

## Spring Schedule - January to June 2020

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Because of COVID-19 restrictions, after 17 March 2020, programs were re-scheduled to the Fall 2020 schedule or the Spring 2021 schedule.

For the first time ever, MWES had a summer semester - a Friday wine and cheese social hour from the 5<sup>th</sup> of June to the 28<sup>th</sup> of August.

Day	Date	Time	Title	Description
Thursday	9 Jan 20	10:00-12:00	Land Down Under, Part 2	ElderStudy member Mike Redding will present a slide show of the second half of his trip to Australia in 2016 continuing his program from 19 September. His trip ranged from the breath-taking scenery of Tasmania, to Uluru in the Outback, to the lush rain forests of the northeast coast and the Great Barrier Reef. Also included in the trip were two of the great cities of the world, Melbourne and Sydney. Sponsor: Mike Redding
Thursday	9 Jan 20	13:00-15:00	<b>Book Group ► Educated: A Memoir by Tara Westover</b>	Tara Westover was 17 the first time she set foot in a classroom. Born to survivalists in the mountains of Idaho, she prepared for the end of the world by stockpiling home-canned peaches and sleeping with her "head-for-the-hills bag". In the summer she stewed herbs for her mother, a midwife and healer, and in the winter she salvaged in her father's junkyard.. Discussion led by: Gail Oakes Sponsor: Dot Meyers
Tuesday	14 Jan 20	10:00-12:00	Overview of the Supreme Court's 2018-2019 Term	Mr. Bacon will discuss the work of the Supreme Court during its 2018 Term (the Supreme Court year beginning October 1, 2018 and ending September 30, 2019). The presentation will include an overview and description of the 73 opinions issued by the Court during the term, and a detailed discussion of several that may be of particular interest. Sponsor: Carolyn Sulima
Wednesday	15 Jan 20	10:00-12:00	Visitors at the Falls	Veteran tour guide Scott Walker will discuss the Falls of the Rappahannock River. These falls are not like the ones on the Niagara, but our local falls are the reason our early communities came here. These falls created a location that, throughout our history, funneled visitors to and through our area. Scott Walker will look at the wide variety and backgrounds of a few of these more prominent visitors who can be associated with major places and events in American History that everyone is familiar with. This does not necessarily make Fredericksburg the 'first, best, most, biggest' of some things but the community has involvements and connections with many historic events and movements.. Sponsor: Mary Ann Stana

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Thursday	16 Jan 20	13:00-15:00	<b>Curriculum Committee Meeting I</b>	The Curriculum Committee is responsible for planning the 45 plus programs that are scheduled each semester. We are always looking for that next new topic on our journey to lifelong learning. Come join us and help develop programs that are interesting and stimulating. Sponsor: Joe Alfred
Tuesday	21 Jan 20	10:00-12:00	Eating Habits	Chris McBride, UMW professor of psychology, will discuss eating habits of Americans. Sponsor: Phil Hall
Thursday	23 Jan 20	13:00-15:00	Songs With and Without Words - Exploration of Music and Meaning	Robert Wells, UMW professor of music, will discuss how music has the power to move us — but how does it do so? Similarly, how can music, as a series of abstract sounds, “mean” something to listeners? In exploring these questions, this interactive lecture will consider how music and words can support and contradict one another in music from the Renaissance to Johnny Cash; how music without a text, such as a Chopin piano piece, can still move us and tell a story; and how the “voices” of the composer, performer, fictional characters, and even the listener help shape the musical experience. Sponsor: Ellen Brown
Tuesday	28 Jan 20	10:00-12:00	Historic Photography - The Great North American Albumen Tour	Rosemary Jesionowski, UMW associate professor of multiple imaging, will discuss her recent work in the historic photographic process of albumen printing and photography on the road. Between August and November 2018, she traveled by car across the US, documenting the landscape with a 4X5 view camera. She processed the film in hotel bathrooms and borrowed darkrooms, made albumen prints under the sun and processed prints under the moon. Jesionowski will include information on the trajectory of this work in process. Sponsor: Mary Ann Stana
Thursday	30 Jan 20	10:00-12:00	Juliana v. US - Climate Change	ElderStudy member Joe Alfred will discuss Kelsey Juliana, a 19 year old Oregon girl, and 20 teenagers from across the US and their law suit against the Federal Government. They allege they will be harmed by climate change. They have won the right to a District Court hearing en route to the Supreme Court. Their documentation goes back to 1965 in the Johnson Administration. Sponsor: Joe Alfred
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Tuesday	4 Feb 20	10:00-12:00	The Hello Girls and Early Telephone Technology	ElderStudy member Dennis Van Derlaske will discuss how during World War I, the Army sent its first contingent of female soldiers to the front as telephone operators. As women, however, their service was not initially acknowledged in the same manner as males. The documentary "The Hello Girls" by James Theres, produced in coordination with the World War One Centennial Commission will be presented. It will be preceded by a short talk by ElderStudy member Dennis Van Derlaske on the nature of telephone technology of the time and what these women were dealing with in their daily duties. Sponsor: Dennis Van Derlaske
Wednesday	5 Feb 20	10:00-12:00	Francis Gary Powers - U2 Incident	Francis Gary Powers, Jr., will relate the story of his father, hired by the CIA for photographic overflights of the Soviet Union. He was shot down 1 May 1960 and subsequently imprisoned. He will show several clips from the movie, Bridge of Spies, depicting the account and bring several books for sale regarding this fateful mission. Sponsor: Rose Reif
Thursday	6 Feb 20	10:00-12:00	Rising Sun Tavern & Other Treasures	Michael Spencer, UMW associate professor and chair of historic preservation, will provide a description of Rising Sun Tavern. Sponsor: Margaretta Williamson
Tuesday	11 Feb 20	10:00-12:00	Central Rappahannock Regional Library - eBooks, Streaming Video and More	Erin Brallier, Collection Development Manager, will provide an overview of services provided by CRRL including new ways to access eBooks and streaming video, new materials available to borrow from CRRL and other special services. If time permits Erin will assist attendees with downloading CRRL apps to their devices and downloading eBooks. Sponsor: Carol Wachter

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Wednesday	12 Feb 20	10:00-12:00	Play Discussion► Ordinary Days music and lyrics by Adam Gwon	Four young New Yorkers navigate the chaos of being alive in the city that never sleeps, in a world that is eternally shifting. While seemingly unconnected, their paths become entwined in the most unexpected of ways and at the most unlikely of moments. This simple, sweet musical by one of today's most impressive musical theatre talents, Adam Gwon, reminds us that remarkable lives grow from weeks, months and years of quite Ordinary Days. ". . . a sad-sweet comment on the anonymity of life in the city, where it is possible to change other people's fates without actually getting to meet them." – The New York Times. "A fresh alternative to most of the over-produced stuff on Broadway." – The Washington Post. Tickets will be available during and after class. <b>Box Office 540-654-1124</b> . For the hearing impaired, listening devices are available for checkout at the Box Office prior to each performance. The parking lot across from Klein should be reserved for ElderStudy. Sponsors: Bob & Carole Hanus
Wednesday	12 Feb 20	13:30-15:00	<b>TOUR</b> Spring UMW Gallery Tour I	Jon McMillan will lead us on a visit to two galleries: the Ridderhof Martin Gallery and the duPont Gallery. The two tours will begin at the Ridderhof Martin Gallery and proceed to duPont Hall. ES receives a personal tour of each of the current exhibits by the director or curator of the UMW Galleries. You may choose to dine in the Maple Room on the fourth floor of the University Center (site of the former Chandler Hall) at a reduced rate before the tour. <b>NOTE UNUSUAL START TIME.</b> Sponsor: Mary Ann Stana
Thursday	13 Feb 20	13:00-15:00	<b>Book Group► The Healing of America by T.R. Reid</b>	Excellent written, "non-wonkish", enlightening book comparing healthcare systems in other countries. Originally written in 2009, the book remains very relevant today as we move into the presidential campaign. Healthcare (including Medicare for all), once again, is going to be a central issue. Discussion led by Keith Morgenheim Sponsor: Dot Meyers
<b>Monday</b>	<b>17 Feb 20</b>	<b>Presidents Day</b>		

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Tuesday	18 Feb 20	10:00-12:00	Gilbert and Sullivan - the collaborative product	Brooks Kuykendall, Chair, UMW Music Department, will discuss that while it is well known that W.S. Gilbert and Arthur Sullivan did not really get along with each other, each brought out the best work from the other and their greatest successes were in their joint works. Brooks reexamines their collaboration, theorizing that their success came largely from not really understanding what the other was trying to accomplish and never really agreeing about the nature of the genre they were producing. Was it to be parody or sincerity, believable characters or cardboard cut-outs, true emotion or absurdities galore? They never saw eye to eye and they may never have realized that. Sponsor: Carol Wachter
Thursday	20 Feb 20	13:00-15:00	<b>Curriculum Committee Meeting II</b>	The Curriculum Committee is responsible for planning the 45 plus programs that are scheduled each semester. We are always looking for that next new topic on our journey to lifelong learning. Come join us and help develop programs that are interesting and stimulating. Sponsor: Joe Alfred
Tuesday	25 Feb 20	13:00-15:00	<b>TOUR - RSVP</b> Virginiana Room and the Fredericksburg Library	Two tours - Nancy Moore, Virginiana Room Manager, will lead the tour of the Virginiana Room (genealogy and local history room); Concurrent with that tour, Arthur McKinney, Adult Services Manager of the Fredericksburg Library of CRRL, will provide a tour of the FBG branch, its history, and its service to Lifelong Learning. <b>RSVP Randy Fennemore cfennemore@aol.com by 1 February 2020.</b> Tour limited to 35 members. Sponsors: Randy Fennemore & Carol Wachter
Wednesday	26 Feb 20	10:00-12:00	<b>Membership Committee Meeting I</b>	The Membership Committee handles publicity, the newsletter, maintaining the website and planning social events. Members are always welcome to attend our meetings. Sponsor: Donna Lewis
Wednesday	26 Feb 20	13:00-15:00	<b>Administrative Committee Meeting I</b>	The Administrative Committee develops policies and plans for operating the organization. It reviews governing documents, updates the Policies and Procedures, monitors finances and projects future needs, proposes the annual budget and member fees. Members are always welcome to attend our meetings. Sponsor: Keith Fennell

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Thursday	27 Feb 20	13:00-15:00	Songs to Celebrate Women's History	Sharleen Leahey and Pat Lamanna, two women folk singers, aka "The Herstorians", will sing classic, contemporary and original songs to celebrate the Centennial of the Women's Suffrage movement. Accompanying themselves on guitar and banjo, New York City natives Pat Lamanna and Sharleen Leahey perform compositions about legendary Abolitionists and Suffragists including Sojourner Truth, Harriet Tubman and Mary Brown, the wife of John Brown. Some of the ballads they learned from researching original source material spanning the 19th and early 20th centuries. Sharleen's newly recorded composition, "The Woman's Suffrage Song", documents the 72-year long struggle waged by several generations of women activists including Lucretia Mott, Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Alice Paul. During their finale, Sharleen and Pat will honor mentor Pete Seeger by urging us all to raise our voices singing a new version of his favorite song as we celebrate the 100th anniversary of the victorious struggle for women's suffrage. Sponsor: Siham Alfred
<b>March</b>				
Wednesday	4 Mar 20	10:00-12:00	<b>Board of Directors Meeting</b>	Board meetings are open to all ElderStudy members. Come and witness firsthand the decision-making process that ensures that ElderStudy is meeting its objectives. This is a chance for all members to suggest new ideas for the organization directly to the Board and to committee chairpersons. Sponsor: President Michelle Esbenshade
Thursday	5 Mar 20	10:00-12:00	The Anniversary of 1619 - A Pivotal Year in Virginia History	Robert Dunkerly, a Historian and Park Ranger at Richmond National Battlefield, will discuss why 1619 should be remembered, after 1607, as a crucial year in Virginia history. Several important events occurred in 1619 that transformed the colony and laid the groundwork for the society that would emerge. That year saw the first representative government meet, the arrival of Africans and the beginnings of slavery, the arrival of a large group of women and the first Thanksgiving. Social, political and economic changes set the colony in a new direction. Sponsor: Carolyn Sulima

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Thursday	5 Mar 20	13:00-15:00	The Legacy of Appomattox	We often think of Appomattox as the ending of the Civil War, but it is also the beginning of Reconstruction in Virginia. Beth Parnicza, Chief of Education and Visitor Services at Appomattox Court House National Historical Park will be discussing the broad impact of this seminal event in the nation's history. She will address questions such as: How did the surrender set the terms for the nation to come back together? How would Appomattox live on in our collective understanding of the war's ending, emancipation and the future of America? Sponsor: Mike Redding
Tuesday	10 Mar 20	10:00-12:00	Evaluation of Back Pain	ElderStudy Member Chuck Block, MD. will present his evaluation of back pain. The presentation will include an overview of the causes of one of mankind's most common ailments – Back Pain. Evaluation and treatment will be addressed. The talk will include a brief review of the pathophysiology of the sensation of pain and its relationship to impairment and disability. Chuck will also discuss COVID-19. Sponsor: Chuck Block
Tuesday	17 Mar 20	10:00-12:00	<del>Widewater – The Hub of the Universe</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Spring 2021</b>	ElderStudy member Beth Daly will provide a timeline presentation about the history of Widewater from prehistoric times to present. Besides all the events and people she will give a brief description of Virginia's newest state park - Widewater State Park in northeastern Stafford County, about 40 miles south of Washington, DC and 20 miles northeast of Fredericksburg. Sponsor: Randy Fennemore
Wednesday	18 Mar 20	10:00-11:00	<del>Staying "Young" by Networking</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Fall 2020</b>	Back by popular demand, Dr. Lynne Richardson, Dean of the College of Business, UMW, and popular Free Lance Star contributor, will present a one-hour session prior to our General Membership Meeting. According to Dr. Richardson, "Connecting with others is beneficial to all ages, including seniors. Learn why networking is helpful but also practice your skills! Networking or, as I call it, "collecting friends" helps you but also those around you." Sponsor: Donna Lewis

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Wednesday	18 Mar 20	11:00-12:00	<del>General Membership Meeting</del> <b>CANCELLED</b>	This is the open forum designed to communicate directly with your fellow members, to better learn how ElderStudy works, to better understand the issues that are facing the organization, and to vote on those critical issues facing us. In addition, new members can meet and develop friendships with like-minded persons, and long-term members can renew old friendships. A delicious table of drinks and goodies makes the meeting even more enjoyable. Sponsor: President Michelle Esbenshade
Thursday	19 Mar 20	10:00-12:00	<del>UMW Philharmonic Concert Preview</del> <b>CANCELLED</b>	Heidi Stello, editorial assistant of Papers of James Monroe at UMW, will discuss James Monroe's first term in office using a recently identified collection of financial records. We will explore the organization and management of the White House. The forensics of the bank statements, payroll records, and weekly grocery receipts offer unique insight into the lives and management of the residents at all levels of the President's House, and help us to understand the rapidly changing role of the office of the presidency. Sponsor: Michelle Esbenshade
Tuesday	24 Mar 20	10:00-12:00	<del>Drinking with the Washingtons— Archaeological Evidence for Colonial Imbibing at Ferry Farm</del> <b>TO BE RESCHEDULED</b>	Mara Kaktins, glass and ceramic expert for The George Washington Foundation, will be talking about the various drinking vessels excavated at Ferry Farm which help us understand what beverages were being consumed by the Washington family and all colonials in the 18th century. From punches to fine teas, what you drank was of incredible importance to gentry families of the colonial era and proper drink equipage was a must. This talk will also more broadly explore exactly who was drinking what during the colonial period and how consumption of certain beverages was a fixture of eighteenth-century life from cradle to grave. Sponsor: Randy Fennemore
Thursday	26 Mar 20	10:00-12:00	<del>Those Little Green Stamps—How America Got Stuck on Trading Stamps</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Fall 2020</b>	ElderStudy member Dennis Van Derlaske will discuss the 1950's and 1960's, the heyday of trading stamps, given out by supermarkets, gas stations and other retailers. This type of promotion had its start much earlier in our history. We will look at how stamps originated and how they were eventually adopted in retailing from historical, sociological and economic perspectives. Sponsor: Dennis Van Derlaske

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Thursday	26 Mar 20	13:00-15:00	<del>The Social Construction of Race and Ethnicity</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Fall 2020</b>	Nabil Marshood is a Fulbright Scholar, an author and a professor of sociology at Hudson County Community College, New Jersey. He teaches courses in sociology of the family and sociology of religion. Dr. Marshood earned his BA and MA from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and his Ph.D. from Columbia University in NYC. In this lecture, Dr. Marshood will examine the changing racial and ethnic composition of the United States and the socio-historical forces that shape it, grounded in a sociological context. Sponsor: Siham Alfred
Thursday	26 Mar 20	13:00-15:00	<b>Curriculum Committee Meeting III</b> <b>ZOOM Online Meeting</b>	The Curriculum Committee is responsible for planning the 45 plus programs that are scheduled each semester. We are always looking for that next new topic on our journey to lifelong learning. Come join us and help develop programs that are interesting and stimulating. Sponsor: Joe Alfred
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Wednesday	1 Apr 20	10:00-12:00	<del>Membership Committee Meeting II</del> <b>CANCELLED</b>	The Membership Committee handles publicity, the newsletter, maintaining the website and planning social events. Members are always welcome to attend our meetings. Sponsor: Donna Lewis
Thursday	2 Apr 20	10:00-12:00	<del>Today's Supreme Court – What it is and What it is Not</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Fall 2020</b>	Major General William K. Suter will discuss his tenure as clerk of the Supreme Court. The presentation will briefly describe case selection and decision-making procedures. Major General Suter will emphasize the ideology of the justices and review recent decisions in the areas of freedom of speech and religion, criminal law, separation of powers and federalism. Selected cases set for argument during the Court's current term will be analyzed. Sponsor: Barbara Barrett
Friday	3 Apr 20	17:00-18:00	<b>ZOOM wine &amp; cheese</b>	Enjoy each other's company and reach out to our members to make sure we stay in touch. Sponsor: Joe Alfred

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Tuesday	7 Apr 20	13:00-15:00	<del>Fredericksburg Historic Churches</del> <b>TOUR – RSVP</b> <b>RESCHEDULED to Spring 2021</b>	We will have the opportunity to visit two of the many historic churches located in the Old Town area of Fredericksburg: St. George's Episcopal Church and the Fredericksburg Baptist Church. A representative will present architectural features and historical information about the two churches and answer questions. We will meet at St. George's Episcopal Church, 905 Princess Anne Street at 1 pm. We will then move to the Fredericksburg Baptist Church at 1019 Princess Anne Street at 2 pm. The churches are approximately two blocks apart so participants may decide to either park and walk from the first to the second church or move their vehicle. <b>RSVP cmsulima@yahoo.com by Tuesday, 10 March.</b> Tour limited to 40 members. Sponsor: Carolyn Sulima
Wednesday	8 Apr 20	10:00-12:00	<del>Play Discussion ► Much Ado About Nothing by William Shakespeare</del> <b>CANCELLED</b>	Helen Housley, professor emeritus with the UMW Theatre Department, will discuss one of Shakespeare's wittiest and most romantic comedies. Beatrice and Benedick are meant for each other. Trouble is they do not see it that way. Mistaken identities, misdirected insults, devious fakery and bumbling antics prove no match for the effervescent power of love. Will calculated swooning and conniving mischief succeed to find Beatrice and Benedick falling madly for each other, or will it all simply amount to Much Ado About Nothing? "A show that reminds you that plays are meant to live off the page, jostling for space in a room full of people." – The New York Times. "... the romantic comedy for the ages." – Chicago Tribune. Tickets will be available during/after class. <b>Box Office 540-654-1124.</b> For the hearing impaired, listening devices are available for checkout at the Box Office prior to each performance. The parking lot across from Klein should be reserved for ElderStudy. Sponsor: Bob & Carole Hanus
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Thursday	9 Apr 20	10:00-12:00	<del>Renaissance Art—Venetian Contributions</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Spring 2021</b>	Julia Delancey, UMW art history professor, will present art history of 16th century Venetian paintings. Sponsor: Phill Hall
Thursday	9 Apr 20	13:00-15:00	<b>Book Group ► Dying In The Land of Promise by Donald Wagner</b> <b>ZOOM Online Meeting</b>	Ashley Bruckbauer (Ph.D., Art History) is a specialist in European art and culture from 1650 to 1850. She will discuss Benjamin Franklin, one of the most recognizable figures in American history. Franklin, with his distinctive visage, appears everywhere from company logos to the current U.S. hundred-dollar bill. These likenesses of the Founding Father frequently derive from the numerous portraits created during his tenure as US representative to France. This talk closely examines such eighteenth-century French portrayals of Franklin, demonstrating how they carefully negotiated his complex identity as a revolutionary ambassador in absolutist France. Discussion led by Siham Alfred, Sponsor: Dot Meyers
Friday	10 Apr 20	17:00-18:00	<b>ZOOM wine &amp; cheese</b>	Enjoy each other's company and reach out to our members to make sure we stay in touch. Sponsor: Joe Alfred
Tuesday	14 Apr 20	10:00-12:00	<del>Hal Prince—Legend and Legacy</del> <b>TO BE RESCHEDULED</b>	Gregg Stull, chair and professor, UMW department of theatre and dance, will lead this tribute to Prince. No other person has made an impact on the American Theatre like Hal Prince, producer, director and trailblazer. With an extraordinary eye for detail, an uncompromising work ethic and tenacious quest for excellence, Prince transformed Broadway over a lifetime devoted to an art he adored. Sponsor: Carolyn Eldred

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Thursday	16 Apr 20	10:00-12:00	<b>TOUR</b> <del>Historic Renwick Courthouse</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Spring 2021</b>	Barbra Anderson, HFFI's Events Coordinator, invites us to come to the Renwick Courthouse to learn about the history of Fredericksburg's most architecturally significant building, including its famous architect, its role in the Civil War and the three "keep old or build new" conflicts. After the lecture, you will have the opportunity to go on a guided tour of the entire courthouse. Sponsor: Mary Ann Stana
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Wednesday	22 Apr 20	10:00-12:00	<del>Oscar Wilde's Fairy Tales Through the Lens of Disability Studies</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Spring 2021</b>	Chris Foss, UMW professor of English, Linguistics and Communication with secondary expertise in disability studies, will focus on several of Wilde's works for a fresh consideration of our contemporary responses to disability and other related forms of difference. Sponsor: Mary Ann Stana
Thursday	23 Apr 20	9:30-2:00	<b>TOUR—RSVP</b> <del>Maryland Veterans Museum at Patriot Park</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Spring 2021</b>	The Maryland Veterans Museum honors US Military Veterans from all major wars from our Revolutionary War to the present. Volunteer guides will meet with tour. RSVP Beverly Johnson at bjpj5100@yahoo.com by 15 April 2020. Drive yourself or carpool - indicate when signing up, Meet at Giant parking lot U.S. 1 near UMW at 9:15 am. IHOP lunch, no museum charge, ES members only, limit 25. Sponsor: Bev Johnson
Thursday	23 Apr 20	13:00-15:00	<b>Book Group► Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng</b> <b>ZOOM Online Meeting</b>	Described as “a microcosm of American society,” here is the affluent Shaker Heights, Ohio with its longtime residents, those who are “come here’s”, and the interactions and conflicts among them all. Discussion led by Donna Lewis, Sponsor: Dot Meyers

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Tuesday	28 Apr 20	10:00-12:00	<del>The First Anti-Vaxxers - Smallpox Vaccination in the Spanish Empire (1801-1810)</del> <b>TO BE RESCHEDULED</b>	Allyson Poska, UMW professor of history, will discuss how in 1803, in the wake of Edward Jenner's discovery that cowpox provided safe and reliable immunity against smallpox, the Spanish Crown began an enthusiastic vaccination campaign, opening vaccination rooms on the peninsula and allowing Dr. Francisco Xavier Balmis y Berenguer to sail around the world, bringing the vaccine to the diverse populations of the Spanish Empire. As he circumnavigated the globe, Balmis found that while some white elites enthusiastically accepted vaccination, others viewed smallpox as a disease of Indians and slaves. They refused to have their children vaccinated. In some places indigenous peoples lined up at vaccination rooms, while in the mountains of Peru mothers fled to the mountains rather than vaccinate their children. Based on her recent research in Spain and Mexico, she will discuss the earliest opposition to smallpox vaccination and consider how those early anti-vaxxers provide insight into the opposition to vaccination today. Sponsor: Phil Hall
Wednesday	29 Apr 20	13:00-15:00	<del>Appreciation of Wine</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Fall 2020</b>	Chris Pearmund, owner and operator of Pearmund Cellars will teach us to appreciate our wine. Chris will show us with visual, taste and smell. He will explain glassware and how wines are scored. Sponsor: Michelle Esbenshade
Thursday	30 Apr 20	11:00-12:30	<del>TOUR - RSVP Pearmund Cellars</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Fall 2020</b>	We will continue our wine education at Pearmund Cellars. Attendance at CLL 29 April not required. <b>RSVP by 22 April, Michelle Esbenshade at esbt@hotmail.com (preferred) or 703-203-4113.</b> Fee is \$15 per person. Limit 40 members. Directions from UMW Stafford Campus: North on Route 15, right turn onto US 15N-US 17N-US 19N. Follow signs for Leesburg-Washington. Turn left onto Old Alexandria Turnpike, sharp left onto Georgetown Road, turn left, turn right, destination on left. Sponsor: Michelle Esbenshade

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Tuesday	5 May 20	10:00-12:00	<del>Surviving the Holocaust</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Spring 2021</b>	Pearl Znilek Rakin will share the story of her parents who were from Kzaiaz-Welki in Poland. Teenage sweethearts before World War II broke out, they were taken from their families by the Nazis and placed in slave camps and then concentration camps. By sharing her personal stories of survival, Pearl is hoping to bring us to a better understanding of the Holocaust, during which six million Jews were killed, including most of her family. Sponsor: Donna Lewis
Tuesday	5 May 20	13:00-15:00	<del>All You Need to Know about Palliative Care and The Conversation Project</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Spring 2021</b>	Dr. William R. Anderson, Jr. will discuss palliative care - how it is comprehensive treatment of the discomfort, symptoms and stress of serious illness. It does not replace your primary treatment; palliative care works together with the primary treatment you are receiving; Terri McAuliff will discuss The Conversation Project - how it is a movement to help remind people, regardless of age or current health, of the importance of having end of life conversations with friends and loved ones before end of life. It is a movement to help encourage all of us to continue to learn about protecting and honoring our wishes for future medical care. Sponsor: Carol Wachter
Wednesday	6 May 20	10:00-12:00	<del>Women on the Mason's Plantation</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Fall 2020</b>	Louise Higgins, manager at Gunston Hall, will discuss the role that women played on George and Ann Mason's plantation. Sponsor: Michelle Esbenshade

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Thursday	7 May 20	10:30-12:00	<del>George Mason's Gunston Hall</del> <b>TOUR—RSVP</b> <b>RESCHEDULED to Fall 2020</b>	Louise Higgins, manager at Gunston Hall, will lead us on a guided tour of the Mason House. Afterwards, we will have self-guided tours of the plantation and an opportunity for a picnic lunch. Members only. Cost is \$8.00. <b>RSVP Michelle Esbshade esbt@hotmail.com (preferred) or 703-203-4113 by Wednesday 29 April.</b> This is an old, historical two story home, no elevator. Directions I-95, exit 161, onto Route 1 North. Turn right at the first right onto Gunston Road (SR 242). The Gunston Hall entrance is 3.5 miles on the left. Sponsor: Michelle Esbshade
Friday	8 May 20	17:00-18:00	<b>ZOOM wine &amp; cheese</b>	Enjoy each other's company and reach out to our members to make sure we stay in touch. Sponsor: Joe Alfred
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10 May</b>	<b>Mothers Day</b>		
Tuesday	12 May 20	10:00-12:00	<del>Walking the Architectural Delights of Lower Caroline Street</del> <b>TOUR—RSVP</b> <b>RESCHEDULED to Spring 2021</b>	Scott Walker will take us on a Walking Tour of Lower Caroline Street: Amble through one of Fredericksburg's most historic neighborhoods with an experienced guide highlighting architectural, historic and social interests. This is Fredericksburg's first suburb, but may also be called "the other side of the tracks." <b>RSVP REQUIRED to Mary Ann Stana, mastana10@hotmail.com (preferred) or 604-5634.</b> Limited to 35 members. Meet near the corner of Caroline and Frederick Streets near the train station (on the other side of the tracks!). Sponsor: Mary Ann Stana
Wednesday	13 May 20	10:00-12:00	<del>Travel to India</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Spring 2021</b>	ElderStudy members Jack Allison and Mary Ann Stana invites us to join them for a pictorial tour of India's Golden Triangle: Old and New Delhi, Jaipur, Ranthambore Game Preserve, Agra and of course a visit to the Sacred Ganges at Varanasi. Namaste! Sponsor: Jack Allison
Thursday	14 May 20	13:00-15:00	<b>Book Group► The Girl with Seven Names by Hyeonseo Lee and David John</b> <b>ZOOM Online Meeting</b>	An extraordinary insight into life in North Korea under one of the world's most ruthless and secretive dictatorships - and the story of one woman's terrifying struggle to avoid capture/repatriation and guide her family to freedom. Discussion led by Pat Parkinson, Sponsor: Dot Meyers
Friday	15 May 20	17:00-18:00	<b>ZOOM wine &amp; cheese</b>	Enjoy each other's company and reach out to our members to make sure we stay in touch. Sponsor: Joe Alfred

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Day	Date	Time	Title	Description
Tuesday	19 May 20	10:00-12:00	<del>Current Events in Turkey and Istanbul</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to Spring 2021</b>	A presentation on the recent changes in Turkey; including discussion on the rise of political authoritarianism, socio-cultural conservatism. Dr. Volkan Aydar recently emigrated to the US and currently is a sociology professor at VCU. Sponsor: Rose Reif
Wednesday	20 May 20	10:00-12:00	<b>Membership Meeting II</b> <b>ZOOM Online Meeting</b>	The Membership Committee handles publicity, the newsletter, maintaining the website and planning social events. Members are always welcome to attend our meetings. Sponsor: Donna Lewis
Thursday	21 May 20	11:30-13:30	<del>End of Year Potluck Luncheon</del> <b>RESCHEDULED to June 4</b>	Join your colleagues for our annual Spring Potluck Luncheon at Spotswood Baptist Church, 4009 Lafayette Boulevard, FVA 22408. Look for further details in the April Newsletter. Sponsors: Eugenia Jones & Carolyn Sulima
Friday	22 May 20	17:00-18:00	<b>ZOOM wine &amp; cheese</b>	Enjoy each other's company and reach out to our members to make sure we stay in touch. Sponsor: Joe Alfred
<b>Monday</b>	<b>25 May</b>	<b>Memorial Day</b>		
Wednesday	27 May 20	13:00-15:00	<b>Administrative Committee Meeting II</b> <b>ZOOM Online Meeting</b>	The Administrative Committee develops policies and plans for operating the organization. It reviews governing documents, updates the Policies and Procedures, monitors finances and projects future needs, proposes the annual budget and member fees. Members are always welcome to attend our meetings. Sponsor: Keith Fennell
Thursday	28 May 20	10:00-12:00	The US and Palestine-Israel <b>ZOOM Online Meeting</b>	ElderStudy members Joe and Siham Alfred will discuss US policy toward Palestine and Israel from President Truman to President Trump. This presentation will include public statements of prominent Americans. Sponsor: Joe & Siham Alfred
Friday	29 May 20	17:00-18:00	<b>ZOOM wine &amp; cheese</b>	Enjoy each other's company and reach out to our members to make sure we stay in touch. Sponsor: Joe Alfred
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Day	Date	Time	Title	Description
Wednesday	3 Jun 20	10:00-12:00	<b>Board of Directors Meeting ZOOM Online Meeting</b>	Board meetings are open to all ElderStudy members. Come and witness firsthand the decision-making process that ensures that ElderStudy is meeting its objectives. This is a chance for all members to suggest new ideas for the organization directly to the Board and to committee chairpersons. Sponsor: President Michelle Esbenshade
Thursday	4 Jun 20	13:00-15:00	<b>ELDERSTUDY 2020 VIRTUAL SPRING CELEBRATION ZOOM Online Meeting</b>	Now more than ever, ElderStudy recognizes how important it is to be together. Since we can't celebrate in one location, we will connect virtually using ZOOM, the remarkable communication tool. Let's celebrate the end of our 2020 Spring semester! We hope you will join us from the comfort of your own couch or desk. Please RSVP to Carolyn Sulima. cmsulima@yahoo.com or 540-786-4648
Thursday	4 Jun 20	12:00-12:30	<b>Secure the CLL</b>	Secure the classroom (microphone, etc.) Sponsor: Alan Zirkle
Thursday	11 Jun 20	13:00-14:30	<b>Orofino Cooking Session ZOOM Online Meeting</b>	Danilo Orofino, owner of Orofino's restaurant in downtown Fredericksburg, will demonstrate how to prepare and cook Shrimp Arugula and a light summer wine with strawberries and Prosecco. Sponsor: Michelle Esbenshade
Friday	5 Jun to 28 Aug	5:00-6:00	<b>Virtual Wine &amp; Cheese Hour</b>	MWES Members gather every Friday for a Virtual Wine & Cheese Hour using ZOOM to discuss life in the time of COVID19. A new topic and a new host are chosen every week.
Sunday	21 Jun 20	<b>Fathers Day</b>		