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2016 Fall Program Catalog
For those 50 and better.
Join us at the Thomas G. Carpenter Library at UNF to celebrate literature written by diverse authors that have been banned or challenged. There will be a faculty discussion on September 27 and a BBW read aloud on September 29.

All BBW events are free to the public. More information on these and other Banned Books Week activities at the Carpenter Library are available at http://libguides.unf.edu/BBW.
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PLAY OF THE HAND: PART I
Sept. 13 – Oct. 18, 10 a.m. to noon

MASTER YOUR i PHONE OR i PAD CAMERA
Sept. 13 – 20, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

SEX, MONEY AND VENGEANCE: MOTIVATIONS FOR MURDER IN ENGLISH AND IRISH MYSTERIES
Sept. 13 – Oct. 18, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

INTERMEDIATE BRIDGE: MAJOR SUIT RAISES
Sept. 13 – Oct. 18, 1 to 3 p.m.

20 ESSENTIAL HERBS: A WORKSHOP
Sept. 13 – 27, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

BEGINNING SPANISH: LEVEL I
Sept. 13 – Nov. 1, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

CULTURE AND RELIGION IN ASIA: THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHRISTIANITY IN KOREA
Sept. 13 – Oct. 4, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

MASTERING RETIREMENT: THE KEYS TO SUCCESS AFTER YOUR RETIREMENT DATE
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Oct. 4 – Oct. 25, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
TOP TIPS: MAKE YOUR iPHONE OR iPAD WORK FOR YOU
Oct. 4, 6 and 13, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

CREATING A GARDEN THAT IS GOOD FOR THE PLANET AND FOR YOU
Oct. 11 – 25, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

WRITE YOUR LIFE STORY
Oct. 18 – Nov. 8, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

KEEP YOUR SANITY AND EXPERIENCE SUCCESS WITH MULTIGENERATIONAL WORK PLACES AND FAMILIES
Oct. 18 – Nov. 1, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

CHESS FOR BEGINNERS AND BEYOND
Oct. 18 – Nov. 22, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

CHILDREN’S LITERATURE FOR GRANDPARENTS
Oct. 18, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

INFORMATION OVERLOAD AND MEMORY LOSS
Oct. 18 – Nov. 1, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

FRENCH BOOK CLUB
Oct. 25 – Dec. 13, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

YOUR BUCKET LIST AND THE ROAD AHEAD
Oct. 25 – Nov. 22, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

THE LANGUAGE OF BIRDS
Nov. 1, 9 a.m. to noon

A BRIEF HISTORY OF U.S. INTELLIGENCE
Nov. 1, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

INTERMEDIATE CLAY SCULPTING
Nov. 8, 9 and 10, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

DRINKING WATER YOU CAN COUNT ON: VISIT JEA’S WATER TREATMENT PLANT
Nov. 8, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

FINANCIAL PLANNING AT THE END OF LIFE
Nov. 8 – 15, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

HOW DO THEY DO THAT? SIGN DESIGN, FABRICATION AND INSTALLATION
ED-venture
Nov. 15, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

HOW TO BECOME A PROLIFIC WRITER
Nov. 15, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

FACIAL FITNESS: EXERCISES FOR THE FACE AND NECK
Nov. 29, Dec. 1, 6 and 8, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

URBAN EXPLORATION: 14TH ANNUAL GINGERBREAD HOUSE EXTRAVAGANZA AND TOUR OF MERRILL HOUSE
ED-venture
Dec. 6, 1 to 3 p.m.

THE MAKING OF A MURDER MYSTERY
Sept. 14 – Oct. 19, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

BRIDGE TO INTERMEDIATE SPANISH CONVERSATION
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INTERMEDIATE SPANISH: LEVEL I
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THE DEVIL’S CHESSBOARD: ALLEN DULLES, THE CIA AND THE RISE OF AMERICA’S SECRET GOVERNMENT
Sept. 14 – Nov. 9, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

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Sept. 21, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

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Sept. 21, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

CONSERVATION COFFEE BREAK AT THE JACKSONVILLE ZOO AND GARDENS
Sept. 21 OR Nov. 17, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

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Sept. 21 OR Oct. 19 OR Nov. 16, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Sept. 28 – Oct. 19, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
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21 BEHIND THE SCENES: FLORIDA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND
  ED-venture
  Oct. 5, 10 a.m. to noon

22 DELIBERATIVE DEMOCRACY: CIVIL DISCOURSE ABOUT CRITICAL PUBLIC ISSUES
  Oct. 5 – Nov. 9, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

22 MYSTERIES UNLIMITED: INTERNATIONAL
  Oct. 5 – Nov. 9, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
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22 EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN OF OUR TIMES: THEIR LIVES AND LEGACIES
  Oct. 12 – Nov. 16, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

22 PHOTO ART: ENHANCE YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY
  Oct. 12 – 26, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

22 CONSCIOUS AGING: LISTENING TO YOUR INNER WISDOM
  Oct. 12 – Nov. 16, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

23 THE SOUTHERN HOME FRONT DURING THE U.S. CIVIL WAR
  Oct. 19 – Dec. 14, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
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23 CROSSING THE ST. JOHNS
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23 FIGHTING GRAVITY: BASIC STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING
  Oct. 19 – Nov. 9, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

23 HAPPINESS
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23 INSIDE OLLI
  Nov. 9, 10 a.m. to noon

23 GOOD BOOKS FOR ALL AGES
  Nov. 9, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

23 PROTECT YOURSELF FROM COMPUTER HACKING AND IDENTITY THEFT
  Nov. 9 – 16, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

24 CREATIVITY FOR RETIREES
  Nov. 30 – Dec. 21, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

THURSDAY at UNF

24 ANCIENT GRAINS
  Sept. 8, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
  Location: UNF Brooks College of Health Nutrition Lab

24 BEGINNING BRIDGE I
  Sept. 15 – Nov. 10, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
  (No class Oct. 13)

24 RECYCLING: HOW IT WORKS IN JACKSONVILLE
  ED-venture
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24 BEGINNING FRENCH: LEVEL I
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25 WRITING YOUR SPIRITUAL AUTOBIOGRAPHY
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25 EXPLORING EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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25 INTERMEDIATE FRENCH
  Sept. 15 – Nov. 10, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

25 WWII: RADAR, ELECTRONICS AND MORE
  Sept. 15 – Oct. 6, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

25 THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS: SECRET BOOKS OF THE BIBLE?
  Oct. 6 – Nov. 3, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

26 PAINTING WITH ACRYLIC PAINTS
  Oct. 6 – Nov. 10, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

26 PASTA 101
  Oct. 6, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
  Location: UNF Brooks College of Health Nutrition Lab
26 NEW HOW IT’S MADE: FISH TO FRUIT
ED-venture
Oct. 13, 9:30 a.m. to noon

26 NEW UNDERSTANDING AGING: BONES, JOINTS AND MUSCLES
Oct. 13 – Nov. 3, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

26 NEW ROLLING WITH THE ST. JOHNS RIVER
Oct. 13 – 27, 10 a.m. to noon
Location: Jacksonville University

27 GRAND GRANDPARENTING!
Oct. 20 – Nov. 3, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

27 NEW SPIRITUAL PAIN: PAIN DEEP DOWN IN YOUR SOUL
Oct. 27, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

27 NEW NEWSWORTHY EXCURSION: TOUR THE FLORIDA TIMES-UNION
ED-venture
Oct. 27, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

27 NEW OUR TECHNOLOGICAL FUTURE
Oct. 27 – Dec. 8, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
(No class Nov. 24)

27 IT IS GOING TO RAIN TODAY, BUT WHY?
Oct. 27 – Nov. 17, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

27 NEW THE FOUR THINGS THAT MATTER MOST
Nov. 3, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

28 NEW JUST WHAT WERE THEY THINKING?
Nov. 3 – Dec. 22, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
(No class Nov. 24)

28 NEW OUT OF AFRICA: AN UPDATE
Nov. 3, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

28 NEW URBAN EXPLORATION: DISCOVER THE RITZ THEATER AND LA VILLA MUSEUM
ED-venture
Nov. 3, 10 a.m. to noon

28 NEW EARTH WILL SURVIVE. WILL HUMANITY?
Nov. 3 – Dec. 8, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
(No class Nov. 24)

28 NEW HELP, I’VE BEEN HACKED! SECURITY 101 FOR YOUR iPHONE, iPAD AND APPLE COMPUTER
Nov. 3 – 17, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

28 NEW SENIOR HUNGER IN NORTHEAST FLORIDA: A HIDDEN TRAGEDY
Nov. 10, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

29 NEW THE HOLIDAY COCKTAIL PARTY
Nov. 10, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
Location: UNF Brooks College of Health Nutrition Lab

29 NEW ARMLEAN TRAVEL MEDLEY: INDIA, NEPAL AND BHUTAN
Nov. 17 – Dec. 15, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. (no class Nov. 24)

29 NEW ZEN BUDDHIST MEDITATION
Sept. 16 – Oct. 21, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

29 MAH JONGG FOR BEGINNERS
Sept. 16 – Oct. 14, 1 to 3 p.m.

29 NEW PHOTOGRAPHIC PRESERVATION
Sept. 16, 6 to 7 p.m.
Location: UNF Thomas G. Carpenter Library

FRIDAY at UNF

30 NEW DISCOVER CLARA WHITE MISSION: LIFTING OUR COMMUNITY THROUGH ADVOCACY, TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT
ED-venture
Sept. 30, 10 to 11:15 a.m.

30 PILATES FOR BUFF BONES
Sept. 30 – Oct. 21, noon to 1 p.m.

30 NEW URBAN EXPLORATION: DOWNTOWN WALKING TOUR OF PUBLIC ART
ED-venture
Oct. 21, 10 a.m. to noon

30 REDISCOVERING THE LABYRINTH AS A REFLECTIVE PRACTICE
Oct. 28, 10 a.m. to noon
Location: Omnisara Labyrinth and Gardens

30 NEW WRITE YOUR LEGACY WILL IN A DAY
Dec. 2, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED FROM THE GREAT RECESSION OF 2008?

**FRIDAY** Sept. 23 – Nov. 18, 2:30 to 4 p.m.
6 sessions, $45 (No class Oct. 21, Nov. 11)

Explore the roots of the Great Recession of 2008, its inevitability and the perfect storm that deepened its impact. There are plenty of bad actors to blame. The easiest villains are identified, vilified and prosecuted, but were they the real cause? Discuss and debate policy prescriptions.

**Instructor:** Glenn Hansen, p. 34

THE FRENCH RESISTANCE

**WEDNESDAY** Oct. 11 – Dec. 4, 10 to 11:30 a.m.
5 sessions, $40 (No class Nov. 23)

Enrich your understanding of the French Resistance and the role it played in winning the European theater in WWII. Separate the myth from the truth. Assess the effectiveness of the resistance. Examine the costs to resisters and innocent bystanders, as a result of their actions against the German army. This course is the first of two exploring resistance activities in Europe after it was overrun by the Nazis.

**Instructor:** Wayne Heckrotte, p. 35

WRITE YOUR LIFE STORY

**THURSDAY** Oct. 6 – 27, 2 to 3:30 p.m.
4 sessions, $35

See course description on page 17.

**Instructor:** Susan D. Brandenburg, p. 32

**NEW** EXPERIMENTAL PAINTING: A WORKSHOP

**FRIDAY** Oct. 14, 1 to 4 p.m.
1 session, $25

Ignite your creativity. Learn to paint collages with acrylic paints, mediums and papers. Discover innovative ways to enliven your artwork.

**Required:** $15 payable to instructor for art supplies

**Instructor:** Bonnie Yales-Gibson, p. 41

CROSSING THE ST. JOHNS

**TUESDAY** Oct. 18 – 22, 2 to 3:30 p.m.
2 sessions, $25

See course description on page 23.

**Instructor:** Joe Varon, p. 40

**NEW** THE PEOPLING OF AMERICA: FROM THE ICE AGE TO THE INTERNET

**THURSDAY** Oct. 27 – Nov. 17, 1 to 3 p.m.
4 sessions, $40

Thousands of years ago, the first bands of hunters crossed the then-existing land bridge from Siberia onto what is today the American continent. They were followed by successive incursions of Amerinds who slowly spread across the western hemisphere. After the European discovery of America, the early colonists were followed by great waves of immigrants who, in the course of the last four centuries, fled poverty, persecution and warfare, first in Europe and then in other parts of the globe. This course weaves a tapestry of these great movements of people and cultures that have resulted in the country we are familiar with today. It also points out that, although the origins of immigrants are continuously changing, they all seek the same things: freedom, opportunity and prosperity.

**Instructor:** John Gill, p. 33
NEW THE OCEANS: TWO-THIRDS OF OUR WORLD
TUESDAY Sept. 6 – 27, 10 to 11:30 a.m., 4 sessions, $35
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.
Instructor: Bob Schiffner, p. 39

NEW CURRENT EVENTS FORUM
WEDNESDAY Oct. 5 – 26, 10 to 11:30 a.m.
4 sessions, $35
Energize your knowledge of current events. Each week’s discussion focuses on the impact and implications of these events. Participants select two topics each week. Related reading materials are distributed in advance. Maximize your understanding of the events that shape our world. Enjoy dialogue with your peers.
Facilitator: Allan Silberman, p. 40

A BRIEF HISTORY OF U.S. INTELLIGENCE
WEDNESDAY Oct. 12, 2 to 3:30 p.m., 1 session, $15
See course description on page 18.
Instructor: Edward Micklous, p. 37

NEW TRAVEL SAFE AND HEALTHY
THURSDAY Oct. 20, 10:30 to 11:45 a.m., 1 session, $15
Conquer your travel fears. Learn how you can ensure your personal safety and well-being while traveling. The instructor is a retired Foreign Service officer with tips to share.
Instructor: Joseph L. Warner, p. 41

NEW 100 YEARS OF THE SPY NOVEL: AN INTRODUCTION
TUESDAY Oct. 25, 10:30 to 11:45 a.m., 1 session, $15
Discover how real world situations have influenced that unique genre of literature. Focus on the genre’s century-long evolution and literature from pre-WWII to today’s War on Terror.
Instructor: Joseph L. Warner, p. 41

NEW MEMORY IMPROVEMENT: AN INTRODUCTION
FRIDAY Nov. 11, 10 to 11 a.m., 1 session, $10
Learn about your brain and simple techniques to make your memory work for you. Understand how your synapses operate. Discover how creating pictures and other techniques improve brain efficiency and help you remember names and good jokes.
Instructor: Frederick Lee, p. 37

MEDICARE 101
THURSDAY Sept. 15, 1:30 to 3 p.m., 1 session, $15
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. 34

NEW HOW TO BECOME A PROLIFIC WRITER
THURSDAY Sept. 29, 1:30 to 3 p.m., 1 session, $15
See course description on page 19.
Instructor: Ed Mickolus, p. 37

NEW 100 YEARS OF THE SPY NOVEL
FRIDAY Oct. 28 – Nov. 18, 10:30 to noon, 4 sessions, $35
Maximize your appreciation of that unique genre of literature inspired by real world situations. Course content focuses on the genre’s century-long evolution and literature from pre-WWII to today’s War on Terror.
Instructor: Joseph L. Warner, p. 41

FIGHTING GRAVITY: BASIC STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING
TUESDAY Dec. 6 – 27, 10:30 a.m. to noon, 4 sessions, $35
See course description on page 23.
Instructor: Joe Varon, p. 40
ISLAM: THE FAITH, THE PEOPLE AND THEIR POLITICS
Sept. 12 – Nov. 7, 10:30 a.m. to noon
8 sessions, $55
Transform your knowledge about the Muslim world. Improve your understanding of Islam’s beginnings in Mecca, fundamental beliefs, diverse population and widespread influence on our global civilization. Examine current events in Muslim majority countries and the impact of Muslim minority populations in Europe and America through texts and a wide array of multi-media.
Required: “Destiny Disrupted” by Tamim Ansary
Instructor: Parvez Ahmed, p. 31

NEW URBAN LANDSCAPE PHOTOGRAPHY: GET MORE OUT OF YOUR DIGITAL CAMERA
Sept. 12 – 26, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
3 sessions, $30
Improve your urban landscape and street photography skills. Learn how to get better shots regardless of lighting conditions, whether you are using your camera for travel, fun or to create artistic photographs. Classroom sessions precede and follow a workshop in the field. Session one focuses on composition and exposure techniques, as well as practice. Session three focuses on answering your questions and obtaining feedback on your work in a friendly, helpful environment.
Instructor: Gary Whiting, p. 41

NEW BIG HISTORY
Sept. 12 – Oct. 17, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
6 sessions, $45
Transform your understanding of the similar patterns and progressions of natural and human events from the Big Bang to modern times. Enrich your understanding of cosmology, evolution, genetics, the history of city states and the modern industrial and information revolutions. Course content is based on David Christian’s “Maps of Time” and a related college and university syllabus supported by Bill Gates. Some sessions are technology-oriented and others are oriented toward more conventional history.
Instructor: John Tancredi, p. 40
LIES, DAMNED LIES AND STATISTICS
Sept. 19 – Oct. 10, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
4 sessions, $35

In 1906, Mark Twain wrote, “Figures often beguile me particularly when I have the arranging of them myself; in which case the remark attributed to Disraeli would often apply with justice and force: ‘There are three kinds of lies: lies, damned lies, and statistics.’” Discover how statistics are used as evidence. Stretch your skills in determining the intentional or accidental misuse of statistics in advancing arguments. No statistical background is required. Instructor will not teach formal statistics.

Instructor: Alan Gleit, p. 33

FRENCH POETRY AND CONVERSATION
Sept. 19 – Oct. 10, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
4 sessions, $35

Enhance your French conversational skills through reading simple poems (translations available) and discussion of open-ended questions supplied in advance. Class emphasizes conversation that uses a poem as the topic.


Recommended: French-English dictionary

Instructor: Nannette Boudreaux Martin, p. 37

DISCOVER JACKSONVILLE CENTER FOR CLINICAL RESEARCH
ED-venture
Sept. 26, 10 a.m. to noon (excludes lunch)
1 session, $25

Go behind the scenes to an unassuming center that has shaped the future of healthcare outcomes for more than 20 years. Discover how and why clinical trials are crucial to the Federal Drug Administration’s approval process. Learn about clinical trials, who pays for them, how trial participants are found and what they get from their participation. This center has conducted more than 1,000 clinical trials and is recognized worldwide for providing patients with access to cutting-edge medical research. Dress is casual. Transportation is on your own. Debrief over a Dutch-treat lunch at a nearby eatery. Venue is fully accessible.

Required: No cameras due to confidentiality policy

Coordinator: Stan Porter, p. 38

VIETNAM WAR
Sept. 26 – Oct. 31, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
6 sessions, $45

Though they were not defeated on the battlefield, the United States and its allies lost the Vietnam War. Examine and discuss the political, social and military influences that played important roles in the U.S. involvement in Vietnam. Explore battles, turning points and the final peace agreement. Student participation is encouraged.

Instructor: Stewart Angell, p. 31

INVESTING FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT WANT TO THINK ABOUT IT
Sept. 26 – Oct. 10, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
3 sessions, $30

Conquer the bad and ugly of investing. Increase your knowledge of investment products. Act to create a practical diversified portfolio that does not require further attention.

Instructor: Robert Black, p. 32

MASTER THE MASTERS: ADVENTURES OF A SYMPHONIC DETECTIVE
Sept. 26 – Jan. 2, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
5 sessions, $40

Dates vary according to the Jacksonville Symphony Masterworks schedule.

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

Maximize your enjoyment of the JSym’s 2016 – 2017 season with classes, analyzing each of the Masterworks Series. The Monday prior to the weekend’s concert performance, you will put the performance under the microscope. Learn about musical elements, time, place, people and politics in a conversational, interactive atmosphere designed to bring the music to life. Course features cameo performances by JSym musicians.

SEPT. 26: Rachmaninoff and The Rite
OCT. 17: Bachtoberfest
NOV. 7: Elgar’s The Dreams of Gerontius
NOV. 28: Humperdinck’s Hansel and Gretel
JAN. 2: Mozart and McGill

Instructor: Lynne Radcliffe, p. 38
NEW  THE GILDED AGE IN AMERICAN HISTORY: ROBBER BARONS, IMMIGRATION, IMPERIALISM AND POPULISM
Oct. 3 – 31, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
5 sessions, $40
Discover a time in the last third of the 19th century that is similar to ours. Vast wealth inequalities, rampant capitalism, concerns about immigration and racial issues and a rapidly changing society.
The era also saw the rise of reform movements including populism. Explore the similarities and differences between the 19th century’s Gilded Age and our own early 21st Century.
Instructor: Joe O’Shields, p. 38

THE GREAT AGE OF VIENNA: STRAUSS, BRUCKER, MAHLER AND WOLF
Oct. 3 – 17, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
3 sessions, $30
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. 38

PHOTOGRAPHER’S SUNRISE WALKABOUT AT THE JACKSONVILLE PIER
Oct. 10, 7 to 9 a.m.
1 session, $20
Share your passion for photography. Catch the perfect sunrise photo as you enjoy camaraderie with fellow OLLI photographers. Immerse yourself in a location known for gorgeous sunrise views. Your instructor is a seasoned photographer and master naturalist, who’s ready to guide you whether you want the opportunity to practice your technique on your own or obtain advice. You will debrief over an optional Dutch-treat breakfast. An alternative date may be announced depending on weather conditions.
Required: A digital SLR, mirror-less or point-and-shoot camera; moderate walking, comfortable shoes, dress for the weather
Recommended: Wide angle lens
Instructor: Gary Whiting, p. 41

NEW  ROSE RUSTLING FLORIDA STYLE
Oct. 10 – 17, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
Field trip: Oct. 24, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
3 sessions, $30
Discover a technique for preserving an important aspect of our country’s horticultural heritage. Rose Rustlers in Texas and California have rescued varieties found off the beaten path in cemeteries and deserted gardens. Class content addresses all aspects of this hobby from beginning to advanced including a local rose rustle.
Recommended: “In Search of Lost Roses” by Thomas Christopher
Instructor: Gene Waering, p. 41

WARNING: THE RULES OF MONEY HAVE CHANGED. HAVE YOU?
Oct. 10 – Nov. 7, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
5 sessions, $40
Are you going broke slowly but safely? Is there a contest going on to see whether you or your finances will expire first? Act to take control.
Instructor: Stanley B. Greenfield, p. 34

AMELIA ISLAND HISTORY AND TROLLEY TOUR
ED-venture
Oct. 10, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
1 session, $40
Explore 4,000 years of the island’s history. Housed in the historic and renovated Nassau County Jail, the Amelia Island Museum of History’s galleries are filled with artifacts and stories that chronicle the heritage of the native Timucua people, Spanish and French explorers, pirates and genteel Victorian-era residents. Following a docent-led tour of the museum, enjoy a Dutch-treat lunch at Brett’s Waterfront Café. Then hop on a trolley for a tour of historic Fernandina Beach, Old Town and other points of interest. The trolley driver will relate interesting stories about the history of the area.
Recommended: Sunscreen, water, a hat and foul weather gear. Both tours are physically easy, as you will be seated much of the time.
Coordinator: Stan Porter, p. 38
CURRENT EVENTS
Oct. 17 – Nov. 21, 10 a.m. to noon
6 sessions, $55

Increase your understanding of domestic and foreign events affecting your life. Address a broad range of topics with particular emphasis on the 2016 election cycle. Students contribute to topic selection and the instructor provides suggested readings.

Instructor: Samuel Hart, p. 35

NEW GUIDED AUTOBIOGRAPHY: PART II
Oct. 17 – Nov. 14, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
5 sessions, $60

Continue your ongoing personal and spiritual development. Mobilize your life story as a powerful tool to explore central themes in your life. Give new meaning to the past, present and future. Anticipate possible new directions. Class format encompasses guided exercises and time to share in small group setting.

Required: Completion of Part I and journal or tablet to write two pages in each class

Facilitator: Kathleen Triebwasser, p. 40

NEW PHOTO EDITING BASICS
Oct. 17 – 24, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
2 sessions, $25

Deploy basic photo editing tools and techniques on your laptop or desktop computer. Organize files and images for rapid retrieval. Learn basic editing steps in programs including Lightroom, Photoshop Elements, Photos for OS X, (formerly iPhoto) or Google Photos (formerly Picasa). No experience required. This course is useful to those deciding on an editing platform or already using one.

Instructor: Gary Whiting, p. 41

NEW AGING IN PLACE WITH TECHNOLOGY
Oct. 24 – Nov. 14, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
4 sessions, $35

Did you know that a woman reaching the age of 65 might expect to live an additional 21 years and a man, an additional 18.9 years? How do these statistics translate to quality of life as we grow older? A great majority of seasoned citizens want to stay in their homes, enjoying optimum wellness and active social exchanges. Intensify your understanding of the latest health, entertainment, residential and security technologies with the potential to provide supportive daily assistance.

Instructor: Julie Giuliani, p. 33

NEW EXPLORING HISTORY THROUGH FICTION: FREE TO BE, A NOVEL
Oct. 24 – 31, 2:30 to 4 p.m.
2 sessions, $25

Transform your understanding of African-American enslavement through stories about the Gullah Geechee people of the South Carolina Sea Islands. “Free To Be” chronicles the story of Crecie, a fourth generation slave who struggles to realize her freedom in the years following the Civil War. She works the land abandoned by plantation owners under what is known today as the Port Royal Experiment. Living and working under a new form of white authority, the freed slaves like the fictional character of Crecie could become self-sustaining through crop cultivation, fishing and hunting. Sales of surplus crops supported their land purchases. In Chandler’s novel, Crecie learns to negotiate life choices as a wage earner, free laborer, provider and protector. Most importantly, Crecie learns to remove the shackles of her mind and find her true power.

Required: Student purchase of “Free To Be” from the author/instructor at the first class ($15) or in advance from Amazon for $16.99 plus shipping and handling.

Instructor: Gracie Chandler, p. 33

Explore the past and discover the future with OLLI

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NEW  IMPROVE YOUR INTERNET SEARCH SKILLS
Oct. 31 – Nov. 14, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
3 sessions, $30
Discover the basics of web searching. Learn how popular search engines work and how to find what you want quickly and easily. Explore alternative search options. Find out where to turn for more help. Increase your online safety and ability to recognize scams. Explore fun things available online. Course material delivered through a combination of presentation, demonstration and practice.
Instructor: Stephanie Weiss, p. 41

MINDFULNESS BASICS: ENHANCING AND SUSTAINING MINDFUL AWARENESS
Oct. 31 – Dec. 5, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
6 sessions, $25
Stimulate your ability to skillfully and peacefully navigate daily life. In this highly interactive class, you will learn to integrate the basics of mindfulness meditation into your daily activities. The content is based on a program developed by Jon Kabat-Zinn at the University of Massachusetts Medical School Center for Mindfulness in Medicine, Health Care and Society.
Recommended: “Wherever You Go There You Are” by Jon Kabat-Zinn and instructor-provided MP3 recording of brief mindfulness practices
Instructor: Toni Nixon, p. 38

NEW  TAI CHI: WHAT’S IT ALL ABOUT
Oct. 31 – Nov. 7, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
2 sessions, $25
Stretch your understanding of that wellness phenomenon’s myriad of benefits, its historical roots and its differences from conventional exercise. Discover Tai Chi principles. Learn how it can help you achieve better balance and mobility. Class format includes lecture, discussion and demonstration. Enjoy the healing comfort of performing some basic Tai Chi movements.
Required: Wear comfortable clothing to practice
Instructor: Sue Lamb Myers, p. 38

THE WAR OF THE ROSES
Nov. 7 – 28, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
4 sessions, $35
Connect with stories of mystery, intrigue, sex, murder and treachery through the dynastic wars fought between the Plantagenets from the houses of Lancaster and York. Learn which king had the most mistresses and which was executed in a barrel of his favorite wine. Which royal corpse was exhibited as a tourist attraction for 300 years? Which king lost his throne due to his father’s bigamy? Which king tossed a chamber pot on his brother? Sometimes the truth is more interesting than fiction.
Instructor: Harry Yoffee, p. 41

NEW  VISIT VISUAL ARTIST
SUSANNE SCHUENKE’S STUDIO
ED-venture
Nov. 7, 10:30 a.m. to noon (excludes lunch)
1 session, $25
Go behind the scenes with an internationally acclaimed painter whose works have been exhibited and are represented in public, corporate and private collections worldwide. You may have seen works on view locally at the Mayo Clinic (Davis Building), Museum of Contemporary Art, the Beaches Museum, Florida State College at Jacksonville (South Campus), Avondale Artworks and Stellers Gallery. Your host shares her preparation and creative process through discussion about completed works and those in progress. Venue is handicapped accessible. Transportation is on your own. Debrief over a Dutch-treat lunch at a nearby eatery.
Coordinator: Laurel Conderman, p. 33

NEW  BITS AND PIECES: COLLAGE WITH A PURPOSE
Nov. 7 – 28, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
4 sessions, $35
Learn how to make a collage from a variety of papers so that the design and structure are aesthetically pleasing. Each class focuses on a different compositional objective. Your final products will be suitable for framing! All students – beginner to advanced – welcome regardless of art skills or experiences.
Instructor: Chris Fulmer, p. 33
RETURNING TO OUR ROOTS: AN INTRODUCTION TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE
Nov. 21 – Dec. 12, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
4 sessions, $35
Transform your knowledge of natural health and wellness. Explore naturopathic medicine, a distinct primary healthcare profession that emphasizes prevention, treatment and optimal health using natural therapies such as nutrition, herbs, homeopathy and physical manipulation.
Instructor: Todd Robinson, p. 39

WELLNESS AND STRESS MANAGEMENT
Nov. 21 – Dec. 12, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
4 sessions, $35
Empower yourself. Control your perceptions of and responses to stressors. Improve respiration, pulse, digestion, blood sugar and perspiration. Learn to read your body to reduce or eliminate stress-induced aches, pains and migraines. Discover techniques for correct diaphragmatic breathing. Increase your body’s positive blood flow. Maximize progressive muscle relaxation, autogenic training, imagery and biofeedback skills. Integrate stress management in your healthcare. This highly interactive class provides aids you can use every day.
Instructor: Inge Thompson, p. 40

NEW THE MOVIES: OUR ENDURING PASSION
Sept. 13 – Nov. 15, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
9 sessions, $60
In the 1890s, in France and America, the motion picture camera and flexible celluloid film were developed. Within 10 years, the movies were being shown in more than a dozen countries. Follow the history of filmmaking through the directors and their filming techniques. Learn how the introduction of sound in the 1920s drastically altered the industry and careers of actors.
Instructor: Kenneth McMillan, p. 37

NEW PLAY OF THE HAND: PART I
Sept. 13 – Oct. 18, 10 a.m. to noon
6 sessions, $55
Accelerate your bridge skills. Focus on bidding and play of the hand. Learn about defensive leads and signals. Bidding boxes will be used to deepen your knowledge of contract bridge.
Required: “Learn to Play Bridge: Play of the Hand” by American Contract Bridge League and an understanding of standard American bidding system including weak 2s, strong 2 club openings, Stayman and Blackwood.
Instructor: John Reeve, p. 39

NEW MASTER YOUR iPhone OR iPAD CAMERA
Sept. 13 – 20, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
2 sessions, $25
Improve your picture taking. Learn basic photography tips and free or inexpensive apps to make your built-in camera work better. Use free apps including Apple Photos, Apple’s iCloud Photo Library, Darkroom and Flickr to edit, enhance and store your pictures.
Instructor: John See, p. 39

NEW SEX, MONEY AND VENGENCE: MOTIVATIONS FOR MURDER IN ENGLISH AND IRISH MYSTERIES
Sept. 13 – Oct. 18, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
6 sessions, $45
Transform your understanding of the essential elements in well-regarded murder mysteries. Class format includes lectures, book critiques and congenial group discussions.
Instructor: Robert L. Gold, p. 34
NEW INTERMEDIATE BRIDGE: MAJOR SUIT RAISES
Sept. 13 – Oct. 18, 1 to 3 p.m.
6 sessions, $55
Increase your bidding success through Jacoby 2 NoTrump, cue bids and limit raises. Extend your learning to encompass preemptive, weak freak and forcing no trump bids. Designed for intermediate and advanced players, this class will help you gain a competitive edge.
Instructor: John Reeve, p. 39

NEW 20 ESSENTIAL HERBS: A WORKSHOP
Sept. 13 – 27, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
3 sessions, $30
Boost your understanding of medicinal plants used in home remedies to promote healthy living and a sense of well-being. Focus on the herbs, their uses, formulation techniques, tinctures and tea blends.
Required: $35 materials fee payable to the instructor
Instructor: Libby Jennison, p. 35

NEW BEGINNING SPANISH: LEVEL I
Sept. 13 – Nov. 1, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
8 sessions, $55
Begin your journey in Spanish with basic, practical vocabulary such as greetings and numbers and simple sentences and questions. Expand your skills by learning some simple grammar and additional vocabulary useful in everyday settings.
Instructor: Ileana Velazquez, p. 40

CULTURE AND RELIGION IN ASIA: THE DEVELOPMENT OF CHRISTIANITY IN KOREA
Sept. 13 – Oct. 4, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
4 sessions, $35
Christianity came to Korea as a missionary religion in 1774 for the Catholics and in 1884 for the Protestants. Learn how Christianity encountered the religious and ethical traditions of Asia in Korea with varying degrees of success. Catholics confronted the Confucian worldview. Protestants resisted the Japanese Shinto shrine worship. Pentecostals interacted with Shamanism and the spirit world. Today, Christians and Buddhists face a dilemma over the respective roles of culture and religion in Korean society. Discover how Korea provides an ongoing example of interfaith relations in contemporary Asia.
Required: “Korean Theology in Historical Perspective” by Daniel J. Adams
Instructors: Carol Chou Adams (Chou Fang-Lan) and Daniel Adams, p. 31

NEW MASTERING RETIREMENT: THE KEYS TO SUCCESS AFTER YOUR RETIREMENT DATE
Sept. 20 – 27, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
2 sessions, $25
Congratulations on navigating an early retirement! Ensure that your money will last and your loved ones will receive what you intend for them, without Uncle Sam taking an undeserved amount. Explore the investment, legal and healthcare challenges that await you, as well as appropriate decision-making as you face them. Class format includes guest speakers from the legal and healthcare fields that enliven your informative discussion.
Instructor: Bill Laird, p. 36

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CURRENT EVENTS
Sept. 27 – Dec. 20, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.
13 sessions, $100

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 and on track.

Facilitator: Howard Hodor, p. 35

NEW INTERIOR DECORATING: INNOVATE, REJUVENATE AND APPRECIATE
Oct. 4 – 25, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
4 sessions, $35

Are you tired of the same old decor but don’t want to spend an arm and a leg to redecorate? Discover ways to refresh your home without investing a lot of time or money. Invigorate your life with a new look. Class focus on inspiration, motivation and revitalization.

Instructor: Marlene Kenney, p. 36

NEW TOP TIPS: MAKE YOUR iPhone OR iPAD WORK FOR YOU
Oct. 4, 6 and 13, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
3 sessions, $30

Accelerate your understanding of your iOS devices and the amazing things you can do with them. Begin by learning to manage and customize all options in the settings app. Boost your knowledge about keeping your devices secure and managing your long list of passwords with the free app 1Password.

Instructor: John See, p. 39

NEW CREATING A GARDEN THAT IS GOOD FOR THE PLANET AND FOR YOU
Oct. 11 – 18, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
Field trip: Native Park Oct. 25, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
3 sessions, $30

Pollinators are responsible for one-third of every bite we eat. Their numbers are declining and home gardens provide an opportunity to make a tangible difference. Discover how you can make a pollinator-friendly garden that’s easy, affordable and fun.


Instructor: Sally Steinauer, p. 40

WRITE YOUR LIFE STORY
Oct. 18 – Nov. 8, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
4 sessions, $35

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. Your first session will be introductory and exploratory. You will then be asked to explore your memories and do some research into your family/personal history and return with a white page (summary) of your life story to share with the class if you are comfortable sharing.

Instructor: Susan D. Brandenburg, p. 32

NEW KEEP YOUR SANITY AND EXPERIENCE SUCCESS WITH MULTIGENERATIONAL WORKPLACES AND FAMILIES
Oct. 18 – Nov. 1, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
3 sessions, $30

Transform your knowledge of each generation’s characteristics, similarities and differences in this interactive class. Discover interaction methods and techniques to assure your success in diverse, multigenerational families and workplaces

Instructor: Rita Brodnax, p. 32

NEW CHESS FOR BEGINNERS AND BEYOND
Oct. 18 – Nov. 22, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
6 sessions, $45

Explore the basics of a game rooted in noble culture and once dubbed the King’s Game. Discover key strategies to develop and enhance your game-playing skills. New students learn the game and returning students advance their skills! Start or boost your knowledge in this highly interactive class.

Required: A chess set and “A Primer on Chess” by Jose R. Capablanca, students read first chapter prior to first class

Instructor: Michael Willner, p. 41
NEW  **CHILDREN’S LITERATURE FOR GRANDPARENTS**  
Oct. 18, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
1 session, $15  
Sharing books with children is a great joy. Enrich the vocabulary of younger readers and introduce them to useful ideas and concepts. Books for older children present life experiences and food for thought, as well as platforms to discuss issues with a trusted adult. Your instructor is a lifelong educator who will share her favorite books for children of all ages and provide many useful related resources.  
**Instructor:** Janet Wilner Myers, p. 37

NEW  **INFORMATION OVERLOAD AND MEMORY LOSS**  
Oct. 18 – Nov. 1, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
3 sessions, $30  
Intensify your understanding of how the brain processes information. Grasp the amount of information that we can take at a time in our present moment memory before being overwhelmed. Learn neuroscience-based techniques that will reduce anxiety and help you process information efficiently and effectively. Increase your ability to successfully retrieve memories in this interactive class.  
**Instructor:** Rita Brodnax, p. 32

NEW  **FRENCH BOOK CLUB**  
Oct. 25 – Dec. 13, 9:30 to 11 a.m.  
8 sessions, $55  
Boost your French language skills through reading and discussion of a short, classic novel of topical interest. Texts are in both original and easy to read versions.  
**Instructor:** Mireille Smith Threlkel, p. 40

NEW  **YOUR BUCKET LIST AND THE ROAD AHEAD**  
Oct. 25 – Nov. 22, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
5 sessions, $40  
Share challenges you have met successfully, as well as those you hope to accomplish. Topics are selected by students in the class. Ponder where the road not taken might lead, the evolution of life’s philosophy. Make new OLLI friends by exploring what makes each of you unique.  
**Facilitator:** Janet Myers, p. 37

NEW  **THE LANGUAGE OF BIRDS**  
**ED-venture**  
Nov. 1, 9 a.m. to noon (excludes lunch)  
1 session, $35  
Calling all nature lovers for a rare opportunity. Learn about the power to understand the language of birds from St. Johns County naturalist AyoLane Halusky. Explore the meanings of different bird calls, alarms and behaviors. Discover how human behavior affects wildlife. Practice what you learn on an interpretive walk through Trout Creek Park. Transportation is on your own, but carpooling is encouraged. Debrief over a Dutch-treat brown bag picnic at the park’s community center.  
**Required:** Mobility to stand for an hour, stamina to walk a half mile on trails, water bottle, insect repellent, dress for conditions including comfortable shoes, hat and sunglasses  
**Recommended:** Camera, binoculars and read “What the Robin Knows” by Jon Young  
**Coordinator:** Gary Whiting, p. 41

NEW  **A BRIEF HISTORY OF U.S. INTELLIGENCE**  
Nov. 1, 1:30 to 3 p.m.  
1 session, $15  
Transform your understanding of the history of U.S. intelligence, from George Washington and Benjamin Franklin’s day to ours. Your instructor is a 33-year veteran CIA officer who shares themes underlying American intelligence, as well as the roles and functions of those in the intelligence community. Intensify your knowledge of what spies, techs and analysts do. Learn how intelligence informs policymakers responding to threats that the U.S. faces now and in the coming decades.  
**Instructor:** Edward Micklous, p. 37
INTERMEDIATE CLAY SCULPTING
Nov. 8, 9 and 10, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
3 sessions, $150

Connect with your inner artist. Improve your techniques for more powerful effects. Grasp the structure of the face and head working from reference sources rather than a live model. Create a full-sized clay bust in this learning immersion class.

Required: $50 payable to instructor for clay, wooden armature and two new tools. Student supplied plastic crate approximately 12 inches tall, misting water bottle, two old kitchen towels and an oversized cup


Instructor: Glenn Ross, p. 39

DRINKING WATER YOU CAN COUNT ON: VISIT JEA’S WATER TREATMENT PLANT
ED-venture
Nov. 8, 10 to 11:30 a.m. (excludes lunch)
1 session, $25

Learn about the facility’s history and the laboratory’s incorporation into a historic Main Street building. Discover the facility’s role in testing, treating, controlling and delivering more than 80 million gallons each day. Program concludes with a chemical reaction demonstration. Transportation is on your own. Debrief over a Dutch-treat lunch at a nearby eatery. Venue is fully accessible.

Required: Ability to walk a mile, closed-toe shoes and long pants

Coordinator: Christine Lewitzke, p. 37

FINANCIAL PLANNING AT THE END OF LIFE
Nov. 8 – 15, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
2 sessions, $25

Stretch your understanding of the important financial issues that must be addressed when faced with life threatening situations. Topics include insurance planning, tax planning, budgeting, investment planning and estate planning. Consider quality of life advance directives that can help your family make better decisions.

Instructor: Carolyn McClanahan, p. 37

HOW DO THEY DO THAT? SIGN DESIGN, FABRICATION AND INSTALLATION
ED-venture
Nov. 15, 10 to 11:30 a.m. (excludes lunch)
1 session, $25

Signs are all around you. Boost your appreciation of Harbinger, a local family-owned company that works with the Jacksonville Jaguars, 7-Eleven, Gate, Maxwell House, Coca-Cola, Goodwill and Nemours among others. OLLI supporter Roger Williams is chairman of the board. Cameras welcome. Transportation is on your own. Venue is fully accessible. Debrief over a Dutch-treat lunch at the Olive Garden.

Coordinator: Cynthia Kastner, p. 36

HOW TO BECOME A PROLIFIC WRITER
Nov. 15, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
1 session, $15

Some writers finish one book and consider it a crowning achievement. Others find it a promising start. Learn the writing secrets of prolific authors to increase your productivity. Your instructor published nearly 150 books, scholarly journal articles and newspaper articles.

Instructor: Ed Mickolus, p. 37

FACIAL FITNESS: EXERCISES FOR THE FACE AND NECK
Nov. 29, Dec. 1, 6 and 8, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
4 sessions, $35

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. 31

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NEW URBAN EXPLORATION: 14TH ANNUAL GINGERBREAD HOUSE EXTRAVAGANZA AND TOUR OF MERRILL HOUSE
ED-venture
Dec. 6, 1 to 3 p.m. (excludes lunch)
1 session, $25
Discover a beloved local tradition at the Jacksonville Historical Society’s Old St. Andrew’s Church. Gigantic, creative houses built by chefs, bakers, architects, engineers, culinary school students, families and individuals. Themes range from traditional houses and buildings in Northeast Florida to fairy tales and animals. A builder shares how he or she became involved, timeline from start to finish, ingredients, construction techniques and transport to the exhibition. Gingerbread cookies are available for sale. Themed holiday trees created by Junior League Sustainers complement the display. Tour the largest and most architecturally interesting 19th century home remaining in East Jacksonville. Learn about elements that define its Queen Anne and Eastlake styles. Gingerbread display is fully accessible. Transportation is on your own. Gather for pre-tour Dutch-treat lunch at Uptown Kitchen and Bar.

Required: Mobility to climb stairs in the Merrill House
Coordinator: Billie J. Hayward, p. 35

NEW BRIDGE TO INTERMEDIATE SPANISH CONVERSATION
Sept. 14 – Oct. 19, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
6 sessions, $45
Improve your confidence and fluency in Spanish to prepare for the Intermediate Spanish Conversation class in the winter 2017 term. Practice listening and speaking in a variety of conversations. Discuss your interests, likes and dislikes. Share what you know and do not know.

Instructor: Martha Bertran, p. 31

NEW INTERMEDIATE SPANISH: LEVEL I
Sept. 14 – Oct. 19, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
6 sessions, $45
Expand your beginning Spanish knowledge. Learn verb tenses and vocabulary. Improve your listening and speaking skills. Increase your conversational skills. Reinforce and extend what you learned in beginners’ courses.

Required: Ability to understand and respond to simple sentences and questions in Spanish, textbook to be announced.
Instructor: Martha Bertran, p. 31

NEW THE DEVIL’S CHESSBOARD: ALLEN DULLES, THE CIA AND THE RISE OF AMERICA’S SECRET GOVERNMENT
Sept. 14 – Nov. 9, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
9 sessions, $60
Are you ready for a real life spy thriller? Join a discussion of a book that examines the formation of America’s modern intelligence apparatus and its towering, influential architects. Class format requires weekly reading and participation.

Required: “The Devil’s Chessboard: Allen Dulles the CIA and the Rise of America’s Secret Government” by David Talbot
Instructor: Bill Howes, p. 35

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LEADERSHIP
Sept. 21, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
1 session, $15
Mobilize General Dwight D. Eisenhower’s leadership style. He said, “The essence of leadership is to get others to do something because they think you want it done and because they know it is worth while doing.” Learn to lead by artful persuasion without appearing to give orders.
Instructor: Robert Black, p. 32

OPEN FOCUS: THE POWER OF ATTENTION
Sept. 21, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (includes lunch break)
1 session, $40
How you pay attention is as important if not more – than to what we pay attention. Attention is the foundation of our experience. How we attend to something literally changes what we find. Open Focus teaches you to shift your attention from a narrow focus to a broad, open and more flexible attention. Learn a practical, effective method to relieve stress, increase function and enhance creativity in our iOS epidemic culture. Workshop includes lecture, easy and enjoyable exercises and class discussion.
Recommended: $2 payable to instructor for practice CDs
Instructor: Martha Bennett, p. 31

CONSERVATION COFFEE BREAK AT THE JACKSONVILLE ZOO AND GARDENS
Sept. 21 OR Nov. 17, 10 to 11:30 a.m.
1 session (each), $45
Stretch your understanding of zoos and zoo staff. An expert provides insights about the conservation of wildlife and wild places. The staff shares zoo involvement in national and international initiatives. Class format includes presentation and questions and answers. Your visit includes zoo admission, a VIP experience and coffee.
Host: Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens, p. 35

APPLE USERS GROUP
Sept. 21 OR Oct. 19 OR Nov. 16, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
1 session (each), FREE member benefit
Gather with other Apple technology users. Maximize your technology product’s potential. Get your questions answered in a friendly, relaxed environment.
Facilitator: John See, p. 39

WRITING YOUR LEGACY
Sept. 28 – Oct. 19, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
4 sessions, $35
You live publicly and privately. How much do those you love really know about you? Do they know what has made your life valuable, the tenets you live by or what really matters to you? Your instructor calls those things your soul print. Gather to explore the translation of your soul print into a printed legacy.
Required: Your willingness to share your life and ideas with others in a supportive environment, as well as your preferred writing materials
Instructor: Sheila Weinstein, p. 41

BEHIND THE SCENES: FLORIDA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND
ED-venture
Oct. 5, 10 a.m. to noon (excludes lunch)
1 session, $25
Maximize your knowledge of that celebrated boarding school. Established in 1885, FSDB is the largest school of its type in the U.S. and boasts an annual budget of more than $30 million. Famous alumni include musician, songwriter and composer Ray Charles, jazz pianist Marcus Roberts, blues musician Charles Atkins, professional motocross racer Ashley Fiolek and astronaut Joseph Walker. Explore the campus on a golf cart tour. Visit students in class. Discover newest learning materials including Braillers. Shop for plants in the horticulture shop. Debrief over a Dutch-treat lunch at La Pentola. Transportation is on your own. Parking is free at both venues.
Coordinator: Kathy Marquis, p. 37

You never know who you will meet at an OLLI event
NEW: DELIBERATIVE DEMOCRACY: CIVIL DISCOURSE ABOUT CRITICAL PUBLIC ISSUES
Oct. 5 – Nov. 9, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
6 sessions, $45

Ignite your civic engagement through deliberative forums on issues proposed by the National Issues Forums Institute. Topics include:
Making Ends Meet: How Should We Spread Prosperity and Improve Opportunity?
Healthcare: How Can We Reduce Costs and Get the Care We Need?
Climates Choices: How Should We Meet the Challenges of a Warming Planet? and
Political Fix: How Do We Get American Politics Back on Track?

Moderated dialogues encourage participants to share personal opinions, carefully listen to others’ perspectives and seek common ground. Two class sessions are devoted to either additional forum topics or the development of a dialogue resource related to a critical public issue in Jacksonville.

Required: $10 materials downloaded from www.nifi.org
Facilitator: Gregg Kaufman, p. 36

NEW: MYSTERIES UNLIMITED: INTERNATIONAL
Oct. 5 – Nov. 30, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
(No class Oct. 12, 26, Nov. 9, 23)
5 sessions, $40

Contemporary crime fiction, including noir, is your point of departure to explore literary aspects, history, politics, culture and economics of countries worldwide. Authors come from areas they write about. A reading list and resources will be provided. Library quantities are limited, so books may need to be purchased. The schedule allows time for reading.

Required: Knowledge of following links to Internet sites and downloading e-mail attachments
Instructor: June Weltman, p. 41

NEW: EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN OF OUR TIMES: THEIR LIVES AND LEGACIES
Oct. 12 – Nov. 16, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
6 sessions, $45

Explore and compare the lives and legacies of five pairs of extraordinary and unconventional women. Class format is highly interactive through round table exchange, information sharing and weekly research and presentations. Diverse pairs of subjects proposed include: Washington Post publisher Katherine Graham and New York Times’ executive editor Jill Abramson; environmentalist Rachel Carson and zoologist Dian Fosse; international correspondent Christiane Amanpour and National Public Radio host Diane Rehm; and, photojournalists Dorothea Lange and Margaret Bourke-White.

Required: Independent reading and research, as well as internet skills
Facilitator: Lee Marshall, p. 37

NEW: PHOTO ART: ENHANCE YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY
Oct. 12 – 26, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
3 sessions, $30

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

Required: Flash drive containing your photographs
Instructor: Melinda Bradshaw, p. 32

NEW: CONSCIOUS AGING: LISTENING TO YOUR INNER WISDOM
Oct. 12 – Nov. 16, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
6 sessions, $45

Explore unexamined beliefs about aging. Develop self-compassion. Discover what has given meaning to your life and the lives of others. Enhance your connection with others by understanding a shared humanity. Reduce your fear and increase your acceptance of death and dying. Create a new vision of aging.

Required: $40 payable to the instructor for course workbook, participation in small group discussion and some writing
Instructor: Roger Cochran, p. 33

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THE SOUTHERN HOME FRONT DURING THE U.S. CIVIL WAR
Oct. 19 – Dec. 14, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
(No class Nov. 23)
8 sessions, $55

Improve your understanding of the experiences of southern civilians and common soldiers amidst the ferocious fighting of the Civil War. Examine key military battles, leaders and their armies, as well as guerrilla warfare, Hard War policies and military occupations. Explore the topics of slavery, free blacks, southern women and Unionists and the Emancipation Proclamation.

Required: “Seasons of War: The Ordeal of a Confederate Community, 1861-1865” by Daniel Sutherland

Instructor: Ken Hoffman, p. 35

CROSSING THE ST. JOHNS
Oct. 19 – 26, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
2 sessions, $25

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. 40

FIGHTING GRAVITY: BASIC STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING
Oct. 19 – Nov. 9, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
4 sessions, $35

Improve your understanding of basic structural engineering techniques. Gravity is a natural phenomenon by which all things with mass are brought towards one another. On Earth, gravity makes things want to fall down. Structural engineers may not know exactly how gravity works, but they have developed robust tools to prevent things from falling down.

Instructor: Joe Varon, p. 40

HAPPINESS
Oct. 26 – Nov. 16, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
4 sessions, $35

Transform your knowledge of happiness through the wisdom of the ancients and academic studies about the keys to happiness. Improve your happiness quotient through practice exercises.

Instructor: Robert Black, p. 32

GOOD BOOKS FOR ALL AGES
Nov. 9, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
1 session, $15

Transform your knowledge of new and forthcoming books for readers of all ages and interests, including fiction and nonfiction. An independent bookstore owner shares her expertise and provides reviews and recommendations. Discussion and questions welcome.

Instructor: Rona Brinlee, p. 32

PROTECT YOURSELF FROM COMPUTER HACKING AND IDENTITY THEFT
Nov. 9 – 16, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
2 sessions, $25

Maximize your understanding of who hacks, why and how they do it and whom they target. Topics include bank account and identity theft, as well as fraud. Consider complexities associated with recovery and restoration beyond bank or credit card losses. Learn about risks associated with theft and manipulation of medical records. Act to make yourself, your family and your computing devices more secure. Little technical knowledge is required.

Instructor: Thomas Kinney, p. 36
CREATIVITY FOR RETIREES
Nov. 30 – Dec. 21, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
4 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.
Instructor: Edward Mickolus, p. 37

ANCIENT GRAINS
Sept. 8, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
1 session, $20 (includes UNF parking pass)
Location: UNF Brooks College of Health Nutrition Lab
Discover some lost ancient grains that are making a comeback in the modern world for both their flavor and their health benefits. Some experts consider those grains a nearly perfect food because they are rich in protein, Omega-3 fatty acids and antioxidants. Learn how to buy them and incorporate them in your meal planning. Come hungry to this demonstration class. You will sample the grains in a variety of dishes.
Required: $10 payable to the instructor for food supplies
Instructor: Kelly Baxley, p. 31

BEGINNING BRIDGE I
Sept. 15 – Nov. 10, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. (No class Oct. 13)
8 sessions, $70
Discover the modern game of bridge. If you have limited or no experience with the game, this course is for you. Learn basics from evaluating your hand to bidding and play of the hand. Develop the foundation that leads to your enjoyment of the game.
Instructor: Christine Hammel, p. 34

RECYCLING: HOW IT WORKS IN JACKSONVILLE
ED-venture
Sept. 15, 10 a.m. to noon
1 session, $25
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: Geri Buchanan, p. 33

BEGINNING FRENCH: LEVEL I
Sept. 15 – Nov. 10, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
9 sessions, $60
Calling all true beginning students of French. Grasp basic, everyday vocabulary and phrases in simple dialogs and conversations. Advance to beginning grammar and vocabulary useful in different real-life situations. Have fun speaking French!
Instructor: Anne-Marie Lainé, p. 36

Join OLLI with a friend and share the fun of learning something new.
NEW  WRITING YOUR SPIRITUAL AUTOBIOGRAPHY
Sept. 15 – Oct. 6, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
4 sessions, $35

Spiritual autobiography is different from autobiography and memoir. It is a quest to connect the dots of your interior life rather than a linear chronology of your life story. The thread running through your life will appear. Class format includes reading others’ stories, exercises, such as drawing timelines and writing with the aid of prompts. There is no requirement to share with the class or instructor. You do not have to be a writer to tell your story.

Required: Read one of these texts in advance of the first class “Surprised by Joy” by C.S. Lewis, “West with the Night” by Beryl Markham or “The Snow Leopard” by Peter Matthiessen.


Instructor: Charlene Vincent, p. 40

NEW  INTERMEDIATE FRENCH
Sept. 15 – Nov. 10, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
9 sessions, $60

Enhance your knowledge of French through additional practice and learning. Songs, poems, recipes and other authentic materials supplement language study and practice in this multilevel class.


Instructor: Anne-Marie Lainé, p. 36

NEW  WWII: RADAR, ELECTRONICS AND MORE
Sept. 15 – Oct. 6, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
4 sessions, $35

Stretch your knowledge of electronics, radio and radar developments before and during WWII. Instructor shares his interests, topical collections, readings, personal stories and observations.


Instructor: T. Parkinson, p. 38

NEW  EXPLORING EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE
Sept. 15 – Oct. 20, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
6 sessions, $45

Time magazine called high levels of emotional intelligence the best predictor of success in life. Daniel Goleman popularized the theory of emotional intelligence. He defined it as the ability to recognize, understand and modify one’s own emotions, as well as understand and cope with the emotions of others. Examine the theory of emotional intelligence to see how it applies to your life and the lives of those you know and love. Introspection and interaction are required.

Instructor: Jane Bryant, p. 32

NEW  THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS: SECRET BOOKS OF THE BIBLE?
Oct. 6 – Nov. 3, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
5 sessions, $40

Enrich your knowledge of the Dead Sea Scrolls, a vast collection of manuscripts written in Hebrew, Aramaic and Greek. Since their discovery more than 60 years ago in caves near an ancient settlement of Qumran near the Dead Sea, they have been the subject of intrigue and controversy. Why are they considered to be one of the most important archaeological discoveries of the 20th century? Are they lost books of the Bible? Learn why the scrolls are important. Explore the diversity of the manuscripts that have provided insights into the development of both Judaism and Christianity.

Instructor: Glenn Kuhnel, p. 36

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NEW PAINTING WITH ACRYLIC PAINTS
Oct. 6 – Nov. 10, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
6 sessions, $55
Unleash your creativity. Accelerate your understanding of the importance of color choices and proper paint mixing techniques. Learn what it takes to create successful paintings including good composition. Course combines demonstration, one-on-one instruction and hands-on learning. The instructor’s goal is to help you gain the required knowledge, skills, competency and confidence to paint better and paint more. Drawing skills are not required.
Required: Some prior experience painting with acrylics, watercolors or oils, $45 materials fee payable to the instructor or student supplied materials from instructor’s list
Instructor: Anthony Whiting, p. 41

NEW PASTA 101
Oct. 6, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
1 session, $20 (includes UNF parking pass)
Location: UNF Brooks College of Health Nutrition Lab
Learn the secrets of making fresh pasta in this hands-on cooking class. Discover the secrets of making perfect pasta at a fraction of the cost of store bought. Sample your creations to be transported to the Tuscan hills. Recipes will be supplied.
Required: $10 payable to the instructor for food supplies
Instructor: Kelly Baxley, p. 31

NEW HOW IT’S MADE: FISH TO FRUIT
Oct. 13, 9:30 to noon (excludes lunch)
1 session, $25
Tour the Beaver Street Fisheries, a locally headquartered leader in the seafood industry that distributes quality frozen products in the U.S. and worldwide. Learn about sourcing, processing, sale and distribution. Cross the street to the Jacksonville Farmers Market for a tour to learn what’s sold, how and to whom. Transportation is on your own. Debrief over a Dutch-treat lunch at Andy’s Café in the market. Extend the fun and shop.
Required: Comfortable shoes (no heels), dress in layers, stamina to walk on uneven terrain for one and a half hours
Coordinator: Cynthia Kastner, p. 36

NEW UNDERSTANDING AGING: BONES, JOINTS AND MUSCLES
Oct. 13 – Nov. 3, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
4 sessions, $35
Intensify your understanding of the aging process and the potential positive impact of certain lifestyle choices. Examine the macro and micro physiological factors that reveal the aging process. Learn about the importance of preserving strength and balance. Achieve greater self-knowledge and self-awareness.
Instructor: Irving Sterman, p. 40

NEW ROLLING WITH THE ST. JOHNS RIVER
Oct. 13 – 27, 10 a.m. to noon (excludes lunch)
3 sessions, $70
Location: Jacksonville University
Intensify your knowledge of the river, its history and current state. Local experts and advocates share the river’s beauty and fragility, as well as its importance to our area’s quality of life and economy. Your classrooms are Jacksonville University’s LEED Gold-certified Marine Science Research Institute (MSRI), also home of the St. Johns Riverkeeper and the R/V Larkin, JU’s research pontoon boat.
OCT. 13
Welcome and introduction to the river (Dr. Quinton White) and the area’s early native people and European settlers (Dr. Keith Ashley)
OCT. 20
Marine life: urban dolphins (Dr. Quincy Gibson), manatees and other wildlife (Nadia Gordon)
OCT. 27
Report from the St. Johns Riverkeeper onboard the R/V Larkin (Lisa Rinaman)
Debrief after each class over a brown bag lunch on the MSRI’s covered deck.
Required: Ability to step down into boat and onto the dock
Instructors: Keith Ashley, p. 31, Quincy Gibson, p. 33, Nadia Gordon, p. 34, Lisa Rinaman, p. 39 and Quinton White, p. 41
GRAND GRANDPARENTING!
Oct. 20 – Nov. 3, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
3 sessions, $30
When a grandchild is born, so is a grandparent! Learn how to bond with your grandchildren through shared interests and experiences as well as by creating brand new memories together. Discover the importance of play and the value of storytelling in teaching lifelong lessons while also having fun. Understand your unique role and the effect of unconditional love and acceptance.
Instructor: Rob Groleau, p. 34

NEW SPIRITUAL PAIN: PAIN DEEP DOWN IN YOUR SOUL
Oct. 27, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
1 session, $15
Explore pain that is often unexplained, the pain that touches the very core of your being. Topics range from existential pain faced when dying or pain about meaning in life when life does not go as expected. Intensify your understanding of various kinds of spiritual pain and ways to help resolve such pain through lecture and discussion.
Instructor: Karen K. Heistand, p. 35

NEW NEWSWORTHY EXCURSION:
TOUR THE FLORIDA TIMES-UNION
ED-venture
Oct. 27, 10 to 11:30 a.m. (excludes lunch)
1 session, $25
Maximize your understanding of the news with a visit to your local daily newspaper. Gather for an overview followed by a walking tour to various departments. Visit news and editorial rooms, library and advertising, as well as areas for composition, platemaking and press and distribution. Your Tour Times swag bag includes newspaper reporting and production information, fact sheet, newspaper and other Times-Union products. Cameras are welcome. Venue is fully accessible. Transportation is on your own. Debrief over a Dutch-treat lunch at Riverside’s Pinegrove Market and Deli.
Coordinator: Georgia Pribanic, p. 38

NEW OUR TECHNOLOGICAL FUTURE
Oct. 27 – Dec. 8, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (No class Nov. 24)
6 sessions, $45
Examine the trends of technology in our future. Begin with a discussion the exponential growth in the acceptance of new technologies. Explore a number of forthcoming technologies and discuss their possible societal and ethical implications. Topics range from driverless cars, robotic warfare and personalized higher education to advanced communication, space travel, virtual reality and gene manipulation. Class format includes lecture with multimedia presentations of specific technologies, a jargon-free discussion of how they work and their possible future impacts.
Required: Review of course materials distributed electronically in advance of each class
Instructor: Bernard Grossman, p. 34

IT IS GOING TO RAIN TODAY, BUT WHY?
Oct. 27 – Nov. 17, 1:30 to 3 p.m.
4 sessions, $35
Learn the physics behind the basic weather we experience. Discover the causes of seasons, winds, precipitation, fronts and much more. A synopsis of meteorology and computer animations demonstrate and explain the processes. Questions and discussion encouraged to make it an enjoyable learning experience.
Instructor: Bob Schiffner, p. 39

NEW THE FOUR THINGS THAT MATTER MOST
Nov. 3, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
1 session, $15
Anticipate things that are vitally important to resolve before your death or that of a loved one. Unfinished business may be resolved by saying or hearing “Please forgive me,” “I forgive you,” “Thank you,” and “I love you.”
Recommended: “The Four Things that Matter Most: A Book about Living” by Ira Byock
Instructor: Karen K. Heistand, p. 35

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NEW JUST WHAT WERE THEY THINKING?
Nov. 3 – Dec. 22, 9:30 to 11 a.m. (No class Nov. 24)
7 sessions, $50

Discover what we can learn from Aristotle, Thomas Hobbes, William Faulkner, John Locke, Anton Chekhov, Alexis de Tocqueville and Leo Tolstoy. In this highly participatory class, you answer questions from the leader’s guide, take a turn as a moderator and share your thoughts, insights and reflections. This is the first in a series of Great Books courses. Each term’s course is new and independent from the others. You’re expected to read 30 – 40 pages per week. A new series of Great Books will be offered each term.

Required: “Introduction to Great Books First Series” and “Leader’s Guide” from www.store.greatbooks.org (Grades 9-12)

Facilitator: Ralph Sawyer, p. 39

NEW OUT OF AFRICA: AN UPDATE
Nov. 3, 9:30 to 11 a.m.
1 session, $15

In 1985, the epic movie Out of Africa introduced Karen Blixen and her life on a coffee plantation in the early years of colonial Kenya. That extraordinary visual and musical feast showcased a specific period in Kenya’s development. Discover what has happened to the major sites and people involved 31 years later. Contrast that era with contemporary life in Kenya with emphasis on Nairobi, its major tourist sites and local conservation efforts.

Instructor: Georgia Pribanic, p. 38

NEW URBAN EXPLORATION: DISCOVER THE RITZ THEATER AND LA VILLA MUSEUM
ED-venture
Nov. 3, 10 a.m. to noon (excludes lunch)
1 session, $25

Established in 1929, the Ritz Theater and its historic La Villa neighborhood were home to African-American authors, poets, artists, musicians, playwrights and performers. That vibrant area, known as the Harlem of the South, hosted musical, dance and theatrical productions, as well as movies. The museum opened in 1999. Exhibits document the culture and history of the area including people of African descent in northeast Florida prior to statehood in 1845 and life in the 20th century. Your docent-led tour includes animatronic displays created by Sally Corporation featuring James Weldon Johnson and his brother, J. Rosamond Johnson. Those La Villa natives created Lift Every Voice and Sing, now known as the Black American national anthem. Venue is fully accessible. Transportation is on your own.

Required: Stamina to stand and walk for two hours, comfortable shoes

Coordinator: Billie Hayward, p. 35

NEW EARTH WILL SURVIVE. WILL HUMANITY?
Nov. 3 – Dec. 8, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. (No class Nov. 24)
5 sessions, $40

Oceans, volcanoes, ice and atmosphere have continually altered, reshaped and renewed our planet during its multi-billion-year history. The current population of 7.4 billion represents the newest force. One certainty is that Earth will survive. The fate of human civilization remains unknown. This class focuses on interactions between natural and human forces.

Instructor: Mike Shore, p. 39

NEW HELP, I’VE BEEN HACKED! SECURITY 101 FOR YOUR iPHONE, iPAD AND APPLE COMPUTER
Nov. 3 – 17, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
2 sessions, $25

How easy is it to hack into your iPhone? Do you need a virus protector on your Apple computer? What settings should you use on your iPhone, iPad and Mac to keep your information private? What is Malware? How do you stay safe online? What is e-mail phishing? Get answers to your online security, safety and privacy questions.

Instructor: John See, p. 39

NEW SENIOR HUNGER IN NORTHEAST FLORIDA: A HIDDEN TRAGEDY
Nov. 10, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
1 session, $15

Learn the magnitude of the problem and efforts currently underway to address it. Course format includes a panel discussion with student participation.

Facilitator: Ken Tannenbaum, p. 40
**THE HOLIDAY COCKTAIL PARTY**  
Nov. 10, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.  
1 session, $20 (includes UNF parking pass)  
**Location**: UNF Brooks College of Health Nutrition Lab  
Stretch your repertoire for holiday cocktail party nibbles. Think outside the box and minimize your time in the kitchen. Discover presentation techniques for your tasty morsels that will lead your guests to ask for referrals to your caterer. Come ready to nibble and make a game plan in this combination hands-on, demonstration and discussion class. Recipes will be supplied.  
**Required**: $15 payable to the instructor for food supplies  
**Instructor**: Kelly Baxley, p. 31

**ARMCHAIR TRAVEL MEDLEY: INDIA, NEPAL AND BHUTAN**  
Nov. 17 – Dec. 15, 1:30 to 3 p.m. (no class Nov. 24)  
4 sessions, $35  
Explore the people, places, histories and cultures of those countries in South Asia. While the region is defined by its former rule by Britain, it is equally defined by its diversity. Sit back and relax as an expert takes you on a journey of discovery.  
**Instructor**: Roshan Massey, p. 37

**ZEN BUDDHIST MEDITATION**  
Sept. 16 – Oct. 21, 9:30 to 11 a.m.  
6 sessions, $45  
Experience traditional Zen meditation with a seasoned Zen meditator who studied with recognized masters. Review the background of Buddhism leading to the Zen method. Develop posture, breathing and techniques to achieve understanding and compassion. Emphasis is on the act of meditating.  
**Required**: Zabaton and zafu if you own them; if not, yoga mat or blanket and a firm pillow  
**Instructor**: Bill Mayhew, p. 37

**PHOTOGRAPHIC PRESERVATION**  
Sept. 16, 6 to 7 p.m.  
1 session, $10 (Course fee includes parking pass)  
**Location**: UNF Thomas G. Carpenter Library  
Improve your theoretical and practical understanding of preserving historic photographs in your collection. An expert demonstrates proper cleaning techniques and guides hands-on experiences. Course fee includes preservation materials for use in class and at home.  
**Required**: $15 materials fee payable to OLLI, 3 to 5 aged photographs  
**Instructor**: Aisha Johnson-Jones, p. 36

**MAH JONGG FOR BEGINNERS**  
Sept. 16 – Oct. 14, 1 to 3 p.m.  
5 sessions, $50  
Enjoy a fascinating rummy-like game that is played with tiles rather than cards. Mah Jongg originated in China and dates back to the time of Confucius. Originally played by the ruling classes, the game’s popularity in the west exploded in the 1920s. Acquire the knowledge and skills you need to compete in this popular pastime.  
**Required**: Advance purchase of 2016 National Mah Jongg League card ($9) by calling (212) 246-3052 or online at www.nationalmahjonggleague.org.  
**Instructor**: Denice Goldberg, p. 34
REDISCOVERING THE LABYRINTH AS A REFLECTIVE PRACTICE

Oct. 28, 10 a.m. to noon (excludes lunch)
1 session, $25
Location: Omnisara Labyrinth and Gardens, 414 Third Avenue N., Jacksonville Beach
Explore history, philosophy, significance and uses of the labyrinth, an ancient pattern found in many cultures around the world for millennia. Use the experience of walking this simple, ancient path with a Veriditas-trained facilitator as a way to quiet the mind, recover balance in life, and encourage meditation, insight, self-reflection and stress reduction. Discussion, question and answer will enhance your experience. Debrief over a Dutch-treat lunch.

Recommended: Comfortable shoes, a journal or sketchpad to record your thoughts and feelings and “Walking a Sacred Path: Rediscovering the Labyrinth as a Spiritual Practice” by Lauren Artress

Required: Transportation is on your own, logistical instructions provided

Facilitator: Sam Hall, p. 34

WRITE YOUR LEGACY WILL IN A DAY

Dec. 2, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. (includes break)
1 session, $30
Embrace an ancient tradition to bequeath your values, beliefs, blessings and advice to future generations. Clarify and communicate your life’s meaning. Complement wills for your possessions and advance directives. Writing exercises focus on preparation, action, completion, review and renewal. Create your legacy to celebrate accomplishments and achieve peace of mind.

Facilitator: Kathleen Triebwasser, p. 40
Carol Chou Adams (Chou Fang-Lan) and Daniel Adams are a husband and wife team with extensive teaching experience in the United States and Asia. Rev. Carol Chou Adams and Rev. Daniel Adams spent a combined 37 years in Taiwan and Korea working as educators. They have also served as visiting professors and special lecturers in Myanmar (Burma), Hong Kong, Japan, Thailand, Indonesia and Malaysia. Avid travelers, they have visited more than 100 countries, where they always sought out centers of religious devotion and places of cultural and archeological interest. Carol is a graduate of Tainan Theological College, Elmhurst College (B.A., L.H.D.), the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary (M.Div.), Presbyterian School of Christian Education (M.A.) and the Southeast Asia Graduate School of Theology (Th.D.). Daniel holds degrees from Seattle Pacific University (B.A.), the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary (M.Div.), Soochow University in Taiwan (M.A.) and Aquinas Institute of Theology (Ph.D.).

Culture and Religion in Asia: The Development of Christianity in Korea, p. 16

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Islam: The Faith, the People and Their Politics, p. 10

Evelyn Anchondo is originally from El Paso, Texas 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. 19

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Vietnam War, p. 11

Keith Ashley is coordinator of Archaeological Research at UNF. Dr. Ashley has been involved in archaeological excavations throughout the southeastern United States. His current research focuses on the Native American history and cultures of Florida and coastal Georgia.

Rolling with the St. Johns River, p. 26

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Pilates for Buff Bones, p. 30

Kelly Baxley is a certified chef with a passion for learning and teaching all things food. A fateful visit to Italy in 2010 inspired her to return and pursue her dream of becoming a chef in her second act. Baxley has taught home cooks for more than 11 years, both at Williams Sonoma and in a local cooking studio.

Ancient Grains, p. 24

The Holiday Cocktail Party, p. 29

Pasta 101, p. 26

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Open Focus: The Power of Attention, p. 21

Martha Bertran was born in Cuba and immigrated to Miami with her parents. She is a retired high school Spanish teacher and has taught all levels from beginners to advanced students. She is now enjoying retirement in the Jacksonville area after living in many cities and countries. Her passions are teaching and traveling.

Bridge to Intermediate Spanish Conversation, p. 20

Intermediate Spanish: Level I, p. 20
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 holds M.S., E.E., P.E. degrees and an M.B.A. in finance from the University of Akron where he received Frank L. Simonetti Award for distinguished business alumni. He is an honorary member of the Financial Management Association and a certified instructor F.D.I.C. United Way Real Sense financial education. Black holds 17 U.S. patents. While he is neither a broker nor a financial adviser, he has been investing for more than 50 years and manages his own portfolio. Black has traveled to Australia and many places in Asia; he has also studied Buddhism, Tao and Christianity.

Happiness, p. 23
Investing For Those Who Do Not Want To Think About It, p. 11
Leadership, p. 21

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Photo Art: Enhancing Your Photography, p. 22

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Brandenburg’s “Sharecropper’s Son: The Story of Doc Garland Granger” won the Florida Writer’s Association 2010 Royal Palm Literary Award in the biography category. She is currently at work on her 28th manuscript. Brandenburg serves on the boards of the National League of American Pen Women and the Stetson Kennedy Foundation.

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Write Your Life Story, p. 17

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Exploring Emotional Intelligence, p. 25
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The Peopling of America: From the Ice Age to the Internet, p. 8

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Aging in Place With Technology, p. 13

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Mah Jongg for Beginners, p. 29

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Medicare 101, p. 9

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Grand Grandparenting!, p. 27

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Our Technological Future, p. 27

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Beginning Bridge I, p. 24

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What Have We Learned from the Great Recession of 2008?, p. 8
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The French Resistance, p. 8

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The Southern Home Front during the U.S. Civil War, p. 23

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Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens fosters understanding of the interaction of people, wildlife and their environment through engaging guest experiences and innovative educational opportunities.

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Photographic Preservation, p. 29

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Interior Decorating: Innovate, Rejuvenate and Appreciate, p. 17

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Protect Yourself from Computer Hacking and Identity Theft, p. 23

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The Dead Sea Scrolls: Secret Books of the Bible?, p. 25

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Extraordinary Women of our Times: Their Lives and Legacies, p. 22

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French Poetry and Conversation, p. 11

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Armchair Travel Medley: India, Nepal and Bhutan, p. 29

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Zen Buddhist Meditation, p. 29

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Financial Planning at the End of Life, p. 19

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The Great Age of Vienna: Strauss, Bruckner, Mahler and Wolf, p. 12

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Intermediate Clay Sculpting, p. 19

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