



# **UT OLLI SAGE**

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Fall 2019 Seminars

MONDAYS September 30 – November 4

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# **UT OLLI SAGE Fall Session 2019**

Fall seminars will meet for six Mondays, September 30 – November 4, 2019. The UT OLLI SAGE curriculum committee has approved 10 seminars for the Fall 2019 session. Seminars will meet on Mondays at the Thompson Conference Center (TCC). The room numbers for all seminars will be posted in the lobby. Rooms do change so please check the lobby reader board daily.

**Seminar registration begins Tuesday, September 10 at 9:00 am.** Seminar registration is done on a first come, first served basis, and the number of registrants is limited based on classroom size and instructor preference. Volunteers for class assistant or a/v tech receive priority in seminar selection.

IF you do not plan to attend any seminar in a given time, period, please DO NOT SHOW ANY CHOICES. ANY AN. LEAVE THE SLOT BLANK AND MOVE TO YOUR CHOICES IN THE NEXT TIME PERIOD. Please indicate your 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> choices within each time slot THAT YOU PLAN TO ATTEND. When there are limited spaces available for a seminar, out of respect for fellow members, please be certain of your interest in the topic and your commitment to consistent attendance before you register.

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ICF20002C	09:30AM- 10:45AM	Bad Girls II	Martha Wofford	Margaret DuMont
ICE20002F		A Scientific and Cultural Tour of the Solar System	G Fritz Benedict	Eva Gayle Maxey Gibbs
IICE20002K	11:00AM- 12:15PM	Innovations in Health Care	Sharon Dockery James C. Guckian	Sharon Dockery James C. Guckian
CE20002M	11:00AM- 12:15PM	Emerging Issues in Family Life	Jennifer Thomason Glass	Eric Hopkins
IIC F 20002N	11:00AM- 12:15PM	Buried Treasures	James Victor Woodrick	James Victor Woodrick
IICE200021	01:00PM- 02:15PM	Planet Texas 2050	Jonathon Lowell	Mark Houston
CE200021	01:00PM- 02:15PM	Austin Music Powerhouses	Sharon Dockery Margaret DuMont	Sharon Dockery Margaret DuMont
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#### 09:30 - 10:45 AM Seminars

#### CE20002C - Bad Girls II

How you define the term "Bad Girl" depends on your gender, your religious/cultural/political beliefs, your sense of humor, your upbringing and life experiences, your age, and the prevailing societal viewpoints of your times. This seminar traces the lives and influences of six remarkable women who stepped outside societal norms and left an impact on all of us.

Date	Title	Speaker
09/30/2019	Class 1 focuses on a Texas journalist - not only that, but a journalist known for mocking the Texas Legislature: Molly Ivins.	Martha Wofford
10/07/2019	Class 2 goes back to our parents' heyday, World War II, for its "bad girl": Ikuko Toguri, better known to the world as Tokyo Rose.	Martha Wofford
10/14/2019	Class 3 introduces the first half of the life of a fascinating and influential artist whose work stood the art world on its ear: Georgia O'Keeffe.	Martha Wofford
10/21/2019	Class 4 focuses on the second half of Georgia O'Keeffe's life, when some of her most groundbreaking work was done.	Martha Wofford
10/28/2019	Class 5 falls back to the years before the Civil War to watch a woman's evolution from slave to evangelist to women's rights advocate: Sojourner Truth.	Martha Wofford
11/04/2019	Class 6 follows the life of a feminist and sports icon: Billie Jean King.	Martha Wofford

**Director - Martha Wofford.** Dr. Martha Wofford is a retired audiologist who researches many and varied subjects, presenting programs to all OLLI groups.

#### CE20002E - A Scientific and Cultural Tour of the Solar System

The urge to know what's on the other side of an ocean, a hill, a mountain defines us as human. Our Solar System contains a myriad of oceans, hills, and mountains. So let's explore. The first five lectures range from the tools of the trade (telescopes, manned and unmanned spacecraft), through an appreciation of our Earth and life, to comparisons with the eight planets (Poor Pluto? No. He got promoted, not demoted.) and other solar systems around other stars. With those facts I follow the lead of Sherlock Holmes "It is a capital offense to theorize in advance of the facts" and end up finally able to theorize and provide an answer to our mystery story: How? When? Why? Will it happen again? Hint: asteroids are the blood spatter. Sprinkled throughout - art and music inspired by humans thinking about our Solar System.

**Director - G Fritz Benedict.** Dr. G. Fritz Benedict, Senior Research Scientist at the McDonald Observatory, has been on the Hubble Telescope team in a variety of roles, publishing over 40 papers detailing his results.

# 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM Seminars

# **CE20002K - Innovations in Health Care**

Six presentations will provide information on remarkable innovations in the treatment or management of health issues.

Date	Title	Speaker
09/30/2019	Reengineering health care delivery to reduce cost and improve quality of care. Innovative projects developed by Baylor, Scott and White to improve health care while making it affordable.	Cliff Fullerton, President of the Baylor, Scott and White, Quality Alliance and Mae Centeno, vice-president for clinical standards, Baylor, Scott and White
10/07/2019	A balancing act: Quality, Cost and Sustainability. Quality, Cost and Sustainability: One Medical Group's Journey:  1. Austin Regional Clinic (ARC) History  2. Medical Groups Need for Capital  3. Fee for Service and Why it is Unsustainable  4. Medicare, Medicare Advantage, and Accountable Care Organizations  5. Present Day Dilemma  6. ARC's Journey and Our Big Idea  7. Austin Partnership  8. Summary	Jay Zdunek, Chief Medical Officer of the Austin Regional Clinic.
10/14/2019	<b>Transitioning from the "old" to the "new" treatment of cancer</b> . A comparison of the benefits and risks associated with traditional chemotherapy and newer treatment models.	<b>Richard Helmer</b> , hematologist and oncologist, Texas Oncology.
10/21/2019	Science of a pulmonary medical career. Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS) was first described in 1967. Not until the late 1960's did Intensive Care Units become common in the US. Means of protection of the lung from this type of injury were initiated and mortality from the disease declined. Finally, the cellular and biochemical pathophysiology was elucidated. All of this occurred within the career of one pulmonary specialist!	William Deaton, specialist in pulmonary disease and critical care.
10/28/2019	<b>Surgical treatment of heart disease.</b> This presentation will focus on the latest developments in heart valve surgery. It will include discussions of both minimally invasive surgical techniques as well as non-surgical, catheter-based approaches to treating heart valve disease.	Faraz Kerendi, cardiothoracic and vascular surgeon.
11/04/2019	Palliative-end of life care. The supportive and palliative care session will describe the historical evolution of hospice care and the various factors that spurred the evolution of palliative measures. It will also explore family support palliative care.	Mark Casanova, Director of Clinical Ethics and Supportive and Palliative Care, Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas

**Sharon Dockery** – SAGE member Sharon Dockery is a graduate of UT and retired interior decorator.

James C. Guckian – SAGE member, Dr. James Guckian received his BA degree from UT-Austin and his M.D. degree from The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston. He served in executive positions in the UT System including Acting Executive Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs.

#### **CE20002M - Emerging Issues in Family Life**

Dr. Jennifer Glass has assembled experts from UT's Council on Contemporary Families to speak on six different topics addressing Emerging Issues and Trends in Family Life.

Topics to be discussed include: What is family life really like today? What is changing and what do families today have to face and what have we learned over the years leading up to this decade?

Date	Title	Speaker
09/30/2019	The Importance of Family Experiences to Women's Health Over the Life Course.	Kristi Williams, Senior Scholar , Council on Contemporary Families.
10/07/2019	Raising Children in an Unequal Society	<b>Robert Crosnoe</b> , Impacts on the lives of children, adolescents and young adults.
10/14/2019	Aren't Things Better? Understanding and Supporting LGBTQ Youth	<b>Stephen Russell</b> , Health, adolescent and young adult sexual orientation and gender identity.
10/21/2019	The Criminal Justice System and American Family Life	Becky Petit, author "Invisible Men, Mass Incarceration and the Myth of Black Progress".
10/28/2019	Maternal Characteristics and Child Health: A Cross-National Comparison	<b>Shannon Cavanagh</b> , Parent's partner instability, and transitioning to adulthood.
11/04/2019	What We Can Learn from Other Countries About How Best to Support Parents and Kids	Elizabeth Gershoff, Assisting at-risk children.

**Director - Jennifer Thomason Glass.** Dr. Jennifer Glass, Ph.D. Executive Director, Council on Contemporary Families. Jennifer Glass is Centennial Commission Professor of Liberal Arts in the Department of Sociology and the Population Research Center of the University of Texas, Austin. She is currently the Executive Director of the Council on Contemporary Families.

#### **CE20002N - Buried Treasures**

Buried Treasures means primarily gold and silver and other material goods valued by global cultures in past years, lost and then found again. Four of the lectures will include a brief history of the circumstances of each treasure, its discovery, and a description of the artifacts. The last two lectures will discuss known buried treasures yet unfound and popular, but likely untrue, exciting legends of buried treasures in Texas.

Date	Title	Speaker
09/30/2019	Oak Island - The Money Pit on Oak Island in Nova Scotia was discovered in 1795, and since that time many people have spent millions of dollars trying to recover a fortune believed buried here. Excavations are still underway, chronicled by a reality TV series on the History Channel.	James Woodrick
10/07/2019	<b>Shipwrecks</b> - Ships full of gold and silver have wrecked in waters all over the world. Several have been discovered, with cargo valued in the hundreds of millions of dollars. The stories of the search for these lost shipwrecks are fascinating.	James Woodrick
10/14/2019	You CAN Take It With You - We have all been told that you cannot take your wealth with you when you die. But other people have! Across the globe in past millennia important, wealthy people have been buried with immense riches. Finding their burials is in itself a fascinating story, and what they were buried with is awesome.	James Woodrick
10/21/2019	<b>Hoards</b> - Your ancestor buried his gold in a coffee can to keep it away from thieves. The only problem is - he died without telling where it was. Some of these hoards have been found, mostly by accidental discovery. You never know where one might turn up next!	James Woodrick
.10/28/2019	Waiting to be Found - We know of several instances where documented riches have been lost, but we don't know exactly where. A lot of people are looking, and one day we will be fascinated by a Breaking News story of the latest discovery.	James Woodrick
11/04/2019	<b>Texas Legends</b> - J. Frank Dobie wrote Coronado's Children, a whole book about legendary Texas treasures. These and some others much lesser known but equally interesting, will fire your imagination.	James Woodrick

**Director - James Victor Woodrick.** James Woodrick, a retired chemical engineer, is an avid Texas historian and author of several books on the subject. His latest two publications detail the cannons used in the Texas Revolution.

#### 1: 00 - 2:15 PM Seminars

#### **CE20002I - Planet Texas 2050**

By the year 2050, current demographic and climatic projections for Texas indicate both a near doubling of the population as well as a hotter, drier climate more prone to extreme weather events. Taking this decades-long view of the future into account, how can we best manage our resources, reduce impacts of floods, droughts, and wildfires, and educate our citizenry to build thriving, resilient Texas communities? The Planet Texas 2050 team is pursuing five clusters of activities all pointing towards a more resilient future. These include: 1) Quantifying and recording conditions, interactions, and impacts of human and environmental systems in the past, present, and future, 2) working to understand histories and cultures of resilience so that we can build on and strengthen what works, 3) working with communities to develop strategies to build resilience in a changing climate 4) integrating models of natural and human systems to create scenarios for risk management and improved resilience, and 5) educating the next generation to understand challenges, complexities, and exigencies related to population growth and climate change.

Date	Title	Speaker
09/30/2019	Past, present, and future climate change impacts on Texas water. The population of Texas is projected to double by 2065, while Texas will become significantly warmer and drier. The magnitude, timing, and regional distribution of these changes are uncertain. These challenges are being addressed by the UT Bridging Barriers research initiative, "Planet Texas 2050".	Jay Banner, Director of the Environmental Sciences Institute at UT.
10/07/2019	Managing Water and Land Resources with Data. Water, land and energy resources are coupled resources, meaning that management decisions on one resource can impact management of another resource.—The seminar will describe ongoing efforts to create a data-based decision making system that considers all three resources., and how new tools can create the means to better understand our natural and energy resources.	Michael H. Young, Associate Director Bureau of Economic Geology and Suzanne Pierce, Research Scientist Texas Advanced Computing Center and Environmental Science Institute.
10/14/2019	What the health is going on with climate? During this session we will discuss the way that climate change, and the resulting weather extremes, affects morbidity (how, when and why we get sick) and mortality (how, when and why we perish). We will explore climate's impact on social and environmental determinants of health such as the quality of our water and air, our ability to provide sufficient food for all, and to ensure adequate shelter for all.	Heather Houser, Associate Professor of English, affiliate of the Environmental Studies Institute and Lourdes Rodriquez, Director of Place- Based Initiatives, Dell Medical School
10/21/2019	<b>The Grand Experiment</b> . What are the responses of past societies? This session will explore what we think we know about past societies and their responses to climate and demographic stress; how what we think we know isn't always the whole picture; and how we can reach a more accurate understanding of the implications of the past for the future.	Adam Rabinowitz, Assistant Professor of Classics and Assistant Director of the Institute of Classical Archaeology.
10/28/2019	Meaning, making and community engagement in Planet Texas. What does "community" have to do with climate change and resilience? Drs. Houser and Rodríguez will share their experiences coordinating community engagement for the Planet Texas 2050 grand challenge program. We'll discuss the strategies of community engagement and collective storytelling that are essential to understanding the meanings of climate change and to developing equitable responses to it	Heather Houser Lourdes Rodriguez
11/04/2019	Urban expansion & intensification: social-ecological research. National land cover studies provide insight into regional urban growth across the United States. However, existing studies tend to emphasize either ecological impacts (open space, natural resources) or social patterns (exurban growth, commuting, etc). This seminar will explore new studies that address both how urban growth alters social-ecological functioning, and threatens both natural and human systems.	Steven Richter, Texas Urban Observatory Research Project

**Director - Jonathon Lowell.** Jonathan Lowell is a Community Engagement Specialist for Research in Science and Engineering, Planet Texas 2050 in the UT Department of Population Health.

### **CE20002J - Austin Music Powerhouses**

Austin audiences have been seeing and hearing performances of world-class classical music for over one hundred years.

Many seminars in this series will pair the artistic directors of major music providers with the business managers of those same entities. From the artistic directors we will learn about the programming and performance aspect of their organizations; how they select performers and music, and the challenges of

presenting innovative and appealing programming. From the business directors we will learn about the "nuts and bolts" of running their organizations; financing, staffing, negotiating with artists and their representatives, and dealing with Boards of Directors.

Date	Title	Speaker
09/30/2019	Austin's Music Man About Town. Bob Buckalew will draw upon 35 years of involvement with the development of Austin as a major classical music center to share informative and humorous stories of Austin music organizations and performers.	<b>Bob Buckalew</b> is a broadcast journalist who follows the Austin classical music scene.
10/07/2019	The Austin Symphony - The Powers Behind the Performances.  Behind every symphony performance lie a myriad of important tasks required to produce a (seemingly) spontaneous, uplifting evening of beautiful music.  Maestro Peter Bay and Executive Director. Corroa will discuss the artistic and business aspects of running a successful symphony orchestra.	
10/14/2019	Conspirare - An Austin Original. Conspirare's Grammy award-winning choir and audiences have been connecting through music for over 25 years. Craig Hella Johnson and Ann McNair will explore the artistic and business aspects of producing the dynamic choral art that is experienced in Austin and beyond.	Craig Johnson, Founding Director and Conductor, Conspirare and Ann McNair, Managing Director, Conspirare
10/21/2019	The Austin Chamber Music Center - Chamber Music Today. Founded in 1981, ACMC has grown from an education-focused, volunteer-run chamber music non-profit organization into a leading presenter of the art form. The presentation will describe how ACMC has developed and secured funding for programs that appeal to a wide range of audiences and its cultivation of the next generation of chamber music fans.	Michelle Schumann, Artistic Director, Austin Chamber Music Center and  Peter Helf, Executive Director, Austin Chamber Music Center
10/28/2019	Inside Austin Opera: Talent, Daring, and Resourcefulness. Debra Erck will cover the history of Austin's first professional opera company, taking us behind the scenes to experience producing an opera, and describe the Opera's new artistic initiatives.	<b>Debra Erck</b> , Director of Education, Austin Opera
11/04/2019	Ballet Austin - Growing, Thriving, Innovating. Cookie Ruiz, will share with us the process of selecting and producing ballets with attention to the harmonization of dance and musical components. She will discuss the relationship between Ballet Austin and the Austin Symphony, using music created specifically for ballet, and the impact of Stephen Mills, a classically trained musician, as artistic director of Ballet Austin.	Cookie Gregory Ruiz has been executive director of Ballet Austin, since 1999.

# Director(s):

**Sharon Dockery**. Sharon Dockery is a SAGE Member and Graduate of UT and an interior decorator.

**Margaret DuMont.** Margaret Dumont a SAGE member. She is a self-employed English, writing, and SAT-prep tutor.

#### **CE20002P - The German Influence on Texas**

The significant German immigration of the 19 <sup>th</sup> Century left a distinctive mark on Texas lifestyles, architecture, business, music, and education. The German noblemen's society, Adelsverein, attempted to establish a new Germany within Texas by organizing emigration and by purchasing land. Seminar presenters will discuss significant contributions made by this immigrant group as they transitioned into becoming Americans while maintaining their cultural identity and heritage.

Date	Title	Speaker	
09/30/2019	An Overview of the Two Principal Areas of German Settlement In Texas. Dr Kearney will give an overview of the two principal areas of German settlement in Texas, how and when they were settled and what factors constituted both the push and pull for German immigration to Texas in the 19th century.	James Kearney, Professor UT Austin, specializing in Germanic studies	
10/07/2019	Ethnicity in Public Places and Private Spaces Throughout Texas. Cindy Brandimarte will explore the many ways that German ethnicity is evident in public places, such as parks and historic sites, and in private spaces, such as the interiors of some 19 <sup>th</sup> century homes.	Cindy Brandimarte, Director of Historic Sites and Structures, Texas State Parks Commission	
10/14/2019	The German Influence on Education: From Meusebach to Higher Education.  Baron Otfried Hans Freiherr von Meusebach, Commissioner General of the Adelsverein, arriving in Galveston in 1845, led the Fredericksburg colony, and established the never broken peace treaty with the Comanche. Elected to Texas Senate in 1851 and introduced the public school bill.	James Kearney	
10/21/2019	The Notables Who Influenced Texas Culture. Myra McIlvain will follow the careers of and the impacts of seven influential German-Americans.	Myra McIlvain, Texas historian and author	
10/28/2019	Two-Step Your Way Through Time and Discover Texas in our Historic Dance Halls. Texas dance halls are as diverse and vast as Texas itself. Texas once had 1000 dance halls; today only 400 remain. Almost half were built by German immigrants. The seminar will include photos of halls long gone and those that remain, and discuss programs to assure their survival.	Deb Fleming, Executive Director and past Board President, Texas Dance Hall Preservation, Inc.	
11/04/2019	Stories of the Impact of German Culture on the Capital City. Bob Brinkman, will speak on Austin's German Legacy—both what has been lost and what still remains part of the City's landscape.	<b>Bob Brinkman</b> , Coordinator Historical Markers program, Texas Historical Commission	

**Director - Karen A Haschke.** Karen Dittmar Haschke is a descendent of the earliest immigrants to the Texas Hill Country in the first migration. She brings a unique perspective to the central Texas history as a member of the Gillespie Country Historical Society and the German Texan Historical Society

# 2:30 - 3:45 PM Seminars

#### **CE20002A - Great Travel Experiences**

Great Travel Experiences will present six seminars reflecting the expertise of travel professionals and the experience of travelers who have explored the world and those who have focused on the grandeur of America's National Parks.

These six seminars will offer insight into, perhaps, your next travel experience. If you don't make the trek, these seminars will entertain with a look at places we would all like to visit.

Date	Title	Speaker
09/30/2019	The Booming Travel Industry. The worldwide travel industry currently comprises 8.3 trillion USD or 3.1% Of the world's GDP. It is expected to grow by 3.9% annually over the next decade. This growth estimate is second only to the retail industry. Seniors, boomers, millennials and families are all packing their bags and are off to see the world. These travelers will all need air, hotel, rental cars, transfers, tours and the fastest growth in the industry Cruises.  Keith will use his 27 years of experience in this industry to give you an insider's view of what's available to you, how to get the best deals, be safe and enjoy the world of travel. Keith will also talk about how the travel advisory role has changed over the years. His Departure Lounge concept offers an efficient, fun and	Keith Waldon
	informative way to identify your next travel adventure. Buckle Up and Let's Go!!!	
10/07/2019	Cruising the Oceans, Rivers and Canals of the World. Cruising is the fastest growing segment of the travel industry and it is no surprise. With ships holding from 4 to almost 7000 passengers - there is something for everyone. In this session we will explore the different types of cruises, what they have to offer and what is unique and new in the cruise industry. We'll discuss everything from the 7000 passenger mega ship to the 4 person barge and all of those in between. Come sail with us!	Becky Robinson
10/14/2019	<b>Experiencing the World's Greatest Art through Travel.</b> One can easily incorporate an appreciation of art, architecture and historic preservation in their travel itinerary. Learn various types of museums, artist's homes and studios and historic hotels, all within the US.	Karen Bluethman
10/21/2019	<ul> <li>West by Northwest: Discovering the Beauty and the Beasts.</li> <li>Back dropped by the beauty of fall foliage, the Boroczks travel from Texas to New Mexico where they spent time at a Wolf Sanctuary en route to the beautiful state of Utah where they take in Canyon Lands and Arches National Parks along with a couple of unique state parks. On to Park City, they visit the Olympic park area and immerse themselves in the history and music of The Church of the Latter Day Saints in Salt Lake City.</li> <li>Go off-road on the dusty plains with a wildlife photographer who takes them to Toole, Utah observe and photograph the Onaqui wild horses, something that probably not be repeated as The Bureau of Land Management takes steps to thin these magnificent herds that have withstood for 100's of years on this land. From Utah to Wyoming to visit Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Parks where wildlife is resplendent, even catching the Elk rut at its peak in Mammoth.</li> <li>Travel east to South Dakota, a land of many peculiar and remarkable natural and manmade points of interest. From the Grasslands to the Badlands; "clamping under the stars with Mt Rushmore and Crazy horse smiling down on humanity. The grandeur of the Rocky Mountain Range is next in Leadville, the highest town in Colorado. Finally head back through Taos, New Mexico, where the fall color is amped along Enchanted Circle Drive.</li> </ul>	Dennis Borocyk
10/28/2019	Nepal, Tibet and Bhutan - Travels in the Heart of Central Asia. Nepal, one of the poorest, least developed countries on the planet, is nestled in the Himalayan Mountains and contains eight of the ten highest peaks in the world. Tibet, today a region of China, has an average elevation of three miles, is called "Roof of the World", and is the source of five of the ten longest rivers in Asia. Bhutantiny remote, and endlessly fascinatingopened itself to the outside world only in the 1970's. This presentation will highlight the distinctive geography, architecture and people of these distant and mysterious lands hidden in Central Asia.	Paul Lehman
11/04/2019	The Heart of Africa. Crisney will share with you her experiences on travel in Africa. She has travelled, worked and lived in Africa off and on for the past 25 years. Her experience includes meetings with tribal leaders, visiting the vineyards, beaches and savannas of the continent. Crisney will discuss how you can travel in Africa, join a safari and meet the many diverse cultures that live there. And she will tell you how to make it happen in comfort and luxury.	Crisney Lane

**Director - Jeff Robinson.** SAGE Member Jeff Robinson is a graduate of The University of Texas He joined SAGE in 2013 and currently serves as Chairman of the Executive Committee.

# CE20002F - Likeable Law: The Ins, Outs, Back stories, and Evolution of our Laws and Legal System

Please note that this seminar is limited to 80 participants at the speaker's request. Please be sure to register as quickly as possible when you are notified registration is open if you want to ensure a spot in the seminar.

This seminar follows the evolution of our laws and legal system from their origins to the present day. How did complex issues weave their way through the courts? We will examine both the gradual steps to landmark cases and the all-in-one-bite blockbuster decisions.

Date	Title	Speaker
09/30/2019	<b>Week 1:</b> The origins of our legal system, from Hamurabi and the Talmud to 1215 when English nobleman took absolute power from the king and our modern law began.	Daryle McGinnis
10/07/2019	Week 2: How American law evolved from an idealistic Constitution and inherited English common law to our current legal system.	Daryle McGinnis
10/14/2019	Week 3: What is the current status of our laws? Is our legal system broken, corrupted, and/or illogical or a mirror to society?	Daryle McGinnis
10/21/2019	Week 4: The long winding road that is the history of the Bill of Rights Voter ID, abortion, and health care are certainly not mentioned in the document, yet all are current issues.	Daryle McGinnis
10/28/2019	<b>Week 5:</b> The development of legal of Civil Rights, from the first public/legal awareness to current impacts on transportation, education, employment, public facilities, and private business.	Daryle McGinnis
11/04/2019	<b>Week 6:</b> We will discuss an amalgam of things people need to know about the law that affects their private lives: marriage and divorce, inheritance, insurance, wills and estates, property and taxation.	Daryle McGinnis

**Director** - **Daryle McGinnis**. Daryle McGinnis is a retired attorney and airline pilot who enjoys teaching classes in laymen's law. He spent 15 years as both an attorney and a Delta Airlines pilot. He currently teaches law classes at Tarrant Community College in Fort Worth and is a guest instructor at several area high schools.