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ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED ACADEMIC STAFF: UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

**CURRENT AFFAIRS SALON** 

The next meeting of the Current Affairs Salon will take place on **Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm MDT** via Zoom.

The topic will be the ongoing controversy about alleged Chinese "interference" in Canadian elections.

> The Zoom instructions are as follows: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84256439376

If the system asks for a passcode enter 488023 The meeting ID is 84256439376 if needed.

# **BOOK CLUB**

The next meeting of the Book Club will be held on **Wednesday, April 19**<sup>th</sup> **at 2:30pm** in Room 1-46 of University Terrace (8303 112 Street). The book to be discussed is Women Talking (2018) by Miriam Toews and the discussion will be led by Bente Roed.

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# **ONLINE SESSIONS THAT MIGHT BE OF INTEREST**

Below are invitations from Carlton Univ to register for the Early Spring 2023 online sessions of the Lifelong Learning Program (LLeaP):

- 1. <u>Physics Around Us</u> with Dr. Andrew Robinson (online)
  - Mondays, April 17, 24
  - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. ET
  - <u>Register for this series</u>
- 2. <u>Six Mathematical Results with Profound Impact</u> with Dr. Kevin Cheung (online)
  - Mondays, April 17, 24
  - 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. ET
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# 3. Exploring the World of Creativity with Adrian Cho (online)

- Wednesdays, April 5, 12, 19
- 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. ET
- <u>Register for this series</u>
- 4. <u>African American Music of the 1940s-1970s: Blues, R&B,</u> <u>Soul and Funk</u> with Keith McCuaig (online)
  - Thursdays, April 6, 13, 20, 27
  - 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. ET
  - <u>Register for this series</u>

Below are invitations from Toronto's York Univ. Scholars Hub:

Date: TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2023 at 12 noon ET:

Topic: Rethinking Canada's competition policy in a digital economy

Speaker: **Dr. Kean D. Birch**, Director of the Institute for Technoscience & Society, and Professor-Graduate Program in Science & Technology Studies, York Univ, Toronto **For more information and to register for this online** webinar, please click here.

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# Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 12 noon ET:

# Scholar's Hub @ Home--Why stories linger in our minds: Using stories to probe human memory and thought

Speaker: Dr. Bellana Buddhika, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Glendon College

<u>Short overview</u>: A good book is not only characterized by the reader's experience while in the midst of reading it. In fact, a good book is marked by its ability to shape the content of our thoughts for hours, sometimes days, after putting it down. This presentation will examine the idea that stories have a propensity to linger in your mind. We will look at how this phenomenon can be quantified in the laboratory and what it might reveal about how our memory system works.

**Registration & further info:** 

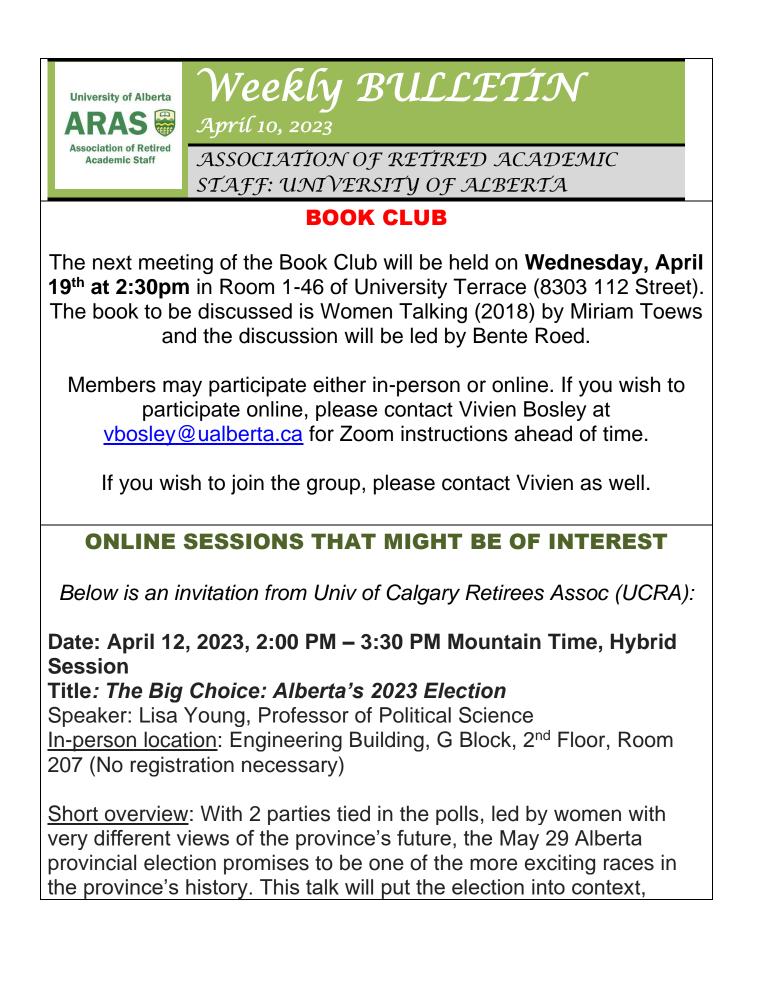
https://yorku.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_QL5DB316Ray1LqlWyHBMmg

#### Date: Friday, April 21, 2023@ Noon ET: Topic: Ecological Futures and Energy Infrastructure across Continental North America

Speaker: **Dr. Anna Zalik**, Associate Professor, Faculty of Environmental and Urban Change, York University **For more information and to register**, please <u>click here</u>: (Note: If C. Le Navenec's name appears on the form, just delete it)

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offering an overview of the two parties' approaches to key policy issues and identifying the importance of the outcome for both Alberta and Canada.

If joining via ZOOM: Register at: <u>https://go.ucalgary.ca/2023-04-</u> 12TheBigChoiceAlbertas2023Election LPRegistration.html

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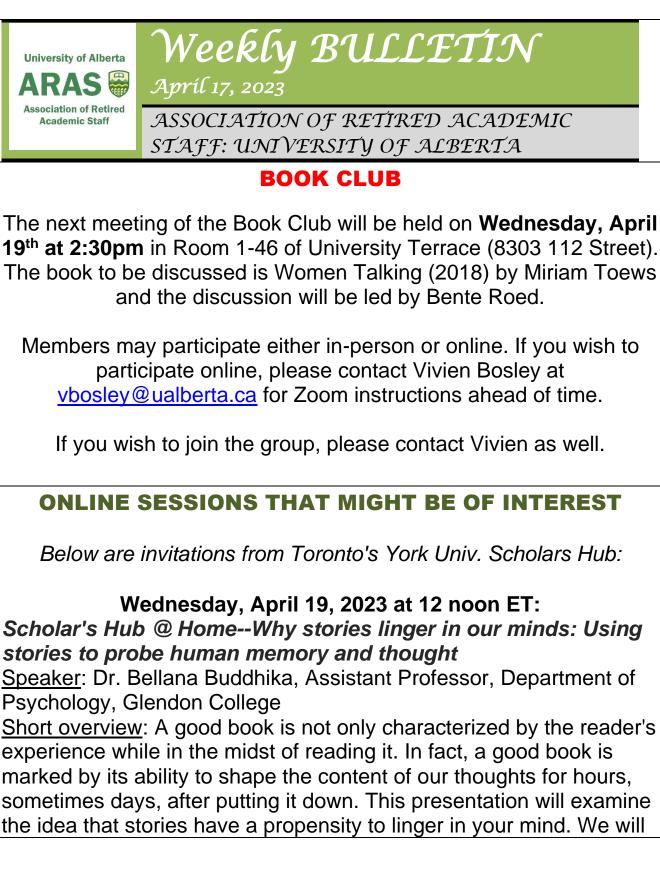
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Invitation from Carleton's LLL Program Online May-June sessions, Behind the Headlines with Dr. Elliot Tepper

Join us online for 6 weekly sessions beginning May 3 to June 7, 2023 @1:30pm to 3:30pm ET for a perennial and always up-to-date favourite at Carleton University's Lifelong Learning!

# Topic: Behind the Headlines'

**Speaker:** veteran political scientist and media commentator **Dr. Elliot Tepper**, is an in-depth and in-context look at current events, determined week-by-week by emerging issues of interest to Canadians.

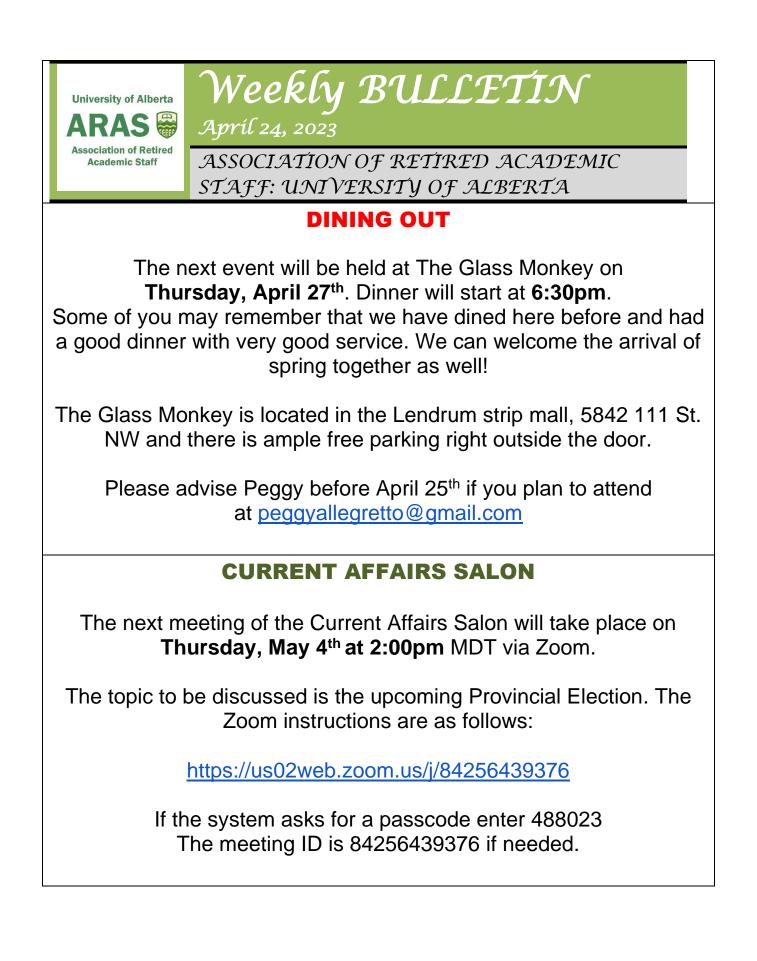
Registration: Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at 10:00am Eastern Time. Sign up for your free LLeaP Apprendo account prior to registration.

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