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Lifelong Learning Opportunities for Adults of All Ages!!

LearningQUEST is a non-profit volunteer-led organization for adults of all ages, dedicated to building a learning community through educational and enrichment opportunities. LearningQUEST is partnered with the Huntsville-Madison County Public Library. Its programs are generally held at the downtown public library as well as some off-site venues.

The organization's first public gathering was on May 19, 2009, in the downtown library's auditorium when 72 people attended an introductory meeting to learn about the new organization and its plans. From an original 10 members who met with the library's Executive Director to define the basics of the new organization, LearningQUEST has thrived as a 501(c)(3)

lifelong learning organization within our community, continuing to expand and engage its membership, and to offer more program opportunities.

Each calendar year features two terms of programs: Spring (January – June) and Fall (July – December). Each term begins with a Rally Day, which has become a major event for membership registration, making new friends, and program familiarization and selection. On Rally Day, the LearningQUEST catalog describing the term's programs is available for pickup. Members and many course instructors are present to answer questions. But most of all, it is a fun gathering in a warm and welcoming atmosphere.

LearningQUEST offers a wide variety of programs in classroom settings.

- **Public programs** are offered each term as LearningQUEST's gift to the community—no fees or registration required. All are welcome to attend, and members are encouraged to invite friends.

With LearningQUEST membership dues of \$20 per calendar year, these additional opportunities are available:

- **Special Interest Groups (SIGs)** are organized and facilitated by LearningQUEST members for members who share a similar interest.
- **Member Meetups (MEETups)** are special events scheduled during the year for LearningQUEST members. They are usually announced in the weekly E-News.
- **Trips** are organized by LearningQUEST members and are self-supporting by the participants. Trips range from day-long adventures to nearby points of interest, to multi-day excursions to foreign countries.

With an additional \$30 term fee, LearningQUEST members are eligible to register for courses—as many as desired during that term as long as space is available.

- **Courses** are offered in a wide variety of disciplines. All instructors are volunteers with special knowledge of and interest in the subjects they teach. Courses range in length from a single meeting to several meetings during the term. No homework or tests are required for any course. Certain courses require an additional fee that must be paid before a member is enrolled in the course.

LearningQUEST is managed through a Board of Directors, member committees, and an Operations Manager who coordinates and facilitates the essential day-to-day activities. As a volunteer-led organization, active member participation is essential to the success of LearningQUEST. Members serve in administrative and leadership roles as program planners, schedulers, and coordinators; as instructors and presenters; and as committee members handling a multitude of essential roles. Every committee needs additional volunteers, and all members are encouraged to find a way to contribute toward sustaining our learning community.

Life is a continuing journey, with never-ending opportunities to learn, give, and grow.

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QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Downtown Library: AUD (Auditorium), 2FL (2nd Floor Events Room), Studio (Makerspace Studio, 1st floor), A (beside Auditorium), FCR (Foundation Conference Room, 2nd floor), **South Huntsville Public Library:** SLib (Classroom)

Program	Venue	Presenter(s)	Dates	Day	Time	#	Coordinator
MEMBER COURSES (WITH TERM FEE)							
1-Stained Glass	SLib	Irene Wisner	1/11	Th	1 – 2	1	Joy Anderson
2-Caricatures with Fred	SLib	Fred Sayers	1/16 – 2/6	T	10 – 11:30	4	Mary Jane Reumann
3-James Webb Space Telescope	AUD	Michael Stallcup	1/16	T	2 – 3:30	1	Gordon Bakken
4-Shakespeare's As You Like It	2FL	Jeff Nelson	1/17 – 1/31	W	1 – 2:30	3	Linda Fletcher
5-Primer on Leadership	2FL	Liz Hall	1/18 – 2/1	Th	1:30 – 3	3	Susan Wright
6-The Legislative Process	AUD	James Lomax	1/22	M	1 – 2	1	Carl Lomax
7-The Cranes!	See Desc.	Tom Ress	1/23	T	1:30 – 2:30	1	Susan Bakken
8-Birding In Ecuador	AUD	Herb Lewis	1/25	Th	10 – 12	1	Roberta Dismukes
9-HudsonAlpha Educational Outreach	See Desc.	Kelly East	1/26	F	10 – 11:30	1	Linda Griffin
10-Downtown Rescue Mission	AUD	Justin Brooks	1/29	M	10 – 11:30	1	Linda Griffin
11-Hollywood's Almost Choices	AUD	Guy Collins	2/1 – 2/29;3/14 – 3/21	Th	10 – 11:30	7	Arnita Cole
12-The Feminine Gender in Art	AUD	Debbie West	2/1 – 3/7	Th	1:30 – 3	6	Gina Bain
13-Armchair Travel Series #23	AUD	Multiple	2/5 – 3/11	M	1:30 – 3	6	Joyce Howell
14-Famous Ukrainians Through the Ages	AUD	Mila Zsidsin	2/8 – 2/22	Th	3:30 – 5	3	Susan Livingston
15-Heidegger: Language, Sound, World	2FL	Rolf J. Goebel	2/6 – 2/27	T	10 – 11:30	4	TBD
16-American Poetry at Mid-Century	2FL	Jeff Nelson	2/7 – 2/28	W	1 – 2:30	4	Susan Livingston
17-Beginning Tai Chi and Qigong	AUD	Luyao Ren	2/7 – 3/27	W	1 – 2	8	Larry West
18-French for Travel	2FL	Elaine Fredericksen	2/9 – 3/15	F	1 – 2:30	6	Roberta Dismukes
19-International Dining Out	Various	Jane Wodtke	2/13;3/12;4/9;5/14;6/11	T	5 – 8	5	Paul Hurst
20-Boomer Romp!!!	AUD	Susan Bakken Larry West	2/14	W	10:30 – 12	1	Susan Bakken
21-National Children's Advocacy Center	See Desc.	Cynthia Parker	2/16	F	9 – 11	1	Judith Lambert
22-Advanced Creative Fiction Writing	2FL	M. D. Smith	2/21 – 3/27	W	9:30 – 11:30	6	Susan Herring
23-Let's Do Lunch	Various	Charlotte Hudson	2/22;3/28;4/25;5/23	Th	11 – 12:30	4	Charlotte Hudson
24-Friday Film Festival	AUD	Jennifer Garlen	3/1;4/5;5/3;6/7	F	2 – 4:30	4	Gina Bain
25-The Philosophy of Physics	SLib	James Beaupre	3/4 – 3/11	M	10 – 11:30	2	David Lambert
26-The Streams of Madison County	See Desc.	Steve Jones Jim Chamberlain	3/5 – 3/26	T	10 – 11:30	4	Nancy Butler
27-Meet the Sundial Writers Encore	AUD	Sundial Writers	3/5 – 3/12	T	1 – 2:30	2	Wanda Shoultes
28-Temple B'nai Sholom Tour	See Desc.	Rabbi P. J. Schwartz	3/15	F	10 – 12	1	Roberta Dismukes
29-March Madness	SLib	Jill Burt	3/19;4/9	T	9:30 – 11	2	Gwen Goins Pratt
30-Elder law	AUD	Doug Martinson, II	3/19 – 4/2	T	2 – 4	3	Sally Barnett
31-Finding Your Purpose and Meaning after Retirement	2FL	Peter A. Finzel	3/28 – 4/25	Th	1 – 2:30	5	Janis Troeger
32-Huntsville During the Civil War 1861-1865	AUD	Guy Collins	4/2 – 4/9	T	10 – 11:30	2	Judy Frago
33-GranMasters Percussion Class	See Desc.	Frederick Walker	4/3;4/17	W	12:30 – 1:30	2	Susan Bakken
34-Sports Journalism	2FL	Skip Vaughn	4/3	W	1 – 2:30	1	Wanda Shoultes
35-Tai Chi for Intermediates	AUD	Luyao Ren	4/3 – 5/8	W	1 – 2	6	Larry West
36-Biography of Johnny Carson	AUD	Mary Pat Riley	4/9	T	1 – 2	1	Bill Boggess
37-Gone But Not Forgotten	AUD	Ralph Allen	4/10 – 4/17	W	10 – 11:30	2	Phyllis Turner
38-Front Porch Conversations	2FL	June Norton	4/10 – 5/15	W	1:30 – 3	6	June Norton
39-Revolutionary War Rarities	AUD	Jim Griffith Jim Maples	4/16 – 4/30	T	10 – 11:30	3	Sarah Curtis
40-Spanish for Travel	2FL	Elaine Fredericksen	4/16 – 5/21	T	2 – 3:30	6	Travis Hardin
41-Twickenham Walking Tour - Group 1	See Desc.	Katie Stamps	4/17	W	1 – 2:30	1	Ed Bernstein
42-Talk to a Chiropractor	AUD	Mike Fruendt	4/18	Th	10 – 11	1	Charlotte Hudson

Program	Venue	Presenter(s)	Dates	Day	Time	#	Coordinator
43-Skywatching	AUD	Doreen Forsythe	4/22 – 5/20	M	1 – 2:30	5	Roberta Dismukes
44-Introducing Kids to Love	AUD	Heather Carlton	4/24	W	9:30 – 10:30	1	Linda Griffin
45-Twickenham Walking Tour - Group 2	See Desc.	Katie Stamps	5/1	W	1 – 2:30	1	Ed Bernstein
46-Introduction to Zentangle	2FL	Beth Powel	5/2 – 5/16	Th	1 – 2:30	3	Susan Livingston
47-Mind Your P's	SLib	Shoba Bhat	5/7 – 5/28	T	10 – 11:30	4	Susy Thurber
48-What Happened to the HSV Jaycees	AUD	John Ofenloch	5/8	W	10 – 11:30	1	Susan Bakken
49-Public Speaking Made Easy	2FL	Lue Williams	5/21 – 6/18	T	10 – 11	5	Arnita Cole
50-Mind Mapping for Everything	2FL	Cindi Branham	6/26	W	10 – 11:30	1	Charlotte Hudson
MEMBER COURSES WITH PRE-PAID FEE (WITH TERM FEE)							
F1-Strength Building Class	See Desc.	Pam Herdy	1/29 – 3/4	M	11:15 – 12:15	6	Ruth Maddox
F2-Make A Ukrainian Egg (Pysanka)	2FL	Mila Zsidisin	3/7	Th	9:30 – 11	1	Joy Anderson
			3/14 – 3/21		1 – 2:30	2	
F3-Masculine Card Workshop	SLib	Jill Stallcup	4/4	Th	1 – 2:30	1	Beth Powel
F4-Shaped Card Workshop	SLib	Jill Stallcup	4/11	Th	1 – 2:30	1	Beth Powel
F5-Jewelry Making 101	SLib	Joy Anderson	4/15 – 4/22	M	1:30 – 3:30	2	Wanda Shoultes
F6-Stenciled Card Workshop	SLib	Jill Stallcup	4/18	Th	1 – 2:30	1	Beth Powel
LIBRARY SPONSORED TRAINING (NO TERM FEE)							
L1-Get To Know Your Makerspace	Studio	Rose Stough	1/18	Th	1 – 2:30	1	NA
L2-Bookbinding	Studio	Rose Stough	2/7	W	1 – 2:30	1	NA
L3-Digital Conversions	Studio	Rose Stough	3/21	Th	1 – 2:30	1	NA
L4-Custom Cards with a Cricut	Studio	Rose Stough	4/10	W	1 – 2:30	1	NA
L5-Machine Embroidery	Studio	Rose Stough	5/22	W	1 – 2:30	1	NA
SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS (NO TERM FEE)							
S1-Knitting	A	Barbara Ward	1st Wed. starting 1/3	W	2 – 3		Barbara Ward
	Online		3rd Wed.				
S2-UkeQUESTors Jam	Online	Theresa Miller William Heney	1st and 3rd Sun. starting 1/7	S	2 – 3:30		Theresa Miller William Heney
	2FL		2nd and 4th Sun.				
S3-Bunco	A	Joy Anderson	2nd Mon. starting 1/8	M	9:30 – 12		Joy Anderson
S4-Mah Jongg	A	Janet Tedrow	Mon. starting 1/8	M	1 – 4		Janet Tedrow
S5-Great Literary Conversations	Online	Bob Stagg	Mon. starting 1/8	M	3 – 4:30		Bob Stagg
S6-Photo Sharing-Discussion Group	SLib	Waldy Cuevas	2nd Wed. starting 1/10 ending 4/10	W	10 – 11:30		Waldy Cuevas
S7-Hand and Foot	A	Cheryl Hodges	Thurs. starting 1/11	Th	12:30 – 4		Cheryl Hodges
S8-Friday Hiking	Various	Jim Kirkwood	Fri. starting 1/26 ending 4/26	F	9		Jim Kirkwood
S9-Poets' Corner	FCR	Liz Hall	Last Wed. starting 1/31	W	1:30 – 3		Liz Hall
PROGRAMS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC (FREE)							
P1-Space Exploration Memorial	AUD	Charles R. Chappell	1/23	T	10 – 11:30	1	Charlotte Hudson
P2-Raised-Bed Gardens	See Desc.	Harvey Cotten	3/13	W	2 – 3:30	1	Sally Barnett
P3-Picking, Politicking, and Pontificating	AUD	Mike Ball	4/1	M	1 – 2:30	1	Arnita Cole
P4-Our Place in the World	AUD	Tim Gels Hallie Porter	5/23	Th	1 – 2:30	1	Susan Bakken
P5-Air Born	AUD	Jan Davis	6/6	Th	10 – 12	1	Janice Turner

**If you are unable to attend a course for which you are registered,
please contact the Registrar at Registrar@lquest.org.**

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

This page offers a list of frequently asked questions. If you can't find the answer you're looking for, contact the LearningQUEST office at 256-529-8695 or LearningQUEST@lquest.org.

Who can be a member of LearningQUEST?

LearningQUEST is open to adults *of all ages*, 19 and older, interested in lifelong learning.

What are the fees for LearningQUEST?

Membership dues are \$20 for the calendar year, January – December, and are paid annually. The calendar year is divided into two terms: January – June (Spring) and July – December (Fall). New or renewing members can submit dues anytime after January first of the current calendar year. New members who register for the first time after October first will receive free membership for the remainder of that calendar year. Any overpayment of dues will be considered a donation to LearningQUEST and will not be refunded.

There is a term fee of \$30 for each term, which allows members to register for unlimited courses within that term as long as space is available. Note that supplies for some classes, as well as costs for trips and excursions, may require additional fees.

Membership dues and term fees may be paid with one check, and couples are encouraged to combine their payments on a single check made payable to LearningQUEST.

How do I join and/or register for courses?

- Attend the Spring Rally Day on Tuesday, January 9th, 10:30 – 1 at the Huntsville Jaycees Building at 2180 Airport Rd, Huntsville, AL 35801; or
- Attend “Post Rally Days” to the right of the 1st floor Main Desk in the Library on Tuesday, January 16th, 10 – noon, or Thursday, January 18th, 1 – 4; or
- Go to lquest.org, create an account, and join, register, and pay online using the secure portal; or
- Go to lquest.org, download registration form/s, and mail completed forms and fees to LearningQUEST, P.O. Box 2387, Huntsville, AL 35804; or
- Come by the LearningQUEST office during regular office hours.
- Completed forms can be dropped in the LearningQUEST office door mail slot during non-office hours.

Note that registration continues throughout the term as long as space is available.

How do I know if I am successfully enrolled in a course?

All paid registrants will be notified of their course status by email, or by US Postal mail if they do not have an email address. If course limits have been exceeded, registrants may be placed on a waitlist and will be

notified if an opening occurs. A reminder email will be sent to all registrants at least five days before the course starts.

How do I register for a trip?

Registration information can be found in the Trips section of the catalog. Members may sign up for most trips on the same registration form used for class registration. Trip registration is not complete until payment and a signed Release of Liability form are received.

Where is the LearningQUEST office located, and what are the office hours?

The office is located on the second floor of the Downtown Huntsville Public Library in the alcove to the left of the Reference Desk. Office hours are Tuesdays, 10 – 12, and Thursdays, 1 – 4.

What happens when a course or trip reaches its maximum capacity?

The LearningQUEST registrar maintains a waitlist of students in order of their registration, and, working with the instructor, scheduler, and coordinator, may:

- Review class size limits to see if they can be increased or if larger accommodations are available.
- Schedule additional sessions in the same term or repeat the course or trip in a later term.

What does “pending” status mean?

You have registered for a course but the required fee must be paid to complete the registration process. Once the fee is paid, a member is moved to “enrolled” status as long as there are available spaces in the course. The course will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

What about programs that have additional fees?

If the additional fee is to be paid directly to the presenter or venue, members will be enrolled in the program as they register until the maximum limit is reached. Additional registrants are placed on a waitlist. The fee is to be paid at the first class. For classes where a prepaid fee is required, everyone who registers will be placed in a “pending” status. Members will be enrolled after they pay the fee to the program coordinator. The programs will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Payment instructions will be included in the course status notification.

Check out the Calendar of Events at LQUEST.org
It's the best place to find all of the latest updates!

When will an instructor or coordinator know how many are enrolled in his/her course?

The registrar may be contacted for an enrollment number; however, registration continues throughout the term as long as space is available, so the number may change. At least five days prior to the first course session, the registrar will email a sign-in attendance sheet of registered students to the course coordinator.

What is the Drop/Add Policy?

Notify the registrar at Registrar@lquest.org as soon as possible if you cannot attend a course for which you have registered, or if you wish to add a course. You may also add/drop online at lquest.org through your account. This is especially important for courses that have a waitlist.

Are guests permitted to attend a LearningQUEST course?

As long as the course is not full, guests are welcome to attend a single session before paying the appropriate membership dues and term fee.

Why didn't I get my LearningQUEST E-News?

If you have received your E-News in the past, you may have been inadvertently unsubscribed. If you share an email account with others, make sure all are aware of the importance of the E-News and do not unsubscribe without each other's knowledge. It is also possible that the E-News has been marked as spam. Check your email spam folder, and move the E-News back to your inbox. Contact NewsInput@lquest.org for assistance.

What if I don't want a LearningQUEST photographer to take my picture?

Let the event photographer know you prefer not to have your picture taken. Notify LearningQUEST leadership if you wish to have a picture deleted from the LearningQUEST website or Facebook page.

How can I get a replacement name badge and holder?

Badges may be obtained from the Membership Chair by sending a request to Membership@lquest.org.

Replacement holders are available in the LearningQUEST office during office hours for a \$6 replacement fee.

What is the inclement weather policy?

LearningQUEST follows the weather policy of the Huntsville-Madison County Public Library. Library closures are posted and updated throughout the day at HMCPL.org. If the Downtown branch closes, LearningQUEST classes will be canceled. Program coordinators will notify all members registered for a program when there is a cancellation; this includes the library as well as other venues.

How do I report my volunteer hours?

If you help with the planning or execution of any LearningQUEST activities, please send your number of volunteer hours to VolunteerHours@lquest.org. Hours are to be reported monthly.

How do I report a change of contact information?

Please keep LearningQUEST informed of any updates to your contact information by sending changes to Membership@lquest.org.

How can I stay informed about LearningQUEST activities and updates?

The LearningQUEST website at lquest.org is the most direct source of information. The online calendar is updated to reflect any changes to the program schedule. The weekly E-News informs the membership of upcoming trips, public programs, changes in course schedules, and any special events. The newsletter is sent through email and is also displayed in the glass case on the left side of the hallway leading to the Downtown Library auditorium. LearningQUEST's Facebook page is an additional way to stay informed. Members may also call the office at 256-529-8695 or email Operations@lquest.org with any questions.

What are some of the most frequently used LearningQUEST email addresses?

General: LearningQUEST@lquest.org
Registrar: Registrar@lquest.org
Membership: Membership@lquest.org
Volunteering: VolunteerLead@lquest.org

BOARD FINANCIAL POLICY: Some programs require additional fees as noted in the course description. The coordinator will provide instructions for payment of fees by check only made out to LearningQUEST. Checks will be held by the coordinator until one week prior to the event and then deposited. Should a program be cancelled, the checks will be returned or destroyed. No refund will be provided after expenses have been incurred in advance of the program start date. **IMPORTANT:** The limited number of spaces will be allocated in the order the coordinator receives the required fee.

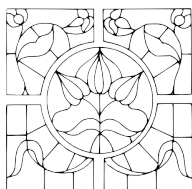
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Term Fee of \$30 Required for Unlimited Courses

Downtown Library: AUD (Auditorium), 2FL (2nd Floor Events Room), Studio (Makerspace Studio, 1st floor), A (beside Auditorium), FCR (Foundation Conference Room, 2nd floor), **South Huntsville Public Library:** SLib (Classroom)

1-Introduction to Beginner Stained Glass

Instructor: Irene Wisner
Dates: 1 Thursday Jan. 11
Time: 1 – 2
Location: SLib



This is an opportunity to see if working with stained glass is a hobby members would like to pursue. Participants will learn what equipment is needed, costs, and classes available in Huntsville and more. This is a great class for those interested in trying stained glass, but who are not sure how and where to get started.

2-Caricatures with Fred

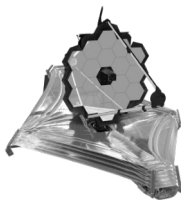
Instructor: Fred Sayers
Dates: 4 Tuesdays Jan. 16 – Feb. 6
Time: 10 – 11:30
Location: SLib

This class offers a wonderful opportunity to delight friends and family. The program will be a beginners' guide to drawing caricatures. The participants will learn the fundamentals of looking at a subject, examining features, and creating a humorous likeness. Required materials: 9" x 12" drawing pad, #2 pencil, eraser, Sharpie fine point pen, and Sharpie nib pen.

3-James Webb Space Telescope - From Design to Discovery

Instructor: Michael Stallcup
Dates: 1 Tuesday Jan. 16
Time: 2 – 3:30
Location: AUD

This presentation is an overview of the design and engineering that created the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST). It includes the challenges of creating a new type of telescope, getting it into space, and its functionality. Images of the same areas taken by other space telescopes and JWST will be compared.



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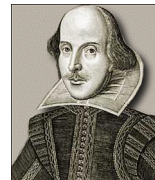


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4-Shakespeare's As You Like It

Instructor: Jeff Nelson, Ph.D.
Dates: 3 Wednesdays Jan. 17 – 31
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: 2FL

In the forest of Arden, Rosalind disguises herself as a man and teaches Orlando the nature of true love. Along the way, she tells off a crank, pairs off shepherds and shepherdesses, and learns more about herself. How does one of Shakespeare's most remarkable characters pull it off? Find out as we read this festive comedy and view some performances on DVD.



5-A Primer on Leadership & Other Political Decisions

Instructor: Liz Hall
Dates: 3 Thursdays Jan. 18 – Feb. 1
Time: 1:30 – 3
Location: 2FL

This course will cover characteristics of leadership from past great leaders. The second session will serve to help identify your values—where they came from and why knowing them is important. The third session will cover a process for improving your understanding and perspective when making political decisions. (This will not be a discussion of current political personalities.)
Max: 35

6-The Legislative Process

Instructor: James Lomax
Dates: 1 Monday Jan. 22
Time: 1 – 2
Location: AUD

This course will enlighten Alabama citizens about the workings of state legislation activities. Young state legislators provide a briefing on the Alabama legislative process. They will discuss how bills become law, and present a picture of life as a citizen legislator.

7-The Cranes!

Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge-Decatur

Instructor: Tom Ress
Dates: 1 Tuesday Jan. 23
Time: 1:30 – 2:30
Location: Wheeler Wildlife Refuge



The cranes are coming, and the perfect place to witness this amazing arrival is at the Wheeler Wildlife Refuge in January. There will be an

introductory lecture at the Visitors Center and then a short walk to the heated Observation Building with benches providing excellent viewing of the cranes. Visiting Wheeler when the cranes are so active remains a special treat. Tom Ress is a long-time volunteer instructor with a wealth of knowledge and a delightful personality. The Coordinator will provide driving directions to registered members. For further information see wheeler@fws.gov or call 256-350-6639.

8-Birding In Ecuador

Instructor: Herb Lewis
Dates: 1 Thursday Jan. 25
Time: 10 – 12
Location: AUD



In November 2019, Herb and Terry Lewis spent two weeks birding in Ecuador, South America, with another couple and a private guide. During that period, they saw over 150 species of birds. In this presentation, Herb will discuss highlights from seven different locations that include the tropical rainforest and lowland terrain as well as

the heights of the Andes Mountains.

9-HudsonAlpha Educational Outreach

Instructor: Kelly East
Dates: 1 Friday Jan. 26
Time: 10 – 11:30
Location: HudsonAlpha

Hear the latest in HudsonAlpha's Educational Outreach from the Vice President of EO, Kelly East, MS, CGC. This program will be held at the HudsonAlpha Institute for Biotechnology, 601 Genome Way Northwest, Huntsville, AL 35806. *Min: 30 Max: 100*

10-Downtown Rescue Mission

Instructor: Justin Brooks
Dates: 1 Monday Jan. 29
Time: 10 – 11:30
Location: AUD

The Downtown Rescue Mission offers Help and Hope: help to overcome hunger, homelessness, addiction, and abuse, and hope through spiritual growth. This presentation will explore how the Downtown Rescue Mission (DRM) is helping those in our community that

others might pass over. DRM serves as an Emergency Shelter to meet the basic physical and nutritional needs of each guest coming to the Mission. The Life Transformation and Recovery Program aims to aid men and women in addiction and/or life issues to recover and become productive members of society. The Graduate and Transitional Housing Program assists men and women following graduation from the Recovery Program to move from residing at the DRM to independent living in a supervised environment. Participants will also get a small glimpse into how the DRM approaches community outreach, volunteer support, and cooperative initiatives with similar organizations in Madison County. As one of the largest organizations in Madison County, DRM serves 370,000+ meals annually, provides 99,000+ individual nights of lodging, and assists an additional 3,000+ with free food and clothing.

11-Hollywood's Almost Choices: How the Greatest Casting Decisions were Made

Instructor: Guy Collins
Dates: 7 Thursdays Feb. 1 – 29, Mar. 14 – 21
Time: 10 – 11:30
Location: AUD

A spirited discussion of some of the most famous movie roles and how they could have been different. The following movies will be considered:



Week One: *Gone with the Wind* (1939) Bonus: Surprise 2nd Movie Discussion
Week Two: *Casablanca* (1943) Bonus: Surprise 2nd Movie Discussion
Week Three: *The Godfather* (1972) Bonus: Famous Crime Movies Discussion
Week Four: *Psycho* (1960) Bonus: Other Classic Horror Films
Week Five: *Saving Private Ryan* (1998) Bonus: Best War Films
Week Six: *The Searchers* (1956) Bonus: The Western Genre
Week Seven: *Some Like It Hot* (1959) Bonus: The Comedy Genre
Min: 35

12-The Feminine Gender in Art

Instructor: Debbie Dempsey West
Dates: 6 Thursdays Feb. 1 – Mar. 7
Time: 1:30 – 3
Location: AUD

This course presents a comparison of powerful women portrayed and examined in art over thousands of years. The subject is woman, the feminine gender as a subject in art, taboos, female rage, and blurred sexual lines in the most revered masterpieces. Participants will examine the paradox of femininity in figures such as Athena, Venus, Eve, and Mary, as well as lesser-known subjects.

13-Armchair Travel Series #23

Instructor: Multiple
Dates: 6 Mondays Feb. 5 – Mar. 11
Time: 1:30 – 3
Location: AUD



This term's Armchair Travel presents a wide range of adventures to enjoy vicariously.

February 5—Wild Alaska Bears, whales, sea lions, and caribou! From the coastal waters around Seward to the spruce forests of the interior and the high tundra of

Denali, Alaska offers a variety of wildlife and scenery. Tom Ress begins the adventure in Katmai National Park with grizzly bears up close, then on to Kenai Fjords National Park to witness humpback whales feeding, and then the grand finale in Denali National Park. The tour will take trains, floatplanes, bush planes, and boats to reach some of the state's wildest areas.

February 12—Namibia Desert Safari Never heard of the nation of Namibia? Wondering where it is located? What does it look like? Laurie and Claudia Conn happily went on an adventure in the Namib desert at Little Kulala Lodge in April 2023, and will share their experiences and pictures. The desert is truly alive.

February 19—Australia Adventures Gary and Barbara Hitt took their daughter and grandson to Australia in June to celebrate his graduation. Their adventures included amazing light shows in Sydney, skydiving, scuba diving and snorkeling on the Great Barrier Reef, spear fishing with aboriginal people, petting marsupials, and hiking in the rainforest.

February 26—Central and South America by Jet Bob and Phylis Baron will share an overview of their trip, which will include Peru's Lake Titicaca, Panama and the canal, Guatemala and Mayan ruins, Buenos Aires, Rio, Patagonia, and more.

March 4—Five weeks in Southern England Join Melissa Kirkindall on her tour of famous cathedrals, infamous Cornwall, and beautiful gardens, and on a search for Neolithic sites.

March 11—Compassion International CauseTrek to the Roof of Africa Will they make it to the Roof of Africa? Why did Cheryl McAuley and her husband John prepare for the trip-of-a-lifetime to climb Mt. Kilimanjaro, Tanzania, with an elevation of 19,341 feet (5,791 meters)? Share in their six-day trek on the Rongai Route in and out of Kilimanjaro National Park in August 2017.

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14-Famous Ukrainians Through the Ages: Artists and Scientists

Instructor: Mila Zsidisin
Dates: 3 Thursdays Feb. 8 – 22
Time: 3:30 – 5
Location: AUD

Participants will become familiar with famous Ukrainian artists and scientists from the 9th to the 20th centuries. The importance of family and education to the people of Ukraine will be addressed, along with holidays, religions, customs, and cuisine. Participants will be exposed to Ukrainian fine arts and music as well as the performing arts. Lastly, scientific achievements originating in Ukraine will be explored.

15-Heidegger: Language, Sound, World

Instructor: Rolf J. Goebel, Ph.D.
Dates: 4 Tuesdays Feb. 6 – 27
Time: 10 – 11:30
Location: 2FL



The German philosopher Martin Heidegger has offered one of the most wide-ranging reflections on language in the technological age. Language for him is not merely a medium for personal expression but also the ground for the revelation or concealment of all living beings and things in the world. Language's potential is essentially auditive, requiring our attentive listening before it can materialize itself in speech and writing. This course will explore Heidegger's language philosophy in the context of poetry to make it significant for participants' own daily lives. *Min: 5*

16-American Poetry at Mid-Century

Instructor: Jeff Nelson, Ph.D.
Dates: 4 Wednesdays Feb. 7 – 28
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: 2FL

American poets after World War II sought fresh ways of expressing themselves. Elizabeth Bishop describes animals and people around her; Robert Lowell confesses to mental illness;

Gwendolyn Brooks recounts the struggles of growing up; and Frank O'Hara tells us what he saw during his lunch hour. In this course, we will discuss several representative poems with an eye to larger poetic movements. No previous knowledge of poetry is required.



17-Beginning Tai Chi and Qigong

Instructor: Luyao Ren
Dates: 8 Wednesdays Feb. 7 – Mar. 27
Time: 1 – 2
Location: AUD



Tai Chi is an ancient Chinese tradition that is practiced as a graceful form of exercise and is one of the most popular methods of movement for seniors. It involves a series of movements performed in a slow, focused manner, accompanied by deep breathing. Practicing Tai Chi can improve both physical and mental health. Qigong involves using exercise to optimize energy within the body, mind, and spirit, with the goal of improving and maintaining health and well-being. This class is for both beginner- and intermediate-level participants.

18-French for Travel

Instructor: Elaine Fredericksen, Ph.D.
Dates: 6 Fridays Feb. 9 – Mar. 15
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: 2FL



Designed for students who have some introduction to French, this course concentrates on language for enjoying travel and tourism in French-speaking areas. In addition to oral practice, students will engage in presenting scenarios to the rest of the class and, in turn, interpreting the scenarios of other participants. Some highlights will include finding and using transportation, accommodation, and meals, plus reading road signs, getting directions, and finding medical help. Of course, shopping trips will be covered. As always, the atmosphere will be nonjudgmental and encouraging, with a heavy emphasis on having fun while learning. Allons-y/Let's go!

19-International Dining Out

Instructor: Jane Wodtke
Dates: 5 Tuesdays Feb. 13, Mar. 12, Apr. 9, May 14, Jun. 11
Time: 5 – 8
Location: Various

This course offers a monthly international dining experience. Starting in February, we will eat and critique Italian, Vietnamese, Greek, Indian, Thai, and other cuisine in and around the Huntsville area. Our rating of these restaurants will be in the LearningQUEST E-News. Mangia Tutti!! *Max:30*



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20-Boomer Romp!!!

Instructor: Susan Bakken
Larry West
Dates: 1 Wednesday Feb. 14
Time: 10:30 – 12
Location: AUD

Where were you and what were you doing in the Baby Boomer Era? This one-time program is a light-hearted fun romp from the designated Boomer era of 1946-1964. Relax and enjoy the visuals, a bit of trivia, music, and some laughs. The politics, turmoil, chaos, and sadness that gripped our nation during this period shaped the era but will not be included in the program. You will be invited to submit two photos of yourself from these "yesteryears" in advance for a screening of a "Guess Who?" segment. Can we guess who those cuties are? Join us for a celebration (with refreshments) of an earlier age growing up as a Baby Boomer – but ALL ages are invited. See you later, alligator.

21-National Children's Advocacy Center Tour

Instructor: Cynthia Parker
Dates: 1 Friday Feb. 16
Time: 9 – 11
Location: National Children's Advocacy Center

This engaging visit will delve into the heart of NCAC's mission, witnessing firsthand its comprehensive approach to preventing and addressing child abuse. Guided by knowledgeable staff, participants will explore the campus, gaining insights into evidence-based programs that help children heal and that support families and educate professionals. This tour will provide a deeper understanding of how the NCAC positively impacts the community by fostering healing, resilience, and safety for children. NCAC looks forward to welcoming LearningQUEST members and sharing the impactful healing that happens at the facility. This program will be held at the National Children's Advocacy Center, 210 Pratt Ave NE, Huntsville, AL 35801. *Max: 50*



22-Advanced Creative Fiction Writing

Instructor: M. D. Smith
Dates: 6 Wednesdays Feb. 21 – Mar. 27
Time: 9:30 – 11:30
Location: 2FL

Hone your skills as a creative fiction writer in this advanced course by examining such topics as your five senses, point of view, settings, emotion, conflict, editing, and using the writer's toolbox. *Min: 8 Max: 20*

23-Let's Do Lunch

Instructor: Charlotte Hudson
Dates: 4 Thursdays Feb. 22, Mar. 28, Apr. 25, May 23
Time: 11 – 12:30
Location: Various

Join the LearningQUEST "Lunch Bunch" as they experience lunch at either a newly opened restaurant or one opened within the last couple of years or so within the Huntsville commute area. Only restaurants with ample FREE parking or within walking distance of the Huntsville Downtown Library will be selected. Two weeks prior to the monthly luncheon, the coordinator will provide the name of the Restaurant-of-the-Month to those registered for the class and obtain the head count of those planning to attend. *Max:16*



24-Friday Film Festival: Wild Westerns

Instructor: Jennifer Garlen, Ph.D.
Dates: 4 Fridays Mar. 1, Apr. 5, May 3, Jun. 7
Time: 2 – 4:30
Location: AUD



This term, the Friday Film Festival rides into wild Western adventures with highlights from four different decades of the iconic genre.

We'll start our journey in dangerous *Dodge City* (1939) with Errol Flynn and Olivia de Havilland, then trek across the desert with John Wayne in *3 Godfathers* (1948). Gary Cooper and Burt Lancaster lead us on an action-packed trip to *Vera Cruz* (1954), followed by an unforgettable final bow from *Butch Cassidy and The Sundance Kid* (1969). Find out why the stars shine brighter under Western skies with these colorful, exciting classics! Each screening includes an introduction from Dr. Jennifer Garlen, and time for group discussion.

25-The Philosophy of Physics

Instructor: James Beaupre, Ph.D.
Dates: 2 Mondays Mar. 4 – 11
Time: 10 – 11:30
Location: SLib

The advances of modern physics lead to a reality very different from the one that people experience in everyday life. The philosophy of physics deals with how one engages with these realities and how physics, and science in general, interacts with the big questions of

philosophy: What is reality? How do we know/learn things? What is the universe, and how did it develop?

26-The Streams of Madison County

Instructor: Steve Jones, Ph.D., Jim Chamberlain
Dates: 4 Tuesdays Mar. 5 – 26
Time: 10 – 11:30
Location: Residences at Wellpoint



Streams flowing into the Tennessee River define the Nature of the Huntsville/Madison area—past, present, and future. From Flint River to Aldridge Creek to Pinhook Creek

to Indian Creek to Bradford Creek to Limestone Creek, this course will cover the historic significance of our waterways, their role in shaping our communities, and their very nature. Guest speakers will supplement the presenter's own photos, videos, observations, and reflections. The class includes a scheduled field trip to the Goldsmith-Schiffman Wildlife Sanctuary along the Flint River. This course will be offered at Residences at Wellpoint, 2940 Mill Run Rd SE, Hampton Cove, AL 35763.

27-Meet the Sundial Writers Encore

Instructor: Sundial Writers
Dates: 2 Tuesdays Mar. 5 – 12
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: AUD

Since 1984, National Public Radio local affiliate WLRH (89.3 FM), the Voice of the Tennessee Valley, has provided a forum every week for contributors of the Sundial Writers Corner to read a piece they've



written on a topic of their own choosing. They express themselves in short stories and poetry on a broad range of subjects old and new, local and national. It is life in general and in particular. In this program, the writers will give a short biography, read a piece, and explain why they write and/or give their thoughts on the writing process. Audience members will ask questions and enter into discussions with the writers. This program is a follow-up, with new writers, to the one presented in May 2023.

28-Temple B'nai Sholom Tour

Instructor: Rabbi P. J. Schwartz
Dates: 1 Friday Mar. 15
Time: 10 – 12
Location: Temple B'nai Sholom



Temple B'nai Sholom in Downtown Huntsville is the oldest synagogue in continuous use in Alabama and one of the oldest Reform congregations nationally. Participants will tour the synagogue to learn about its rich

history and its links to the fundamental individuals who helped develop Huntsville, and to learn about the basic beliefs and practices of Judaism. The tour will be led by long-time congregants and docents and offer an opportunity to meet the congregation's rabbi. Participants are encouraged and invited to attend Shabbat services at 7pm on the day of the program. Temple B'nai Sholom is located at 103 Lincoln St SE, Huntsville, AL 35801. *Max: 30*

29-March Madness

Instructor: Jill Burt
Dates: 2 Tuesdays Mar. 19, Apr. 9
Time: 9:30 – 11
Location: SLib

Enjoy March Madness even more. Fill out your bracket and compete with LearningQUEST friends for the best bracket. Each correct guess will receive a score. The score will increase with each succeeding tournament round. We will hold our first meeting right after the NCAA announces the bracket. Our next meeting will be at the end of the tournament. The student with the best score will receive the recognition of friends and, perhaps, even a prize.



30-Elder Law: Estate Planning, Probate Process & Planning for Incompetency

Instructor: Doug Martinson, II
Dates: 3 Tuesdays Mar. 19 – Apr. 2
Time: 2 – 4
Location: AUD

This course is divided into three class sessions designed to provide a comprehensive overview of Elder Law and estate planning. Class Session #1 is a discussion of the various documents and techniques that can be used to prepare a comprehensive estate plan. Class #2 is a discussion of the probate process and how that process differs for a Testate Estate (one with a Last Will & Testament) vs. an Intestate Estate (one with no Last Will & Testament). Class #3 is a discussion of special topics in Elder Law including Guardianships, Conservatorships, Long-Term Care Planning, Medicaid Planning, aid and attendance, and elder abuse.

31-Finding Your Purpose and Meaning after Retirement

Instructor: Peter A. Finzel, Ph.D.
Dates: 5 Thursdays Mar. 28 – Apr. 25
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: 2FL

Many people have a difficult time deciding what to do after retirement. This course is designed to help them find their passion in life after retirement. They will learn skills to help them build purpose and meaning in their retirement years. The topics are: 1) Transition is

unavoidable, 2) Elderescence: that 60-80 age window, 3) Prepare for the choices ahead: contribution or entitlement, 4) Great expectations: reinvent yourself, and 5) New life skills to explore.

32-Huntsville During the Civil War 1861-1865

Instructor: Guy Collins
Dates: 2 Tuesdays Apr. 2 – 9
Time: 10 – 11:30
Location: AUD

This two-part discussion class will analyze key events and important people during the War Between the States in North Alabama.



Union Brigadier General Ornsby Mitchel, former Confederate Secretary of War Leroy Pope Walker, Dr. Thomas Fearn, and diarist Mary Jane Chadick were among the incredible cast of local characters during our country's darkest hour. *Min: 35*

33-GranMasters Percussion Class

Instructor: Frederick Walker
Dates: 2 Wednesdays Apr. 3, 17
Time: 12:30 – 1:30
Location: Huntsville Community Drumline Center



The GranMasters program offers seasoned adults a free opportunity to gather together, learn percussion skills, and move their bodies in tune with one another. This program promotes physical movement, social interaction, and brain awareness. All materials will be supplied. This program will be held at the Huntsville Drumline Percussion and Performing Arts Center, 1800 Jordan Lane NW, HSV, AL 35816. *Min: 10 Max: 15*

34-Sports Journalism: Dream Job for a Fan

Instructor: Skip Vaughn
Dates: 1 Wednesday Apr. 3
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: 2FL

Skip Vaughn will share how he turned his passion for sports into a fulfilling career as a sportswriter for various publications in North Alabama. Fellow sports fans will enjoy hearing stories he has shared in the *Redstone Rocket*, *The Huntsville Times*, and AL.com.

35-Tai Chi for Intermediates

Instructor: Luyao Ren
Dates: 6 Wednesdays Apr. 3 – May 8
Time: 1 – 2
Location: AUD

Tai Chi is an ancient Chinese tradition that is a graceful form of exercise and one of the most popular methods of movement for seniors. It involves a series of movements performed in a slow, focused manner and accompanied

by deep breathing. Practicing Tai Chi can improve both physical and mental health. Qigong involves using exercise to optimize energy within the body, mind, and spirit, with the goal of improving and maintaining health and well-being. Students should have some experience with Tai Chi. It is not necessary to have Qigong experience.

36- “Heeeeeere’s Johnnnnnnyyy!” - Biography of Johnny Carson

Instructor: Mary Pat Riley
Dates: 1 Tuesday Apr. 9
Time: 1 – 2
Location: AUD

Johnny Carson invited viewers to his party each night on TV as he and his friends joked, laughed, and made audience members feel like we were there at the party with all the beautiful people. He was often called “the King Maker” because it was said that his approval could make or break Hollywood newcomers as well as seasoned performers. This presentation will peek behind the scenes of America’s late-night funny man and longtime host of “The Tonight Show” to see what made him tick. Discussion will include his childhood, friends, marriages, and difficult personality after the cameras were off, as well as his enemies and his lifelong demons.



37-Gone But Not Forgotten – More Missing Huntsville

Instructor: Ralph Allen
Dates: 2 Wednesdays Apr. 10 – 17
Time: 10 – 11:30
Location: AUD

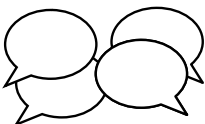


This program will explore more of Huntsville’s buildings that have gone missing. The program will feature photographs from private collections that have rarely, if ever, been shared with the public. The sessions are each different and include Monte Sano, Huntsville’s mills, Oakwood and A&M Universities, and other area buildings. Along with the historic photos and maps, other interesting and informative information will be included to enhance appreciation of what has been lost.

38-Front Porch Conversations

Instructor: June Norton
Dates: 6 Wednesdays Apr. 10 – May 15
Time: 1:30 – 3
Location: 2FL

Topics of current social, philosophical, and political issues will be considered, with civility, in a structured environment that allows each class member to



actively participate in the dialogue. The purpose of meaningful conversation is to come to an understanding of the other, not to determine if they are good, bad, right, or wrong. It requires deep reflection and the ability to disagree with others while respecting their sincerity and decency. Members will custom-design the course by choosing the topics and identifying questions to be considered. *Min: 15 Max: 25*

39-Revolutionary War Rarities

Instructor: Jim Griffith, Jim Maples
Dates: 3 Tuesdays Apr. 16 – 30
Time: 10 – 11:30
Location: AUD

Revolutionary War Rarities focuses on rarely known, rarely taught topics, people, and stories around the American Revolution. This is not a class that teaches end-to-end American Revolution but rather the really interesting little tidbits and facts. The course will include the oldest-known soldier of the American Revolution, the youngest participant of the American Revolution, a dog named Sweet Lips, the penman of the Declaration of Independence, American Revolution scandals, the origin of current-day sayings that go all the way back to the American Revolution, little-known monuments and places, ages of the Founding Fathers, the contents of their backpacks, and averages of such subjects as income, number of baths taken per year, speed of travel, distances traveled, etc. This course focuses on things that most people do not know about the Revolution and questions they do not even know to ask. *Min: 15*



40-Spanish for Travel

Instructor: Elaine Fredericksen, Ph.D.
Dates: 6 Tuesdays Apr. 16 – May 21
Time: 2 – 3:30
Location: 2FL

Spanish for Travelers is designed for students with or without a background in the language. Students practice vocabulary in an active in-class environment that involves repetition and role play. This is no grammar class; rather, it is an energetic way to ease into the language and/or review scenarios vital to comfortable travel in Spanish-speaking countries. You don’t have to know a word of Spanish to enjoy, but if you do speak Spanish, join us for a good time. No pressure, just pleasure. Required Text: *Rick Steves’ Spanish Phrase Book and Dictionary*. Vamos a viajar!



Special thanks to WLRH for their support in helping spread the word about LearningQUEST.

41-Twickenham Walking Tour - Group 1

Instructor: Katie Stamps
Dates: 1 Wednesday Apr. 17
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: Twickenham

This walking tour offers a unique look at the Twickenham Historic District located south and east of the Courthouse Square, including private residences, churches, commercial buildings and offices, a former YMCA, a public school, a Masonic Lodge, and a public park. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1973, the Twickenham neighborhood dates to the antebellum era and is known as a “living museum of architecture” that “recognizes that every period of architecture, old or recent, is worthy of respect and that it is beneficial to study the various periods side-by-side.” The neighborhood has long served as home to prominent business owners, civic leaders, elected officials, authors, scientists, university presidents, military leaders, and artists. Over the past 50 years, preservation efforts have resulted in the restoration, renovation, and rehabilitation of scores of properties within the district. The creation of the local historic district zoning also provides property owners with incentives to restore their homes or maintain them in good condition. Participants should bring only what they can carry comfortably (water, sunscreen, comfortable shoes, and light snacks). Spring weather can be unpredictable in Alabama, so participants should check the weather and dress accordingly. The tour departs from Alabama Constitution Hall Park at 109 Gates Avenue, SE, Huntsville, AL, 35801. *Max:* 35

42-Talk to a Chiropractor

Instructor: Mike Fruendt, D.C.
Dates: 1 Thursday Apr. 18
Time: 10 – 11
Location: AUD

This program offers an opportunity to ask questions regarding chiropractic service. A local chiropractor, Dr. Mike Fruendt, will first delve into the realm of chiropractic care, discuss its potential benefits, and address the techniques used in common chiropractic care. He will explain the science that supports those techniques and the most frequently asked questions he encounters as a chiropractor. Following his presentation, those attending will be given an opportunity to ask “Dr. Mike” any questions relative to chiropractic issues.

43-Skywatching: Seeing and Understanding Cosmic Wonders

Instructor: Doreen Forsythe
Dates: 5 Mondays Apr. 22 – May 20
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: AUD

This is a continuation of the previous Skywatching course. It features *The Great Courses Videos* taught by

Professor Alex Filippenko and will be supplemented by presentations from Solar System Ambassador Doreen Forsythe. The instructor will enhance the videos with the most current and up-to-date information about the planets, the moon and eclipses, satellites, comets, meteors, and the effect of solar activity on Earth.

44-Introducing Kids to Love

Instructor: Heather Carlton
Dates: 1 Wednesday Apr. 24
Time: 9:30 – 10:30
Location: AUD

The program will introduce Kids to Love, a nonprofit whose overarching mission is to meet the immediate needs of children living in foster care. Since 2004, Kids to Love Foundation has been able to reach more than 300,000 foster children through several different programs, including More than a Backpack, Christmas for the Kids, Scholarships for High School grads, Davidson Farms and the Cottage Community, Camp Hope, Child Placing Agency, KTECH (a licensed private school for workforce development), and our new Mental Wellness Center. The program will provide insight into our programs, outreach, and impact, along with a few stories.

45-Twickenham Walking Tour - Group 2

Instructor: Katie Stamps
Dates: 1 Wednesday May 1
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: Twickenham

Also offered Apr. 17 (see program description #41)
Members may sign up for only one session.

46-Introduction to the Zentangle Method of Drawing

Instructor: Beth Powel
Dates: 3 Thursdays May 2 – 16
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: 2FL

Zentangle is a drawing method using short simple strokes to create non-representational patterns and designs using a few basic tools. It does not require previous drawing skill as it is a mindful process focusing on repetitive lines and shading. All patterns can be broken down into the same strokes used to make the letters i, c, s, and o. Drawing “tangles” is relaxing, increases focus, and still allows each person to create beautiful patterns. The process was developed by husband-and-wife team Rick Roberts and Maria Thomas, and the method enjoys an international following. Required/recommended materials: Bristol paper pad, 2B graphite pencil, blending stump or tortillon (available at Hobby Lobby, Michaels, Walmart, Staples, etc.). *Max:* 10



Fall '24 Term Programs

Got an idea for a new program? Just click on the "General Proposal Form" at the LQUEST.org website, and email your idea to Proposals@lquest.org.

47-Mind Your P's

Instructor: Shoba Bhat
Dates: 4 Tuesdays May 7 – 28
Time: 10 – 11:30
Location: SLib

Each day the world grows smaller, and places that were once a great distance away seem closer, due to advances in information technology and the ease of transport. Communities no longer remain isolated and homogeneous, which requires people to learn more about their neighbors and to adjust their outlook on life. This four-session course invites attendees to take a closer and more objective look at how opinions are formed. It will offer engaging exercises to explore how individual views and actions are influenced by personal prejudices, and how personal narrative is influenced by the invisible lenses of one's upbringing, expectations, and life experiences. Using everyday examples, the presenter will highlight the importance of looking at things from the other's perspective and finding common ground. The interactive sessions are designed to challenge and expand viewpoints in a healthy way. The four Ps to explore in this course are Perception, Perspective, Prejudice, and Pandemic.

48-What Happened to the HSV Jaycees

Instructor: John Ofenloch
Dates: 1 Wednesday May 8
Time: 10 – 11:30
Location: AUD



Once upon a time, there was nothing more American in every city and town

than a service club. And for more than a century, the influence of religious, fraternal and civic organizations, and secret societies made communities stronger, more interesting, and more engaged. They included Rotary, Lions, Kiwanis, Altrusa, Civitans, Shriners, SAR, DAR, UDC, ACME, Pythians, Optimists, Masons, Jaycees, and many more. Today, nearly all

nonprofit organizations are in decline. Some have even vanished. Originally, the Junior Chamber of Commerce, renamed the Jaycees, were very important for young men interested in upward mobility. Their contributions to the cities where they existed were significant, but as with many nonprofit organizations, the Jaycees no longer exist in Huntsville and have all but disappeared in America. Join us for this interesting and informative presentation on the Huntsville Jaycees. This program has been published in the Huntsville Historical Review.

49-Public Speaking Made Easy

Instructor: Lue Williams
Dates: 5 Tuesdays May 21 – Jun. 18
Time: 10 – 11
Location: 2FL

This class is focused on the joy and benefits of public speaking with emphasis on making it comfortable for all. It is intended to enhance one's communication ability by helping attendees to become comfortable with public speaking. Being at ease in public speaking is important because it is key in interviews, presentations, and group interaction. *Min: 6 Max:12*

50-Mind Mapping for Everything

Instructor: Cindi Branham
Dates: 1 Wednesday Jun. 26
Time: 10 – 11:30
Location: 2FL

Humans spend a lifetime gathering mental images and making associations; why not utilize that ability? Stimulated by electrical & chemical actions, Mind Mapping is a natural approach to organizing information or tasks, creating plans, and brainstorming. A mind map is a diagram used to visually organize information. It is hierarchical and shows relationships among pieces of the whole, often created around a single concept, drawn as an image in the center of a blank page, to which associated representations of ideas such as images, words, and parts of words are added. Major ideas are connected directly to the central concept, and other ideas, thoughts, or information branch out from those major ideas. Participants will never make a list, plan something, or organize information the same way after learning to Mind Map. Required materials: sharpened colored pencils (min. 8) and several sheets of white printer paper.

SIQs



Check all of the Special Interest Groups in the Spring lineup. For more info, email or call the contact person in the SIQ description.



MEMBER COURSES WITH PRE-PAID FEE (WITH TERM FEE)

Some courses require an additional fee that must be pre-paid to the Coordinator. Members registering for these courses will be in a “pending” status. The registration process is complete and a member is enrolled in the course only when the coordinator receives the required fee, and there are spaces still available.

F1-Strength-Building Class

Instructor: Pam Herdy
Dates: 6 Mondays Jan. 29 – Mar. 4
Time: 11:15 – 12:15
Location: Steady for Life



Anyone interested in a weight-training class with emphasis on upper and lower body strengthening (but not ready to take the full plunge into weightlifting) will enjoy this six-week introductory course. It includes working with weights, using correct

form to strengthen the upper and lower body, and exercises for full body mobility. The instructor will explain how to progress to higher weights and repetitions throughout the course, creating a gentle entry into the experience of building a stronger body. This class will be held in the Steady for Life Studio located at 7900 Bailey Cove Road, SE, Ste G, Huntsville, AL 35802 (located inside Jill's Dance Studio). The studio has all the equipment needed for this class. Please bring water to the class. *Fee: \$20 Min: 10 Max: 30*

F2-Make A Ukrainian Egg (Pysanka)

Instructor: Mila Zsidisin
Dates: 3 Thursdays Mar. 7 – 21
Time: 9:30 – 11 Mar. 7
1 – 2:30 Mar. 14 – 21
Location: 2FL

Participants will learn about the heritage of this unique Ukrainian art form of egg decoration. The ornamental patterns, the various motifs, and the color palette used in creating the eggs will be addressed. During Sessions 2 and 3, attendees will create their own Pysanka. *Fee: \$10 Max: 12*



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F3-Masculine Card Workshop

Instructor: Jill Stallcup
Dates: 1 Thursday Apr. 4
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: SLib

This workshop will feature cards created with a masculine feel. Three different cards will be created using different techniques. All supplies will be provided. *Fee: \$10 Min: 3 Max: 15*

F4-Shaped Card Workshop

Instructor: Jill Stallcup
Dates: 1 Thursday Apr. 11
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: SLib

This workshop will feature shaped cards, one of which will be a gift-card holder. Three different cards will be created using various techniques. All supplies will be provided. *Fee: \$10 Min: 3 Max: 15*

F5-Jewelry Making 101

Instructor: Joy Anderson
Dates: 2 Mondays Apr. 15 – 22
Time: 1:30 – 3:30
Location: SLib

Anyone who loves jewelry and would like to learn how to make their own designs will want to take this class. Instruction will begin with the basics: how to select beads, wires, and fasteners, and then how to secure the ends of your project by crimping the ends. Members will make two projects: an easy necklace the first week and then a lanyard for the LearningQUEST badge the second week. All supplies will be furnished but anyone who has a design board, wire cutters, scissors, or crimpers, can bring them to class. *Fee: \$15 Max: 15*



F6-Stenciled Card Workshop

Instructor: Jill Stallcup
Dates: 1 Thursday Apr. 18
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: SLib

This workshop will feature cards created with stencils and ink. Three different cards will be created using various techniques. All supplies will be provided. *Fee: \$10 Min: 3 Max: 15*

LIBRARY-SPONSORED TRAINING (NO TERM FEE)

Although no term fee is required for Library-Sponsored Training, registration is required for scheduled programs.

LP1-Get to Know Your Makerspace

Instructor: Rose Stough
Dates: 1 Thursday Jan. 18
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: Studio

Downtown's makerspace librarian will give a tour of the new Downtown Studio and demonstrate some of the projects that can be created using HMCPL's newest makerspace. This is one more way to take advantage of Huntsville's wonderful downtown library. *Max: 12*

LP2-Bookbinding

Instructor: Rose Stough
Dates: 1 Wednesday Feb. 7
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: Studio



Attention poets, fiction writers, lyricists, readers, and gift-givers. This bookbinding demonstration at the library will show participants how to create their own custom books. From photo

or scrap books for special occasions to collections of genealogical research, this skill can turn memories or literary efforts into a bound book. *Max: 12*

LP3-Preserving Your Memories with Digital Conversion

Instructor: Rose Stough
Dates: 1 Thursday Mar. 21
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: Studio

This is the perfect class for LQ members who want to preserve their memories for present enjoyment and leave something for future generations. Participants will learn how to digitize their memories using technology available in the library's makerspace. A librarian will be on hand to demonstrate how to convert cassette tapes, film, VHS tapes, and vinyl records into digital files. *Max: 12*

Open Lab



Book a 30 minute session with a library staff member to get your technical questions answered. Members of the Library staff can help with basic computer skills, programs such as Word, Excel, PowerPoint, help with tablets and smartphones and any other technical issues that you might be experiencing. Call 256-532-5940 to make appointment Monday through Friday. Open Lab is available for walk-ins on Fridays.

Thank You

A special note of thanks to all of the volunteers who give of their time, passion, and skills to support educational and enrichment opportunities for our learning community!

LP4-Custom Cards with a Cricut

Instructor: Rose Stough
Dates: 1 Wednesday Apr. 10
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: Studio



Participants learn how to use the library's makerspace to create custom cards for birthdays, holidays, and more in this demonstration. The Cricut Maker

3 can make papercut greeting cards, score edges for easy folding, and even draw or write. *Max: 12*

LP5-Machine Embroidery

Instructor: Rose Stough
Dates: 1 Wednesday May 22
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: Studio

Here is an opportunity to acquire new needlework skills. Presenters at the Downtown Studio will teach the many advantages of machine embroidery in this demonstration of the Brother PE800 Digital Embroidery Machine. This versatile machine can monogram hand towels, sew patches onto clothing, embroider intricate designs, and so much more. *Max: 12*

The Membership Committee offers many opportunities for involvement in LearningQUEST. If you are a people person and want to contribute, contact VolunteerLead@lquest.org.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS (NO TERM FEE)

Special Interest Groups (SIGs) are organized and facilitated by current LearningQUEST members for those who share a similar interest. Participants must be current LearningQUEST members. No registration is required. For more information, email or call as directed in the SIG's description. To explore creating a new SIG, please contact the Program Development Committee (PDC) chair at PDCChair@lquest.org

S1-Knitting

Instructor: Barbara Ward
Dates: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, starting Jan 3
Time: 2 – 3
Location: Rm A 1st Wednesday
 Online 3rd Wednesday

Knitters of all skill levels meet to share their talents, ideas, and projects. We seldom solve world problems, but we always have fun. We meet in person the first Wednesday of each month and on Zoom the third Wednesday. For further information, contact Barbara Ward at bward@hiwaay.net.



Many thanks to the Huntsville–Madison County Public Library and its entire staff. Their continuing support of our activities by use of facilities, equipment, and personnel is essential to the growth and success of LearningQUEST. Thanks to everyone at the Library!!!!

S2-UkeQUESTors Jam

Instructor: Theresa Miller
 William Heney
Dates: Sundays, starting Jan 7
Time: 2 – 3:30
Location: Online 1st and 3rd Sunday
 2FL 2nd and 4th Sunday



The LearningQUEST UkeQuestors are a special interest group (SIG) that provides an opportunity for ukulele players of all levels to meet in an open, unintimidating, and accepting environment to refine and expand their skills, and to “jam” and sing. Though players are assisted in development, beginner lessons are not provided at this time. To wit, JUST HAVE

FUN! One goal of the sessions will be for participants to gain confidence in their playing ability so they will be willing to perform in ensemble at events such as the Alabama Uke Fest. For information, contact Theresa Miller at art.tree.hsv@gmail.com or William Heney at cameo940@fastmail.net. LearningQUEST members can also join the SIG by requesting membership to the UkeQuestor SIG Facebook page. Once a member, the schedule, music resource webpage, and Zoom links will be available.

S3-Bunco

Instructor: Joy Anderson
Dates: Second Monday, starting Jan 8
Time: 9:30 – 12
Location: A

Come join us for a fun-filled morning of Bunco. As it is played today, Bunco is a social dice game played in

teams of four involving 100% luck and very little skill (there are few decisions to be made). The rules are simple and can be learned in five minutes or less. Beginners and seasoned players are welcome. For information, contact Joy Anderson at jma82182@aol.com.

S4-Mah Jongg

Instructor: Janet Tedrow
Dates: Mondays, starting Jan 8
Time: 1 – 4
Location: A

Mah Jongg players of all levels meet weekly on Mondays to play. Beginning class is available upon request. For information, contact Janet Tedrow at wftedrow@aol.com.



S5-Great Literary Conversations

Instructor: Bob Stagg
Dates: Every Monday, starting Jan 8
Time: 3 – 4:30
Location: Online

This literary discussion group reads one selection each week and discusses the author, time period, and relevance to today's world. Since there is a new selection each week, prior attendance is not a requirement. Come when you are available. Notes are emailed on Friday detailing the upcoming selection. The anthology changes each term. Contact Bob Stagg at 256-520-0417 for more information.

A REMINDER...

always keep current by reading the weekly E-News
and checking LQUEST.org for updates,
course changes, and new offerings.

S6-Photo Sharing-Discussion Group

Instructor: Waldy Cuevas
Dates: 2nd Wednesday of each month
starting Jan. 10, ending April 10
Time: 10 – 11:30
Location: SLib



The Photo Sharing-Discussion Group is about the joy of sharing our photos and discussing our approach and photographic techniques in making the photographs. We will meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month, six times per year (January through April and September and October). The group provides a place for folks to share their passion for photography. To join or for more information, please send an email to Waldy at waldyphoto@outlook.com.

S7-Hand and Foot

Instructor: Cheryl Hodges
Dates: Thursdays, starting Jan 11
Time: 12:30 – 4
Location: A

Everyone, beginner to expert, is welcome to play the Hand and Foot variation of Canasta. Instruction and “cheat sheets” are provided upon request. For further information, contact Cheryl Hodges at maxine46@ymail.com.



S8-Friday Hiking

Instructor: Jim Kirkwood
Dates: Fridays starting Jan. 26,
ending Apr. 26
Time: 9
Location: Various

Explore a variety of local hiking trails in Madison County. Enjoy the trees, flowers, and streams in our local forest preserves. Hike with other LearningQUEST members who appreciate the outdoors. Liability waivers are required. Hiking announcements with directions are provided by email. If interested, please send an email message to hiking@lquest.org. For our hikes, it is recommended to wear sturdy hiking boots and to bring water and a hiking stick.



S9-Poets' Corner

Instructor: Liz Hall
Dates: Last Wednesday, starting Jan 31
Time: 1:30 – 3
Location: FCR



This special interest group is for members who enjoy reading or writing poetry and want to share that enjoyment with others. Whether you are a neophyte or a published poet, come join our conversations! Poems will be written, shared, and discussed. Our conversations may include poetry by well-known as well as, perhaps, lesser-known poets whom we have enjoyed. The group will be loosely structured according to participants' interests. The purpose is to participate in a poetic appreciation of life! For more information, contact Liz Hall (256-881-6099) or lizhall076@gmail.com.

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Please contact Communications@lquest.org.

LEARNINGQUEST HUMAN RESOURCES POLICY

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PROGRAMS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC (FREE)

Several public programs are offered by LearningQUEST each term as its gift to the community. No registration or fees. Registration for members is suggested during online registration or in-person registration. Please help spread the word and be sure to invite your friends and neighbors.

P1-Space Exploration Memorial and Space Explorers Honor Roll

Instructor: Charles R. Chappell, Ph.D.
Dates: 1 Tuesday Jan. 23
Time: 10 – 11:30
Location: AUD

Huntsville, Alabama has been the site of amazing accomplishments in space exploration. Beginning as a cotton town of the 1950s, Huntsville has become one of the leading centers of humankind's space exploration activities, having been the birthplace of many rockets and spacecraft which have played a leading role in moving humans off their birth planet. The Space Exploration Memorial and the accompanying Space Explorers Honor Roll are being built at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center and will capture the names and history of all Huntsvillians who have made this exploration possible. The memorial will be located in the USSRC Rocket Park and is under construction now. When completed, it will tell the stories of all Huntsville space explorers.

P2-Raised-Bed Gardens

Instructor: Harvey Cotten
Dates: 1 Wednesday Mar. 13
Time: 2 – 3:30
Location: North Lib Community Room



Huntsville's renowned and beloved botanical garden expert, Harvey Cotten, will delve into the details of raised-bed gardening. Whether it be growing vegetables or flowers in soil that is higher than the ground, Harvey will provide details on the process. Participants will learn how

a raised-bed garden provides the ability to plant a garden, be it flowers or vegetables, virtually anywhere. The presenter will discuss the benefits of raised-bed gardens such as less stooping, improved drainage, fewer weeds, etc. A must-see program for gardeners and "wannabe" gardeners.

P3-Picking, Politicking, and Pontificating

Instructor: Mike Ball
Dates: 1 Monday Apr. 1
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: AUD

Mike Ball shares how the circumstances of a tumultuous and tragic childhood led him into a lifetime of public service as a Marine, State Trooper, and

Agent of the Alabama Bureau of Investigation before serving 20 years as a member of the Alabama House of Representatives. Based on his memoir, *Picking, Politicking, and Pontificating: How an Ex-Cop Legalized Cannabis while Fighting Corruption*, Mike utilizes stories and songs to describe the genesis of the moral compass that guided him through a series of ethical dilemmas that created a constitutional crisis at the highest echelons of Alabama State Government. Although politics and faith are central themes of the presentation(s), it is intended to be neither partisan nor dogmatic but only to provide useful information to those who are concerned about discerning truth and seeking wisdom in an era of ubiquitous propaganda. The program provides an inside look at the legal and political process from the perspective of a former politician, whose investigative experience and moral judgment made him a philosopher. Books will be available for \$24.95.

P4-Our Place in the World – The Wonder that is North Alabama

Instructor: Tim Gels, Hallie Porter
Dates: 1 Thursday May 23
Time: 1 – 2:30
Location: AUD

Have you ever been asked, "Where are you?" Some typical answers might be at home, in Huntsville, or on the Parkway. This program, however, answers the question in terms of where humans are in the Earth's lithosphere, hydrosphere, atmosphere, and biosphere. While this is not an in-depth science class, it will examine how our place in those four spheres makes north Alabama the gem that it is. The class will explore Alabama's biodiversity and the impact it has on human beings, for better or worse. Finally, it will consider how individuals can make a positive difference in their own backyards.

P5-Air Born

Instructor: Jan Davis
Dates: 1 Thursday Jun. 6
Time: 10 – 12
Location: AUD

Jan Davis will discuss her book *Air Born*, a memoir about her father, a WWII B-17 pilot and POW, and herself and her three spaceflight missions. The presentation will be followed by a question and answer period. Books will be available for \$32.69 (including tax) and can be autographed/personalized by the author.

LEARNINGQUEST INSTRUCTORS

Number in () indicates Term Program(s), Fee (F), Trip (T), Library (L), or Public (P) being presented by Instructor.

Ralph Allen is a historic preservation architect who worked with Harvie Jones and served as the historic preservation officer for Marshall Space Flight Center and as the first preservation consultant to the Huntsville Preservation Commission. He became active in historic preservation in the 1970s when Mr. Jones introduced him to a love and respect for old buildings, and thus, Ralph has documented historic structures in Huntsville and around the country. (37)

Joy Anderson is originally from Macon, Georgia, and has been doing crafts all her life. After teaching elementary school, she taught crafts to children and adults for many years. She loves needlework, crocheting, papercrafts, and jewelry-making, and is always eager to learn new crafts. (F5)

Susan Bakken worked on the Apollo program in California before moving to Colorado in 1973, then Alabama in 1982 with her husband Gordon, two kids, and pets. She also taught pre-school and retired after 30 yrs in Administration in 2012. She has been a member of LearningQUEST since then, enjoying the programs and volunteering. She has many interests and admires all aspects of nature – as such, she maintains and enjoys a Wildlife-Certified backyard. (20)

Mike Ball served for 25 years in law enforcement, including Special Operations Unit, SWAT team, and Major Crimes unit, investigating violent crimes, white-collar crimes, and public corruption. He also performed numerous collateral duties, including hostage negotiation and crisis intervention. As a member of the Alabama House of Representatives, Mike served on the Judiciary, Public Safety, State Government, and Internal Affairs Committees. He chaired the House Ethics and Campaign Finance Committee and the Madison County House Delegation. In 2022, Mike retired from public office to publish his memoir, *Picking, Politicking, and Pontificating: How an Ex-Cop Legalized Cannabis While Fighting Corruption*. (P3)

Bob and Phylis Baron have been active in the Huntsville metro community since 1975. Phylis works with Village of Promise, Burritt Museum, Huntsville Botanical Gardens, Huntsville Boys and Girls Clubs, and others. Bob was a popular Huntsville TV weatherman. He is the founder and CEO of Baron Weather and then founded the Baron Critical Weather Institute, a nonprofit that established a free weather net for the state. Bob has numerous honors including the Huntsville-Madison County Entrepreneur of the Year and the Ernst and Young Southeast Technology Entrepreneur of the Year. They have two children, Bob, Jr. and Elizabeth, and six grandchildren. (13)

James Beaupre, Ph.D., attended Iowa State University and received a Ph.D. in theoretical physics. He continued his education as an Atomic Energy Commission Post-doctoral Fellow at the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center and worked as a physicist at a German university. After five years, he returned to the United States and began employment at Teledyne Brown Engineering in Huntsville, Alabama. He taught a graduate-level course at UAH. In 2004, he received several major awards from Teledyne, including Teledyne Brown Engineering Fellow for lifetime technical achievement. (25)

Shobha Bhat is originally from India but has called Huntsville “home” for the last 40-plus years. She holds a bachelor’s degree in Economics and an associate degree in Computer Information Systems. She volunteers her time in local organizations such as the Interfaith Mission Services, Crisis Services of North Alabama, AshaKiran, and LearningQUEST. Being a transplant from another country, culture, and

religious background and knowing several languages instilled in her an unquenchable thirst for learning, understanding, and communicating with her neighbors from different backgrounds. She finds herself well-positioned to have meaningful dialogue and conversation with members of the community to build bridges of understanding and harmony. (47)

Cindi Branham spent her career in the electronics and data communications industries until starting her own company, NetFocus Marketing, Inc., in 2000. She works with companies and organizations in strategic planning, communications, team-building, marketing and public relations, and mind-mapping. She holds a Bachelor of Science and a Master’s in Administrative Science. She has been involved for years with organizations like the American Association of University Women, Tech Trek residential STEM Camp for 8th grade girls, the Women’s Economic Development Council, Huntsville Art League, The National Children’s Advocacy Center, and Leadership Huntsville-Madison County. (50)

Justin Brooks is the Senior Director of Ministry for the Downtown Rescue Mission and oversees a wide range of services from the Emergency Shelter and the Recovery and Graduate Programs to the development of the onsite medical services. Justin is a native of the Huntsville area and has served in church ministry for over 25 years, most of that time here in Madison County. He has a passion for helping others and a huge desire to see that more people get involved to see real change in the homeless and addicted community. (10)

Jill Burt attended Auburn University as an undergraduate. She holds a Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering from UAH and spent her career working for the U.S. Government. (29)

Heather Carlton joined Kids to Love as the Business Development Director in May 2022. Her goal is to build lasting partnerships between the business community and Kids to Love. Before joining the Kids to Love team, Heather was the Director of Sales for WHNT, WHDF, and WHNT.com in Huntsville Alabama. It’s a rarity—Heather was with the station for 30 years. Heather is a graduate of The University of Alabama. In her free time, Heather enjoys the outdoors and loves to hike, bike, and read in her hammock. (44)

Jim Chamberlain is a long-time local conservationist and outdoor enthusiast, helping preserve, explore, and share our beautiful and diverse natural areas. He is currently the citizen advocate for Greenways & Trails to the city of Madison. He served on the Land Trust of North Alabama Board, Sierra Club Board, and as president of the Madison trails volunteers. (26)

Charles R. (Rick) Chappell, Ph.D., is a space explorer specializing in the study of the Sun/Earth connection and the processes that control the Earth’s space environment. He has worked at or with NASA for 55 years, including research at Rice University, Lockheed, NASA/Marshall Space Flight Center, and Vanderbilt. He has trained as a backup Payload Specialist astronaut for Space Shuttle mission STS-45. He is the past president of the NASA Marshall Retirees Association and is the project manager for the Space Exploration Memorial. (P1)

Guy Collins is a veteran LearningQUEST instructor. After 34 years of teaching/coaching, he retired from Huntsville City Schools (Grissom High School) where he taught AP U.S. History and AP European History. (11, 32)

Laurie and Claudia Conn are sisters who went on a six-month World Cruise together in 2023 that included Namibia. Laurie is a retired Nurse Practitioner who lives in Macon, Georgia. Claudia retired from Intergraph and has spent the last 30-odd years traveling every chance she got, not counting the two-year COVID blackout. (13)

Harvey Cotten retired after 22 years with the Huntsville Botanical Garden. He is currently a garden designer, writer, and consultant. He continues to present workshops for garden clubs and associations and to lecture across the Southeast on various garden topics. He is working with the Land Trust of North Alabama on their Pollinator Garden Project. (P2)

Jan Davis, Ph.D., received her Master and Doctorate degrees from the University of Alabama Huntsville in mechanical engineering. She was a NASA engineer, NASA astronaut, NASA and industry executive, and an author. Prior to becoming an astronaut, she was a structural engineer at NASA Marshall Space Flight Center (MSFC). She flew on three Space Shuttle missions as a NASA astronaut, spending 28 days in orbit. Then, Dr. Davis was head of International Space Station work at MSFC and head of MSFC Safety and Mission Assurance after the Columbia accident. She retired from NASA and became an industry executive. (P5)

Kelly East leads the HudsonAlpha Educational Outreach team to develop and implement innovative teacher training, student experiences, public enrichment, classroom kits, and digital resources that reshape how science education is delivered. East provides strategic leadership for the educational initiatives that advance the Institute's mission and further its role as a leader in STEM education. She was formerly the Director of Clinical Education at HudsonAlpha and the Director of HudsonAlpha's Smith Family Clinic for Genomic Medicine, where she supported multiple mission areas to expand the application of genomics through research, education, and patient care. (9)

Peter A Finzel, Ph.D., received his Doctor of Management Degree from the University of Phoenix in 2004. He also has a B.S. degree in Industrial and Systems Engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology, and an M.S. degree in Systems Engineering from the University of Tennessee. He grew up in Huntsville as the son of a German engineer who was part of the Von Braun Rocket team. After retiring from the U.S. Army Missile Command in 2010, he has taken numerous LearningQUEST and OLLI classes. (31)

Doreen Forsythe finished her teaching career as the Engineering and Physics teacher at Lee High School in the Engineering Magnet School. She was a robotics coach for 16 years and has been passionate about education and space her entire life. She is a Solar System Ambassador and Solar System Educator who does public lectures and educational workshops on Astronomy and space missions, trained by the scientists and engineers who actually do the missions. There is nothing Ms. Forsythe would rather do than share her passion for space with others! (43)

Elaine Fredericksen, Ph.D., holds a B.A. in Spanish from UCLA, an MA in English and American Literature from UAB, and a Ph.D. in Rhetoric and Writing Studies from UA. She served for many years on university faculties, most recently on the graduate faculty of The University of Texas at El Paso. She is a longtime member, instructor, and volunteer of LearningQUEST. (18, 40)

Mike Fruendt, D.C., is originally from Haley, AL. He attended the University of North Alabama and completed a doctorate program at Life University. After graduating in 2001, he opened Health First Chiropractic in Huntsville in October. He is married, has two children, and is blessed with three grandchildren. Dr. Fruendt's focus is to

educate people and to offer quality chiropractic care for the Huntsville community. (42)

Jennifer Garlen, Ph.D., is a former member of the English faculty at UAH and a longtime volunteer with LearningQUEST. She holds a Ph.D. from Auburn University and is the author of several books, including *Beyond Casablanca: 100 Classic Movies Worth Watching*. (24)

Tim Gels has been an educator with the Land Trust of North Alabama for over a decade. After 16 years as a third- and fourth-grade teacher for Madison County Schools, he left the classroom to become the Trust's first Education Director. As a member of the Environmental Education Association of Alabama, he enjoys learning alongside people of all ages but especially likes time with the younger set. He is married to Lisa, his wife of 39 years. They have two daughters and two granddaughters. Being on the trail with them is one of his favorite things in life. (P4)

Rolf J. Goebel, Ph.D., was born in Kiel, Germany, and holds degrees from Brown University (M.A. in English, 1977), the University of Kiel (Staatsexamen in German and English, 1979), and the University of Maryland (Ph.D. in German Language and Literature, 1982). From 1982-2020, he taught German language and culture at the University of Alabama in Huntsville. Presently, he is Distinguished Professor Emeritus at this institution. Dr. Goebel is also active as a non-professional organist and harpsichordist, having served as the Dean of the Greater Huntsville, AL Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. (15)

Jim Griffith is a 1985 graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi. He spent his career in Huntsville, where he worked for Intergraph, Dynetics, and TekLinks. Jim is a member of several genealogical societies, including Sons of the American Revolution (SAR), The Jamestown Society, and Sons and Daughters of the Pilgrims. Jim currently serves as the President of the Alabama Society, Sons of the American Revolution. Jim is the founder and co-host of the SAR Podcast entitled "Revolutionary War Rarities," and is also Vice-Chairman of the National Education Committee of the Sons of the American Revolution. (39)

Elizabeth (Liz) Hall is a retired college professor. She has been a consultant to adolescents and adults in her private practice: Skills for Success. She sees herself as a writer/teacher. Her writings include books, articles, short stories, and poetry. Her interests include travel, scuba diving, gardening, reading, volunteering, and thinking. She particularly enjoys self-help, political, and social topics. (5)

Pam Herdy is a Nurse Practitioner and a very popular Health and Wellness Workshop Leader. She has been teaching classes for over 25 years. She holds six degrees and has taken multiple training courses throughout her career. Pam continues to be inspired by her students, who strive to improve their health and well-being. (F1)

Gary and Barbara Hitt retired from engineering careers in 1994 and have been on the go ever since. Their travels to see birds and wildlife have taken them to more than 60 countries. Gary keeps the bird list, and Barbara does the photography. (13)

Charlotte Hudson grew up in a rural area close to Memphis, Tennessee, and has lived in Huntsville since the mid-60s. She was a Supervisory Contract Specialist for 35 years for the Army on Redstone Arsenal Command until her retirement in 2015. She is enjoying retirement, volunteering with the Huntsville Madison County Senior Center and LearningQUEST. She currently serves on the Program Development Committee and as the Board Secretary. She is passionate about gardening, genealogy research, and physical exercise. (23)

Steve Jones, Ph.D., is a retired university professor and former university president, a forest scientist, and a published author of three books. He publishes weekly blog posts on nature-inspired life and living. Dr. Jones has a B.S. in forestry and a doctoral degree in applied ecology. He brings deep passion for nature and informed and responsible earth stewardship. He is a husband, father, and grandfather. (26)

Melissa Kirkindall is a native of Orlando, Florida. She graduated from Emory University and has lived in Huntsville/Madison since 1971. She is a member of the Huntsville Botanical Garden, the Alabama Nature Conservancy, and the Land Trust of Huntsville and North Alabama. Her yard is certified by the National Wildlife Federation as a Backyard Wildlife Habitat. She became a Master Gardener in 1998 and gives presentations on hummingbirds, attracting wildlife (especially hummingbirds and butterflies), gardens she has visited, and her travels. (13)

Herb Lewis, since retiring in 2002, has focused his personal hobbies of landscaping, birding, and photography into creating a natural wildlife habitat within his backyard garden, primarily to attract birds. Herb is an honorary Master Gardener, and volunteers as a docent and shuttle driver at the Huntsville Botanical Garden. He and his wife Terry sponsored and helped develop the Lewis Birding Trail at the Huntsville Botanical Garden. Herb is partnering with the Land Trust of North Alabama in the creation of an educational birding trail, complete with bird-viewing blinds and a rock water feature on the Chapman Mountain Nature Preserve. (8)

James Lomax was elected to the Alabama House of Representatives in 2022. He earned his degree from the University of Alabama in Huntsville, and his Master of Arts in Civic Leadership from Lipscomb University. Professionally, James is the vice president of a publicly traded real-estate investment trust, which handles business development across Alabama and Texas. His wife Elizabeth and he have one daughter, Alice, and another daughter on the way. He enjoys playing pickleball and running. (6)

Jim Maples is a native of Huntsville. Jim is married to the former Linda Alcott. Jim and Linda have one son, Jay, who is an attorney in Birmingham. Jim retired from the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command and then retired as a Senior Acquisition Analyst for BCF Solutions. Jim has been a member of the Sons of the American Revolution for 25-plus years and has served as State President 2005-2006, Vice-President General of the Southern District 2011-2012, and was the recipient in 2021 of the highest award given by the SAR, the Minuteman award. (39)

Douglas C. Martinson, II, J.D., graduated from the University of Alabama with a degree in Corporate Finance and Investment Management in 1986. His legal education was at Washington and Lee University School of Law in Lexington, Virginia, and he received an LL.M. in tax law from the Boston University School of Law. His practice focuses on estate planning and probate, wills and trusts, guardianship, and elder law, as well as corporate and business planning and disputes. In 2001, Doug was appointed by the Madison County Probate Judge as the County Conservator. (30)

Cheryl McAuley, Ph.D., moved to Huntsville 18.5 years ago from Maryland. She is a retired Army Reservist (30 years) and DoD Civilian (26 years). After her first deployment (Djibouti, Africa 2004), she volunteered to serve in Iraq (2009-2010). Her doctorate is in Management and Organizational Leadership from The University of Phoenix (2016). She's published two books and is working on a third. All royalties go to nonprofit organizations. Her 38-year marriage to John McAuley (Retired CW5, US Army) includes traveling and golfing

together. Cheryl enjoys serving others when opportunities become available. (13)

Jeff Nelson, Ph.D., recently retired after having taught English and Shakespeare at UAH for 30 years. His credentials include a B.A. from Illinois Wesleyan and an M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. He has been a frequent presenter for LearningQUEST. (4, 16)

June Norton came to Huntsville in 1962 as a summer student with a fellowship from the Armed Forces Communication and Electronics Association to work for NASA. She has a B.A. in Elementary Education and an M.A. in Psychology and is retired from the Madison County School System. June enjoys friends, gardening, church activities, yoga, and reading, and believes learning is a lifelong activity. (38)

John Ofenloch holds a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Christian Brothers University and a Master in Administrative Science from the University of Alabama in Huntsville. He was employed for 52 years at Intergraph, Teledyne Brown Engineering, and Rockwell International. John retired in January of 2011. He has served on numerous boards, including the American Red Cross, Historic Huntsville Foundation, and Public Radio. John also served on the University of Alabama in Huntsville Alumni Board of Directors and as President of the Huntsville Kiwanis and Jaycees. He is active in church activities and is a graduate of the Huntsville Police Academy. (48)

Cynthia Parker is the Development Director at the National Child Advocacy Center. She has a passion for sharing the story of the establishment of the NCAC and its impact on children and their families. (21)

Hallie Porter began her work with the Land Trust 12 years ago as a volunteer, working to re-energize the outdoor environmental education program for children. She came on staff at the Land Trust shortly thereafter and has been working there for 11 years. Hallie is passionate about the Land Trust's mission of North Alabama land preservation. (P4)

Beth Powell is a dabbler in many fine arts and crafts. After a working career in medical technology, teaching Biological Sciences at Grissom High School and Calhoun and analyzing manufactured DNA and RNA, she turned her mind to the creative arts. She is happy to challenge herself with attempting new craft projects and techniques and enthusiastically sharing what she learns. While not a Certified Zentangle Teacher, Beth is looking forward to sharing this simple drawing practice with others. (46)

Luyao Ren is an expert in Martial Arts and is a visiting scholar at Alabama A&M University. He won the International Taijiquan Coach Certificate in 2017 and has taught Martial Arts for eight years. (17, 35)

Tom Ress is one of LearningQUEST's popular long-time presenters because his excellent photography and narration brings his trips to life for participants. He is an avid traveler and adventurer and a prolific freelance writer. He has visited all seven continents and dozens of countries. He writes about his travels and adventures for numerous magazines, newspapers, and websites, including the *Wall Street Journal*, *Backpacker*, *Blue Ridge County*, *Alabama Heritage*, and *Discover.com*. He is a volunteer at Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge and a board member of Wheeler Wildlife Refuge Association. (7, 13)

Mary Pat Riley is a retired educator and advocate for young children. She taught in private, religious, and public schools throughout Alabama from 1974 until she retired in 2015. She is serving on the Board of Directors for Huntsville Pilgrimage. She helps with special programs at Burritt on the Mountain Museum and volunteers at

Free2Teach, a local organization that gives millions of dollars of free school supplies to Madison County public school teachers. She enjoys reading and is a member of two book clubs. (36)

Fred Sayers has a degree in Commercial Art from Auburn University. For over 50 years, he has produced graphic designs, illustrations, and visual projects for various clients. He earned many awards for his art from the advertising industry. Since retirement in 2013, Fred has enjoyed drawing caricatures at craft festivals, art shows, and business gatherings. (2)

Rabbi P.J. Schwartz began his tenure at B'nai Sholom in July 2023. He previously served congregations in Westport, Connecticut and Los Gatos, California. Originally from Greenville, South Carolina, he is thrilled to return to his southern roots with his family. (28)

M.D. Smith lives in Huntsville, Alabama, and has written 124 non-fiction short stories for *Old Huntsville Magazine* in the past 18 years. He has written 156 fiction stories in the past three years and is nationally published in *Good Old Days* and *Reminisce* print magazines, *Like Sunshine After Rain* short story anthology and digitally in *Frontier Times*, *Flash Fiction Online*, and other flash fiction sites. He has published three romance novels, two Flash Fiction collections, and three non-fiction books. He holds an MFA degree in Popular Fiction Writing. (22)

Jill Stallcup is a longtime Madison resident and a lifelong crafter. She started rubber-stamping and creating cards while still in high school. Her favorite thing is sharing her knowledge with others and learning from them as well. Thus, she has instructed many classes in cardmaking and papercrafting. (F3, F4, F6)

Michael Stallcup grew up in Albuquerque, New Mexico, and has a B.S. in Civil Engineering from the University of New Mexico with an emphasis on structural analysis. After working for the Air Force for two years he transferred to NASA/Marshall Space Flight Center (MSFC) in 1983, retiring in 2016. At MSFC, he provided structural analysis and testing support for Shuttle, Spacelab, International Space Station, Chandra X-ray Observatory, James Webb Space Telescope, various optical projects, Constellation, and SLS/Artemis. He lives in Madison, Alabama, and is a docent at the U.S. Space & Rocket Center. (3)

Katie Stamps, a Madison, AL native, is the Preservation Planner for the City of Huntsville. In 2007, she received a B.S. in Secondary Social Science from Auburn University, where she led regular campus tours as a student recruiter. In 2010, while studying in Charleston, South Carolina, Katie received an M.S. in Historic Preservation from Clemson University/College of Charleston. Prior to working for the City of Huntsville, she was the Architectural Historian for Redstone Arsenal for seven years. She led multiple architectural walking tours for the Historic Huntsville Foundation, and served on the Madison Station and Huntsville Historic Preservation Commissions. (41, 45)

Rose Stough is a Makerspace Librarian with the Huntsville-Madison County Public Library. She has experience in the fields of art, technology, and education, including graphic design, digital media conversion, fashion and costume design, and traditional crafts. Rose was an art consultant for LoveHuntsville and assisted with several large-scale interactive art projects throughout the city. (L1, L2, L3, L4, L5)

Sundial Writers is a group of talented authors of various ages, backgrounds, and ethnicities who contribute their stories, opinions, and poetry to WLRH radio in a weekly podcast. (27)

Skip Vaughn, a native of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, moved to Huntsville in 1968, graduated from Butler High School in 1972, and from Auburn University in 1976 with a journalism degree. He was a news reporter for *The Huntsville Times* before becoming an Army public affairs specialist at Redstone. Skip is the editor of the *Redstone Rocket*, the Army's weekly newspaper and a member of the Garrison-Redstone Public Affairs Office. He covers sports part-time for AL.com. He and his wife Janice, a retired teacher, reside in Huntsville with their son Cole and daughter Glorian. (34)

Frederick Walker is a 2018 graduate of Alabama A&M University. He is a professionally trained percussionist and is classically trained in piano. Since 2010, Frederick has been developing the musical skills and leadership training at Huntsville Community Drumline, a free nonprofit organization in Huntsville Alabama. Fred teaches private drum and piano lessons and is the pianist for Beans Creek Primitive Baptist Church in Huntland, Tennessee. He is married to the former Brittani Hewlett. They have a daughter, Luelani. (33)

Debbie Dempsey West is a graduate of the University of Alabama in Huntsville with a bachelor's degree in art and art education. She taught for 25 years in the Huntsville City School system at all levels: elementary, jr. high, and high school. She was awarded two Fulbright Scholarships to study the arts in China and Turkey. Debbie travels extensively to continue her studies in art and art history. (12)

Larry West has been very active in the administration of LearningQUEST, including serving on the Board of Directors as finance chair and President. He is currently the coordinator lead. He handled business and contract matters for the Air Force's Space Launch and the Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) systems as well as McDonnell Douglas's Delta launch vehicle. He came to Huntsville in 1990 as the Director of Business for McDonnell Douglas. In 1994, he created Longview Financial Advisors, one of the first local "fee-only" comprehensive financial planning businesses in Huntsville. (20)

Lue Williams has studied public speaking for 25 years. He began with giants like Les Brown and Zig Ziglar, then moved on to Jim Rohn, Eric Edmeades, Walter Bond, and Inky Johnson. Lue speaks at different venues about public speaking. He also coaches, trains, and assists others in speech-writing. Lue's passion is to share his love and joy of public speaking. (49)

Irene Wisner has worked as a volunteer instructor in stained glass at the Huntsville Senior Center since 2019. She was taught by two instructors at the Senior Center in 2015. (1)

Jane Wodtke grew up in a rural area outside of Louisville, Kentucky. She met and married her husband at the University of Kentucky and has a son and a daughter. Jane was a Special Education teacher for 30 years. Since she moved to Huntsville after living in New Jersey for 29 years, she enjoys her retirement by doing volunteer work and teaching with LearningQUEST. (19)

Mila Zsidisin, a U.S. citizen, has strong roots in her country of origin Ukraine. She taught foreign languages in Ukraine for 20 years. She has been a translator and facilitator for international education with many organizations. While in Ukraine, she founded a local nonprofit organization devoted to AIDS awareness and education. She also worked with the U.S. Peace Corps in Ukraine, developing programs for teaching English. Mila taught courses in Russian language and culture at the University of Alabama, Huntsville. Since the invasion of Ukraine, she has collaborated with nonprofit organizations to send aid to Ukrainian citizens. (14, F2)

LEARNINGQUEST CALENDAR

Downtown Library: AUD (Auditorium), 2FL (2nd Floor Events Room), Studio (Makerspace Studio, 1st floor), A (beside Auditorium), FCR (Foundation Conference Room, 2nd floor), **South Huntsville Public Library:** SLib (Classroom)

Venues are designated when programs are held in a standard location. Otherwise, see the program description or, in some cases, the coordinator will contact registrants.

Programs other than courses are differentiated with special formatting:

Special Interest Group

Trip 2-4

Public Program 1-2

Library Program 1-2

January 2024

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1 NEW YEARS DAY Library Closed	2	3 Knitting 2-3 A	4	5	6
7 Uke 2-3:30 Online	8 Bunco 9:30-12 A Mah Jongg 1-4 A Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online	9 RALLY DAY 10:30-1	10 Photo Share 10-11:30 SLib	11 Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A Stained Glass 1-2 SLib	12	13
14 Uke 2-3:30 2FL	15 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY Library Closed	16 Caricatures w/Fred 10-11:30 SLib JWST 2-3:30 AUD	17 As You Like It 1-2:30 2FL Knitting 2-3 Online	18 Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A Maker 1-2:30 Studio Lead & Pol 1:30-3 2FL	19	20
21 Uke 2-3:30 Online	22 Mah Jongg 1-4 A Legis Proc 1-2 AUD Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online	23 Space Expl. 10-11:30 AUD Caricatures w/Fred 10-11:30 SLib Cranes 1:30-2:30	24 As You Like It 1-2:30 2FL	25 Birding 10-12 AUD Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A Lead & Pol 1:30-3 2FL	26 Hiking 9 Various HudAlpha 10-11:30	27
28 Uke 2-3:30 2FL	29 Mission 10-11:30 AUD Str Bldg 11:15-12:15 Mah Jongg 1-4 A Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online	30 Caricatures w/Fred 10-11:30 SLib	31 As You Like It 1-2:30 2FL Poets Crnr 1:30-3 FCR			

February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
				1 Hollywd 10-11:30 AUD <i>Hand & Ft</i> 12:30-4 A Lead & Pol 1:30-3 2FL Fem Gndr 1:30-3 AUD	2 <i>Hiking 9 Various</i>	3
4 <i>Uke</i> 2-3:30 <i>Online</i>	5 Str Bldg 11:15-12:15 <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> Arm Trvl 1:30-3 AUD <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	6 Caricatures w/Fred 10-11:30 Slib Heidegger 10-11:30 2FL	7 Am Poet 1-2:30 2FL Tai Chi 1-2 AUD <i>Bookbind</i> 1-2:30 Studio <i>Knitting 2-3 A</i>	8 Hollywd 10-11:30 AUD <i>Hand & Ft</i> 12:30-4 A Fem Gndr 1:30-3 AUD Fam Ukr 3:30-5 AUD	9 <i>Hiking 9 Various</i> French 1-2:30 2FL	10
11 <i>Uke</i> 2-3:30 2FL	12 <i>Bunco 9:30-12 A</i> Str Bldg 11:15-12:15 <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> Arm Trvl 1:30-3 AUD <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	13 Heidegger 10-11:30 2FL Int'l Dining Out 5-8	14 <i>Photo Share</i> 10-11:30 SLib Boomer 10:30-12 AUD Am Poet 1-2:30 2FL Tai Chi 1-2 AUD	15 Hollywd 10-11:30 AUD <i>Hand & Ft</i> 12:30-4 A Fem Gndr 1:30-3 AUD Fam Ukr 3:30-5 AUD	16 <i>Hiking 9 Various</i> NCAC 9-11 French 1-2:30 2FL	17
18 <i>Uke</i> 2-3:30 <i>Online</i>	19 Str Bldg 11:15-12:15 <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> Arm Trvl 1:30-3 AUD <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	20 Heidegger 10-11:30 2FL	21 Writing 9:30-11:30 2FL Am Poet 1-2:30 2FL Tai Chi 1-2 AUD <i>Knitting 2-3 Online</i>	22 Hollywd 10-11:30 AUD Do Lunch 11-12:30 <i>Hand & Ft</i> 12:30-4 A Fem Gndr 1:30-3 AUD Fam Ukr 3:30-5 AUD	23 <i>Hiking 9 Various</i> French 1-2:30 2FL	24
25 <i>Uke</i> 2-3:30 2FL	26 Str Bldg 11:15-12:15 <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> Arm Trvl 1:30-3 AUD <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	27 Heidegger 10-11:30 2FL	28 Writing 9:30-11:30 2FL Am Poet 1-2:30 2FL Tai Chi 1-2 AUD <i>Poets Crnr 1:30-3 FCR</i>	29 Hollywd 10-11:30 AUD <i>Hand & Ft</i> 12:30-4 A Fem Gndr 1:30-3 AUD		

March 2024

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
					1 <i>Hiking 9 Various</i> French 1-2:30 2FL Fri Film 2-4:30 AUD	2
3 <i>Uke</i> 2-3:30 <i>Online</i>	4 Physics 10-11:30 SLib Str Bldg 11:15-12:15 <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> Arm Trvl 1:30-3 AUD <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	5 Streams 10-11:30 Sundial 1-2:30 AUD	6 Writing 9:30-11:30 2FL Tai Chi 1-2 AUD <i>Knitting 2-3 A</i>	7 Ukr Egg 9:30-11 2FL <i>Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A</i> Fem Gndr 1:30-3 AUD	8 <i>Hiking 9 Various</i> French 1-2:30 2FL	9
10 <i>Uke</i> 2-3:30 2FL	11 <i>Bunco 9:30-12 A</i> Physics 10-11:30 SLib <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> Arm Trvl 1:30-3 AUD <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	12 Streams 10-11:30 Sundial 1-2:30 AUD Int'l Dining Out 5-8	13 Writing 9:30-11:30 2FL <i>Photo Share</i> 10-11:30 SLib Tai Chi 1-2AUD <i>Raised-Bed Gardens</i> 2-3:30	14 Hollywd 10-11:30 AUD Ukr Egg 1-2:30 2FL <i>Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A</i>	15 <i>Hiking 9 Various</i> Temple B'nai Sholom 10-12 French 1-2:30 2FL	16
17 <i>Uke</i> 2-3:30 <i>Online</i>	18 <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	19 Mar Mad 9:30-11 SLib Streams 10-11:30 Elder Law 2-4 AUD	20 Writing 9:30-11:30 2FL Tai Chi 1-2 AUD <i>Knitting 2-3 Online</i>	21 Hollywd 10-11:30 AUD <i>Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A</i> Ukr Egg 1-2:30 2FL <i>Digital Conv. 1-2:30</i> Studio	22 <i>Hiking 9 Various</i>	23
24 <i>Uke</i> 2-3:30 2FL	25 <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	26 Streams 10-11:30 Elder Law 2-4 AUD	27 Writing 9:30-11:30 2FL Tai Chi 1-2 AUD <i>Poets Crnr 1:30-3 FCR</i>	28 Do Lunch 11-12:30 <i>Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A</i> Purpose 1-2:30 2FL	29	30



LearningQUEST 2024 Board of Directors

April 2024

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> Pick, Polit. & Pontif. 1-2:30 AUD <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	2 HSV Civil War 10-11:30 AUD Elder Law 2-4 AUD	3 GranMasters 12:30-1:30 Int Tai Chi 1-2 AUD Sports 1-2:30 2FL <i>Knitting 2-3 A</i>	4 <i>Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A</i> Cards - Masculine 1-2:30 SLib Purpose 1-2:30 2FL	5 <i>Hiking 9 Various</i> <i>Fri Film 2-4:30 AUD</i>	6
7 <i>Uke</i> 2-3:30 <i>Online</i>	8 <i>Bunco 9:30-12 A</i> <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	9 Mar Mad 9:30-11 Slib HSV Civil War 10-11:30 AUD Johnny 1-2 AUD Int'l Dining Out 5-8	10 Missing HSV 10-11:30 AUD <i>Photo Share 10-11:30</i> <i>Slib</i> Int Tai Chi 1-2 AUD Cricut 1-2:30 Studio Frt Porch 1:30-3 2FL	11 <i>Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A</i> Cards – Shaped 1-2:30 SLib Purpose 1-2:30 2FL	12 <i>Hiking 9 Various</i>	13
14 <i>Uke</i> 2-3:30 2FL	15 <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> Jewelry 1:30-3:30 SLib <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	16 Rev. War 10-11:30 AUD Spanish 2-3:30 2FL	17 Missing HSV 10-11:30 AUD GranMasters 12:30-1:30 Int Tai Chi 1-2 AUD Twickenham 1 1-2:30 Frt Porch 1:30-3 2FL <i>Knitting 2-3 Online</i>	18 Chiropractor 10-11 AUD <i>Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A</i> Cards - Stenciled 1-2:30 SLib Purpose 1-2:30 2FL	19 <i>Hiking 9 Various</i>	20
21 <i>Uke</i> 2-3:30 <i>Online</i>	22 <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> Skywatch 1-2:30 AUD Jewelry 1:30-3:30 SLib <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	23 Rev. War 10-11:30 AUD Spanish 2-3:30 2FL	24 Kids 9:30-10:30 AUD Int Tai Chi 1-2AUD Frt Porch 1:30-3 2FL <i>Poets Crnr 1:30-3 FCR</i>	25 Do Lunch 11-12:30 <i>Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A</i> Purpose 1-2:30 2FL	26 <i>Hiking 9 Various</i>	27
28 <i>Uke</i> 2-3:30 2FL	29 <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> Skywatch 1-2:30 AUD <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	30 Rev. War 10-11:30 AUD Spanish 2-3:30 2FL				



More from the Annual Meeting

May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1 Int Tai Chi 1-2 AUD Twickenham 2 1-2:30 Frt Porch 1:30-3 2FL <i>Knitting 2-3 A</i>	2 <i>Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A</i> Zentangle 1-2:30 2FL	3 Fri Film 2-4:30 AUD	4
5 <i>Uke 2-3:30 Online</i>	6 <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> <i>Skywatch 1-2:30 AUD</i> <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	7 Mind P's 10-11:30 Slib Spanish 2-3:30 2FL	8 Jaycees 10-11:30 AUD Int Tai Chi 1-2 AUD Frt Porch 1:30-3 2FL	9 <i>Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A</i> Zentangle 1-2:30 2FL	10	11
12 <i>Uke 2-3:30 2FL</i>	13 <i>Bunco 9:30-12 A</i> <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> <i>Skywatch 1-2:30 AUD</i> <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	14 Mind P's 10-11:30 Slib Spanish 2-3:30 2FL Int'l Dining Out 5-8	15 Frt Porch 1:30-3 2FL <i>Knitting 2-3 Online</i>	16 <i>Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A</i> <i>Zentangle 1-2:30 2FL</i>	17	18
19 <i>Uke 2-3:30 Online</i>	20 <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> <i>Skywatch 1-2:30 AUD</i> <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	21 Mind P's 10-11:30 Slib Pub Speak 10-11 2FL Spanish 2-3:30 2FL	22 Embroidery 1-2:30 Studio	23 Do Lunch 11-12:30 <i>Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A</i> <i>Place in World 1-2:30 AUD</i>	24	25
26 <i>Uke 2-3:30 2FL</i>	27 MEMORIAL DAY Library Closed	28 Mind P's 10-11:30 Slib Pub Speak 10-11 2FL	29 <i>Poets Crnr 1:30-3 FCR</i>	30 <i>Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A</i>	31	

June 2024

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
2 <i>Uke 2-3:30 Online</i>	3 <i>Mah Jongg 1-4 A</i> <i>Lit Conv 3-4:30 Online</i>	4 Pub Speak 10-11 2FL	5 <i>Knitting 2-3 A</i>	6 <i>Air Born 10-12 AUD</i> <i>Hand & Ft 12:30-4 A</i>	7 Fri Film 2-4:30 AUD	8
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