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Elder Quest President's Message

Are you ready for this? We're ready for you! Our Elder Quest mission is to broaden intellectual horizons, pursue studies of many kinds, and associate with adults who share common interests. We believe in lifelong learning for all. And this Fall semester you will find we have achieved a wide variety of stimulating classes, inspiring potpourri lectures and entertaining luncheon speakers for you to enjoy.



As you attend our classes (in person or via our Zoom broadcasts at your convenience) you'll find a treasure trove of opportunities to broaden your intellectual horizons; plus we

will all discuss our thoughts (even on Zoom) on subjects near and dear to us all. You may discover your next passion or hobby and you'll certainly meet a lot of great new friends!

Elder Quest welcomes all seniors who want to keep their minds nimble while being socially active. We deliver the highest quality learning experiences taught by instructors who love sharing their knowledge with you. It's the best bargain there is for seniors at only \$45.00 for two ten week semesters. Yes, our value is unsurpassed. Under the auspices of UVU, we have made our registration process simple, straightforward and secure. (Please read the accompanying article on page 2 written by our very own Karen Cloward on this process.)

# Plus, we have a surprise for all members. If you recruit and sign up FIVE (5) NEW annual members, you will receive your choice of either a FREE one year membership OR an equivalent dollar value (\$45.00) gift card to the restaurant of your choice!

Gwen Anderson (our petite and powerful Curriculum Chair) has curated a spectacular variety of entertaining classes for you to enjoy. There are no requirements or prerequisites to attend our classes and there is NO homework! We at Elder Quest not only appreciate and respect diversity of thought and experience, we thrive on it! Share the information in this newsletter with your friends! Next semester we will offer a new menu of classes which, as always, will be based upon your input. We believe in lifelong learning for all.

As we begin this semester, I share with you a quote from President John F. Kennedy:

"This increase in the life span and in the number of our senior citizens presents this Nation with increased opportunities: the opportunity to draw upon their skill and sagacity—and the opportunity to provide the respect and recognition they have earned. It is not enough for a great nation merely to have added new years to life—our objective must also be to add new life to those years."

I hope that Elder Quest will add new life to your years. Thank you all for being who you are and being part of Elder Quest.

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David A. Wilson Elder Quest President 2022-24

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#### **Membership and luncheon Registration**

Hurray! Registration for your Elder Quest membership and luncheons are now being done online! No more writing those checks or scrounging around in your wallet or purse for those dollars, just go to bit.ly/elderquest

to select your desired options, and make one easy payment. Not ready to select anything but your membership? That's okay, just select which membership you would like and complete the process. Just want one lunch in September, that works too. If paying online isn't your cup of tea or you get a bit confused, let the good team at UVU Community Education help you get registered by giving them a call at

#### 801-863-8012

They are happy to help and answer any questions you may have concerning Elder Quest. Remember, all registrations and luncheons should be paid online. If you still can't do it, print out a registration form from our website https://www.uvu.edu/communityed/elder/ or complete the registration form in this newsletter and mail it along with your check in the right amount to:

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must be reserved & paid a minimum of 7 days in advance of the event so that catering may plan the staffing, the menu & order the food. Order online or contact UVU Registration at 801-863-8012 to RSVP.

Luncheons

Karen Cloward is the Assistant Director of UVU Community Education and the Second Vice-President for Elder Quest. She has was familiar with Elder Quest prior

to being hired as she used to give them tours at the Dinosaur Museum at Thanksgiving Point. Karen is passionate about life-long learning and really enjoys seeing students try something new and get excited about what they have learned. In her former profession she was a paleontologist studying Jurassic age

dinosaurs and working with some of the iconic paleontologists of the time. She was one of the designers of the dinosaur museum at Thanksgiving Point, creating the layout, the displays and identifying and workworked at UVU nearly 12 years but ing on some of the fossils for the displays. She is actually one of the people represented in the first room and is in the painting in the Mammoth room. She and her husband Bernell live in Orem, and they have 4 children and 14 grandchildren. She loves to garden, read, ride ATVs, kayak, and go to movies and plays. She also loves southern Utah where around every corner there is something to be discovered.

#### **2024 TRAVEL ADVENTURES for ELDER QUESTERS!**

It's time to plan your 2024 travel season! Travel Passport knows that you will find many things on this list to entice your adventurous spirit!



July 2024 — It's Logan for an amazing music season. You will be seeing the wonderful Cole Porter Musical. "Anything Goes". Next is the incredible musical "Cats", our third show is a dark comedy musical, "Little Shop of Horrors", and then one of the great Comic Musicals, "Guys and Dolls". The frosting on the cake is Puccini's Gianni Schicchi & Buoso's Ghost by Michael Ching. We also include shopping at bargain outlets!

**November 2024** — It's back to **Branson** again. Branson never disappoints! Branson is a town based on Faith, Family, and Country! We will see 5 or 7 shows depending on whether or not you go to Silver Dollar City. Silver Dollar City is an amusement park, with shows, caves, thousands of lights, food and every ride imaginable. Stores are selling Ozark goods and the Christmas light parade is wonderful. It is a delight. We also will be touring Branson with a professional guide and will be visiting the College of the Ozarks and their incredible museum with all sorts of Ozarkian wonders, such as "The Beverly Hillbilly's Car." We have also put in Big Cedar Lodge, which we know everyone will love. This is a tour where you go 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> miles in golf carts holding 4 in each car. You will see waterfalls, go through a cave and see incredible landscape and views. You are in for a treat of outstanding entertainment, incredible food and a history unlike our own here in the Mountain West. When we have our tours complete we will be put them on our website!

Joan Hahn was born and raised in Kemmerer, Wyoming. She graduated from Brigham Young University room dancer until I wrecked my in 1965 with a major in Speech & Drama and a minor in English. She continues: I taught theatre at Payson High School for 6.5 years and Cottonwood High School in Salt Lake City, for 24 yrs. During that time, I won the State Theatre Competition 9 times, took 2<sup>nd</sup> place 6 times and 3<sup>rd</sup> place 9 times. I still hold the record for the most first place wins in Utah State 5A Com-

petition. I taught dancing for many years and was a professional ballleft knee. I still danced, but not professionally and did a lot of choreography for many schools, community theatres, etc.

I have been in 102 countries and all 50 states. I started running theatre tours 53 years ago and am still going strong. Every year we book numerous high schools and colleges on Broadway & London Theatre

August 2024 — We are going to St. George to see two incredible shows at Tuacahn's Amphitheater. First, the wonderful Disney Musical, "Frozen". Carla and I saw this on Broadway and were blown away by this technical masterpiece. Yes, it's a wonderful story, but the technical steals the show and you will love it once you quit gasping for air. The second show is still up in the air until they post their full season, but we have inside information of what it is going to be and we saw it on Broadway. It is wonderful and you will love it! We promised not to let anyone know until Tuacahn announces it.

We will also be seeing two shows at the Shakespeare Festival in Cedar City. We have their list, but must wait for Tuacahn's calendar. I am sure you will love your choices. We are looking at "Taming of the Shrew" or "Much Ado About Nothing" along with "39 Steps" and a wonderful Comedy, "Murder Mystery". This is sheer fun. We saw it on Broadway and loved it. If you can imagine comedy and Hitchcock, this is your show!



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In my spare time, I read and do embroidery. I love raising roses and have raised many test roses for Jackson & Perkins. I have owned Travel Passport, for 30 years and I still work in the office every day. My life motto is the same as Auntie Mame's, "Life is a banquet and most poor fools are starving to death."

#### **2024 TRAVEL ADVENTURES for ELDER QUESTERS!**

ELDER QUEST FALL SEMESTER CLASSES: 9/11 — 11/17				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
From Page to Stage to Sondheim Judith & Leonard Tourney	<b>China in the 21<sup>st</sup></b> <b>Century</b> Robert Griffiths 10:00 —11:00	This is Justice — Really? Alex Ludlow 10:00 — 11:30	<b>The World &amp; I</b> Brad Daw 10:.00 — 11:30	Friday Flick Grace Barrett 2:00
10:00—11:30	Cultural			
	Geography — The Rest of Russia!			
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		nounced in your		Update
		Weekly Email Updates		Email.
Great Poems of the	Retirement	·	G.K. Chesterton	All are welcome!
English Language Bruce Young	<b>Finance</b> Alex Call	ELDER QUEST LUNCHEONS	Neal Lambert 1:00 — 2:00	Bring your
1:00 - 2:00	1:00—2:00	12:00 NOON	1.00 - 2.00	friends!
		9/13 — 10/11 11/8 — 12/13 Luncheons <u>must be reserved &amp;</u> <u>paid a minimum of 7</u> <u>days in advance</u> of the event so that catering may plan the staffing, the menu & order the food.		
Family Matters	Viking History		Enjoying	
Deon Ruf 2:30 — 3:30	David Farnsworth 2:30 — 3:30	Order Online or Call our UVU	<b>Shakespeare</b> Dave Johnson	
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#### MONDAYS 10:00 — 11:30 FROM PAGE to STAGE to SONDHEIM

In our Search to continue our study of 'Page to Stage Musical,' we were stopped in our tracks when we first considered the musicals of Stephen Sondheim whose body of work qualified. We decided then and there to devote our entire study this semester to the phenomenon of this composer/lyricist who has been regarded as the most important and original influence I the American Musical Theatre of the 20th century. As we investigated his works further, we found him, indeed, to be the most eloquent, clear-headed and disciplined of all others we originally had in mind. Sad to say, he passed away at age 91 in 2021, but left behind a legacy as a scholar of the art form, articulate, constantly challenging himself as well as his fellow artists and actors (he had asked one young actor-singer what he thought the actor's weaknesses as a singer were. The young man told him singing chromatic scales. The next day Sondheim presented him with his solo song written with all chromatic notes, to the actor's dismay. Why, he asked did Sondheim to this to him? Sondheim's response: The young man needed to learn how to conquer his weaknesses, and he would

teach him how to do it!

We jumped for joy as we watched videos, documentaries, interviews and staged productions of his works! We heard his response to the quest: Who are your musical inspirations, and he said, "Mozart, Beethoven, and Ravel, especially Ravel."

We're excited to share our discoveries with you as we view classic stage scenes from some of his works, such as, "A Little Night Music," "Into the Woods," "Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street," "Sunday in the Park with George," "Merrily We Roll Along", (considered a flop in 1981, but now being revived and celebrated today), and others. We've also lined up some stage actors and directors who will visit us and discuss their career involvement with "Sunday in the Park," "A Little Night Music," and "Merrily we Roll Along." Inf you've never seen a Sondheim musical you are in for a special education and theatrical experience. If you have, you will want to know from whence such an experience came and who was the genius behind it. Join us!

Leonard Tourney was born in Long Beach, California and received a B.A. in English from BYU and an M.A. and Ph.D., also in English, from the University of California at Santa Barbara. He has taught English, legal writing, and creative writing at Western Illinois University, the University of Tulsa, the University of California at Santa Barbara and at BYU. He has published scholarly articles in seventeenth-century English literature, a critical biography of Joseph Hall, and fourteen novels, historical fictions set in Shakespeare's day. The most recent, The Kindness of Witches, came out this year and is the second in a threebook series featuring William Gilbert, sixteenth-century scientist and physician to Queen Elizabeth I. He has also taught writing workshops and been on the staff of the nationally-known Santa Barbara Writer's Conference since 1986.



Pasadena, California and grew up in San Diego and Chula Vista, California. She attended Brigham Young University, graduating with a B.A. degree in Speech and English with a minor in French. She obtained the M.F.A. in Theatre Design and a PhD in Theatre Performance. Her dissertation, "The American Woman Playwright," was one of the first published studies in the area of feminist theatre.

Judith appeared in many productions while in Salt Lake City at the Pioneer Theatre, Theatre 138, the Lagoon Opera House, the Babcock Theatre, The Classic Greek Theatre Festival, and others. She won a regional Irene Ryan Scholarship which allowed her to perform at the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C. as a finalist. Upon graduation, she obtained a position at the University of California-Santa Bar-

Judith Olauson Tourney was born in bara (UCSB) Theatre Department, later receiving tenure and the honorary title of Senior Lecturer during her 30 years there. She headed the selective B.F.A. Acting Training Program, became a founding member of the Theatre Artists Group, Naked Shakespeare Company, and directed a musical theatre company representing UCSB, the American Musical Comedy Corps, for the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in Scotland.

> She directed two major musicals at the Lobero Theatre for the Santa Barbara Civic Light Opera Company. She performed, directed, conducted acting workshops of designed theatrical costumes at Mankato State University, Minnesota; Eastern New Mexico University; and the University of Texas at Austin, Texas. She directed musicals at the Santa Rosa Summer Repertory Theatre (SRT), The Windmill Theatre

in West Yellowstone, and Western Stage Theatre in Columbia, California. She married Leonard Tourney in 1996, and later both retired from UCSB to join the faculty at BYU. She for a oneyear appointment in the



Theatre Department an he teaching in the English Department for the next 9 years. She continued her theatre work as a Director-Producer for KBYU-FM Radio, producing radio drama, interviews, and the series, "Christmas Chronicles."

They served an LDS Institute teaching mission in Ottawa, Canada, for a year and taught local Institute classes for BYU upon their return. She and Leonard have taught 17 different classes since they began teaching for Elder Quest over the past 15 years.

## MONDAYS 1:00 — 2:00 GREAT POEMS OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

In this class we'll be reading and talking about some of the greatest poems in the English language, including poems by Shakespeare, Spenser, Donne, Herbert, Milton, Blake, Wordsworth, Coleridge, Keats, Browning, Hopkins, Yeats, Eliot, and others. We'll even look at a poem or two by the fine Welsh poet, Leslie Norris, who taught at BYU for many years. That means we'll be looking at poetry from the 1500s to the 2000s.

Of course, even in the space of 10 weeks, we'll only be skimming the surface of the vast quantity of wonderful poetry written in English, but we'll look at some of the best and most interesting poems. We'll focus mostly on short poems, so that we'll be able to look at them in detail. I'll refer to additional poems and poets that you can explore on your own. Along the way, we'll discuss poetic forms and styles and consider what makes poetry work as memorably and powerfully as it often does. Also, I'll provide background information, including a brief survey of the history of poetry in England and America and biographical information about the writers.

You'll gain two especially important things from this class: first, the pleasure of experiencing the intense power and beauty of poetic language, with its rich combination of sound, structure, imagery, and symbolism; and second, the wisdom that great writers offer about life's struggles, sorrows, joys, and triumphs. Poetry can not only enrich our lives, it can change them. As the class gives you a taste of all of this, I hope it will inspire you to keep reading poetry on your own.



During the past several years, **Bruce Young** has taught classes for Elder Quest on various topics, from Shakespeare to C. S. Lewis to Africa. This fall he will teach a class intended to introduce us to some of the great poems of the English language. Renaissance literature, and literat ture in general, including poetry and drama. He has published art ics and has also published review poetry, and personal essays. His book titled *Family Life in the Ag* of *Shakespeare* appeared in 2009

Bruce has been interested in poetry for most of his life, has written poetry himself, and has taught it throughout his academic career. After completing graduate work at Columbia and Harvard, Bruce taught English at BYU for 38 years, specializing in Shakespeare and teaching various classes, introducing students to Shakespeare, C. S. Lewis, world literature, English Renaissance literature, and literaand drama. He has published articles on Shakespeare and other topics and has also published reviews, poetry, and personal essays. His book titled Family Life in the Age of Shakespeare appeared in 2009. During several trips to England, he has visited places connected with

the writers he loves.

More recently, he and his wife (Margaret Blair Young) have made several trips to Africa and have helped produce two feature films, Heart of Africa and Heart of Africa 2: Companions, the first two films made in the Democratic Republic of the Congo by a Congolese film team to appear in theaters in the US. For him, all of these activities have been ways of understanding and communicating about the glories and challenges of human experience. Along the way, his love of poetry and other forms of literature has grown and deepened. He's excited to teach a class about poetry so that he can share that love with others.

## MONDAYS 2:30 — 3:30 FAMILY MATTERS

## In each class, we will discuss how family mattered to the author of each memoir.

## You are encouraged to read each book and share your insights in class.

- 1. **Gifted Hands** by Ben Carson. How did the service Dr. Carson provided matter to the families he served?
- 2. Educated by Tara Westover. Are there two sides to her story?
- 3. **Finding Fish** by Antwone Fisher. Why did Atwone go in search for his family? What did he learn?
- 4. League of Wives by Heath Hardage Lee. Something was missing in these woman's lives. What did they do about it?
- 5. My Wife Said You May Want to Marry Me by Jason B Rosenthal. Why would Jason's wife publish an editorial using this title?
- 6. **My Life, Deleted** by Scott Bolzan, Joan Bolzan. How was Scott Bolzan's life deleted?
- 7. Having Our Say, and Book of Everyday Wisdom, by Sarah L. Delany and A. Elizabeth Delany. On My Own at 107 by Sarah L Delany. Did it matter that the Delany Sisters' father was born into slavery?
- 8. **Refuge** by Terry Tempest Williams. Why did Terry claim she belonged to the Clan of One Breasted Women?
- 9. How to Stitch an American Dream by Jenny Doan. How did Jenny stitch an American dream?
- 10. God's Smuggler by Brother Andrew. What did Brother Andrew smuggle and where did he work?

**Deon Ruf**, is a graduate of Ogden High School and BYU. She taught second grade at Cascade Elementary in Orem and was an Elder Quest poetry teacher. She returned to us last semester with her very popular Lemons to Lemonade class.





## China in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

Every day, China is in the news. This is your chance to make sense of what is being reported! Following on our discussion of Chinese history last fall, this course will shed light on how China is working to realize its dream of regaining the prominent position it enjoyed during 2000 years of dynastic rule. Looking at culture, values, and economic and political development, we will examine what China's re-emergence means for the people of China and for the rest of the world!





## Cultural Geography... The Rest of Russia!

Last year, with Russia and Ukraine constantly in the news, it seemed a perfect time to learn about Russia. Last fall semester we studied the history, culture, language, religion and politics of Russia. Since everything in Russia is so huge, we didn't actually get too far. So this semester is .....the rest of Russia! We will finish our study of Russia up to the modern day, and then you will understand why the war in Ukraine is dragging on so long and what has motivated it!

**Robert and Jeannie Griffith** retired to Provo after 33 years with the U.S. State Department, serving overseas in U.S. embassies and consulates. Most of those postings were in Asia, where they both worked to learn the languages National Defense University and now teaches and get to know the local cultures and people. While Robert was speaking at universities, meeting with professors and business executives, and reporting back to Washington on the political and economic goings on, Jeannie was getting to know the locals by teaching English, ly leads several therapy groups and thinks that working as a museum guide in Shanghai and Bangkok, and helping with refugees and other charitable causes.

Jeannie and Robert are BYU graduates, but they met in Boston where Robert earned a masters degree in public policy at Harvard and Jeannie was working in sales. Robert's last government assignment was teaching at the political science part-time at BYU. Jeannie organized study groups overseas and in Washington, D.C., where she also worked as a docent at the Smithsonian—"the best preparation for teaching cultural geography!" She current-Elder Quest is the best thing about living in Utah! They are parents of three children, each born on a different continent, and grandparents to 12.

## TUESDAYS 1:00 — 2:00 FINANCES IN RETIREMENT

The 10-week course, "Finances in Retirement, "...provides straightforward, practical insights into retirement financial planning. Covering key topics such as income planning, investment strategies, and social security benefits, the course equips retirees with the tools to manage their finances effectively."

Additionally, it explores retiree-specific financial products, healthcare options, and tax strategies. The curriculum also includes a class focused on financial considerations for those who plan on serving as missionaries in their respective faiths.



Alex Call is a partner, Certified Financial Planner<sup>™</sup> and graduate of Utah Valley University where he majored in Personal Financial Planning

and minored in Finance.



a Certified Financial Planner<sup>™</sup> professional at Peterson Wealth Advisors. Carson is also a National Social Security

Advisor certificate holder, a Chartered Retirement Planning Counselor<sup>TM</sup>.



Alek Johnson is a **Certified Financial** Planner® at Peterson Wealth Advisors. He graduated from Utah Valley University where

he studied Accounting and Business Management. Alek also has earned his master's degree in Financial Planning and Analytics from UVU.

Week 1 - The Retirement Challenge: We start with tackling the basics of retirement finance. Get a clear picture of what planning for retirement really means.

Week 2 - Social Security: This week, we're focusing on social security benefits. We'll break down the best strategies to maximize these benefits for your retirement.

Week 3 - Debunking Today's Investment Fallacies: Week three will dispel common investment myths. Get an honest understanding of how the investment world works today.

Week 4 - Investing During Retirement: This session will explain how to adapt your investment strategies for retirement. We'll discuss what changes you might need to consider.

Week 5 - Create a Plan Retirement Income Plan: Midway through the course, we'll help you build a personalized retirement income plan. This will be your guide to securing steady income in retirement.

Week 6 - Benefits of Having an Income Plan and Tax Strategies: This week, we'll show the importance of income planning and share some tax strategies that can help you keep more of your money.

Week 7 - Financial Products for Retirees: We'll explore financial products specifically designed for retirees. Learn about options like annuities, life insurance, reverse mortgages, etc.

Week 8 - Medicare/Marketplace: In week eight, we'll cover your health insurance options, focusing on Medicare and other available choices, to help you make the best decision for your healthcare needs.

Week 9 - Estate Planning: In the second to last week, we'll explain wills, trusts, and how to plan your estate to protect your assets and provide for your loved ones.

Week 10 - Financial Considerations for Senior Missions: As we close out the course, we'll guide those who are planning senior missions through the financial aspects of this unique retirement journey.

## TUESDAYS 2:30 — 3:30 VIKING HISTORY

We are fortunate to present a new instructor and a course that many will be interested in. The Vikings-the people, their culture and history and the significant effect they had on the Europe of their time and to the present. National Geographic asks and responds to the question, Who were the Vikings? "The answer has never been clear cut. The <u>term "Viking"</u> is itself contested; the English term has its origins in an Old Norse word, viking, with a variety of meanings that range from raiding to exploring to piracy. Usually used by people on the receiving end of violent encounters, it described groups of Scandinavian seafarers between A.D. 750 and 1050 the period now known as the Viking era." If you are British or Irish or North German or maybe even French, not to mention Scandinavian or Icelandic, you are part Viking.

In this class, we will look at the peoples and cultures we have come to know as Vikings. We will review the mythology, economies, skills and weakness. We will examine their expansion west, south and east and learn of the significant long term effects they had on European and Mediterranean history and cultures.



**David Farnsworth** is a retired attorney who spent his early career representing a large international NGO in Europe and Africa and the Middle East. The second part of his work life was in tech companies ending with 11 years as General Counsel for Ancestry.com. He has lived in Austria, Germany, France and the Philippines and visited more than 80 countries. After retiring he was a current affairs analyst for a NGO for three and a half years. David enjoys the outdoors; hiking, biking, fishing, photography and target shooting. He has taught this and several other courses in Utah Tech's adult education program. He is married to Maryruth Bracy now Farnsworth and

has two children, 8 grandkids and a great grand on the way.

## THURSDAYS 10:00 — 11:30 THE WORLD & I

This Fall we will be reviewing events including politics, economy, climate, and more from around the world, the nation, statewide and locally and what that means to us. There are always plenty of events happening around the world to discuss. From the war in Ukraine, to momentous Supreme Court decisions to upcoming elections next year.

Everyone has an opinion and all opinions are welcome in a class where everyone can truly "agree to disagree". It is all about having lively discussions on what is happening around us locally, statewide, nationally, and even internationally. This is an opportunity to let your true opinions be heard without worry. There are lots of subjects to talk about (besides politics), so let's all discuss what's happening around us each week.



**Brad Daw** was born in Provo, Utah to Albert M. and Sherrie Daw. He was the first of six children and grew up in Shelley, Idaho. Daw earned a Bachelor of Science degree in electronics engineering from BYU and a Master of Science in computer engineering from San Jose State University. He served as a member of the Utah House of Representatives from 2004 to 2013 and again from 2015 to 2021. Daw lives with his wife, Laura, and five children in Orem, Utah.

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## WEDNESDAYS 10:00 — 11:30 THIS IS JUSTICE — REALLY?

Happily for all of us Alex returns and brings more fascinating cases to shock and amaze us which makes for very interesting discussions! His class will be a continuation of the same format as last semester. The poll that he gave to his class on the last day, resulted in many requests for some very interesting cases. In addition, there was a request for a class on wills and trusts, which he will be including. As a teaser, and we know how much he loves to tease us, his first class will include a case involving a pig...

Alexander Ludlow graduated from the J. Reuben Clark Law School at BYU. Following graduation, he was commissioned as a JAG officer in the US Navy. After active duty and Reserve service, he retired as a Commander. He practiced law in Southeastern Connecticut and served as an adjunct faculty member teaching Business Law.

After returning to Utah Valley, he became a prosecutor for the Utah County Attorney's Office. Since retiring from the County Attorney's Office, Alex says he has spent way too much time working in his yard and is having a great time teaching for EQ!



## THURSDAYS 1:00 — 2:00 G.K CHESTERTON

G. K. Chesterton and The Story of the Family. Our discussions for the course will be drawn from a collection of Chesterton's salient essays and comments, *The Story of the Family* (Ed. Dale Ahlquist). And available from Amazon in prices ranging \$8.00 to \$15.00).

G.K. Chesterton (1874-1936) was one of the best and most prolific English, writers of the 20th century. He published over five thousand essays in newspapers and magazines (people often bought the paper just to read Chesterton), and he wrote over 200 books of cultural and literary criticism, poetry, and fiction (He invented, for instance, the figure of "Father Brown"). His writings on religion—particularly his *The Everlasting Man*—were influential in C. S. Lewis' conversion to Christianity. But perhaps because he was considered a "Journalist," after his death he slipped from wide public notice.

However, much of what Chesterton wrote still rings true for us now, particularly matters regarding the home and family. As one commentator wrote: "With the eyes of a prophet, Chesterton knew that the world's embrace of the family as the primary social unit was coming to an end. Modernity and postmodernity cannot handle such a wondrous institution. Watching Chesterton defend the family is a Joy." (Bradley Birzer, Ph.D., Professor of History, Hillsdale College).

**Neal Lambert** is an emeritus professor of English and American Studies at Brigham Young University (BYU). His most notable work was *A Believing People: Literature of Latter-day Saints* an anthology coedited with Richard Cracroft.

Neal Lambert was born in Fillmore, Utah to Elwood Delyle Lambert and his wife the former Libbie Utley. He earned a bachelor's degree and a Ph.D., the later in American Studies, both from the University of Utah. His doctoral dissertation was on the western writing of Owen Wister. Lambert began his career as a professor at what is now Weber State University. He joined the BYU faculty in 1966. For a time Lambert served as the chair of the BYU Faculty Advisory Council, which

fulfills some of the roles faculty senates serve at other universities. He also in the early 1970s served as the faculty advisor to the BYU bookstore, working to increase the purchasing of scholarly works by the bookstore and the use of the bookstore by the faculty. Lambert also served as the chair of BYU's American Studies Program,



chair of the BYU English Department (1991-1994) and Associate Academic Vice President for graduate studies and research from 1982-1985. In 1991 Lambert became department chair of the BYU English Department. Spend time with great works of the Bard. We will be reading the Shakespeare plays to be shown in the 2024 season of the Utah Shakespeare Festival in Cedar City, Utah. Our class will once again be a readers' theatre / discussion format. Previous experience is not needed -- no memorizing! Reading ahead is certainly allowed.

**Henry VIII** — Following the story of a ruthless race to power and the desire for a male heir, this history play presents a monarch facing a series of struggles and crises. King Henry VIII is wrestling with his legacy of not having a male heir, and this flows directly from his concern that God is punishing the king for having married his brother's widow, Katherine. He listens too closely to his duplicitous adviser, Cardinal Wolsey, who may have his own interest at heart, while the honorable Duke Buckingham is convicted of treason. Through a series of events, Henry-and the kingdom-are in a historic crisis that will forever change the direction of the empire.



- The Winter's Tale King Leontes's jealousy and rage sparks the action in this be-• loved Shakespearean romance. Driven by nothing but his own unfounded suspicions, Leontes falsely accuses his wife Hermione of infidelity with his closest friend and dire consequences follow. Focusing on themes of betrayal, loss, and forgiveness, this play winds toward love and redemption to make it one of the Bard's most beautiful and satisfying plays.
- Much Ado about Nothing Meet Beatrice and Benedick, two people who are the perfect romantic • match. So, of course, they hate each other. Their battle of words and wits presents Shakespeare's best verbal battles-of-the-sexes sparring while everyone around them conspire to join these two in romance. Meanwhile, Beatrice's cousin Hero is happily in love with Claudio, so of course, a plot by the malcontent Don Juan causes trouble for the pair. How will the mishaps, mistakes, and misunderstandings resolve for love to be discovered and endure?
- The Taming of the Shrew The bold, spirited, and headstrong Katherina is deemed unworthy of marriage while suitors pursue her younger sister Bianca. Their father refuses to let his younger daughter marry until an appropriate match is made for the elder, which Petruchio accepts as a challenge. However, Katherina will not be tamed so easily. Their dastardly deeds and heated battles hurl this comedy toward its end. And in Petruchio's journey to make Katherina a compliant and obedient bride, they both learn more about what being an equal partner really means.





Utah and attended BYU where he graduated with a degree in language arts (English, theatre, speech, and journalism). He was also involved in folkdance, vocal music, and theatre performance. His job to finance his education was as a baker at Cannon Center and he retains that skill today! Following University he taught public school throughout his entire career: English, theatre, and speech.

Dave Johnson grew up in Richfield, In addition to teaching, Dave is the Parliamentarian on the Elder Quest Board of Directors. It is mandated by the constitution of the organization since we operate under Robert's Rules of Order, Revised. My duties consist mainly of the following: Advising the president. Insure that while the majority rules, the minority is not ignored; the minority has a right to be heard. Follow the requirements of our constitution and bylaws. Allow for full debate before decisions are made. Require transparency in our deliberations, i.e. certain items must be voted on by the board and the results of those votes recorded in official minutes, and are available as needed.

## **ELDER QUEST BOARD MEMBERS — SENIORS WITH A PURPOSE**

#### Marjean Bingham — First VP, President Elect

I joined Elder Quest 7 years ago shortly after the death of my husband. It didn't take long before I became a real EQ fan. I cherish the friendships I've made and the opportunity to participate in lifelong learning! The classes and teachers are exceptional! I've also enjoyed the opportunity to serve in the organization in various board positions. I'm a native Utahn, grew up in Ogden, spent several years in Pennsylvania and have lived in the Provo/Orem area for the past 52 years. I value our long term on-going relationship with UVU and take pride in the many scholarships Elder Quest has provided for non-traditional students. My personal life includes 3 daughters, 10 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren, all who add significantly to my happiness!

#### Gwen Anderson — Curriculum

Originally from Hawaii, Gwen Anderson's background includes international business training in the USA, Canada, Puerto Rico, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and the United Kingdom. A successful secondary and university Art and Social Science instructor, Multicultural Director, international recruiter and National Park Education Ranger, Gwen continues to deliver the highest quality teachers and classes for Elder Quest in addition to her high-impact, interactive workshops that target valid personal, academic and spiritual growth concepts. Utilizing "The Brain's Natural Learning Process" and "Transformative Learning," participants of all ages leave with practical applications that deliver results. Qualified with an M. A., Gwen is a passionate, experienced, and humorous trainer.

#### Nancy Jefferies — Membership

I was born and raised in Minnesota. I moved to Utah to attend BYU the day after I turned 18, as a convert to the Church of Jesus Christ of LDS. My husband, Kent and I have been married for 55 years. We raised 7 children and have 20 grandchildren and 7 great grands. Besides raising children I spent 32 years off and on obtaining my Bachelor's degree in History as a non-traditional student and 3 more years getting a Master's degree in Library and Information Science. I was employed for 20 years for the Alpine School District, mostly as an assistant librarian. I have enjoyed traveling throughout the U.S. including Alaska and Hawaii with our family and have bred wanderlust into most of the children. I have also been to Israel and Jordan, to 8 countries in Europe and to Argentina and Brazil. I enjoy reading, knitting, Journaling and going to lunch with friends and/or family members and watching our grandchildren participate in sports, and various school activities including ballroom dancing especially.

#### Gerhard Ruf — Technology

Gerhard was born in Frankfurt, West Germany and emigrated with his family to Utah for his ninth birthday. With his service as a missionary and as a US Army officer, he has spent 15 years of his life in German-speaking countries. He loves the use of technology and enjoys the challenge of learning new things. Since his teen years he has been involved in and promoting efforts in family, and currently serves as president of the Utah Valley Technology and Genealogy Group. Gerhard enjoys singing in Millennial Choirs and Orchestras. He and Deon have been married 34 years. Before they met, they brought 6 children into the world, and currently claim 37 grandchildren and 39 great grandchildren, with 2 more in the oven. They enjoy reading books out loud to each other.

#### Janet Harmon — Secretary

I was born in Brigham City UT, have lived in Fresno CA, Harper Ward UT, Los Altos CA, Spokane Valley WA and Orem UT. I have 3 daughters, 13 grandchildren and 5 1/2 great grandchildren. They all are the love of my life. I enjoy sewing (all kinds), reading, gardening and being with my family. I've traveled enough to satisfy my urge to pack a suitcase. Life is SO good!

#### Sharon Ann Bird — Historian

Sharon was born in 1936 and raised in Salt Lake City, the eldest of 6 children. She met Cloyd L Bird, a nice ID farm boy, at a BYU church dance. He played the violin throughout the southern states, was a missionary and an Army Korean war veteran. Between 1957 and 1974 they has 7 children, two of whom were twins. Sharon was secretary to 4 BYU Graduate School Deans in a 2 year period. She was also Secretary to the Utah State Board of Education between 1966 and 1967. For 30 years she was a professional typist, working from home, typing dissertations, manuscripts, etc. The Bird children were privileged to meet people with many occupations from all over the world, right in their own home.

Karen Cloward — Second VP & **UVU Liaison** Karen's information is on page 2.

Joan Hahn — Scholarships Joan is also our Travel Passport guide and her information is on page 3.

Dave Johnson — Parliamentarian Dave is also our Shakespeare teacher and his information is on page 12.













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#### David Wilson — President

David said his bio was boring. We read it and agree. Our newsletter space is limited and his accomplishments are not so we'll condense them for you. He is an Eagle Scout with 47 years of service in every position imaginable. We would list them but the list is longer than your arm and you would fall asleep before you neared the end. He has received every Scouting award possible from every person and organization known to man. When asked what one Scouting experience he was most proud of, it was having his whole family involved in Scouting, his daughters in Exploring &

Venturing and his son receiving the rank of Eagle Scout. If you want to get lost in the woods do not take David, or any

of his family, with you.

David and his wife, Charlene, have one son, 5 daughters, plus 14 grandchildren and we guarantee he knows all their names. He recently retired after over 25 years as the Executive Director of the Utah Energy Conservation Coalition non-profit organization. He is an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints serving in many, many positions. He has been a member of the Elks Lodge, Orem City Community Development Block Grant Committee, and Orem City Board of Adjustments. This is a man who knows how to volunteer! And that's why we love him at Elder Quest. He has been a member for 10+ years. His energy is unstoppable and his sense of humor is contagious. He believes in Elder Quest for seniors and is always ready to shout it to the world!



#### Enid Harvey — Communications

My history is complex and includes small towns as well as Chicago, NYC, DC and Miami before Utah. I was a shy kid growing up in the Midwest. My mother died at 11; my father, an auditor for the REA, was only home on weekends so I raised myself along with 2 siblings. At 17 I had a job and an apartment; at 18 a management title. At 20, I was disheartened to realize UW intended to put me in a proverbial box in the name of group think. I refused! Numerous proposals, 3 engagements, one marriage at 35. At 40 I wanted kids. If I had known they were going to be so fabulous I would have started sooner! Divorced at 63 and I got the kids; they came with the house; and life is great!

Smart bosses gave me freedom to indulge my visions and cheered the results. Sales was a common thread although it went by various titles, usually manager. The career that led to my entrepreneurship was recruiting high level executives. I also wrote marketing materials for companies and had clients who came from around the world based exclusively on word of mouth — I never advertised! I am a Certified Life Coach. Learning doesn't begin or end with formal education. If we're lucky, it never ends!

I love music; played bassoon in orchestra; alto sax in marching band and city band and baritone sax in a swing band. I'm a voracious reader and love old movies. Life is full of challenges and I've been blessed with many. God has a great sense of humor!

## CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

#### Are you missing your purpose in life?

Elder Quest is looking for volunteers who desire more meaning in their life. We're want special people who know that the golden years are truly golden when you volunteer to help others. We're a friendly and lively group of characters who refuse to fade into the woodwork. We value opinions and we'd love to hear yours! We believe everyone is unique and has something special to offer Elder Quest. Call or text David Wilson at 801-361-0033 and tell us about you.

#### We are also hoping to fill the following positions:

Facilitator Committee — The chair of this committee shall record class attendance numbers (both in person and on Zoom). This information will be shared with the Elder Quest Executive Board as well as the Chair of the Curriculum Committee. Members of this committee may be asked to assist with class set-up, take down, manning the roving microphone, or provide a short daily message and/or thought at the start of each day's classes.

Monthly Event Speakers/Entertainment Committee — The chair of this committee shall work with the members of Elder Quest to obtain speakers and/or entertainment for the monthly luncheons as well as the potpourri events. Speakers should represent a variety of topics and interests pertinent to the Eder Quest membership. Luncheon speakers and entertainers (and one guest) will receive their meals at no cost. In cooperation with the UVU reservation system, a member of the committee will maintain a luncheon reservation sheet and inform the UVU Culinary Arts school of the attendance count no later than seven (7) days before the monthly lunch.

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- Lunches, dinners and other outside activities will require additional payments unless noted otherwise.
- Elder Quest membership fees do not include the \$10 annual Senior Pass to the Provo Recreation Senior Center. The Senior Pass gives members access to the Community side of the Recreation Center with free access to core senior programs including - Tai Chi, Bingo, Zumba Gold, Book Club, Educational programs and seminars, limited track and swim access, Computer Lab, Library access and Wellness Room Fitness Equipment access. This pass does not give general access to the rest of the Recreation Center. Contact the Community Counter at (801) 852-6620 for more details or to sign up for full access.
- Please share my name with the UVU Foundation. \_\_\_\_\_ (Initial to approve.)

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