

Meetings and Courses at Huron Shores United Church

**Mondays at noon and two
o'clock**

**Website information at
partnersinlearning.ca**

**Telephone for information
at 519-238-5419**

FEES

**Annual
membership**

\$25.

Noon course \$25.

2pm course \$25.

Socrates Café -

\$5 at the door

Pot Pourri -

\$5 per session members;

\$10 per session

Socrates Cafe.

Year round, on the 4th Tuesday of each month, we gather for informal discussion and debate about the latest and most engaging news of the time. We choose, by vote, a pair of topics and each member offers an opinion on both.

The battle is joined. Molly
Russell moderates

at

Huron Shores United Church.

In the Greenway Chapel



Christmas Potluck and Annual General Meeting

At Noon

December 3

Bring a guest

Only members vote

Cash bar

Sign up for Winter Courses



Partners In Learning



Courses for

Winter 2019



**Bringing you the gifts of
lifelong learning**

MONDAYS AT NOON

January 14—Feb 11

Unpacking Learning

with Richard Sewell



This series emerged from a need to develop a new approach to researching and presenting material at PIL. With Richard Sewell, groups of enthusiasts met to identify issues. The topic agreed on was Learning. The first four sessions of this course will present:

Jan 14—Diverse learning spaces (Fred, Jean and Sybil)

Jan 21—Finding your own learning style (Jackie and Mike)

Jan 28 Travelling Schools (Elaine, Karen)

February 4—Wrap Up

Feb 11 - Thirteen years ago, Bill Metcalfe and John Merckies from London Society for Learning in Retirement (SLR) created Partners in Learning on the SLR model. Jeff Keenor and Susan Booth from the London group share their experiences in engaging retirees in the process of life-long learning.

MONDAYS AT TWO

January 14—Feb 11

Reconciliation



We would like to believe that every Canadian wishes for a country in which we all share dignity, purpose, and value. But to do that, there must be a reflection of our shared history and the harmful events that continue to haunt us. Come and explore the progress that we are making, or failing to make, toward a comforting peace with our Indigenous citizens.

- **Elizabeth Stevens** describes the important **efforts** to save Indigenous languages .
- **Antler Vision's Bonnie Reynolds and Bill Henderson** introduce us to understanding native spirituality
- **Tom Patterson** of Stratford will join us on January 28 .to discuss a variety of programs of approach to first nations people
- **Jeff George** (aka Red Dog) returns to share his own reconciliation with his indigenous roots, dispelling the strength of abuse through his art.
- Indigenous researcher, **Jorden George** of Stoney Creek brings us up to date on treaties and restorative justice.

MONDAYS AT NOON

February 25 -March 25

“Vintage” Partners

Join five “old hands” for discussions of issues close to their hearts. Each is a frequent moderator or prolific presenter from the thirteen years of PIL’s history



1. **“Factfulness”** with Bob Kennedy. Our world, for all its imperfections, may be in a better state than we think. If we worry about imaginary ideas, we lose focus on things that really do threaten us. This presentation will concentrate on embracing fact and losing our irrational fears.



2. **My Ghost Town**, with Mike Ash. Early settlers created hundreds of small communities that did not survive. We will examine the process with a local example: Kastnerville.



3. **A Second Look At Bridges**, with Jim Southcott. Every bridge has a story. We will examine historical and contemporary examples in this follow-up to Jim’s popular course from 2011.



4. **The Shakespeare Mystery Redux**. With Nancy Winters. The authorship debate does not abate. And Nancy has a theory that she just can’t shake.



5. **Life Choices** with Molly Russell. The various restrictions associated with Assisted Dying will be explored as well as the subject itself.

Dates for the above presentations
TBA

MONDAYS AT TWO

February 25—March 25

Finding Balance

With Karen Bowes -Sewell

Balance problems are the strongest predictor of falls, and one in three adults over the age of 65 will fall each year. Because balance is a process, not a destination, we constantly adjust to the pull of gravity to stay upright.

We use input from our eyes, sensations, and inner ear, and when balance is good, we ignore it. But when it is off, we are in trouble. We love our exercise, but we can also slow down and examine how we move. This course is about each person’s experience, not about “doing well”. Using safe relaxing movement, you will monitor yourself better, improve comfort, move more freely and prevent falls. Welcome!



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