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HISTORY OF WESTERN MEDICINE STUDY GROUP

Coordinated by: **Dr. Brian Johnson**

*First Friday of each month
February through July*

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Private Home

The earliest humans lived an average of 30 to 35 years. Today such early death is exceptional. Much of that change is due to the evolution of medical care, and in recent centuries most advances have been in the West. The approach to disease has been greatly improved by understanding of subjects varying from anatomy, the circulation of blood, and genetics, to the immune system. Diagnosis has been greatly enhanced by, for example, the discovery of X-rays and their evolution to CAT scans, and by magnetic resonance imaging. Major milestones in treatment include vaccination, transfusion, anesthesia, antibiotics, insulin, dialysis, radiotherapy, and advanced surgical procedures, including joint replacement and organ transplantation.

The history of Western medicine is rich with stories of diverse and sometimes eccentric personalities who made breakthrough observations. After educating ourselves in the topic, we will evaluate the possibility of mounting a presentation.



First Friday of each month, February through June

- *February 3*
- *March 3*
- *April 7*
- *May 5*
- *June 2*
- *July 7*

Deadline for registration: January 20th

Enrollment Form: WESTERN MEDICINE – February - July 2017

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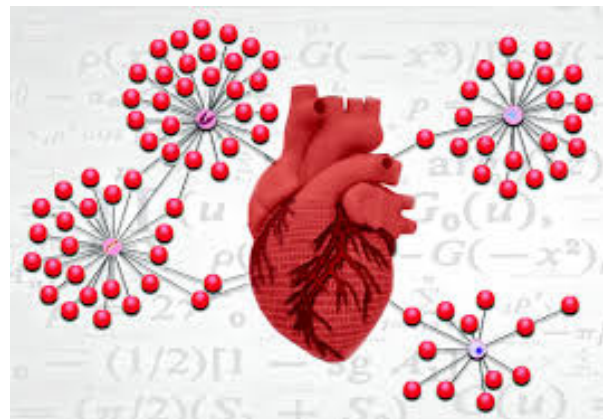
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BIOGRAPHY: *Dr. Brian F. Johnson* is a retired Professor of Medicine and Pharmacology at the University of Massachusetts, primarily involved in cardiovascular research. Board-certified in Internal medicine and in Clinical Pharmacology, he was elected Fellow of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of London and of Edinburgh. He became Executive Director of the clinical cardiovascular program for Pfizer Research.



VISTAS Calendar

Seminar/Event	Inclusive Dates	Time	Venue
Documentary Film Club	3rd Thurs Monthly	2:00 pm	Maravilla Theater
Nonfiction Book Club	3rd Wed Monthly	1:30 pm	Vista del Monte-Sierra Madre
Western Medicine Study Grp	1st Friday Feb - July	10:00 am	Private Home
Cryptography	Tues, Jan 3,10,17 & 24	9:30 am	Goleta Library
Climate Change	Thurs, Jan 5, 12, & 19	9:30 am	Natural History - Farrand
So.Africa Under Apartheid	Thurs, Jan 26	1:30 pm	Valle Verde - Social Room
Hollywood Musicals	Tues, Feb 7, 14, 21	9:30 am	Goleta Library
Bible Translations	Wed, Feb 8	1:30 pm	Valle Verde - Social Room
Grandchildren Learning	Mon, Feb 13, 20 & 27	9:30 am	Valle Verde - Social Room
Nikola Tesla	Wed, Feb 22 & Mar 1	9:30 am	Valle Verde - Social Room
Short Story Seminar	Wed, Mar 1, 8, 15, & 22	1:30 pm	Private Home
Lewis Carroll	Mon, Mar 6 & 13	9:30 am	Goleta Library
Symphony Orchestra	Wed, Apr 12, 19, & 26	TBD	TBD
Rural New England 1830's	Thurs, May 4	9:30 am	Valle Verde - Social Room