
- What to expect the last few days – more options to consider
- Calming our fears and regrets

Members \$10 / Non Members \$20

#4045 November 3: Wish 5 -- How do you want to be remembered?

- The legal issues of death – will, death certificate, burial/cremation, obituary
- Our legacy = everything we leave behind -- how will other people find things?
- Complicated completion and resolution issues
- Loving and living fully until the day we die

Members \$10 / Non Members \$20

Thursday, October 20, 10am

#4025 Invitation to a Peaceful Death – Session 1

Members \$10 / Non Members \$20

Thursday, October 20, 1pm

#4026 Intro to Medicare

Presenter: Emily Montoya

Learn what Humana (one of PILLAR’s sponsors) can do for you with a Medicare Advantage plan.

Emily Montoya, Humana sales representative.

In Person Only - FREE

Monday, October 24, 1pm

#4030 PPLD Creative Services Tour - PILLAR Member-only event

Tour Leader: Lauren Fellers

Have you always wondered about the Makerspace, Studio 21c, and new PPLD learning kitchen? Join us as we tour all three spaces at Library 21c and more if we have time. Lauren, who is one of the senior librarians in Creative Services, will lead the tour.

Location: Library 21c, 1175 Chapel Hills Dr., Colorado Springs, CO 80920. Meet on the upper level near the east entrance to the building. Park in the 21c lot off the east side of Chapel Hills Dr.

Lauren Fellers, Master of Library and Information Science (MLIS) from the University of Southern Mississippi, BA in English Language and Literature; Spanish. She is a Senior Librarian for Creative Services at the PPLD in Colorado Springs. Lauren helps to oversee the District’s Makerspaces and implement programming for patrons of all ages with a focus on maker-centered learning and community building.

Member Only Event - FREE

Max: 20

Tuesday, October 25, 10am

#4031 Opera for Halloween: Ghosts, Witches, and Little People

Instructor: Marti Booth

This may look like a familiar title, but I promise you that the material, rich as it is, will be new. I love Halloween. It's a time to honor our ancestors and to welcome little people to our doors. And, of course, the presence of witches and ghosts, masks and disguises, tricks and treats in our lives makes me think of how effectively some composers use music on stage to evoke feelings of awe, fear, excitement, or laughter. From the flutes and viols of the earliest operas to our modern orchestras and synthesizers, it's pretty exciting. While the operas chosen may have nothing to do with Halloween, the DVD excerpts are scary enough or funny enough to honor the subject! The "Turn of the Screw" will have your hair standing on end, and I hope you'll see how the little people in "Falstaff" brought that rogue to his senses. You don't need to know anything about opera! Bring questions, ideas and an open mind. We'll provide the tricks and the treats!

Marti Booth, MA in Music History and Theory from Radcliffe and Harvard University. She was the 2008 recipient of the Pikes Peak Arts Council Lifetime Achievement Award. She taught vocal music at Harrison High School, Colorado College, and UCCS.

In Person Only - Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

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Wednesday, October 26, 10am

#4032 Executive Orders: Constitutional Separation of Powers or Usurpation of Powers by the President?

Instructor: Phil McDonald

There's an old saying that Congress proposes while the President disposes. In other words, Congress enacts legislation while the President implements the laws passed by Congress. Historically, this implementation of law has been accomplished through the enactment of Executive Orders and presidential directives to the administrative branch, which is responsible for creating the flesh for the bare bones of legislation.

Until relatively recently, executive orders have been routine and uncontroversial. In an era of divided government and partisan acrimony, executive orders have come to be viewed through a more cynical lens, as attempts by a dictatorial President to usurp power by doing an end run around the authority of Congress. So, which is it: a rightful exercise of executive authority or an unconstitutional seizure of power by a renegade tyrant?

Phil McDonald, MSE from Drake University. Phil retired after a 30-year career of teaching government, United States history, and psychology classes. He served as Adjunct Professor of Government and Psychology for Upper Iowa University and was nominated for Who's Who among American Teachers.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Wednesday, October 26, 1pm

#4033 Human Trafficking

Instructor: Sister Rose Ann Barmann

This class will address the basic facts about human trafficking: What is human trafficking, how wide-spread is this issue, is it an issue in El Paso County, and what can an ordinary citizen do about this crime? We will also learn the profile of a perpetrator of human trafficking. Join us as we uncover what human trafficking is.

Rose Ann Barmann, MA in Religious Studies from St. Louis University. Sister Rose Ann's work included teaching, administration, work with the Theresians, service to her community in a variety of administrative positions, and serving as Prioress from 1999-2005. Sister Barmann partnered with Liz Kosofsky to open Bakhita Mountain House, a non-denominational home, which is currently one of the few sanctuaries in Colorado for adult women who are victims of sex trafficking. She continues to raise awareness about the existence of sex trafficking to the public.

Members \$10 / Non Members \$20

Thursday, October 27, 10am

#4034 Invitation to a Peaceful Death – Session 2

Members \$10 / Non Members \$20

Monday, October 31, 10am

#4040A or #4040B Ghana's Art of Fantasy Coffins

Presenter: Aaron Casey and presenters from Ghana via Zoom

This class introduces us to the extraordinary fantasy coffin tradition in Ghana. Funerals in Ghana are chances to experience joy and express gratitude for a life well-lived. Colorful, tailor-made coffins evoke a loved one's unique passion or life's work. It is considered high art, sought after by local and diasporic Ghanaians. And by international contemporary art collectors from Denmark to Russia to the USA and beyond.

Coffin art is a traditional craft passed down through the generations in a process known as occupational gifting. Our fantasy coffin class opens a window onto what's sacred and important and celebrated in Ghana, culturally and historically. We will hear from a panel with a master carpenter speaking from his perspective as a 'passer of knowledge' and as an artist honoring traditional values. We will also hear from a museum curator and professor of history at the University of Cape Coast, who will explore the art from an interdisciplinary academic perspective

Aaron Casey, MPA from the University of Texas at Austin. He has explored the history, culture, and art of a variety of peoples and places worldwide. He has lived in France, Zimbabwe, and the United Kingdom, and has deep experience as well in Ghana, Brazil, and South Africa. In recent years, he has collaborated with Indigenous communities globally, including here in the USA with Washington state's Suquamish tribe.

#4040A In Person: Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

#4040B Zoom and Video: Members \$30 / Non Members \$40

Monday, October 31, 1pm

#4041 Rocky Mountain Women's Film: "Festival in the Community"

Film name and description to be announced later. **In Person Only - FREE**

November 2022

Tuesday, November 1, 10am

#4042A or #4042B Future Perfect: A Ten-Year Look into the Future!

Instructor: Doug Stowell (*Instructor will be coming into the classroom via Zoom from South Carolina.*)

Remember the book *1984* and THAT was the future! How about 2000, the new Millennium, and THAT was the future! We've lived through all of those futures, so, what's the next future? One thing we know the pace of technological change has accelerated! Let's look ahead maybe 8-10 years. We'll take a quick look back, just to set the stage. Remember how you did things prior to the smartphone? Now, what's likely to happen by, say, 2030, driven by technology? We'll look ahead at autos, airplanes, railroads, space travel, highways, healthcare, education, climate and environment, energy generation, etc.

Douglas W. Stowell, MBA in Market Research from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio. Douglas enjoys personality testing as an avocation. He received 5 years of Osher Lifelong Learning Institute instruction at Furman University, Greenville, SC, including 3 years Zoom and Video teaching at 22 other OLLI groups.

#4042A In Person Members: \$20 / Non Members \$30

#4040B Zoom and Video: Members \$30 / Non Members \$40

Tuesday, November 1, 12:30-3pm

Mah Jongg

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Wednesday, November 2, 10am

#4043 Rasputin: The Debauched One

Instructor: Julia Hargrove

How did an impoverished peasant from Siberia become a religious and political power in St. Petersburg and eventually help cause the fall of the Romanov dynasty? Grigori Rasputin is both an historical figure and a man of legends and nightmares. While his religious piety was suspect, his charisma was not. Many doubted his ability to heal the Romanov heir Alexei of hemophilia, but few would argue that he was powerless in the pre-war Russian Empire. Who was this mysterious holy man who had power over the royal family and who was so hated by the nobility that some of its members assassinated him? This class offers answers to these questions and reveals a colorful, extraordinary life.

Julia Hargrove, MA in American History from the University of Texas at Austin. She was a high school teacher for 30 years and was a professional writer of educational materials.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Wednesday, November 2, 1pm

#4044 Geopolitics - Part I

Instructor: Dr. Jim Poole

The relationship between nations is not so much about politics as much as it is about Geopolitics. Geopolitics is the study of the relationship of geography, demographics, the economy, culture, and the history of a nation and how those affect its relationship with other nations. This talk will go over the basics of these five relationships to develop a working knowledge of various countries. Find out why China and Russia could be in decline, why Mexico's future has great potential, why the USA is not in decline as many people suggest, why Egypt could be a major casualty of the war in Ukraine, just to name other situations. I am certain you will find this discussion interesting and worth your time.

Jim Poole, PhD in Applied Statistics from University of Northern Colorado, **MS** in Economics, **MS** in Geology. Dr. Poole spent five years working as a geologist and thirty-five years in various roles working for major banks.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Thursday, November 3, 10am

#4045 Invitation to a Peaceful Death – Session 3

Instructor: Sandra Felt

Members \$10 / Non Members \$20

Monday, November 7, 1pm

#4050 Native American Prayer Trees and Sacred Sites

Instructor: Heidi Wigand-Nicely

What are Prayer Trees/Culturally Modified Trees, and how were they used? How are they connected to sacred sites? Where can I find these trees and sacred sites? We will learn about the Native American Culture and Traditions (Connectedness, Animism), what a sacred site is, and how we can identify Prayer/Culturally Modified Trees and preserve them.

Heidi Wigand-Nicely, BA in Elementary Education from Western State College of Colorado. Heidi has worked in various aspects of education including Outdoor Education. She is a volunteer for Native American Sacred Trees and Places by Lending Tree Tours. She is also writing a book on Energy Alignments at Sacred Places.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Tuesday, November 8, 10am

#4051 Building a Balanced, Adaptable, Strong, and Stable Body

Instructor: Erin Eleuterio

Learn strategies and movements to improve balance, stability and strength. Increase your confidence while moving around different environments to reduce the chance of injury. Class will be fun, playful, interactive, and will involve movement.

Note: Wear comfortable clothes and shoes. You will be learning via lecture and movement. Max: 10

Erin Eleuterio, BS in Kinesiology from California State University-Long Beach. She has worked as an exercise physiologist, older adult exercise instructor and health coach for nearly twenty years. She is trained in the health coach curriculum and is a certified Functional Aging Specialist. Erin teaches exercise classes over Zoom, at Senior Centers, and Senior Living Facilities. She worked as an Account Manager for the Silver Sneakers Fitness Program for nine years, consulting with fitness professionals on how to increase exercise adherence with older adults and make exercise programs fun and meaningful.

In Person Only Members \$10 / Non Members \$20

Tuesday, November 8, 12:30-3pm

Mah Jongg

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\$2 per session. Pay at the door.

Wednesday, November 9, 10am

#4052 FED Up? Let's Talk about Banking & Money

Instructor: Daryl Kuiper

Today we often take banks for granted. Imagine your life without banks. Far from being boring, the history of banking brings an appreciation of how good we have it. Banks have been vilified over time, yet it seems we cannot get along without them.

What really is money? What is its purpose? Why is one common currency important? What was the history of banking prior to the Fed? What can the Fed do about inflation?

Daryl Kuiper, MA in Mathematics from the University of Nebraska, and a **BA** in Mathematics from the University of Colorado. He has been a teacher, business owner, plumbing inspector supervisor, and a school administrator.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Wednesday, November 9, 1pm

#4053 American Foreign Policy after World War II

Instructor: Tom Menza, JD

America entered World War II with many advantages. Combat did not happen on our land, except for December 7th at Pearl Harbor. Our coastal and interior cities were unharmed, unlike parts of devastated Europe and Japan. Our wartime production evolved into a wealth of consumer products, new homes, massive suburbs, and the evolution of air travel replacing railroads. But the most significant event was America's replacement of Great Britain as a world power. The English Empire died in WWII. England was saved by the Americans. The only other major Allied power left was Soviet Russia, which quickly consumed its occupied Eastern European lands into forced communism and the Cold War began.

Tom Menza, JD in Law from Denver University, **MA** from University of Colorado at Boulder. He is a local attorney and former course director and assistant professor of World History and Modern Asia at the United States Air Force Academy.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Thursday, November 10, 10am

#4054 Eisenhower: Warrior and Statesman

Instructor: Phil McDonald

Dwight D. Eisenhower enjoyed an extraordinary career as a warrior, politician, educational leader and statesman. This class will explore the life and times of this gifted leader. While “Ike” was underestimated as an army general and politician by many of his contemporaries, this class will seek to set the record straight and make the case that our 34th President was one of our best.

Phil McDonald, MSE from Drake University. Phil retired after a 30-year career of teaching government, United States history, and psychology classes. He served as Adjunct Professor of Government and Psychology for Upper Iowa University and was nominated for Who’s Who among American Teachers.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Monday, November 14, 1pm

#4061 Philosophical Discussion: Morality

Moderator: Daryl Kuiper

Let’s investigate morality, our sense of it, its importance, its universality, its connection with good and evil, and what Kant and Nietzsche had to say about it. There will be an open discussion and we will broaden our views and understandings. Ideas are fun, so come and share.

Philosophy is the love of knowledge. Daryl will act as moderator, but your views will be the substance of the discussion. You will either gain new insights or have your existing ones strengthened. This class will be an open discussion, so bring your opinions and ideas! A topic paper will be emailed to you to review before the class. The purpose of this paper is to stir your philosophical juices.

Daryl Kuiper, MA in Mathematics from the University of Nebraska, and a **BA** in Mathematics from the University of Colorado. He has been a teacher, business owner, plumbing inspector supervisor, and a school administrator.

In Person Only - Members \$10 / Non Members \$20

Tuesday, November 15, 10am

#4062 Brain Health: Natural Hacks to Support Memory

Instructor: Dawn Franz

While age-related cognitive decline might seem inevitable, it doesn’t have to be! The formula for supporting our brain and memory is simple. Discover how good nutrition and healthy habits can support our memory throughout our lifespan.

Location: Natural Grocers, 7298 North Academy Blvd., Colorado Springs, CO 80920

Dawn Franz, BS in Nutritional Science with a minor in Biochemistry from the University of Arizona. She has been a Nutritional Health Coach for Natural Grocers since 2005.

Members \$10 / Non Members \$20

Tuesday, November 15, 12:30-3pm

Mah Jongg

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Wednesday, November 16, 10am

#4063 China-Taiwan-United States: Causes of the Current Tensions and Prospects for the Future

Instructor: Dr. Bill Berry

This class will address the history of the United States-China relationship from the time of Richard Nixon's visit to the People's Republic of China in February 1972, the normalization of diplomatic relations with China in 1979, and the passage of the Taiwan Relations Act in April 1979, among other very important events. In the Shanghai Communiqué issued at the time of the Nixon visit, the United States acknowledged China's one China policy which maintains that there is only one China and Taiwan is part of China. However, the United States position from 1972 to the present is that the relationship between China and Taiwan must be settled peacefully, and that the United States will continue to support Taiwan with its defensive military capabilities although the United States has no diplomatic relations with Taiwan. We will address recent developments, such as President Biden's statements in support of Taiwan and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's visit to the island in August 2022.

William Berry, PhD in International Relations with a focus on East Asian Politics from Cornell

University. He was a career Air Force Officer, retiring with the rank of colonel. He served in several East Asian assignments. Dr. Berry also taught at the Air Force Academy, the National War College, and the Asian Pacific Center for Security Studies.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Wednesday, November 16, 1pm

#4064 Forensic Pathology 101: Asphyxia

Instructor: Dr. Deborah Johnson

Whether you are thinking of writing a murder mystery or just enjoy reading or watching them, you might like to know more about how real counterparts of "Quincy" figure out what to put on a death certificate. You are sure to learn something new and hopefully more about "How Not to Die."

Asphyxia is a broad term for a variety of conditions that result in interference with the uptake or utilization of oxygen. We'll cover hanging, strangulation, smothering, aspiration of foreign material (choking), anaphylaxis, positional and traumatic asphyxia, vitiated atmospheres, and poisoning by carbon monoxide, dioxide, and cyanide.

Deborah G. Johnson, MD from CU School of Medicine, Denver, CO and **MS, BS** in Chemistry from CU Boulder and Texas Tech Lubbock. She had a post-graduate residency in anatomic clinical pathology at CU Health and The Children's Hospital, forensic pathology fellowship Office of the Medical Investigator, University of New Mexico. For 27 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 for the Colorado Public Defender's Office since 2017.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Thursday, November 17, 10am

#4065A or #4065B The Greater Alma Mining District: A Colorado Mining Legend

Instructor: Steven Veatch (*Instructor will be coming into the classroom via Zoom from Michigan.*)

The first gold strike in Park County, Colorado, was on the eastern slope of the Mosquito Range in the northwest part of the county at Buckskin Gulch in 1859—the same year the “Pikes Peak or Bust” gold rush started. This remote area of mountains, streams, and forests was still part of Kansas Territory when several mining camps were established. The Greater Alma Mining District included the Alma Placers, Montgomery, Buckskin, Horseshoe, Mosquito, and the Pennsylvania subdistricts. The extremes of the landscape presented harsh conditions to those who came to mine gold, silver, and other valuable mineral deposits. People came and established frontier mining districts, built towns, and created roads and rail routes. All this activity, combined with other mining camps in the region, accelerated the settlement of the West and made major contributions to the economic growth of Colorado. Steven Veatch will tell this story with rare historical photos, stunning photography, and incredible mineral photos. Do not miss this presentation!

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. His family came to Cripple Creek in the 1890s from England and worked in the district’s mines. The other side of the family established a ranch in the wilderness near Boulder in 1865. They later moved to the Caribou mining camp where Steven’s great-grandfather attended Caribou’s first school session in 1872.

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 100 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.

#4065A In Person: Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

#4065B Zoom and Video: Members \$30 / Non Members \$40

Thursday, November 17, 1pm

#4066 Medicare

Presenter: Emily Montoya

Learn what Humana (one of PILLAR’s sponsors) can do for you with a Medicare Advantage plan.

Emily Montoya, Humana sales representative.

In Person Only - FREE

Mondays, November 21, 28, December 5, 12, 10am

#4070 Beginning Mah Jongg Lessons: 4 Weeks of Individual Lessons

Instructor: Sandy Halby

Learn American Mah Jongg - 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 (2022 version) and NMJL rules. We'll start with the very basics and progress to full-on play by the 4th session. You must attend all 4 sessions. **Max: 3**

Sandy Halby, BS in Mathematics from the University of Alaska. She is a military vet 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.

Member \$60 /Nonmember \$75 - for all four sessions

Tuesday, November 22, 10am

#4071 Thanksgiving-Themed Movie -Viewed, Discussed, and Critiqued (with bagels, cream cheese, mimosas, and coffee included)

Moderator: Sandy Halby

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.

Members \$5 / Non Members \$10

Tuesday, November 22, 12:30-3pm

Mah Jongg

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\$2 per session. Pay at the door.

Tuesday, November 29, 10am

#4081 The History of the Pikes Peak Highway and Summit

Instructor: Eric Swab

Learn the history of the Carriage Road and Highway from 1888 to the present This will include the challenges of building the Carriage Road and Highway; and the history of the Summit from 1873 to the present. You will also learn about the Signal Station, the Cog, the Highway Summit House, the 1964 Summit House, and more. Don't miss this informative class!

Eric Swab, Master of Fine Arts in Sculpture from the Rhode Island School of Design. He performs historic research for the United States Forest Service as a volunteer. Eric is a meticulous researcher of history regarding anything related to Colorado's Pike Peak region and its Front Range. *The Granite Attraction* is Eric's third book following his works on the Mount Manitou Incline: *The Manitou Incline: From Utility to Attraction* and the history of trail maker Fred Barr: *Fred Barr – Pikes Peak Entrepreneur*.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Tuesday, November 29, 12:30-3pm

Mah Jongg

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\$2 per session. Pay at the door.

Wednesday, November 30, 10am

#4082 The Industrial Revolution

Instructor: Dr. Michael LeMay

Modern life was undeniably shaped by the Industrial Revolution. In this class, we will learn the precursors to that revolution, defining what is meant by that term, and examine key events of the Industrial Revolution in

Great Britain, Western Europe, and the United States. We will cover the resulting urbanization and the expansion of wealth as well as other aspects deriving from the Industrial Revolution.

Michael LeMay, Professor Emeritus – California State University at 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, Frostburg State, and California State University at San Bernardino. He has written thirty-six books.
Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Wednesday, November 30, 1pm

#4083 Genetic Genealogy: DNA Tools of the Trade, Part 1

Instructor: Melody Wilson

Have you wondered about the best way to use a DNA test to find family members? Save time and money using my lessons learned. This class will explain the most popular DNA tools available, where to find them, how to use them, and show the most efficient order in which to use them. **Note: Part 2 is on December 7th.**

Melody Wilson, MS in Computer Science/Computer Systems Security from Colorado Technical University (CTU). She was an Adjunct Instructor at CTU. She created course material and lab exercises for three undergraduate evening courses on Security Architecture, Intrusion Detection, and Virtual Private Networks.
Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

December 2022

Thursday, December 1, 8, and 15, 10am

#4084 Book Discussion: Digging into *The 1619 Project* – a three part series

Instructor: Daryl Kuiper

This is a three-week book review of the book *The 1619 Project* written by Nicole Hannah-Jones. This course should open eyes on the Black History of which many of us have not been aware. We will examine the biases that Ms. Hanna-Jones has in this book along with the many accurate descriptions of our history. My own biases will probably show as will yours. Then we can all deal with those biases better. Class discussions will center on the sections listed below.

Brief Presentation Outline:

December 1 - Class 1

- A. Preface - pages XXIV- XLIV
- B. Democracy - pages 7 - 61 and the following unmarked page
- C. Sugar - pages 110 - 138

December 8 - Class 2

- A. Capitalism - pages 261 - 296
- B. Progress - pages 652 - 685 and the following unmarked page
- C. Justice - pages 696 - 741

December 15 - Class 3 - Open discussion, critique, and possible discussion of the side issue in the section called Dispossession about the forgotten indigenous people, depending on the desire of our class.

Daryl Kuiper, MA in Mathematics from the University of Nebraska, and a BA in Mathematics from the University of Colorado. He has been a teacher, business owner, plumbing inspector supervisor, and a school administrator.

In Person Only - Members \$25 / Non Members \$35 for all three classes

Tuesday, December 6, 10am

#4090A or #4090B Thomas Jefferson and Sally Hemings: Certifying a Scandal

Instructor: Katherine Sturdevant (*Instructor will be coming into the classroom via Zoom.*)

When Thomas Jefferson was president and until about the 1970s, whispers and theories were insinuating that he had an affair and children with one of his slaves named Sally Hemmings. Proper historians, biographers, and interpreters of Jefferson's home at Monticello protectively dismissed these stories regardless of any evidence. The first historian to publicize her theory of Thomas and Sally faced professional shunning. Today, historians generally agree that the scandal was true. Monticello exhibits feature Sally as a figure of great importance, and family reunions there include the black and the white descendants. Another woman historian has won major awards for her books on the couple. The story tells us much about plantation relationships. How did we get from then to now? No, it was not all about DNA!

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 Community College's Senior History Professor and started teaching with what became PILLAR when PPCC 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 Pikes Peak Library District. Her first two books teach using historical methods in family history. As a social historian, Kathy emphasizes past people's authentic experiences.

#4090A In Person: Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

#4090B Zoom and Video: Members \$30 / Non Members \$40

Tuesday, December 6, 12:30-3pm

FREE December Mah Jongg ~ Happy Holidays!

Every Tuesday afternoon, we will play Mah Jongg. Bring your 2022 Mah Jongg card and some change. (\$5 PIE). Please arrive a few minutes before 12:30pm to choose your table. Play will begin exactly at 12:30pm.

Wednesday, December 7, 10am

#4091 Immigration 101: Immigration Demystified

Instructors: Phyllis Dunn and Victoria Witte

"Why don't they just come the legal way?" If you've ever asked this question or others like it, you're invited to "Immigration 101: Immigration Demystified." We'll explore reasons people migrate and laws that influence that migration. We'll learn basic immigration terminology and debunk popular myths about immigrants. We'll explore refugee resettlement, migration at our southern border, and sanctuary.

Phyllis Dunn, MA in the Classics from Tufts University, and a BA in the Classics from the University of Massachusetts. She works with the Colorado Immigrants' Rights Coalition and teaches English as a Second Language and Citizenship at the Pikes Peak Library. Phyllis is on the board of the Accompaniment and

Coalition Sanctuary of Colorado Springs and works extensively with Lutheran Family Services to aid immigrants.

Victoria Witte, BA Calvin University, **MEd** Framingham State. Vicki is an active, founding member of the Colorado Springs Accompaniment and Sanctuary Coalition and serves on their board. She has spent time volunteering at immigrant shelters on the southern border. She speaks and teaches about refugees and immigration and writes about immigration on her blog: stand4welcome.wordpress.com.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Wednesday, December 7, 1pm

#4092 Genetic Genealogy: DNA Tools of the Trade, Part 2

Instructor: Melody Wilson

This class is Part 2 of 2 and will explain advanced DNA tools and strategies to use after the initial DNA results. You will also learn about analysis, tree building, and what to do if the DNA match research does not produce desired results.

Melody Wilson, MS in Computer Science/Computer Systems Security from Colorado Technical University (CTU). She was an Adjunct Instructor at CTU. She created course material and lab exercises for three undergraduate evening courses on Security Architecture, Intrusion Detection, and Virtual Private Networks.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Monday, December 12, 1pm

#4100 Philosophical Discussion: The Conundrum of Relationships

Moderator: Daryl Kuiper

Relationships can be the best of times and the worst of times. Do we need them? What makes good relationships? How do they make life tough? Let's look at this thorny issue and learn a little about ourselves. Bring your A game and be ready to expound on your greatest insights for the rest of us to assimilate. This is a discussion, not a lecture, so be prepared. An email list of my thoughts will be forwarded just before the class to help stimulate you. Let's have fun!

Philosophy is the love of knowledge. Daryl will act as moderator, but your views will be the substance of the discussion. You will either gain new insights or have your existing ones strengthened. This class will be an open discussion, so bring your opinions and ideas! A topic paper will be emailed to you to review before the class. The purpose of this paper is to stir your philosophical juices.

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In Person Only - Members \$10 / Non Members \$20

Tuesday, December 13, 10am

#4101 Prayer in Public Schools: The Free Exercise of Religion *versus* No Establishment of Religion Clauses in the 1st Amendment

Instructors: Judge Hall and Eric Hall, JD

Join Judge Hall and lawyer, Eric Hall, in an analysis of the recent Supreme Court case of the “football coach on the 50-yardline.” President Reagan said, “*As long as there are final exams, there will always be prayer in schools.*”

Eric Hall, JD at Notre Dame. He represents religious institutions and schools in all legal matters with an emphasis on First Amendment Litigation.

Richard Hall, JD in Law from the University of California at Berkeley. He was a Judge for forty-six years in the municipal, county, and district courts.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Tuesday, December 13, 12:30-3pm

FREE December Mah Jongg ~ Happy Holidays!

Every Tuesday afternoon, we will play Mah Jongg. Bring your 2022 Mah Jongg card and some change. (\$5 PIE). Please arrive a few minutes before 12:30pm to choose your table. Play will begin exactly at 12:30pm.

Wednesday, December 14, 10am

#4102 The Fairy Caves of Colorado

Instructor: Judy Casey

Hidden inside Glenwood Springs’ Iron Mountain are caverns that were closed for over 80 years. Named by C.W. Darrow, the Fairy Caves were one of the first cave system in the United States to have electric lighting installed back in 1896. Darrow hoped his venture would be a huge commercial success, drawing visitors from nearby Glenwood Springs. But to reach the cave entrance, customers had to climb a steep trail to the mountaintop. Darrow proposed an electric tram to take people more efficiently to the attraction, but the town leaders refused to fund it. So tours ceased in the mid-1910s. But in 1999, Glenwood Caverns reopened so that the visitors could see the spectacular natural wonders hidden inside Iron Mountain. Let’s explore the Fairy Caves with a video followed by discussion.

Judy Casey, MA in Education from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. She is a retired literacy specialist, elementary school principal, and a community volunteer.

Members \$10 /Non Members \$20

Wednesday, December 14, 1pm

#4103 Global Positioning System (GPS) ~ How Does It Know Where I am All the Time?

Instructor: Sandy Halby

We all have maps on our phones and navigation programs in our cars. We know they use the Global Positioning System, or GPS, to pinpoint our locations. But do you know how GPS works? In this class, we’ll simplify the mystery of GPS by taking it down to a not too technical level and figuring it out. And, we’ll see just how much GPS is integrated into other aspects of our lives besides our phones and cars! You might be surprised!

Sandy Halby, BS in Mathematics from the University of Alaska. She is a military vet 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.

Members \$20 / Non Members \$30

Thursday, December 15, 1pm

#4104A or #4104B PILLAR Reader's Theatre presents: Christmas Stories

The PILLAR Reader's Theatre will be presenting a celebration of the holiday season with some readings of the classics, some carols, and a few other surprises.

#4104A In Person: Members FREE / Non Members \$10

#4104B Zoom and Video: Members FREE / Non Members \$10



Happy Holidays!

**PILLAR will be closed from
December 16 - January 2, 2023
for the holidays.**

January 2022

Wednesday, January 4, 2023, 2-4pm

#4600 PILLAR Open House and Art Show

Come and see your friends. Register for classes. Print catalogs will be available for \$3. And there will be an art show from a local artist who will be in attendance. Art will be available for purchase. Refreshments will be served.

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