



2012 FIRST FRIDAY LECTURE SERIES *In the Council Chambers of Port Townsend's historic city hall (540 Water Street) on the first Friday of each month at 7 p.m.*

January 6 — John Olson, Poulsbo author of *Down John's Road*, retraces John Steinbeck's exploration of America immortalized in *Travels with Charley*.

February 3 — Dan Magneson, fishery biologist, will speak about Hoover, Bonneville, Shasta and Grand Coulee Dams: The Great Depression, World War II, and Fishery Resources

March 2 — Carol Estby Dagg, author of *The Year We Were Famous*, tells the tale of her great aunt who walked from Spokane to New York in 1896 to save the family farm and prove that women were up to the task.

April 6 — Captain Norm Stevens presents "Shipwrecks and Other Bad News," the story of the collision of the *S.S. Governor* and the *S.S. West Hartland*.

May 4 — Port Townsend author Brad Matsen discusses his new book *Death + Oil: A True Story of the North Sea* and the Piper Alpha Disaster.

June 1 — Al Latham explores the "History of the Jefferson County Conservation District, 1946-2011."

August 3 — "Ansel Adams: A Portrait of Manzanar," a photo-lecture in conjunction with an award-winning exhibit traveling from the Bainbridge Island Historical Society.

September 7 — Jonathan Evison talks about his novel *West of Here*, an account of the Elwha Dam and the development of the Olympic Peninsula that traces generations of families from 1890 to 2006.

October 5 — Gregg Olsen, master true-crime writer from Kitsap County, discusses his book *Starvation Heights*, the horrifying tale of Dr. Linda Hazzard and her starving patients.

November 2 — Lynda Mapes, a *Seattle Times* reporter specializing in environmental and Native American issues.

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