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Photographing Nature with a Digital Camera 1







Live Well. Learn Forever.



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR OLLI PRESIDENT



CYNDY RYLANT
UNF OLLI PRESIDENT

In my fall letter, I shared with you that OLLI is a volunteer-led, volunteer-staffed program and it is up to us — the members — to do our part to ensure its sustainability. Also, I promised to communicate with you about our needs.

Maybe you've thought about volunteering but you weren't sure you had the time or wanted a big commitment. If that's you, I suggest you volunteer to host a class. Minimal time and commitment are required. We ask you to arrive 30 minutes prior to a class you're taking and perhaps stay a few minutes after class. When all sessions of the class are over, your job is done. If you are not sure what's involved with hosting, just observe what a host does in your classes. We offer orientations to new hosts each term.

Maybe you feel ready to make a larger commitment. If so, consider becoming a member of one of our teams. The Member Relations Team arranges hosts for each class and assists with event hospitality. The Curriculum Team plans each term's classes and recruits instructors. The ED-venture Team scouts, plans and leads their programs. All teams provide mentoring to orient new members to their operations.

We need a steady stream of new volunteers to provide fresh ideas and allow current volunteers to change roles or return to OLLI as students. No volunteer is asked to make a lifetime commitment or to do the same job forever. It is important that each of us find a way to contribute to OLLI's sustainability by investing our unique talents, perspectives and life experiences.

Think about investing in your OLLI today. Contact Jeanette Toohey, OLLI director, at (904) 620-4200 or unfolli@unf.edu, so we can learn more about you and your interest in volunteering.

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OUR VALUED PARTNERS







JOIN US AT OUR PARTNER CAMPUS WINTER KICK-OFF EVENTS - FREE TO ATTEND

OLLI AT WESTMINSTER WOODS

(Julington Creek)

OLLI AT FLEET LANDING

(Atlantic Beach)

OLLI AT GLENMOOR

(World Golf Village)

NOV. 19

4 to 5 p.m.

What is OLLI?

Learn about the dynamic people and programs that create and support northeast Florida's premier community of adult learners.

DEC. 8

11 a.m. to noon

Course Sampler

Enjoy presentations by instructors teaching at Fleet Landing this term.

DEC. 5

4 to 5:30 p.m.

Vienna's Golden Age

Cash-only bar; R.S.V.P. required. Featuring M.J. Palmer, OLLI instructor. Biography on pg. 35.



You're invited to become a member of the University Club and enjoy:

Free breakfast. Free lunch dinner and happy hours in an upscale atmosphere

Business lounge with complimentary coffee and WIFI

Calendar full of monthly events such as Cooking Classes, Wine Tastings, Family Dining, 'Cocktails for a Cause' and much more!

Wine Ta Athletics facility with a week of group fitness classes, massage therapy and personal training

Reciprocity in 6 other local clubs such as Deercreek and Queen's Harbour with cart fee only golf*

Membership in 200 clubs across the U.S.

\$165 per month

Special Preferred Initiation Fee \$100 Normally \$750 initiation



Classes are organized by weekday, then listed in the following order:

- Calendar date
- Time of day
- Alphabetical by title (if multiple classes start at one time)



See page 39 for enrollment options.



MONDAY AT UNF V

- O9 The Arab Israeli Wars: 1948-1973 Jan. 26 Feb. 23, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- D9 The Great Age of Vienna:
 Beethoven, Schubert and Brahms
 Jan. 26 Feb. 9, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- MEW Why Pay Wall Street Learn to Invest Safely Jan. 26 Feb. 9, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- 9 Studio Painting
 Jan. 26 March 2, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- O9 Limits to Growth

 Jan. 26 March 2, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Gritty Gutsy, Go for the Gusto Writing Workshop Jan. 26, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Religion in America, Part II: 1789 to 2015

 Jan. 26 March 16, 10 a.m. to noon
- **10** Brain Training Jan. 26 March 2, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 10 Walking the Camino de Santiago Jan. 26, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

- Master the Masters:
 The Adventures with a Symphonic Detective
 Jan. 26 April 20, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- The Oceans: Two-Thirds of Our World Jan. 26 Feb. 16, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- Photographing Nature with a Digital Camera Jan. 26 Feb. 16, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- TED Talks: Conversations That Matter Jan. 26 March 2, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
- Poetry Workshop Feb. 2 – March 9, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- Putin: Where From? What Next? Feb. 9 March 2, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- 12 Medicare 101 Feb. 9, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 12 CSI: How Do They Do That? Forensic Science for Everyone Feb. 16 – March 9, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 12 Aging in Place with Technology Feb. 16 March 2, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

- 12 Successful Life Transitions Feb. 23 – March 2, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- 12 NEW Chair Yoga March 2 – 23, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- 13 NEW Creativity in Retirement March 2 30, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

TUESDAY AT UNF V

- 13 Current Events
 Jan. 6 March 31, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
- 13 NEW Beginning Bridge I
 Jan. 13 March 3, 10 a.m. to noon
- 13 NEW Intermediate Bridge
 Jan. 13 March 3, 1 to 3 p.m.
- 13 Intermediate Woodcarving
 Jan. 13 March 3, 9:30 a.m. to noon
- The Craft and Process of Writing: Keys to Becoming a Published Author Jan. 20 – March 3, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- 14 NEW The Movies: Westerns, Sci-Fi and Gangsters Jan. 20 March 17, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- **14** Tai Chi for Beginners
 Jan. 20 Feb. 24, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
- 14 NEW Tocqueville Returns to America Jan. 20 March 10, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- Pairings across the Pond:
 Greene and Burgess; Irving and Delillo
 Jan. 20 March 17, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 14 NEW Physics of Creation and the Anthropic Principles
 Jan. 20 Feb. 24, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

- 15 The State Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg, Russia
 Jan. 27 March 3, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 15 Understanding Our U.S. Health Care System: How It Works and Doesn't
 Jan. 27 Feb. 10, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 15 NEW Can Technology Rescue a Precarious World?
 Jan. 27 Feb. 24, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- 15 India: The Good, The Bad, The Ugly Jan. 27 Feb. 10, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- Recycling: How It Works in Jacksonville ED-venture Feb. 3, 10 to 11 a.m.
- 16 Catch More Fish An Insider's Guide to Our Waters
 Feb. 3 24, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 16 NEW Beginning Spanish Conversation Feb. 3 24, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- 17 NEW Crossing the St. Johns Feb. 24 March 3, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 17 NEW Codes, Ciphers and Deception March 3 24, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- 17 NEW What's Your Book Club Reading? March 10, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.



WEDNESDAY AT UNF V

- **18** Travels in South Asia: Myanmar and India Jan. 14 Feb. 4, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 18 Discover Old Arlington ED-venture
 Jan. 21, 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
- 18 NEW I Just Retired Who Am I Now? Jan. 21 Feb. 11, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- 18 iPhone and iPad for Beginners Jan. 21 28, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- 18 Writing Your Life Story
 Jan. 21 Feb. 11, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- 19 NEW Africa's Re-Birthing Party
 Jan. 21 Feb. 25, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 19 NEW World War I: Cataclysm
 Jan. 21 March 11, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 19 Marvyne Betsch: The American Beach Lady Jan. 21 28, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 19 Woman(ly) Role Models:
 Move over Nancy Drew and Brenda Starr!
 Jan. 21 Feb. 25, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Mysteries Unlimited: International Jan. 21 March 18, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- 20 New Open Veins of Latin America:
 Five Centuries of the Pillage of a Continent
 Jan. 21 March 18, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- 20 NEW Play Reading
 Jan. 21 March 11, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- 20 NEW Passport to Travel
 Jan. 28 March 4, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

- 20 Basic Judaism Jan. 28 March 11, 10 a.m. to noon
- 20 NEW String Theory II: Expand Your Knitting Skills Jan. 28 March 18, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
- 21 NEW U.S. Navy Carrier Aircraft of WWII Jan. 28, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- 21 NEW Long Term Care and Other Options Jan. 28, 3:30 to 5 p.m.
- Advanced Intermediate
 French Conversation
 Feb. 4 March 11, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Think Like an Elite Warrior to Lead and Succeed: Learn the Secrets of an Unbeatable Mind Feb. 11 March 25, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- Preparing Your Home for Sale:
 A Guide to Home Staging
 Feb. 11 25, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 22 NEW Understanding and Managing Your Investments
 Feb. 11 March 4, 3:30 to 5 p.m.
- **22** Advanced iPhone and iPad Feb. 18 25, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- 22 Short Stories by F. Scott Fitzgerald Feb. 18 March 11, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- Manatee Watch and River Cruise ED-venture Feb. 18, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- 23 Insider's Tour of St. Augustine:
 Ximenez-Fatio and Peña-Peck Houses
 ED-venture
 March 4, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- $23\,$ Get to Know Your Samsung Galaxy Phone or Tablet March 18 25, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

THURSDAY AT UNF V

- The Metropolitan Opera Lectures Jan. 8 April 23, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
- 23 French Conversation I Jan. 29 – April 9, 9:30 to 11 a.m. (No class March 19)
- 24 Introduction to Microsoft Office 2010 Excel Jan. 22 Feb. 12, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- 24 NEW Six Revolutions That Made Us Who We Are Jan. 22 Feb. 26, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- Pacial Fitness: Exercises for the Face and Neck Jan. 22 Feb. 26, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- French Conversation II

 Jan. 29 April 9, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 (No class March 19)
- French Conversation III

 Jan. 29 April 9, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

 (No class March 19)
- 24 NEW Jacksonville, Ax Handle Saturday and the Civil Rights Movement Jan. 22 Feb. 12, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- 24 Conversational Spanish for Travelers II Jan. 22 Feb. 12, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- 25 International Vegetarian Cooking Jan. 29 Feb. 12, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 25 Intermediate Spanish Conversation Feb. 5 March 12, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
- Was America Founded as a Christian Nation: Founding Fathers Perspectives on Religion Feb. 5 26, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- 25 NEW Building America:
 Railroads in American History
 Feb. 5 March 12, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

- 25 NEW A Floridian's Guide to Insurance Feb. 5 March 5, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- How to Attract Hummingbirds to Your Yard March 5, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- NEW Explore Guana Tolomato Matanzas
 National Estuarine Research Reserve
 ED-venture
 March 19, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Aquaponics A Revolutionary Idea in Farming March 26 April 2, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

FRIDAY AT UNF V

- 26 NEW Lincolnville: St. Augustine's Historic Neighborhood Jan. 16, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- 26 NEW Essential French Grammar and Readings, Part XII Jan. 23 March 13, 10 to 11:30 a.m.
- 27 Feb. 6 April 3, 9:30 to 11 a.m. (No class March 20)
- Municipal Bonds: A Foundation of Quality Feb. 6, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Fire! Behind the Scenes with
 Jacksonville University's Glass Department

 ED-venture

 Feb. 20, 10:30 a.m. to noon (excludes lunch)
- 27 St. John's Cathedral:
 A Jacksonville Architectural Gem
 ED-venture
 Feb. 27, 10 a.m. to noon

SATURDAY AT UNF V

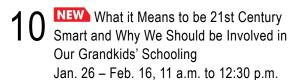
28 NEW Tour and Taste: San Sebastian Winery March 6, 5 to 8 p.m.



Free to land Free to soar

1 Fleet Landing Blvd., Atlantic Beach, FL 32233 (at Mayport Rd.)

MONDAY **T**



TUESDAY V

March 24, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY V

21 Lasers in Eye Care: Enhancing Safety, Accuracy and Vision Feb. 4 – 11, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Photo Art: Enhancing Your Photography Feb. 18 – March 4, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

THURSDAY V

25 Inshore Fishing 101 Jan. 29, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Want to experience OLLI before you sign up? Want to share OLLI with a friend? R.S.V.P. for OLLI's free, kick-off events.

See the top of pg. 3 for free kick-off events.



Retirement Redefined

235 Towerview Rd., St. Augustine, FL 32092 (World Golf Village)

TUESDAY V

15 What is Jazz?
Jan. 20, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

15 NEW U.S. Navy Carrier Aircraft of WWII Jan. 27, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

16 Classical Music and All That Jazz Feb. 3, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

17 Musical Failures and Mishaps Feb. 17, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

THURSDAY V

26 NEW Passport to Travel Feb. 12 – 26, 10:30 a.m. to noon



25 State Rd. 13, Jacksonville, FL 32259 (Julington Creek)

TUESDAY V

1 4 Tips to Make Your Story Interesting Jan. 20 – Feb. 10, 10:30 a.m. to noon

17 NEW Preparing Your Tree Canopy for Storms Feb. 17, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

THURSDAY V

25 Immigration: Who, How, When and From Where Feb. 19 – March 5, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

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Classes take place at the University of North Florida unless otherwise noted.

MONDAY **T**

NEW THE ARAB – ISRAELI WARS: 1948-1973

Jan. 26 — Feb. 23, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

5 sessions, \$35

Maximize your knowledge of war and peace in the Middle East from the 1948 War of Independence through the 1973 Yom Kippur War. Increase your understanding of the significance of the confrontation in Palestine, the first and second truces and the Armistice Agreement, the Sinai Campaign and The Six Day War.

Instructor: Stewart Angell, p. 29

NEW THE GREAT AGE OF VIENNA: BEETHOVEN, SCHUBERT AND BRAHMS

Jan. 26 — Feb. 9, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 3 sessions, \$25

Discover Vienna's history and culture through an exploration of its music, as well as the lives and careers of the outstanding composers who lived there. Enrich your music appreciation through lecture, discussion and listening with an expert.

Instructor: Merrill Jay Palmer, p. 35

NEW WHY PAY WALL STREET – LEARN TO INVEST SAFELY

Jan. 26 — Feb. 9, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 3 sessions, \$25

Conquer your fear of managing your own investments. Stretch your knowledge and understanding of investment products. Act to ensure you reach your financial growth and security goals.

Instructor: Robert Black, p. 30

STUDIO PAINTING

Jan. 26 – March 2, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 6 sessions, \$50

Enhance your studio painting skills. Experiment with painting techniques. Explore the use of color. Whether you are a beginner or seasoned artist, this is an opportunity for studio time and expert critique.

Instructor: Maureen Kirschhofer, p. 32

NEW LIMITS TO GROWTH

Jan. 26 — March 2, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 6 sessions, \$40

World population and the world economy are growing. Are there any constraints or limits to growth? Explore these questions by examining the methods and results of a 40-year investigation undertaken by the Club of Rome. Founded in 1968, the club is an informal association of 100 independent leading personalities, from 30 national and regional associations in business, politics and science who share a common concern for future of humanity and the planet.

Instructor: Vladimir Ganine, p. 32

NEW GRITTY GUTSY, GO FOR THE GUSTO WRITING WORKSHOP

Jan. 26, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. 1 session. \$30

Calling all brave souls who long to write strong and tell their truths. Filled with popcorn exercises, games, role play and rant-a-thons, you'll find out what you love and loathe. Stuck? Scared? Don't worry. We'll bust out sideways and get you writing fast and hard.

You'll find your words, your stories and your voice. Sound wild? Embrace your wild child and come in the door ready to risk, play and create!



MONDAY **▼ Continued**

NEW RELIGION IN AMERICA, PART II: 1789 TO 2015

Jan. 26 — March 16, 10 a.m. to noon 8 sessions, \$65

Enrich your understanding of the complex role religion has played in America's history. Learn about the passage and implications of the First Amendment. Discover the democratization of Protestant Christianity with the rise and eventual dominance of Methodism and Revivalism before an ultimate Baptist triumph. Improve your knowledge of alternatives that gradually emerged in "Protestant America" with the entry of such newcomers as the Mormons, Adventists, Roman Catholics, Jews and Scandinavian Lutherans. Examine the impact of the Civil War. Abraham Lincoln and Charles Darwin. Consider the disruption caused by such movements as the "Social Gospel," Modernism, Fundamentalism and Pentecostalism. Endeavor to understand the decline of the mainline Christian denominations and the failure of unification movements, such as ecumenism. Survey today's religious landscape and consider some tough questions about the differences, disagreements and conflicts we hear and read about every day.

Instructor: Martin Connor, p. 31

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE 21ST CENTURY SMART AND WHY WE SHOULD BE INVOLVED IN OUR GRANDKIDS' SCHOOLING

Jan. 26 — Feb. 16, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 4 sessions, \$30

Location: Fleet Landing

Intensify your understanding of three important dimensions of today's culture and society. What does it mean to be intelligent? What do we all — ourselves and our grandchildren — need to be smart about and skilled in for the future? Why should we help teachers, schools and politicians realize that a world-class education is about more than test scores? Explore the current research and thinking about intelligence. Take a broad look at the skillsets and cognitive abilities that are needed in our current lives and those that will be crucial for both personal and societal success.

Instructor: Chuck Watson, p. 37

BRAIN TRAINING

Jan. 26 – March 2, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 6 sessions, \$40

How you concentrate influences every aspect of your life. Open Focus brain training, developed by Dr. Les Fehmi, is designed to develop your ability to consciously shift the way you pay attention — from a narrowly focused attention to a calmer, more flexible and open attention. Open Focus is a practical and effective method for reducing stress-related symptoms and enhancing well-being. Each 90-minute class consists of easy and enjoyable exercises, practiced in a seated position, brief lectures and class discussion.

Recommended: Practice between classes. CDs will be provided by the instructor for \$1.

Instructor: Martha Bennett, p. 29

WALKING THE CAMINO DE SANTIAGO

Jan. 26, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 1 session, \$10

Learn the history of "The Way of St. James," a pilgrimage trail dating to the ninth century in the Christian Era. Discover how this unique travel adventure may advance progress in the religious, cultural, health or self-reflection spheres of your life. Enjoy images of some of the most dramatic and breathtaking scenery in Spain. Hear highlights of a hiking odyssey that traversed the Pyrenees Mountains to Pamplona and Burgos and to Santiago de Compostela, now a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Instructor: David DePhillips, p. 31



Thank you to our OLLI Open House volunteers. You help current and potential OLLI members feel at home.

NEW MASTER THE MASTERS: THE ADVENTURES WITH A SYMPHONIC DETECTIVE

Jan. 26 — April 20, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

Dates vary with the Jacksonville Symphony
Masterworks performances below.

\$4 sessions, \$30

A collaboration with Beaches Residents Actively Supporting the Symphony (BRASS) and the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra (JSym).

Maximize your enjoyment of the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra's 2014-15 season, with classes explaining each concert in its Masterworks series. The Monday prior to weekend's concert performance, analyze each symphony and its composer. Learn about musical and performance elements, time and place relevant to the music and the composer, as well and the people and the politics surrounding the composer and his music. Cameo appearances by symphony musicians and singers combine to bring the music alive in an engaging, interactive format.

Monday, Jan. 26: "Happy Birthday Mozart"

Monday, March 9: "Saint-Saëns Thundering Organ Symphony"

Symphony"

Monday, March 23: "Beethoven's Missa Solemnis"

Monday, April 20: "Beethoven's Pastoral"

Instructor: Lynne Radcliffe, p. 36

NEW THE OCEANS: TWO-THIRDS OF OUR WORLD

Jan. 26 – Feb. 16, 1:30 to 3 p.m. 4 sessions, \$30

Discover the physics behind basic ocean functions, including waves, tides and currents. Learn about the flora and fauna of the depths. Course content will be presented free of jargon, using graphics and animations designed for clarity and comprehension. Question and discussion are encouraged to make the learning experience an enjoyable one.

Instructor: Bob Schiffner, p. 36



Enroll in OLLI courses online at www.unfolli.com or call (904) 620-4200.

NEW PHOTOGRAPHING NATURE WITH A DIGITAL CAMERA

Jan. 26 — Feb. 16, 1:30 to 3 p.m. Field trip: Feb. 9, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. 4 sessions, \$30 (Fee excludes admission to St. Augustine Alligator Farm Zoological Park)

Boost your skills as a digital photographer! This overview of the basic elements of photography includes mastery of in-focus and properly exposed digital images. Emphasis will be placed on use of your own equipment in hands-on sessions. Learn techniques to photograph birds, plants and nature-scapes. Discuss exposure, focus and composition. Discover which equipment and features are important for advancement to more complex forms of nature photography.

Required: A digital camera **Instructor:** Gary Whiting, p. 38

NEW TED TALKS: CONVERSATIONS THAT MATTER

Jan. 26 – March 2, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. 6 sessions, \$50

Technology, Entertainment, Design (TED) is a worldwide clearinghouse that offers free knowledge and inspiration from some of the world's most interesting and stimulating individuals. Join a community of curious souls who engage with ideas and each other using TED Talks videos as the basis of lively group discussions and interactions. Explore a wide range of subjects to foster learning, inspiration and wonder. Our goal is to provoke conversations that matter.

Facilitators: Lois Chepenik, p. 30 and

Dan Kossoff, p. 33

POETRY WORKSHOP

Feb. 2 — March 9, 1:30 to 3 p.m. 6 sessions, \$40

Are you a poet looking for an advanced writing experience? Are you preparing your poetry for publication? If so, this workshop is for you. Helpful critiques and suggestions offered by a supportive, cooperative and respectful community of poetry lovers will inspire new poems, as well as successful rewriting of those already written.

Facilitators: Sharon Scholl, p. 36 and Carolee Ackerson Bertisch, p. 29

MONDAY **▼ Continued**

NEW PUTIN: WHERE FROM? WHAT NEXT?

Feb. 9 – March 2, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 4 sessions, \$30

On the last day of his presidency, Boris Yeltsin charged Vladimir Putin to save Russia. What happened to the other superpower, and why did a formerly proud empire turn to an ex-lieutenant colonel in the KGB to lead it? Why does Putin get involved in the near abroad, for example, Ukraine and Crimea? What are the implications for Europe and the United States?

Instructor: Ronald J. Kurth, p. 33

MEDICARE 101

Feb. 9, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 1 session, \$10

Increase your knowledge of Medicare basics, including its history and what the alphabet of its parts (A, B, C and D) mean. Examine the costs associated with original Medicare. Understand the annual election or enrollment period. Discover useful resources to gain confidence in making decisions for yourself or a loved one.

Instructor: Rory Gregg, p. 32

CSI: HOW DO THEY DO THAT? FORENSIC SCIENCE FOR EVERYONE

Feb. 16 — March 9, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 4 sessions, \$30

Increase your knowledge of current developments in forensic science. Dynamic conditions in DNA technology have completely refocused investigative techniques, and older methods, such as handwriting and fingerprint comparison, as well as microscopy are losing favor and being challenged. Explore evidence chain-of-custody and storage conditions, as well as techniques of identification versus techniques of association.

Instructor: Kenneth Nimmich, p. 35

AGING IN PLACE WITH TECHNOLOGY

Feb. 16 — March 2, 1:30 to 3 p.m. 3 sessions, \$25

By 2020, technology will dramatically change our concept of aging lifestyles. Maximize your understanding of digital technologies, assistive technologies and smart environments that will enable our well-being and independence. Learn through visual presentation and lively discussion ways to take care of ourselves and others as we age in place with technology.

Instructor: Julie Giuliani, p. 32

SUCCESSFUL LIFE TRANSITIONS

Feb. 23 — March 2, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 2 sessions, \$20

Explore practical steps to tackle your transition to retirement and master other late-in-life events such as divorce, loss of a spouse and long-term care needs. Discussion will focus on specific measures you can take in advance to understand and ease the impact, including accessing available resources. Using lecture, open discussion and case study, this class examines the financial, legal and public benefit resources available to help those in transition.

Instructor: Bill Laird, p. 33

NEW CHAIR YOGA

March 2 – March 23, 1:30 to 3 p.m. 4 sessions, \$30

Reduce stress, improve circulation and address physical challenges, including arthritis and heart disease. Learn a combination of stretching, breathing and meditation exercises to strengthen the body and calm the mind, while improving strength, flexibility and overall mobility. Lift the spirits and brighten the day, in addition to the health benefits that yoga provides.

Instructor: Kathryn Martin, p. 34



NEW CREATIVITY IN RETIREMENT

March 2 — March 30, 1:30 to 3 p.m. 5 sessions, \$35

Discover your second act in this high-energy, hands-on seminar. Experience a smorgasbord of idea generation techniques to explore your retirement opportunities. Explore how collaboration can spur new ideas, ways to overcome biases and mindsets and clarify a problem at hand. Devise fresh new ways of understanding issues in an intellectually liberating atmosphere. Develop new approaches to examine and maximize your happiness in this important life stage.

Recommended: "A Whack on the Side of the Head" by Roger Von Oech, George Willett and Nolan Bushnell and "Thinkertoys: A Handbook of Business Creativity" by Michael Michalko

Instructor: Edward Mickolus, p. 34

TUESDAY V

CURRENT EVENTS

Jan. 6 – March 31, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. 13 sessions. \$95

In this lively course, students discuss topics of interest drawn from readings and other media of the day. Each week, students bring at least one newsworthy article of interest to present to the class. The facilitator assists by keeping the discussion of the topic open, focused and on track.

Facilitator: Howard Hodor, p. 32

NEW BEGINNING BRIDGE I

Jan. 13 – March 3, 10 a.m. to noon 8 sessions, \$65

Learn to play bridge. Focus on play of the hand and bidding in the modern game. Learn to make a plan, promote winners, finesse and trump losers. Beginning Bridge I students receive priority enrollment in Beginning Bridge II (Spring 2015) and Beginning Bridge III (Fall 2015).

Instructor: John Reeve, p. 36

NEW INTERMEDIATE BRIDGE

Jan. 13 — March 3, 1 to 3 p.m. 8 sessions. \$65

Designed for those with previous instruction in the game, this course focuses on play of the hand with analysis of bidding, declarer play and defense. Learn new conventions if time allows.

Required: Understanding of standard American or twoover-one bidding system, Blackwood, Stayman, weak two bid and strong two club openings and responses. Knowledge of transfers, negative and takeout doubles, as well as follow up bids is helpful.

Instructor: John Reeve, p. 36

INTERMEDIATE WOODCARVING

Jan. 13 – March 3, 9:30 a.m. to noon 8 sessions. \$90

Intermediate and advanced woodcarvers will find a challenging opportunity in this class. We'll begin with refresher safety instructions, a knife sharpening review and project selection. You'll generally work alone, but the master carver instructor will be available to assist in all phases of project selection, design, carving, finishing and display. This class includes a detailed description of carving knives for anyone wishing to add new knives. Work at your own pace, completing at least one project before the end of the class.

Required: Carving gloves and knives, a UNF waiver is required before any student can carve.

Instructor: Glenn Ross, p. 36

NEW THE CRAFT AND PROCESS OF WRITING: KEYS TO BECOMING A PUBLISHED AUTHOR

Jan. 20 – March 3, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 7 sessions. \$45

If you have a book inside of you that needs to get out on the page, this course is for you. Learn the skills necessary to bring the thoughts in your mind and heart onto the page in a publishable form. Fiction, nonfiction, how to, creative nonfiction, memoirs and narrative essays all have basic components that every writer must know.

Instructor: Bill McCombes, p. 34

TUESDAY **▼ Continued**

NEW THE MOVIES: WESTERNS, SCI-FI AND GANGSTERS

Jan. 20 — March 17, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 9 sessions, \$55

The movie projector was invented in 1894. Within 10 years, storytelling began to be an important part of the movies. At first, they were two to three minute vignettes, but the public wanted more. This course is designed to look at three popular genres — westerns, science fiction and gangster films — as they evolved and staked their claims on TV channels in the 21st century.

Instructor: Ken McMillan, p. 34

TAI CHI FOR BEGINNERS

Jan. 20 — Feb. 24, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. 6 sessions. \$40

Learn basic Tai Chi principles and move slowly and gently against resistance. Tai Chi breathing method will be incorporated with these movements to improve balance, posture and muscle tone. Expand your OLLI experience through class participation. Practice at home is encouraged.

Instructor: Gary Hickenbottom, p. 32

NEW TOCQUEVILLE RETURNS TO AMERICA

Jan. 20 – March 10, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 8 sessions, \$50

Rip van Winkle is known to have slept for two decades. But that's nothing compared to the case of Alexis de Tocqueville, the French author of "Democracy in America" (1835), who slept for nearly two centuries! Unbeknownst to all, he woke up in late 2014 and embarked on a second Grand Tour to explore America's contemporary social, cultural and political landscape. We will explore his findings and observations.

Instructor: Peter Bartha, p. 29

NEW TIPS TO MAKE YOUR STORY INTERESTING

Jan. 20 — Feb. 10, 10:30 a.m. to noon 4 sessions. \$30

Location: Westminster Woods at Julington Creek

Learn to grab and hold a reader's attention. Discover what to consider when writing for readers of diverse interests. The instructor's novels provide a platform for this interactive discussion course for novice, seasoned and aspiring writers.

Recommended: Read one of the instructor's novels

Instructor: Tom Rockerton, p. 36

PAIRINGS ACROSS THE POND: GREENE AND BURGESS; IRVING AND DELILLO

Jan. 20 – March 17, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

5 sessions, \$35

Classes will meet every other week for five weeks to allow time for readings.

Explore the literature of two pairs of authors, Graham Greene and Anthony Burgess Wilson; and John Irving and Don Delillo. Anticipate a lively discussion of perspectives and observations.

Required: "The Power and the Glory" by Graham Greene, "A Clockwork Orange" by Anthony Burgess Wilson, "A Prayer for Owen Meany" by John Irving and "White Noise" by Don DeLillo

Instructor: Walter Mattingly, p. 34

NEW PHYSICS OF CREATION AND THE ANTHROPIC PRINCIPLES

Jan. 20 — Feb. 24, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 6 sessions. \$40

Ignite your curiosity about how the physics of the early universe gives rise to unresolved anthropic principles and other unsettled issues.

Recommended: "Cosmic Landscape" and "Black Hole Wars" by Leonard Susskind, "Fine Tuning Fallacy" by V. J. Stenger and \$7 to instructor for class notes

Instructor: Bill Jones, p. 32



WHAT IS JAZZ?

Jan. 20, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

1 session, \$10

Location: Glenmoor

Have you heard jazz and wondered what the musicians were really playing? Louis Armstrong once said, "If you have to ask what it is, you'll never know." Explore the question and endeavor to answer it. Discover jazz, its history, components and the development of the jazz repertoire. Jazz improvisation will be explained with, when possible, performance.

Instructor: Bill Prince, p. 35

NEW THE STATE HERMITAGE MUSEUM IN ST. PETERSBURG, RUSSIA

Jan. 27 — March 3, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 6 sessions, \$40

Gather for a virtual exploration of one of the world's largest museums and its important collections of more than three million works, which encompass human creation from the ancient world to our day. Fascinating paintings, sculptures and decorative arts are displayed in gorgeous, unforgettable settings. Experts have calculated that you would need 11 years to spend only one minute examining each exhibit on display. Enjoy this rare opportunity to learn from one of the museum's former curators.

Instructor: Tatiana Ganina, p. 31

UNDERSTANDING OUR U.S. HEALTH CARE SYSTEM: HOW IT WORKS AND DOESN'T

Jan. 27 — Feb. 10, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 3 sessions, \$25

Learn the components of our health care system and why costs are so high. Discover options to better manage the costs and assure high quality care.

Instructor: Ken Tannenbaum, p. 37



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NEW CAN TECHNOLOGY RESCUE A PRECARIOUS WORLD?

Jan. 27 — Feb. 24, 1:30 to 3 p.m. 5 sessions, \$35

The millennia doomsayers have been predicting the end of the world for years. Turns out there really are a host of natural and man-made catastrophes in waiting that could put a serious crimp in humankind's future. Examine the role that technology and common sense can play in minimizing the chances of an apocalyptic vision coming true. Examine worldwide food and water shortages, a nuclear exchange between India and Pakistan, Earth colliding with an asteroid, a pandemic and global warming. Discuss possible remedies in this highly interactive class.

Recommended: Selected readings from "Scientific

American: Lights Out, How It All Ends"

Instructor: Mike Shore, p. 37

NEW INDIA: THE GOOD, THE BAD, THE UGLY

Jan. 27 — Feb. 10, 1:30 to 3 p.m. 3 sessions, \$25

Enrich your understanding of what's happening in the world's most populous democracy. Learn about the country's history, politics and economy prior to and following its independence from Britain. Explore India's rich customs and culture. Discover the good, bad and varying degrees of ugliness in today's India.

Instructor: Jayant D. Sathe, p. 36

NEW U.S. NAVY CARRIER AIRCRAFT OF WWIL

Jan. 27, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

1 session, \$10

Location: Glenmoor

Transform your knowledge of U.S. carrier-based airplanes that won WWII for the Allied. The Pacific theater was an island-hopping campaign that featured carrier battles between the Imperial Japanese Navy Air Service's planes and pilots and the U.S. Navy Pacific fleet's planes and crews. Discuss the roles of each aircraft, their strengths, weaknesses, successes and failures. Learn the roles the planes played, as well as their design and construction. Compare U.S. planes to each other and their Imperial Japanese Navy Air Service adversaries. This session includes some humor and irony for your enjoyment.

Instructor: John Lynch, p. 33

TUESDAY **▼ Continued**

NEW RECYCLING: HOW IT WORKS IN JACKSONVILLE

ED-venture -

Feb. 3, 10 to 11 a.m. 1 session. \$10

Transform your understanding of how recyclables are processed for sale as commodities. Learn what recycling is, what materials are recyclable, how materials are recycled and how the community benefits from recycling. Discover how benches, tables, carpet, counter tops and window blinds are made from recyclables. See the mechanical and hand sorting of recyclable materials as well as products made from recycled materials in a 70,000-square-foot green facility. Enjoy a Dutch treat lunch after the tour.

Required: Closed-toe, non-slip shoes or sneakers.

Transportation is on your own. **Coordinator:** Linda Ward, p. 37

CATCH MORE FISH — AN INSIDER'S GUIDE TO OUR WATERS

Feb. 3 – 24, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 4 sessions. \$30

Instructor: Buzz Williams, p. 38

Captain Buzzard will share his experience and knowledge and will discuss subjects such as how, when and where to fish. Improve your understanding of best practices and safety, the influence of the tides and weather, fishing techniques and tying knots. Learn what kind of equipment to buy and where to buy it. Increase your knowledge through hands-on experiences handling all types of equipment.

CLASSICAL MUSIC AND ALL THAT JAZZ

Feb. 3, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

1 session, \$10

Location: Glenmoor

Classical music is essentially European, while jazz is essentially American. Classical music has a 700-year development while jazz has only a 110-year development. Consider the important names you know from classical music and the majority come from Europe. The same holds true of jazz performers and the U.S. Yet, these diverse musicians, who seem to operate in completely dissimilar styles and backgrounds, have much in common. Explore the two styles of music, and discover their similarities and differences.

Instructor: Bill Prince, p. 35

NEW BEGINNING SPANISH CONVERSATION

Feb. 3 - 24, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

4 sessions, \$30

Boost your Spanish language skills. Learn greetings, asking for and receiving directions, checking into a hotel and ordering in a restaurant. This course is for beginners and for those who know some Spanish but want to practice speaking it. Focus on simple conversations.

Required: Some Spanish and enthusiasm to begin a

new adventure

Instructor: Ileana Velazguez, p. 37





See pg. 3 for free events at our partner locations.



MUSICAL FAILURES AND MISHAPS

Feb. 17, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

1 session, \$10

Location: Glenmoor

Most musicians wear many hats to be successful in the music business. They may perform, teach, compose, arrange, produce, entertain and publish. Your instructor has worn all of these hats with varying degrees of success and failure. This course focuses on vicissitudes of marketing music for films, attempting to develop a new musical style, timing hit recordings, making accidental hit recordings and other interesting issues in the music business.

Instructor: Bill Prince, p. 35

NEW PREPARING YOUR TREE CANOPY FOR STORMS

Feb. 17, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

1 session, \$10

Location: Westminster Woods at Julington Creek

Reduce the risk of storm damage through tree care. Learn to recognize defects in trees that make them more damage prone, and how to correct them. Learn how to contract with a tree service company to prune trees for wind resistance properly. Gain confidence in your ability to recognize proper tree work from poor tree work.

Instructor: Larry Figart, p. 31

NEW CROSSING THE ST. JOHNS

Feb. 24 to March 3, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 2 sessions, \$20

Transform your knowledge of the seven bridges that cross our river. Learn about their namesakes, structures, spans and heights. Compare our bridges with other famous bridges.

Instructor: Joe Varon, p. 37

NEW CODES, CIPHERS AND DECEPTION

March 3 - 24, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

4 sessions, \$30

Stretch your knowledge of secret, hidden and secure communications through the ages. Learn the many and little known impacts on world history. They are numerous and many not widely known. Examine Mary-Queen of Scots, Room 40, Enigma and Fortitude South. Discover public key security.

Recommended: \$10 payable to the instructor for course materials. "The Code Book" by Simon Singe, "The Code Breakers" and "Seizing the Enigma" by David Kahn and "Bodyguard of Lies" by Anthony Cave Brown.

Instructor: T. Parkinson, p. 35



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NEW U.S. NAVY CARRIER AIRCRAFT OF WWII

March 24, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

1 session, \$10

Location: Fleet Landing

Transform your knowledge of U.S. carrier-based airplanes that won WWII for the Allied. The Pacific theater was an island-hopping campaign that featured carrier battles between the Imperial Japanese Navy Air Service's planes and pilots and the U.S. Navy Pacific fleet's planes and crews. Discuss the roles of each aircraft, their strengths and weaknesses, successes and failures. Learn the roles the planes played, as well as their design and construction. Compare U.S. planes to each other and their Imperial Japanese Navy Air Service adversaries. This session includes some humor and irony for your enjoyment.

Instructor: John Lynch, p. 33

NEW WHAT'S YOUR BOOK CLUB READING?

March 10, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 1 session, \$10

Increase your success at your bookstore or library. New books are published all the time. Last year's hardcovers are this year's paperbacks. Learn what to consider when selecting the right book for your club or your personal enjoyment. Some books are better suited to a good book club discussion than others.

Instructor: Rona Brinlee, p. 30



TRAVELS IN SOUTH ASIA: MYANMAR AND INDIA

Jan. 14 – Feb. 4, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 4 sessions, \$30

Myanmar: Finally released from the repressive rule of the military, the country, formerly called Burma, is attracting attention as a tourist destination. Known for the prominent human rights activist, Aung San Suu Kyi, who was held under house arrest for almost 15 years and released in 2011, the country's relationships with other countries have begun to improve. The instructor recently visited Myanmar and has many stories to share about this diverse and beautiful country.

India: This ancient land has many different travel options, including forts, palaces and spectacular mountain scenery. Learn the history, culture and spirituality of this diverse country which has recently become an influential business hub. Explore both of these fascinating countries.

Recommended: "City of Djinns: A Year in Delhi" by

William Dalrymple

Instructor: Roshan Massey, p. 34

NEW DISCOVER OLD ARLINGTON

ED-venture -

Jan. 21, 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. (Excludes lunch) 1 session, \$60

Maximize your knowledge of local history and culture on this motor coach tour of Old Arlington. Anticipate a rich tapestry of accomplished historical personalities, striking views and fine period architecture. Travel through time the Empire Point, Clifton and Oak Haven neighborhoods. Visit the plantation cemetery where Anna Kingsley, the wife of Zephaniah Kingsley of Kingsley Plantation, is buried. Enjoy a Dutch treat lunch at Crab Creek Café after the tour.

Required: Physical stamina and mobility to walk and climb stairs. Transportation to the meet up venue is on your own. Cameras welcome.

Coordinators: Diane Dyal, p. 31 and Stan Porter, p. 35

NEW I JUST RETIRED - WHO AM I NOW?

Jan. 21 — Feb. 11, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 4 sessions, \$30

For much of our lives, our sense of self has been deeply tied to our work, our families and avocations. In retirement, many of us may find it uncomfortable to find that our sense of self appears to have something important missing. People no longer salute you, call upon you to help make difficult decisions and, in some cases, the community respect you felt may be gone. You may have become a member of the FIP generation comprised of formerly important persons. Join a panel of experts and guests to explore some of the ways we FIPs can work through the difficulties, generate new interests and keep building a fulfilling life.

Instructor: Chuck Watson, p. 37

iPHONE AND iPAD FOR BEGINNERS

Jan. 21 - 28, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 2 sessions. \$20

Are you a first-time user? Learn the basics of your iPhone or iPad. Manage your contact list, send text messages, download music and apps, take photos, manage e-mail and keep your data safe via iCloud.

Instructor: John Brown, p. 30

WRITING YOUR LIFE STORY

Jan. 21 — Feb. 11, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 4 sessions, \$30

Begin writing the story of your life and legacy. This course will offer a bullet list of practical steps for beginning the project, including a number of questions and suggestions to pique the memory and imagination. We will focus on class members and their lives, with a high level of participation and exchange of ideas. In the first of four sessions, students will be introduced to the genre, the first of which will be introductory and exploratory. Students will then be asked to explore their memories and do some research into their family/personal history and return with a white page (summary) of their life story to share with the class — if they are comfortable sharing.

Instructor: Susan D. Brandenburg, p. 30

NEW AFRICA'S RE-BIRTHING PARTY

Jan. 21 — Feb. 25, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 6 sessions, \$40

Explore change currently underway in Africa. In our lifetime, dominant thoughts centered on the continent's economic and societal failures. By 1990, much of the world had lost hope because of its untapped resources and abused economies. The global news cycle seldom mentions positive developments, but some observers discern new magic in Africa's air. Africans enjoy access to print, television, communications, banking, education, health services and a remarkable growth in GDP. The excitement is palpable. Improve your understanding of the principal stimulants.

Required: "Africa's Turn" by Edward Miguel

Instructor: Jay Marshall, p. 33

NEW WORLD WAR I: CATACLYSM

Jan. 21 — March 11, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 8 sessions, \$50

Discover the political, economic and cultural dimensions of World War I. Learn about the conflict's four years of immobility, the massive casualties and each nation's domestic pro-war consensus. Consider evolving national war aims and peace proposals in context of large-scale national industrial production that provided the massive amounts of armaments which fueled the conflict. Mutinies and domestic unrest erupted in each warring nation and destroyed one: Russia. America's entry in 1917 prolonged fighting into 1919. Learn about 1918 negotiations between combatants and among allies that sought to end the killing and gain leverage for peace. As David Stevenson wrote, "Nothing ever seen before compared with such massive concentrations of firepower and of human suffering and with such meager results."

Recommended: "Cataclysm: The First World War as Political Tragedy" by David Stevenson, chapters 1-17.

Instructor: Irwin Kirk, p. 32

NEW MARVYNE BETSCH: THE AMERICAN BEACH LADY

Jan. 21 – 28, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Field trip: Feb. 4, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 3 sessions, \$25

Transform your knowledge of American Beach by learning about the life and activism of Marvyne Betsch, the community's official historian and most compelling spokesperson. Affectionately known as the Beach Lady, Marvyne was born in Jacksonville's Sugar Hill, an upscale African American neighborhood. American Beach was founded by her millionaire great-grandfather, A.L. Lewis and was known as the African American Hyannisport of the Jim Crow south. Learn how about Marvyne's life and her advocacy for the protection of the environment and the preservation of American Beach.

Required: \$35 payable to the instructor for walking tour

and lunch

Instructor: Marsha Dean Phelts, p. 35

NEW WOMAN(LY) ROLE MODELS: MOVE OVER NANCY DREW AND BRENDA STARR!

Jan. 21 — Feb. 25, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 6 sessions, \$40

Explore and compare the lives and legacies of 10 ground-breaking women as diverse as Washington Post publisher Katherine Graham, New York Times editor Jill Abramson, environmentalists Rachel Carson and Sylvia A. Earle, women's rights activists Malala Yousafzai and Malalai Joya, international correspondent Christine Amanpour, United Press Service reporter Helen Thomas and photo-documentarians Dorothea Lange and Margaret Bourke-White. In this highly interactive seminar, our purpose is the exchange of ideas, perspectives and information. Each week's group discussion will be researched and co-facilitated by teams comprised of students who develop creative presentations and related discussion points.

Required: Independent reading and Internet skills

Instructor: Lee Marshall, p. 33



WEDNESDAY **Continued**

MYSTERIES UNLIMITED: INTERNATIONAL

Jan. 21 – March 18, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

5 sessions, \$35

Classes will meet every other week for five weeks to allow time for readings.

Embark on new adventures in reading contemporary international crime fiction. Start in Ukraine with Andrey Kurkov's "Death and the Penguin." Move to sample interesting mysteries set in other countries. Enrich your knowledge of their local histories, cultures, politics and economics. Authors usually come from the areas they write about. A reading list and study guide will be provided. Libraries have limited quantities, so books may need to be purchased or borrowed from friends. The schedule allows time for reading.

Required: Knowledge of following links to Internet sites and downloading e-mail attachments. Tutorials are available from the OLLI office upon request.

Instructor: June Weltman, p. 37

NEW OPEN VEINS OF LATIN AMERICA: FIVE CENTURIES OF THE PILLAGE OF A CONTINENT

Jan. 21 — March 18, 1:30 to 3 p.m. 9 sessions, \$55

Stretch your knowledge of Latin American history, political economy and socio-cultural facets through the patterns of five centuries of exploitation. Trace gold and silver, cacao and cotton, rubber and coffee, fruit, hides and wool, petroleum, iron, nickel, manganese, copper, aluminum ore, nitrates and tin through the continent, to the Rio Grande and the Caribbean, to the United States and Europe, where they fill coffers of wealth.

Required: "Open Veins of Latin America: Five Centuries of the Pillage of a Continent" by Eduardo Galeano

Instructor: Bill Howes, p. 32



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NEW PLAY READING

Jan. 21 — March 11, 1:30 to 3 p.m. 8 sessions. \$50

Discover the sheer joy of reading excellent plays aloud, with or without expression. Personal or worldly worries melt away as you are transported through characters and settings. A copy of the play will be handed out on the day it is to be read. Parts will be assigned at random. You may choose to read with emotion or not. The pleasure of the experience comes from the playwright's skill and ability to make us forget personal or world problems. We all have a copy of the play: hearing problems are not problems. Playwrights may include Neil Simon, Arthur Miller, August Strindberg, S.N. Behrman and Langston Hughes, among others.

Instructor: Laura Rubin, p. 36

NEW PASSPORT TO TRAVEL

Jan. 28 – March 4, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 6 sessions, \$40

Love to travel? Join Ginny for a unique exploration of Norway, Sweden, Finland, the Laplands and Italy's lake district. Screen professional-quality DVDs produced by Ginny. Share travel tips and stories of adventures and experiences.

Instructor: Virginia Roemhild, p. 36

BASIC JUDAISM

Jan. 28 – March 11, 10 a.m. to noon 7 sessions, \$60

Discover the distinctive characteristics of Judaism, the oldest monotheistic religion to survive into the present day. This course will explore both the religion and philosophy. Many aspects of Judaism have directly or indirectly influenced secular western ethics and civil society.

Instructor: Rabbi Eliezer Ben-Yehuda, p. 29

NEW STRING THEORY II: EXPAND YOUR KNITTING SKILLS

Jan. 28 – March 18, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. 8 sessions, \$65

Learn to knit a sweater! Or, ways to knit a better sweater. Discover a basic pattern that you can adapt to any size and to your own design elements. If you are an enthusiastic knitter with some experience, this course is for you.

Required: Must know cast on, bind off, knit and purl stitches. Must knit on your own between each class.

Instructor: Sandy Ernstsen, p. 31



See page 39 enrollment options.





NEW U.S. NAVY CARRIER AIRCRAFT OF WWIL

Jan. 28, 1:30 to 3 p.m. 1 session, \$10

Transform your knowledge of U.S. carrier-based airplanes that won WWII for the Allied. The Pacific theater was an island-hopping campaign that featured carrier battles between the Imperial Japanese Navy Air Service's planes and pilots and the U.S. Navy Pacific fleet's planes and crews. Discuss the roles of each aircraft, their strengths, weaknesses, successes and failures. Learn the roles the planes played, as well as their design and construction. Compare U.S. planes to each other and their Imperial Japanese Navy Air Service adversaries. This session includes some humor and irony for your enjoyment.

Instructor: John Lynch, p. 33

NEW LONG-TERM CARE AND OTHER OPTIONS

Jan. 28, 3:30 to 5 p.m. 1 session, \$10

Improve your knowledge of the various options available for long-term care insurance coverage. Learn the definition of traditional long-term care insurance and methods of covering the costs. Investigate whether Florida's partnership plan can help you now or in the future.

Instructor: Maureen Kirschhofer, p. 32

LASERS IN EYE CARE: ENHANCING SAFETY, ACCURACY AND VISION

Feb. 4 - 11, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

2 sessions, \$20

Location: Fleet Landing

Deepen your knowledge of eye and vision care. Learn how the field has been redefined through the use of lasers. From cataracts to glaucoma, macular degeneration, diabetes and so much more, lasers now represent the standard of care. Learn more about lasers — in understandable terms — and how they are used in eye care.

Instructor: Lou Catania, p. 30

NEW ADVANCED INTERMEDIATE FRENCH CONVERSATION

Feb. 4 – March 11, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 6 sessions, \$40

Maximize your fluency. Enhance your listening comprehension, pronunciation and powers of expression. Learn practical and specialized vocabulary and advanced linguistic structures. Conversation topics are selected by you in this highly interactive class.

Required: Intermediate or higher level of proficiency in French.

Instructor: Hélène Crowley-Sutton, p. 31

NEW THINK LIKE AN ELITE WARRIOR TO LEAD AND SUCCEED: LEARN THE SECRETS OF AN UNBEATABLE MIND

Feb. 11 - March 25, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 7 sessions, \$45

Learn the secrets, tools and techniques practiced by the U.S. Navy SEALs. Apply them as an actionable blueprint for success in your personal life, family life, business and career. Reaffirm your ultimate purpose. Establish your most important goals and develop concrete steps to realize them. Teamwork and accountability go hand-inhand when excelling in life and work. Join us as we hold each other accountable and build a foundation of success. This class does not require strenuous physical activity, but you will be challenged mentally, emotionally and spiritually to be the best that you can possibly be.

Instructor: Bill McCombes, p. 34

PREPARING YOUR HOME FOR SALE: A GUIDE TO HOME STAGING

Feb. 11 - 25, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 3 sessions, \$25

The real estate market has changed dramatically in the past several years. Learn how home staging affects your sale price, equity and home marketability. This course will answer all your questions about the process, cost, hows and whys of getting your home ready to sell. Real life examples will be used. Student questions and participation in discussion are encouraged.

Instructor: Melissa Marro, p. 33

WEDNESDAY **Continued**

NEW UNDERSTANDING AND MANAGING YOUR INVESTMENTS

Feb. 11 – March 4, 3:30 to 5 p.m.

4 sessions, \$30

Succeed in understanding and analyzing your current investment portfolio. Learn about key economic indicators and their impact on potential volatility. Reduce risk exposure through proper asset allocation, tax-free and tax deferred investments.

Instructor: Jim Newman, p. 34

ADVANCED IPHONE AND IPAD

Feb. 18 - 25, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

2 sessions, \$20

Calling all intermediate and experienced iPad and iPhone users! Manage your music and photos using iTunes. Download and use Apple apps including: iBooks, podcasts, Find my iPhone, Find my Friends and more. Integrate your Apple device with social media including Facebook and Twitter.

Instructor: John Brown, p. 30

NEW SHORT STORIES BY F. SCOTT FITZGERALD

Feb. 18 - March 11, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

4 sessions, \$30

Explore themes of wealth, riches, family relationships, loss of youth and war, in this highly interactive class. We will read four short stories, share our perspectives and discuss the conflicts and resolutions revealed in each.

Instructor: Dorothy Dobbs, p. 31

NEW MANATEE WATCH AND RIVER CRUISE

ED-venture —

Feb. 18, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

1 session, \$35

Discover the graceful beauty of manatees frolicking in their warm water winter home of Blue Springs State Park in Orange City, Fla. Your park tour includes an informative program offered by a ranger. Enjoy a two-hour narrated cruise of the beautiful St. Johns River focused on history, nature and ecology. Why not sketch, journal or photograph to remember and share your experience? Consider concluding your day with a hike on the trails.

Required: Transportation is on your own. Park entrance and vehicle fee is \$6 per car. Comfortable shoes for walking, sunscreen and a hat. Dress in layers for comfort, as temperatures change for this all-outdoor program. Lunch at the park concession stand or bring a brown bag from home.

Recommended: Carpooling with coordinator's help.

Coordinator: Laurel Conderman, p. 30

PHOTO ART: ENHANCING YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY

Feb. 18 – March 4, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

3 sessions, \$25

Location: Fleet Landing

Transform your ordinary photographs into extraordinary art. Learn techniques and tips using a variety of free, Internet-based software tools. Convert your photos into wall art, books, cards and more.

Required: Flash drive

Instructor: Melinda Bradshaw, p. 30



For the course listing for our partner locations, see pg. 8.







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Dan Kossoff, OLLI Instructor

NEW INSIDER'S TOUR OF ST. AUGUSTINE: XIMENEZ-FATIO AND PEÑA-PECK HOUSES

ED-venture —

March 4, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. 1 session. \$35

Travel back in time to the era when St. Augustine was the epicenter of Florida tourism. The Ximenez-Fatio House was once among the grandest lodging options in the Old City. The Peck family lived there for four years prior to moving to the home that now bears their name. The Peña-Peck House was built circa 1750 for Juan Esteban de Peña, royal treasurer to the king of Spain. The Peck family moved there in 1837 after the second floor was added. The Ximenez-Fatio is now ranked among America's most authentic house museums by the National Register of Historic Places. Today the Peña-Peck House is celebrated as one of the finest extant homes of St. Augustine's first Spanish period. Enjoy a Dutch treat lunch at La Pentola between tours.

Required: Physical stamina to walk and climb stairs. Casual dress and comfortable shoes. Cameras allowed but not for all portions of all tours. Transportation is on your own.

Coordinator: Kathy Marquis, p. 33

GET TO KNOW YOUR SAMSUNG GALAXY PHONE OR TABLET

March 18 - 25, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 2 sessions, \$20

Discover functions and features you never realized you had on your tablet. Primary focus on Samsung Galaxy tablet owners, though phone users may find benefit. Move over Apple and Microsoft — Samsung competes for market share!

Instructor: John Brown, p. 30

THURSDAY V

NEW THE METROPOLITAN OPERA LECTURES

Jan. 8 – April 23, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

6 sessions, \$50

Dates vary with the opera presentations, see below.

"The Metropolitan Opera Live in HD" series begins Jan. 15 and features five operas on various Saturdays through April 25. The Thursday prior to each live broadcast, Mary Ellen Young presents a lecture on the following Saturday's opera. The lectures include a survey of the opera's historical and cultural aspects and an examination of the libretto and audio/video highlights.

Schedule:

- Introduction to Opera Lecture: Jan. 8
- Lehar: "The Merry Widow" Lecture: Jan. 15; Opera: Jan. 17
- Offenbach: "The Tales of Hoffman" Lecture: Jan. 29;
 Opera: Jan. 31
- Tchaikovsky: "lolanta" and Bartok: "Bluebeard's Castle" Lecture: Feb. 12; Opera: Feb. 12
- Rossini "La Donna del Lago" Lecture: Mar. 12;
 Opera: Mar. 14
- Mascagni: "Cavalleria Rusticana" and Leoncavallo "Pagliacci" Lecture: Apr. 23; Opera: Apr. 25

Recommended: Live opera broadcasts from the stage of the Metropolitan Opera House at Lincoln Center in New York City sent directly to several hundred theaters worldwide, including the AMC Regency Square, Cinemark Tinseltown and Regal at The Avenues mall in Jacksonville. Ticket prices range from \$20 to \$22 for each broadcast performance.

Instructor: Mary Ellen Young, p. 38

NEW FRENCH CONVERSATION I

Jan. 29 — April 9, 9:30 to 11 a.m. (No class March 19) 10 sessions, \$60

Learn or practice beginning French with an emphasis on conversation and oral comprehension. Simple readings, dialogues, poetry and songs will enhance your understanding of everyday, widely-used vocabulary and advance your pronunciation skills.

Required: "Communication Progressive du Français, Niveau débutant" by Claire Miguel

Instructor: Mireille "Mimi" Smith Threlkel, p. 37

THURSDAY V Continued

NEW INTRODUCTION TO MICROSOFT **OFFICE 2010 EXCEL**

Jan. 22 - Feb. 12, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 4 sessions, \$30

Boost your technology skills to manage important data. Create, edit, format, save and print workbooks. Design and apply simple formulas to data and design charts.

Instructor: Joe Adir, p. 29

NEW SIX REVOLUTIONS THAT MADE US WHO WE ARE

Jan. 22 - Feb. 26, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 6 sessions, \$40

Explore the major turning points in world history: the Neolithic revolution, the spread of monotheism, the maritime revolution, the scientific revolution, the Enlightenment and the industrial revolution. Analyze why each occurred, how each spread and the consequences of each.

Recommended: \$10 payable to the instructor for course materials

Instructor: Jack Thompson, p. 37

FACIAL FITNESS: EXERCISES FOR THE FACE AND NECK

Jan. 22 - Feb. 26, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 6 sessions, \$40

Physical exercises are an important part of keeping our bodies fit. However, many people neglect the muscles in the neck and face. Discover the importance of neck and facial fitness. Various exercises will be demonstrated by the instructor or via DVD, with time for students to practice each exercise. Most exercises take less than one minute to complete. Students will be encouraged to practice at home. Exercising facial muscles can tone and firm the face while stimulating blood flow and circulation, resulting in a healthy, refreshed look: a natural face lift.

Instructor: Evelyn Anchondo, p. 29

FRENCH CONVERSATION II

Jan. 29 – April 9, 11:30 to 1 p.m. (No class March 19) 10 sessions, \$60

Boost your French language skills! Topics of conversation include current events, social encounters, travel, gastronomy and other themes in France and other Frenchspeaking countries. Designed for the advanced beginner with prior experience speaking French through academic courses or travel, this course provides opportunities for you to express your personal experiences.

Required: "Communication Progressive du Français, Niveau intermédiaire," by Claire Miguel

Instructor: Mireille "Mimi" Smith Threlkel, p. 37

FRENCH CONVERSATION III

Jan. 29 – April 9, 1:30 to 3 p.m. (No class March 19) 10 sessions, \$60

Advance your French language skills through discussion and critical study of two short novels drawn from classic and modern French literature. This course is designed for students with intermediate or advanced knowledge of French language through prior experience in college level courses or extended travel in a French-speaking country.

Required: Two novels selected and announced by the instructor in late fall.

Instructor: Mireille "Mimi" Smith Threlkel, p. 37

NEW JACKSONVILLE, AX HANDLE SATURDAY AND THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT

Jan. 22 - Feb. 12, 1:30 to 3 p.m. 4 sessions, \$30

Transform your knowledge and understanding of black history and the civil rights movement, including events and activities in Jacksonville. Learn about Ax Handle Saturday from an eyewitness who was president of the city's NAACP Youth Council.

Instructor: Rodney L. Hurst, Sr., p. 32

NEW CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH FOR TRAVELERS II

Jan. 22 - Feb. 12, 1:30 to 3 p.m. 4 sessions, \$30

Acquire essential Spanish language skills necessary to interact with native speakers. Learn to ask questions, make statements or describe problems you are having. Understand questions, statements and descriptions made by Spanish speakers.

Instructor: Carmen Simich-Dudgeon, p. 37

INSHORE FISHING 101

Jan. 29, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

1 session, \$10

Location: Fleet Landing

North Florida is one of the best inshore fisheries in the world! Learn how to get started or hone your skills as an inshore fisher. From targeted species, to rod and reel selection, line, knot tying, lures, tackle and techniques discover how to catch more fish!

Instructor: Rory Gregg, p. 32

NEW INTERNATIONAL VEGETARIAN COOKING

Jan. 29 — Feb. 12, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 3 sessions. \$25

Discover nutritious culinary options that will tickle your taste buds. Learn health and disease prevention benefits of this style of cooking and its components. Stretch your knowledge of creative ways to use the vegetables, plant proteins, herbs and spices you love or will become acquainted with in this course.

Instructor: Shashi Sathe, p. 36

NEW INTERMEDIATE SPANISH CONVERSATION

Feb. 5 – March 12, 9:30 to 11 a.m. 6 sessions, \$40

Enhance your conversational skills and become more comfortable speaking and comprehending the Spanish language. Learning tools include articles, videos and readily available materials. Study materials will be

provided in class.

Required: Basic Spanish language knowledge

Instructor: Nona Tarjan, p. 37

WAS AMERICA FOUNDED AS A CHRISTIAN NATION: FOUNDING FATHERS PERSPECTIVES ON RELIGION

Feb. 5 - 26, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

4 sessions, \$30

Culture wars in America have prompted discussion and argument as to whether America was founded as a Christian nation. If so, what does that mean for our government and our way of living together? Students will learn about the American religious and political landscape of the mid-to-late 18th century, the religious and political views of the founding fathers — and mothers — and what it all means for Americans today.

Instructor: Joe O'Shields, p. 35

NEW IMMIGRATION: WHO, HOW, WHEN AND FROM WHERE

Feb. 19 - March 5, 1 to 2:30 p.m.

3 sessions, \$25

Location: Westminster Woods at Julington Creek

Learn how, why or when your family decided to make the difficult journey from the old country to a new land. Intensify your family research by learning about the resources that can help you find your family during their migration.

Required: Computer literacy and a basic knowledge of genealogy.

Recommended: "They Came in Ships" by John Phillip

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Instructor: Barbara Kiersh, p. 32

NEW BUILDING AMERICA: RAILROADS IN AMERICAN HISTORY

Feb. 5 – March 12, 1:30 to 3 p.m. 6 sessions, \$40

Learn how railroads have fascinated young and old alike for nearly two centuries, through war and peace. They enabled American economic growth, as well as shaped laws and transportation policy. Discover the many aspects of the railroad industry's contribution to America. Stretch your understanding of the current outlook for railroads, their operations and technology.

Instructor: Thomas Schmidt, p. 36

NEW A FLORIDIAN'S GUIDE TO INSURANCE

Feb. 5 – March 5, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

5 sessions, \$35

Florida's ever-changing insurance marketplace can create many opportunities for increased risk as well as offer greater protection than other states. Learn how to evaluate potential traps that may be looming and how to avoid them. Fortify your future from unwarranted claims. Topics include homeowners, auto, long-term care, annuities, personal liability, life, health insurance in and near retirement and more.

Instructor: Benjamin M. Wuerffel, p. 38

THURSDAY V Continued

NEW PASSPORT TO TRAVEL

Feb. 12 - 26, 10:30 a.m. to noon

3 sessions, \$20

Location: Glenmoor

Love to travel? Join Ginny for a unique exploration of Africa, Indochina and Italy. Each week screen a professional-quality DVD produced by Ginny. She will share travel tips and stories of her adventures and experiences. Students are invited to share their travel experiences, too.

Instructor: Virginia Roemhild, p. 36

NEW HOW TO ATTRACT HUMMINGBIRDS TO YOUR YARD

March 5, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 1 session, \$10

Discover fun and interesting facts about hummingbirds. Learn how to attract them with plants and nectar feeders. Learn about feeders and their proper care and cleaning. Bring your enthusiasm and interest to learn about the little jewels of the bird world.

Instructor: Sheryl Mitchell, p. 34

NEW EXPLORE GUANA TOLOMATO MATANZAS NATIONAL ESTUARINE RESEARCH RESERVE

ED-venture —

March 19, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

1 session, \$25

Transform your understanding of our area's natural biodiversity and cultural resources and current research. GTMNERR encompasses more than 73,000 acres and is one of only 28 estuarine research reserves in the U.S. Learn about the history, ecology and environmental aspects of the real Florida through a tour of the education center, an interactive scavenger hunt and a two-mile hike to the intracoastal waterways.

Required: Transportation is on your own. Dress for the weather, including hat, sunscreen and hiking boots. Bring water, bug spray, binoculars and your camera. Education center is fully accessible, but trails are not.

Coordinator: Diane Dval. p. 31

NEW AQUAPONICS – A REVOLUTIONARY IDEA IN FARMING

March 26, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Field trip: April 2, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

2 sessions, \$20

Discover aquaponics and how it is changing the way food is grown. Learn the sustainability practices Traders Hill Farms in Hilliard, Fla. uses to put old structures back to work. Learn about revolutionary growing practices that waste nothing, accelerate growth and produce vegetables that taste better.

Required for field trip: Mobility to walk a half mile in a farm setting

Instructor: Angela TenBroeck, p. 37

FRIDAY **T**

NEW LINCOLNVILLE: ST. AUGUSTINE'S HISTORIC NEIGHBORHOOD

Jan. 16, 1:30 to 3 p.m. 1 session, \$10

Discover a richly historic St. Augustine neighborhood through an artist's eyes. Colorful paintings chronicle the area from its early multi-ethnic history through Henry Flagler's development, Civil Rights era activities in the 1960s and present-day popularity as a vibrant, desirable residential neighborhood. Lincolnville boasts of the largest repository of Victorian homes in the city and a picturesque location on Lake Maria Sanchez.

Instructor: Rosamond Parrish, p. 35

NEW ESSENTIAL FRENCH GRAMMAR AND READINGS, PART XII

Jan. 23 — March 13, 10 to 11:30 a.m. 8 sessions, \$50

This intermediate-level course emphasizes French grammar through the completion and correction of written exercises. Focus on comprehension, pronunciation and conversational skills in the reading of French texts.

Required: "Le Français Essentiel 3, Fundamentals of French" by Gail Stein (ISBN 1-56765326-X) and "Contes et lÈgendes de France, A collection of French Tales" by André Vary (ISBN 0-8442-1212-5).

Prerequisites: Previous OLLI French classes, one year of college or two years of high school French. Students who meet the prerequisites are welcome to join the class without having completed earlier modules.

Instructor: Mary Ames, p. 29

NEW GREAT DECISIONS 2015

Feb. 6 – April 3, 9:30 to 11 a.m. (No class March 20) 8 sessions, \$50

Stretch your knowledge of current affairs with an indepth discussion on specific national and international topics of current foreign policy concern. Topics include: Russia and the near abroad, privacy in the digital age, sectarianism in the Middle East, India changes course, U.S. policy toward Africa, Syria's refugee crisis, human trafficking in the 21st century and Brazil's metamorphosis. Each session begins with a 30-minute film of expert commentary, followed by one hour of highly participatory collegial discussion. Weekly preparation involves advance reading of 10-12 pages from the course booklet and supplemental reading materials provided by course facilitators via e-mail.

Required: "Great Decisions 2015" available online from the Foreign Policy Association's bookstore (www.fpa.org) or by calling (212) 481-8100. Enrolled students must purchase the booklet at least two weeks prior to the first session.

Facilitators: John Fischer, p. 31

and Ralph Sawyer, p. 36

MUNICIPAL BONDS: A FOUNDATION OF QUALITY

Feb. 6, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 1 session. \$10

Learn how to supplement retirement income, manage portfolios, market exposure and reduce income tax liability. Tax-exempt municipal bonds may be part of a personalized strategy to benefit and enhance a portfolio. Discuss investment features of municipal bonds and the bond market. Explore the federal tax exemption benefits of these securities, credit quality, types of bonds available, strategies for investing and historical yield levels.

Instructor: Jerry Seebol, p. 37

FIRE! BEHIND THE SCENES WITH JACKSONVILLE UNIVERSITY'S GLASS DEPARTMENT

ED-venture

Feb. 20, 10:30 a.m. to noon (excludes lunch) 1 session, \$25

JU's art glass program was launched in 1972 just as Dale Chihuly garnered critical and popular acclaim as a glass artist. Enjoy a lecture and a narrated glassblowing demonstration. Witness glass formed from a molten pool into a stunning work of art during this educational and entertaining process. After your studio visit, join us for a Dutch-treat lunch.

Required: Closed-toe shoes. Transportation is on your own.

Instructor: Brian Frus, p. 31

NEW ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL: A JACKSONVILLE ARCHITECTURAL GEM

ED-venture

Feb. 27, 10 a.m. to noon 1 session, \$15

Explore the historic and beautiful St. John's Cathedral, where the city's first Episcopal service took place in 1829. Thirteen years later, St. John's Parish was given half of the square at the crest of Billy Goat Hill, the highest point in the original city limits. The current edifice was commissioned and built after the Great Fire of 1901 destroyed the church's third building. The current sanctuary opened for Easter services in 1906. Discover the cathedral's rich history and its beautiful Tiffany Studios stained glass window. Enjoy a Dutch treat lunch at Clara's at the Cathedral after your tour. Clara's at the Cathedral is a café featuring an upscale menu designed, cooked and served by students in Clara White Mission's culinary arts program.

Recommended: Casual dress and walking shoes. Cameras welcome. Transportation is on your own.

Coordinator: Stan Porter, p. 35





SATURDAY **V**

NEW TOUR AND TASTE: SAN SEBASTIAN WINERY

March 6, 5 to 8 p.m.

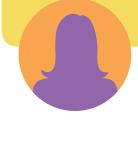
1 session, \$15

Discover local wines in a self-guided winery tour with five wine tasting stations. Explore the 18,000 square foot wine production facility. Learn how wine is fermented, stored and bottled prior to distribution. Enjoy a Dutch treat light supper and music at The Cellar Upstairs after the program.

Required: Physical stamina for an hour-long tour. Venue is fully accessible. Transportation is on your own.

Coordinator: Dennis Navin, p. 34

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Mary Ames has a liberal arts degree in French from St. Xavier University in Chicago and has studied at the Sorbonne in Paris. She holds a teaching certificate from Illinois and has 11 years of experience teaching French in public and private schools in metropolitan Chicago. Ames has taught French in the OLLI program for seven years and has traveled throughout France and to Belgium, Switzerland and Quebec. She is a member of the Alliance Francaise of Jacksonville and enjoys French culture and conversing with native-born French speakers.

Essential French Grammar and Readings, Part XII, p. 26

Evelyn Anchondo is originally from El Paso, Tex. and retired from federal law enforcement with more than 30 years of service. She was the assistant to the director of volunteer services with an AIDS organization in El Paso and was involved with an AIDS organization in Jacksonville. Anchondo has provided one-on-one literacy tutoring in both cities. She has been interested in healthy living for a long time and enjoys regular exercise to stay and look healthy.

Facial Fitness — Exercises for the Face and Neck, p. 24

Stewart Angell was in the Marine Corps from 1959 to 1967 and served as a police officer for 24 years, the last 18 as a police chief. He has a bachelor's degree in business and law enforcement with a minor in history, as well as a master's degree in police administration.

The Arab - Israeli Wars: 1948-1973, p. 9

Peter Bartha is a native of Hungary and a retired senior executive of the Canadian affiliate of Exxon Corporation. He is a former professor at York University in Toronto and dean of the graduate business school at the Central-European University in Budapest. Bartha and his wife are winter residents in Jacksonville where their daughter and grandchildren live.

Tocqueville Returns to America, p. 14

Eliezer Ben-Yehuda was born in Jerusalem, Israel. Rabbi Ben-Yehuda earned a doctorate in literature with a thesis on the text of the Jewish scriptures as reexamined from the Hebrew. Since arriving in the U.S. in 1958, Rabbi Ben-Yehuda has served as a rabbi of the pulpit, Jewish chaplain for the Veterans Administration, campus rabbi at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Hebrew school and Sunday school principal and teacher and guidance counselor for youth movements.

Basic Judaism, p. 20

Martha Bennett has more than 25 years of experience as a psychotherapist and educator. She is trained to use mindfulness as a therapeutic modality. She is also an open focus brain training coach. Bennett received an M.A. in psychology from the University of West Georgia and is certified as a body-centered psychotherapist by the Hakomi Institute in Boulder, Colo.

Brain Training, p. 10

Bill Berthet is a retired gemologist and owner of Berthet Jewelers for 30 years. His fascination with butterflies started in boyhood. He is a member of the lxia Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society and received the Volunteer Jacksonville Heart of Gold 2008 Nature of Caring Award for designing, funding, planting and maintaining a butterfly garden in Jacksonville's Tillie Fowler Regional Park (formerly Westside Regional Park). He enjoys working in the field to survey rare butterflies in Northeast Florida's conserved lands. His yard at home is his laboratory where he experiments with vines, flowers, shrubs and trees to learn which pollinators he can attract. Berthet travels to China, India and South America to photograph flora and fauna, including butterflies.

Carolee Ackerson Bertisch has published two books of poetry and prose. Her work recently appeared in an anthology and in several online zines. Her poem, "Common Ground," won first prize in the North Florida Writer's Festival. Bertisch leads two book discussion groups and participates in "A Gathering of Poets," a group that meets regularly to critique poems and perform poets' theaters for local arts organizations. As poetry chair for the Florida Heritage Book Festival, she has organized, taught and promoted poetry sessions each year for the past six years, including speakers and teachers of poetry, as well as a poetry and art contest for high school students.

Poetry Workshop, p. 11

Robert Black was a captain in the U.S. Air Force, a corporate executive and an entrepreneur. He has a B.S. in chemistry and also holds M.S., E.E. and P.E. degrees and an M.B.A. in finance from the University of Akron. He is an honorary member of the Financial Management Association. While Black is neither a broker nor a financial adviser, he has been investing more than 50 years and manages his own portfolio.

Why Pay Wall Street - Learn to Invest Safely, p. 9

Melinda Bradshaw is a graduate of The School of Visual Arts at Florida State University. She retired after a 25-year career as a graphic designer and photographer, working mostly for hospital based public relations and marketing and the local newspapers. This year Bradshaw's work was featured in a solo exhibition titled "Iconic Palms" at Neptune Beach's First Street Gallery. Recently, her work was selected for several exhibitions including the 2006 National Juried Exhibition in Memphis, Tenn., "Through Our Eyes" at Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens and Ponte Vedra Cultural Center's First Annual Members Only juried exhibition. Her works in public collections and commissions include Fleet Landing in Atlantic Beach, Leon Medical Center in Miami, Everbank in Jacksonville and Atlantic Beach City Hall Commission Chambers.

Photo Art: Enhancing Your Photography, p. 22

Susan D. Brandenburg is a professional biographer who enjoys the great privilege of writing the life stories of extraordinary people. A journalist for more than 30 years, she is now working on her 17th book. Brandenburg has her own publishing company, Susan the Scribe Inc. in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. Her website is www.susanthescribe.vpweb.com.

Writing Your Life Story, p. 18

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What's Your Book Club Reading?, p. 17



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John Brown has more than 40 years of information technology experience. He has worked in every aspect of IT, including operator, programming, database management, desktop support, server support, network support and managing the staff that carries out these duties. For five years, Brown has trained IT professionals in PC repair, Microsoft services and computer security.

Get to Know Your Samsung Galaxy Phone or Tablet, p. 23 iPhone and iPad for Beginners, p. 18

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Louis "Lou" Catania is an internationally acclaimed clinical educator and author. Catania has written 11 textbooks and more than 125 journal articles. He practiced clinical eye care for more than 42 years in private practice and academic medical centers. Catania currently serves as senior consultant at Nicolitz Eye Consultants, a multi-specialty ophthalmology group in Jacksonville. Additionally, he serves as consultant and adviser to J&J Vision Care and Marco Ophthalmic, Inc. He holds academic rank and is a visiting faculty member at numerous optometry and medical schools at U.S. and international universities.

Lasers in Eye Care: Enhancing Safety, Accuracy and Vision, p. 21

Lois Chepenik served as executive director of Jacksonville Community Council Inc. (JCCI) for 10 years. Prior to her service as executive director at JCCI, Chepenik was an assistant executive director of the Jewish Community Alliance, a role she prepared for through service on the boards of many organizations including the Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center, AgeWell Center of Baptist Health, Synovus Bank, PACE Center for Girls, Planned Parenthood, United Way and the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce Foundation. Originally from Savannah, Ga., Chepenik graduated from the University of Florida with a master of special education. Later, she received the OneJax Humanitarian award and completed Leadership Jacksonville. Chepenik has extensive experience facilitating diverse groups.

TED Talks: Conversations That Matter, p. 11

Laurel Conderman worked for more than 15 years as office manager in the Department of Pediatrics, University of Florida — Jacksonville before retiring in 2013. Her great enthusiasm for UNF OLLI ED-ventures led her to volunteer with the team. Conderman also volunteers with the annual Congenital Heart Walk and her neighborhood civic association. She especially enjoys exploring our area's beautiful parks and natural places.

Manatee Watch and River Cruise, p. 22



Martin Connor has undergraduate and graduate degrees in philosophy from Georgetown University. He taught for three years in an undergraduate humanities program at Georgetown and was a dissertation away from a doctorate from Fordham University when he left academia for law school. Martin practiced law as a business litigator with a predecessor to the present Cincinnati firm of Frost, Brown & Todd. He moved to General Electric, first as associate general counsel responsible for its industrial businesses, then as counsel to the CEO and finally as Washington counsel. He retired early from GE to chair a Washington-based public affairs firm and an affiliated public relations firm. At the same time, he was a professorial lecturer in business ethics at Georgetown's McDonough School of Business, a fellow of the University's Woodstock Center (a think tank) and chair of its International Trade Institute. Since retiring to Jacksonville, Conner has served on and chaired the Dean's Council of UNF's College of Arts and Sciences, been a founder and first president of OLLI, for which he has taught more than 30 courses and is currently chair and CEO of the Jacksonville Symphony.

Religion in America, Part II: 1789 to 2015, p. 10

Hélène Crowley-Sutton is a native of France and earned a master's degree in Spanish and a doctorate in linguistics there. She has taught French and Spanish to students from diverse nationalities in three countries. Crowley-Sutton is fluent in French, English and Spanish and studied Latin, Russian, Portuguese and Japanese. She worked as a French interpreter for the United Nations and taught French to diplomats who were assigned to French-speaking countries. She has also taught ballroom dancing. Advanced Intermediate French Conversation, p. 21

David DePhillips owned three startup real estate and telecom companies and spent 30 years building businesses and assisting qualified individuals to establish franchises. He has more than 15 years' experience consulting with more than 120 small business franchisees. DePhillips is active in his area of expertise through S.C.O.R.E, www.geteverwise.com and www.hightable.com. He mentors others through the Florida Institute for Commercialization of Public Research. In addition, DePhillips is an accomplished media producer and marathon runner. He completed the Camino de Santiago in August 2013. DePhillips has a bachelor's degree in communications.

Walking the Camino de Santiago, p. 10

Dorothy Dobbs has been a resident of Jacksonville most of her life. She is a graduate of UNF in international studies and was an adjunct at Florida State College at Jacksonville for more than 20 years. Dobbs retired from the insurance industry where she specialized in property and casualty, as well as life and health. Short Stories by F. Scott Fitzgerald, p. 22

Diane Dyal is a Jacksonville native who enjoys learning about the history of our area and sharing what she has learned with others in our community. In 2001, Diane was fortunate to be involved in the formation of Untamed Adventures, an outdoor adventure group for women. She volunteers with UNF OLLI to encourage members to learn more about the wonderful paradise called Florida. Prior to retiring, Diane worked in management for more than 30 years with Frank Griffin Motors.

Discover Old Arlington, p. 18 Explore Guana Tolomato Matanzas National Estuarine Research Reserve, p. 26

Sandy Ernstsen is passionate about creating objects that are both beautiful and useful. She learned to knit the same year she earned her B.A. in design from California State University, Los Angeles. For yarn money, Sandy worked as a graphic designer in the advertising industry.

String Theory II: Expand Your Knitting Skills, p. 20

Larry Figart is the urban forestry extension agent for the Duval County Extension Service. He has been a forester for 27 years. He received his degree from the University of Florida in 1985 in forest resources and conservation. Before joining extension in 2004, he worked for the Florida Division of Forestry for 19 years. Figart received his master's degree in agricultural education and communication in 2008.

Preparing Your Tree Canopy for Storms, p. 17

John Fischer is a retired management consultant who has been a news aficionado since high school. His professional work in factory management, technology and human resources required extensive domestic and international travel and periodic relocations. His lifelong hobby has been reading: books, newspapers and journals with an emphasis on politics, governance, economics, demographics and culture. However, win or lose, time is always reserved for the Detroit Tigers.

Great Decisions 2015, p. 27

Brian Frus is a professor at Jacksonville University where he oversees all glass art programs. Frus began to work with glass in 1996. His work can be found nationally and internationally in galleries and private collections.

ED-venture: Fire! Behind the Scenes with Jacksonville University's Glass Department, p. 27

Tatiana Ganina holds a doctorate in art history from the University of St. Petersburg, Russia. She is a former chief curator at the State Russian Museum in St. Petersburg. Ganina has organized several international exhibitions, including one at the National Gallery in Washington, D.C. She has authored several books, articles and lectured in Russia, Canada and the United States.

The State Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg, Russia, p. 15

Vladimir Ganine graduated from St. Petersburg University, Russia with a Ph.D. in theoretical and mathematical physics. For the past 20 years, he has worked as a senior research scientist in American industry.

Limits to Growth, p. 9

Julie Giuliani is a retired educator and administrator. Her research has focused on caregiving and the use of technology. She is a presenter at caregiving conferences and the Elder Attorney Bar Association.

Aging in Place with Technology, p. 12

Rory Gregg is passionate about working in the health care industry as a licensed agent for Humana and thrives daily on serving his members to the fullest. He is a Medicare expert and holds national and state licensing for health, life and annuities. Gregg is also a tournament angler and fishing guide with more than 30 years of local inshore fishing knowledge and experience. Additionally, he is a writer for two regional outdoor publications, a seminar host and appears on national television broadcasts.

Inshore Fishing 101, p. 25 Medicare 101, p. 12

Gary Hickenbottom is certified as an instructor for Tai Chi for Arthritis and was an assistant tai chi instructor at the Jim Fortuna Senior Center. As a strong advocate of this ancient form of exercise, he believes that the regular practice of tai chi reduces stress and creates a sense of calm and confidence. Hickenbottom has been an OLLI member since 2010 and enjoys taking classes, especially those that focus on brain training and creativity.

Tai Chi for Beginners, p. 14

Howard Hodor retired after 35 years' experience in commercial and residential real estate development. He served as founding chairman of Gainesville's Council for Economic Outreach and received the governor's appointment to the Southern Growth Policy Board and Florida Council of 100. Hodor served as administrative committee chairman of the board that founded Enterprise Florida. At the request of the governor, he assumed the responsibilities of president and CEO of that organization for 18 months.

Current Events, p. 13

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Open Veins of Latin America: Five Centuries of the Pillage of a Continent, p. 20

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Physics of Creation and the Anthropic Principles, p. 14

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Putin: Where From? What Next? p. 12

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Successful Life Transitions, p. 12

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U.S. Navy Carrier Aircraft of WWII, p. 15, 17, 21

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Insider's Tour of St. Augustine: Ximenez-Fatio and Peña-Peck Houses, p. 23

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Africa's Re-Birthing Party, p. 19

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Woman(ly) Role Models: Move over Nancy Drew and Brenda Starr!, p. 19

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The Movies: Westerns, Sci-Fi and Gangsters, p. 14

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Tour and Taste: San Sebastian Winery, p. 28

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Gritty Gutsy, Go for the Gusto Writing Workshop, p. 9

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Was America Founded as a Christian Nation: Founding Fathers Perspectives on Religion, p. 25

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The Great Age of Vienna: Beethoven, Schubert and Brahms, p. 9

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Codes, Ciphers and Deception, p. 17

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Lincolnville: St. Augustine's Historic Neighborhood, p. 26

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Marvyne Betsch: The American Beach Lady, p. 19

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Master the Masters: The Adventures with a Symphonic Detective, p. 11

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Great Decisions 2015, p. 27

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Understanding Our U.S. Health Care System: How It Works and Doesn't, p. 15

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Crossing the St. Johns, p. 17

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Beginning Spanish Conversation, p. 16

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Recycling: How It Works in Jacksonville p. 16

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Mysteries Unlimited: International, p. 20

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Photographing Nature with a Digital Camera, p. 11

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Catch More Fish — An Insider's Guide to Our Waters, p. 16

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