Senior Learning Network

Through a webcam and internet connection, Buckham West is introducing an educational and entertaining series of virtual classes through the Senior Learning Network (SLN). Thanks to our new conference room and its state-of-the-art technology, we are perfectly set up for this type of learning where we will meet a live presenter in the setting of their expertise.

October 2021 Schedule

Tues., Oct. 5- Scotts Bluff National Monument

"Nebraska, honestly, it's not for everyone." However, there's a real gem of a natural area and historic site along the North Platte River in western Nebraska. Learn what there is to see and do at Scotts Bluff National Monument. Ponder the travels of the pioneers who saw the bluffs here as a landmark on their travels to Oregon, California and the Salt Lake Valley of Utah. Discover some unique geology. Enjoy the scenery of the North Platte River Valley from the summit of the bluff.

Tues., Oct. 12- Return to Hearst Castle: "From Campsite to Castle" Julia Morgan, Architect

Julia Morgan designed nearly 700 buildings, more than any other architect of the 20th century. Her best known project, Hearst Castle, is world-renowned for its dramatic beauty. The project became one of the longest and most fascinating collaborations between architect and client, William Randolph Hearst. Join us in a unique presentation with a guide from Hearst Castle who highlights the achievements of the architect and the fascinating, 28 year- long building process of the estate. Showcasing a miniature model of the castle and several historic images, we will see the transformation from a small bungalow on Hearst's family's campsite overlooking San Simeon Bay to the amazing "castle" it is today.

Tues., Oct. 19- Jimmy Carter Presidential Library: "The Extraordinary Life of Jimmy Carter "

Throughout his life, President Carter has found himself in extraordinary circumstances faced with extraordinary opportunities, many of which were brought about by the American Presidency. This presentation will examine civic engagement and discuss the primary sources of the Carter Library and National Archives to address the question, "What is the secret to an extraordinary life?"

Tues., Oct. 26- National Mall & Memorial Parks in Washington., D.C: "A Visit to America's Front Yard"

Visit with a Park Ranger from National Mall and Memorial Parks in Washington, D.C, for a virtual tour of the park sometimes referred to as America's Front Yard. We will explore the history and symbolism of memorials, such as Lincoln, Thomas Jefferson, Franklin D. Roosevelt, and Martin Luther King, Jr and more!

The program schedule is set for the rest of 2021 and you may pick and choose which ones you want to attend. All classes are held on Tuesdays (with one exception in December) and begin at 1:00pm. Pre-registration is required by stopping in or by calling us at 332-7357. The programs are open to the community. Cost to attend is \$3/Buckham West members or \$6/non-members which is payable at the door.