

Staying Connected

January 1, 2025



What are you looking forward to in 2025? My first thought is hopefully that the new year will be as good or better than 2024. I would guess we are all looking forward to good health and financial stability. Spending time with family, including children and grandchildren and celebrating milestones and family gatherings may be high on your list. Pursuing hobbies, traveling, volunteering, or engaging in leisure activities could also be something you are looking

forward to.

Lifelong learning is appealing to all of us at SLR. In 2025 we can again look forward to taking classes, attending workshops, or exploring new interests and skills as well as reconnecting with old friends and making new ones.

So, whatever you are looking forward to in 2025 make it happen!

EVENTS TO LOOK FORWARD TO ON SLR'S CALENDAR



WINTER OPEN HOUSE AND IN-PERSON REGISTRATION (Grosvenor Lodge) Tuesday, January 7, 2025 10:00 – 12:00 Noon Come and check us out and talk to our leaders of the Winter courses. We'll have refreshments and an information session to explain our history and how we operate.



PRESENTATION WORKSHOPS (Drake Room) January 2025

1. Making a Study Group Presentation (Thursday, Jan 9, 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.)

- 2. Introduction to PowerPoint (Tuesday, Jan 14, 1:30 3:00 p.m.)
- 3. Advanced PowerPoint (Thursday, Jan 16, 1:30 3:00 p.m.)



Please join us and connect with other members of SLR. There is no set topic just sharing of ideas, events and experiences
The first coffee chat of 2025 will be Sat Jan 4. The rest of January includes: Friday Jan 10, Sat Jan 18, Fri Jan 24

Winter 2025 courses will be held in-person, and online using Zoom video conferencing software, or a hybrid of both in-person and online participants together. Courses start the week of January 20th. There are still spaces available in some courses so Don't miss out. Check out, our website and choose one or more of the amazing courses offered this winter. (FAMILY DAY HOLIDAY (No Classes) Monday, February 17)



Here is a peek at some of our upcoming events. More details to follow at a later date



FOUNDERS' DAY LUNCHEON Friday, February 14, 12:00 Noon



SALSA EVENING AT GROSVENOR LODGE Wednesday March 19, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.



SPRING 2025 BROCHURE RELEASED (ONLINE) Monday, March 24, 9 a.m.



SPRING REGISTRATION OPENS (ONLINE) Friday, March 28, 9 a.m.



SPRING OPEN HOUSE AND IN-PERSON REGISTRATION Thursday, April 3, 10 – 12:00 Noon

THINGS TO PONDER sent to me by my sister

- So now cocaine is legal in Oregon, but straws aren't. That must be frustrating.
- Still trying to get my head around the fact that 'Take Out' can mean food, dating, or murder.
- Threw out my back sleeping, and tweaked my neck sneezing so I'm probably just one strong fart away from complete paralysis.
- Dear paranoid people who check behind their shower curtains for murderers. If you do find one, what's your plan?
- The older I get, the more I understand why roosters just scream to start their day.
- Being popular on Facebook is like sitting at the 'cool table' in the cafeteria of a mental hospital.
- You know you're over 50 when you have 'upstairs ibuprofen' and 'downstairs ibuprofen'.
- If only vegetables smelled as good as bacon.
- Anyone who says their wedding was the best day of their life has clearly never had two candy bars fall down at once from a vending machine.
- The biggest joke on mankind is that computers have begun asking humans to prove they aren't a robot
- It's weird being the same age as old people.
- Just once, I want a username and password prompt to say CLOSE ENOUGH
- We celebrated last night with a couple of adult beverages Metamucil and Ensure.



LAUGHTER IS THE BEST MEDICINE

On New Years Eve, an old Irish tradition is to open your door at midnight and let the Old Year Out and the New Year In. I think this year deserves the doors, windows, and garage doors to be open.









ANSWERS TO PREVIOUS RIDDLES

- A man in a car saw a golden door, a silver door, and a bronze door. Which door did he open first? The car door
- 2. What can you find in a cupboard that can never be put in a saucepan? Its lid
- **3.** No matter how little or how much you use me, you change me every month. What am I? **A calendar**

NEW RIDDLES

A wealthy family lived in a big circular house. They had a maid, a butler, and a gardener. The parents were going to a party, so they tucked the younger kids into bed and kissed them goodnight and said goodbye, and kissed the older kids goodnight. When the parents came home, all the kids were gone—they had been kidnapped. The authorities ask the butler, maid, and gardener what they were doing at the time of the kidnapping. The butler says he was organizing the library, the maid says she was dusting the corners, and the gardener says he was watering the plants. Who's lying and actually kidnapped the kids?

A father told his three sons he would die soon and he needed to decide which one of them to give his property to. He said, "Go to the market and buy something that is large enough to fill my bedroom, but small enough to fit in your pocket. From this, I will decide which of you is the wisest and worthy enough to inherit my land." They all went to the market, and each came back with a different item. The father told his sons to come into his bedroom one at a time and try to fill up his bedroom with their item. The first son came in and put some pieces of cloth he bought and laid them across the room, but it barely covered the floor. The second son came in and laid some hay on the floor, but there was only enough to cover half the floor. The third son came in and showed his father what he bought. He wound up getting the property. What did the third son show his father?

Let our New Year's resolution be this: We will be there for one another as fellow members of humanity, in the finest sense of the word.

Wishing you all a Happy New Year. I am looking forward to connecting with you all this coming year.
Sincerely
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