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**Brett Adams** has a Master's Degree from the University of Tulsa and has been teaching history at Collin College since 2004. Brett is a current board member of the Heritage Association of Frisco and past president. He founded and coordinates the "Saturday at the Museum" lecture series for the Frisco Heritage Museum.

**George and Denise Bouhasin** are your experts when it comes to travel! They have visited more than 75 countries in Europe, Asia, Africa, the Middle East and South America, as well as Australia and New Zealand. Since George retired in 2009, they have made 23 international trips. Through his work before George's retirement, they had the opportunity to live for an extended period in Brazil, Argentina, Chile, and China. They have familiarity with several languages. Denise and George are looking forward to more enriching experiences through travel.

**Marlene Bradford, Ph.D.** Dr. Bradford has spent most of her life in Tornado Alley. Her doctoral dissertation at Texas A&M, *Scanning the Skies: A History of Tornado Forecasting* still serves as the major source of this subject. In addition, she has published three books on Arkansas and Texas tornadoes. Now retired after more than 25 years of teaching at the high school and college level, Dr. Bradford enjoys speaking about tornadoes and tornado safety.

**Andy Brooks** is rapidly approaching Medicare age, kicking and screaming all the way! He is a financial Planner with Investment Services Center in Allen. And is active in several Senior Service related organizations in Collin county. For fun he likes to garden in the backyard and watch old movies like "Jaws" and "Star Wars".

**Jenney Chang** came to the United States from a small island in the orient where she received an excellent basic art background at National Taiwan Normal University. Her medium is Chinese brush ink painting and her subject matter comes from the world of nature which is deeply rooted in her soul. Since 1993, after receiving a Master's degree in art from Texas A&M Commerce, color, collage and structures have played a strong role in her art.

**Paul Dolliver** earned degrees in History and Geology from Baylor University. He is a semi-retired geologist, Texas Master Naturalist, and avid reader. Paul currently teaches geology courses and SAIL classes at Collin College, in addition to Hill and Richland Colleges.

**Kyra Effren** has had an extensive and international experience in the world of food and cookbooks! She received her Bachelor's in Social Sciences from UCT Cape Town, RSA. Kyra did her post grad studies in Labor Relations at Columbia University. She is also a licentiate in Music Teaching from the Royal School of Music and University South Africa Schools. Kyra was the owner of Cours de Cuisine Cooking School and has worked with The Dallas Morning News for over 15 years. She currently is collaborating with the City of Dallas and other organizations to combat food insufficiency in Dallas with the elderly population.

**Bruce Eisen** is a CPA with degrees in political science and economics and a master's degree in accounting. Most of his career was spent as chief operating and financial officer for several Jewish Federations.



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**Judith Fishman** has been playing Mah Jongg since her teenage years. Besides playing “maj”, she has owned and operated her own retail store, founded and led a social service organization for women, and had a home staging/decorating business. She has been married to her wonderful husband for 41 years and has two grown children.

**Jerry Frankel M.D.** retired from the practice of medicine after almost forty years as a urologist. Now as a Bridge instructor, he feels like an ambassador for improving the lives of fellow seniors through this challenging and fun game.

**Janet Harris, Ph.D.** has taught literature and writing for over twenty-five years, coached readers and writers in pursuing their personal goals, and reviewed books. As an editor, Dr. Harris has guided writers in publishing over 150 books. She teaches academic and creative writing courses in the Doctor and Master of Liberal Studies program at SMU. She has retired several times, the first from UT-Dallas.

**Rosa (Chi Chi) Hoquee** is an information technology coach and consultant with over 25 years of experience. A bilingual instructor (Spanish and English), she teaches computer and language skills. She especially enjoys teaching seniors how to “Speak Spanish Creatively.”

**Greg Indelicato** holds a Bachelor's degree in Geology from Queens College, CUNY and a Master's degree in Earth and Space Sciences from Stony Brook University (SUNY), as well as an MBA from Oklahoma City University. He has worked as a professional geologist in several capacities including minerals exploration, petroleum geophysics, exploration geochemistry, geotechnical and hydrogeologic engineering, environment geology. He also had an opportunity to work with lunar rocks and glasses from Apollo 12 and 15. Greg has lectured on various subjects ranging from Physical Geology to exploration methods for base metals and uranium. He also holds several certifications in the wine and spirits discipline, notably WSET 1 and 2; World MasterClass of Whiskey and Certified Bourbon Steward. Recently retired, Greg now pursues opportunities to share his knowledge and love of wine and spirits with his fellow enthusiasts.

**Robin Cole-Jett** has been researching, teaching, and sharing history for the past twenty years as the Red River Historian (publishing company, museum consult-redriverhistorian.com). a community college instructor, the author of five books, a tour guide, and a museum educator.

**Gay Ann Kiser, M.Ed.** is a retired English teacher who now writes under the pen name, Tessa Gray. She has 3 books published by SoulMate Publishing, and 5 others solely on Amazon. Her true passion is teaching, and her career has included everything from teaching kindergarten to college students. Between creating YouTube videos on writing (called “Tuesdays with Tessa”) and taking silly pictures to post on Instagram, she stays busy. But not TOO busy to pursue her hobbies, which include: quilting, singing, milking the family goat and making her special goat’s milk hand lotion!

**James Lamb, Ph.D.,** is a retired college professor and IT manager. After receiving a doctorate in philosophy from Brown University, he taught classes at SMU. He was also Director of Computer Services at Ebby Halliday Realtors for 28 years.



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**Barney Lane** holds a B.A. in Fine Arts and an M.S. in Radio-TV and has worked as a professional broadcaster, middle school teacher, videographer and podcast developer. His side interests include wood carving, flying as a private pilot and distance road cycling.

**Steve Lund** has taught writing, literature, and music classes to adult, college, high school, ESL, even prison inmate populations for over 40 years. He has appeared on local radio stations talking about Mozart's opera, *The Magic Flute*, and Wordsworth's poem about "Tintern Abbey." He is the author of two books.

**Sarita Malhotra** is a Certified Personal Trainer with a special focus on nutrition and gentle yoga. She holds a B.S. in psychology from UTD. Sarita has a passion for healthy cooking and eating and is an advocate of a healthy lifestyle for both mind and body.

**Edward L. McClelland, Ph.D.** has extensive economic and financial experience and expertise. He has authored numerous economic impact studies for both public and private organizations and directed the economic research activities as chief economist for RepublicBank Corporation. Dr. McClelland has briefed boards of directors of RepublicBank Corporation and the President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas. He is a skilled forecaster, speech writer, public speaker, has extensive experience with media relations and has taught as an adjunct professor.

**Sonia Meltzer** is a graduate of UT Dallas with a master's in interdisciplinary studies with coursework in holocaust studies, literature, history, history of criticism and aesthetics.

**Ted Ogilvie, JD, MBA** is a practicing attorney in Frisco, Texas. He obtained his undergraduate degree at the University of New Mexico and his MBA from Southwestern Oklahoma State University. He earned his Juris Doctor from what is now the Texas A&M University School of Law. His practice areas include Family Law, Estate and Probate Law, and Business Formation. He holds the American Institute of Family Law Attorneys 10 Best.

**Carrie Oransky, CPA** Carrie is a CPA and an art history enthusiast. Since 2012, she has been teaching the History of Western Art to students in the home school community around Plano and McKinney. She believes that the intrinsic value of our shared humanity is discovered through our understanding of a culture's art. She is looking forward to sharing her love of art with the SAIL students.

**Kathryn Pinkney, Ph.D.** Kathryn (Kathie) is a native of Ohio who arrived in Texas with her family in 1986. She earned a B.A. in American history at Miami University (Oxford, Ohio) an M.A. and a Ph.D. in American history at the University of North Texas.

**Bulbin Sunar-Reeder M.D.** taught undergraduate and graduate classes in England, Germany, Turkey and the United States, as a Professor of Medical Genetics and Biochemistry in Medical Faculties. A Turkish ex-patriot with a strong love of world travel, history, archeology and anthropology, she is currently pursuing her other passion as a self-employed Biotechnology consultant.



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**Christine Smith** is a professional artist whose career has spanned multiple areas of expertise. A graduate of The Art Institute of Dallas, she started her career right out of college in the video game industry, creating art and animation. She is accredited on 7 published titles. From there she freelanced as a graphic designer, photographer, illustrator, and web developer. She also founded The WERX Foundation, and served as president and Executive Director, assisting nearly 100 start-up companies to become successful small businesses. Christine works as a fine artist, an Instructor at Collin College and serves as President of the Visual Arts League of Allen (VALA).

**Fred Smith** has been a SAIL instructor going on twelve years. He is a native Texan with degrees from Abilene Christian and University of Arkansas in Nuclear Chemistry. He served forty years in the Army, both active and reserve, and retired as a Brigadier General in 1995. He was on the staff at SMU for several years, then retired to teach his passion, modern history, much observed first hand.

**Debbie Steckler** is a Holistic Health Coach who has been working with clients one on one and in small groups for several years. She received her training in nutrition, health and wellness from the Institute for Integrative Nutrition at SUNY-New York. She graduated from Cornell University and obtained an M.B.A. from SMU Cox School of Business.

**Candace Vogt** graduated from Auburn University and Vanderbilt University, School of Law. She has practiced and is licensed in both Alabama and Texas. She also taught law school in Alabama for three years as an Assistant Professor, concentrating in Estate Planning, Estate Tax, Real Estate and Elder Law. She has been a partner with a major Alabama law firm and is now a partner at Vogt Duff Law Group in McKinney. She practices mainly in the areas of estate planning, real estate and small business management. She is married to her wonderful husband Tod and has two adult children.

**Elizabeth Wallenberg** is a psychologist and counselor with ample experience in bilingual school counseling and psychotherapy. She has a Master's degree in Science and a Master's in Education. Elizabeth is an L.P.C. and has worked in private practice.

**Barbara Walters**, has an MA in Human Resource Development from U.T. Austin. She has spent 30 years in the corporate world in Leadership Development, including designing and delivering training to managers at all levels and managing teams of trainers.

**Herbert Weinstein, Ph.D.** received his B.S. from Tufts University and a Ph.D. from Princeton University in Chemical Engineering. Following a Sloan Postdoctoral Fellowship at Princeton, he pursued a 32-year career in the petroleum industry and was a private consultant doing oilfield research, adjunct teaching at colleges and private tutoring. Following this, Herb chose to enter secondary education. "I have taught math at all levels, plus fundamentals of computer programming at Yavneh Academy, The Hockaday School and Parish Episcopal School". He is now retired after 13 years of secondary education. "I did some great things in industry, but I feel that as a teacher I have done even greater things, making a major difference in the lives of my students – students of all ages".

**Don Wolman** is a teacher, world traveler and writer with degrees in engineering and science. He teaches classes in world geography, travel, history and science. He works part-time as a technical writer and volunteers as a speaker/presenter around the DFW area.