

# *The Oregon Trail and Today's Mass Migrations* **6:30 pm - 7:30 pm, Thursday, 16 June 2016** **at the Marshall House**

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**Speaker: Colonel Bruce Mulkey (Retired)**

For many Americans, the Oregon Trail conjures up images of heroic pioneers who faced privation and dangers to travel to the West Coast of the United States. The reward for the survivors would be land, and a chance to become greater than they were before. For other Americans, particularly Native Americans, the Oregon Trail represented an end to their traditional lifestyle, and the loss of their lands.

Today, the United States and other European countries face what they see as a migration crisis brought on by events in the Middle East, Africa, and Southwest Asia, as well as Central and Latin America. Bruce Mulkey will look at the phenomena of the Oregon Trail, as it compares to the current situation, its causes, events, and consequences; the physical realities; immigrant expectations, and the role of governments in meeting the realities of this situation.

The presentation will last about 60 minutes, from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM at the Marshall House, on Officer's Row. This no admission fee. The Marshall House is located at, **1301 Officer's Row, Vancouver, WA 98661**. To get there from Interstate 5, take Exit 1c. Head east on Mill Plain Blvd to the first light, then go south (right) on Fort Vancouver Way to the traffic circle. Take the third exit, east on Evergreen Blvd to the second parking lot. The Marshall House is opposite this parking lot. To let us know you are coming, please email: [president@VBMA.us](mailto:president@VBMA.us).



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