

KACL COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Around the World Tuesdays 10:00-Noon

14 Oct - Cuba: 2003-2008 – Dr. Dave Petke - This small island in the Caribbean is a place where few Americans can visit legally. Dave will show 'n tell how he got there in 2003, what he saw, and talk about what's happened in Cuba since then.

21 Oct - Cambodia – Mr. Dave Valentine, a favorite KACL photographer, will recount his visit to Cambodia earlier this year, featuring coverage of Angkor Wat and other sites with an anthropologist from the university in Phnom Penh.

28 Oct - Polar Expeditions – Ms. Joyce Paar, a retired H.S. Biology Teacher, will take us to the North and South Polar Regions of the world, to explore ice, snow, glaciers, polar bears, penguins and a whole lot more!

4 Nov - Cameroon – Ms. Jen Goodart, Asst. Librarian, ETSU-K, worked as a librarian while meeting wonderful people and exploring and photographing the volcanoes, mountains and desert areas of Bamenda, Cameroon, W. Africa.

11 Nov - Walking on the Lord's Doorstep – Mr. Bob Avery, an Eastman retiree, has trekked the "roof of the world," the Nepal Himalayas, and will show photos of snow-capped peaks, Tibetan monasteries, deep gorges with turbulent rivers, and villages of Tibetan and Nepalese people.

18 Nov - Let's Do England, Again! – Dr. Jean Flanigan, Sherrod Library, ETSU, will show why one trip to England isn't enough -- with an overview of the must-see sites for lovers of English history & literature.

Historical Perspectives Tuesdays 1:30-3:30 p.m.

14 Oct – The Art of the Reformation – Dr. Vida Hull, Art & Design Dept., ETSU, will draw on her research to introduce the art of the Protestant Reformation.

21 Oct – Chemists and the A-Bomb – Dr. Frank Settle, Chemistry Dept., Washington & Lee U., who is an award-winning analytical chemist, will identify the chemistry-based scientists and engineers and describe their seminal contributions to building the atomic bomb.

28 Oct - The Battle for the Solomons - Prof. Emeritus Ronnie Day, History Dept., ETSU, will discuss the Allies' advance on and neutralization of the main Japanese air and naval base at Rabaul, Papua New Guinea, by driving their armies out of Guadalcanal, New Georgia and Bougainville.

4 Nov - Aztecs vs Conquistadores – Dr. Ken Hall, Chair, Foreign Language Dept., ETSU, discusses how the Aztecs built an impressive empire during the 14th and 15th centuries but when they met the religious and military culture of 16th century Spain their complex, polytheistic society was absorbed into the culture that became Mexico.

11 Nov - The Russo-German War, 1941-45, Dr. Steve Fritz, History Dept., ETSU, will integrate the military aspects with the Holocaust, German occupation policy, and the racial nature of the lebensraum in order to provide a better sense of the totality of this conflict.

18 Nov - England: 1066 to 1485 – Dr. Jean Flanigan, Sherrod Library, ETSU, will provide highlights of English history from the Norman Conquest through the Wars of the Roses and the fall of the Plantagenets.

The World of Religion Wednesdays 10:00-Noon

15 Oct -19 Nov - The Virtues of the World's Religions – Dr. J. Keith Green, Philosophy and Religion, ETSU, will discuss a global look at ethics of the major monotheistic religions and those of China.

Whiz-Bang Topics Wednesdays 1:30-3:30 p.m.

15 Oct - Downtown Sculpture Walk & Talk – Ms. Bonnie Macdonald, the Kingsport Arts Director, will show 'n tell all about the new sculpture pieces in the Downtown area. The class will meet in the lobby of the Kingsport Library. If inclement weather prevails we will retire to the Kingsport Library auditorium for discussions and a film.

22 Oct - Ferraro and the 'Supremes' - Joe, an all-time favorite of KACL students, will discuss the make-up of the U.S. Supreme Court and its effect on recent decisions.

29 Oct – The Kurds of Iraq, Past, Present and Future – Kajin and Shivon Abdullah, brother and sister, who are students at Quillen College of Medicine, will discuss the past, present and future of their people, the Kurds of Iraq. Allen Dyer, M.D., their mentor, will join in with them.

5 Nov - The Election and the Economy – Dr. Steb Hipple, Economics Dept., ETSU, will point out the current business conditions and the impact the new president will have on the economy.

12 Nov - Hong Kong and Chinese Chivalry Films – Dr. Ken Hall, Chair, Foreign Language Dept., ETSU, will discuss and show Chinese chivalry or hero films (wuxiapian), many of which originate in Hong Kong, have a long tradition reaching back to medieval romance and folklore. It has been updated by Hong Kong directors including John Woo.

19 Nov - Marshall & MacArthur – A Paradox – Mr. George Salaita, Adj. History Instr., ETSU, discusses his summer research results showing George Marshall and Douglas MacArthur shoulder to shoulder in WWII but head to head in Korea.