



**Learning in Later Life
Spring 2009 Courses and Potpourri Sessions**

We wish to thank all instructors in the Learning in Later Life program for generously volunteering their time and expertise to present these courses and potpourris to our members.

Courses:

Talking Books

Peer Instructor: Jane Landon

Take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to add to your personal reading list. Offer your input, opinions and interpretations of the selected readings during our lively book discussions. We recommend you read the books by the scheduled discussion dates; however, this is not a requirement.

“March” by Geraldine Brooks

“Gilead” by Marilynne Robinson

“Gift of Rain” by Tan Twan Eng

“To Travel Hopefully” by Christopher Rush

Dates: Mondays, March 23, April 13, May 4 and May 18, 2009

Time: 10:00 a.m. – noon

Location: Brennan Center Room 3

Environmental History of America- Part IV

Instructor: Dr. Dietrich Schlobohm, Professor of History, Emeritus, Springfield College

This next chapter of the environmental history of the United States focuses on the 2nd half of the 19th century. We will examine the westward movement and settlement of the Great Plains, John Wesley Powell and his survey and exploration of the West, the Conservation Movement of the late 19th and 20th century and perhaps some film dealing with this period.

Dates: Wednesdays, March 18, 25, April 1, 8

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30am

Location: Fuller Arts Center, Appleton Auditorium

A Stroll Through the Four Seasons with the Nature Poems of Robert Frost

Instructor: Dr. Ed Sims, Professor of English, Emeritus, Springfield College

Read aloud and explore some of Robert Frost’s Nature poems representative of New England’s four seasons.

Dates: Thursdays April 23 and April 30

Time: 10:00a.m. - 12:00pm

Location: Brennan Center Room 125

Opera In The Romantic Era: Part II

Instructor: Guy McLain, Director of the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum

Join Guy for a survey of opera in the nineteenth century, exploring the most important trends of that day. Puccini, Strauss, Debussy and Tchaikovsky will all be featured.

Date: Wednesdays April 15, 22, 29 May 6

Time: 9:30 -11:30 a.m.

Location: Fuller Arts Center, Appleton Auditorium

Bette Davis Festival of the 1940's

Peer Instructor: Jack Weldon

This festival of films showcases the legendary Bette Davis in her prime. With great supporting casts, enjoy Bette's great hits of the 1940's, the time when she made her best movies!

In This Our Life with Olivia de Havilland

Deception with Claude Rains

The Old Maid with Miriam Hopkins

The Great Lie with George Brent and Mary Astor

Watch on the Rhine with Paul Lucas

Dates: Mondays, March 23, April 6, 13, 27 and May 4, 11

Time: 1-3:30 p.m.

Location: Brennan Center Room 125

The Politics of the New President

Instructor: Dr. Dan Russell, Professor, Springfield College

We will discuss these questions regarding the Obama Administration thus far:

Has he changed the way we conduct our politics? Can he put an end to partisan strife? Have there been substantive changes in our policies? How well has President Obama met the challenges he faces at home and overseas? We'll discuss these and other questions about the course of our political system since Inauguration Day.

Dates: Tuesdays March 24 and April 21

Time: 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Location: Fuller Arts Center, Appleton Auditorium

Geographic Names: Issues of Sensitivity, Semantics and Significance

Instructor: Dr. Thomas L. Bernard, Professor of Education & Psychology Emeritus, Springfield College

There is an unfortunate tendency for many Americans to be imprecise and somewhat vague about correct terminology as it applies to people and places around the world. For example, it took the breakup of the Soviet Union to bring to the fore the fact that not all Soviet citizens were Russians. In this class Dr. Bernard seeks to illustrate how, without realizing it, one can offend people in the international domain by not being culturally aware.

Dates: Mondays, March 30 and April 6

Time: 11:00 am - 12:00pm

Location: Brennan Center Room 1&2

Hot Topics in Nutrition

Instructor: Carine Seeve, Assistant Professor of the Physician Assistant Program, Springfield College

Join Carine for a discussion of the most current nutrition information and news. Trans-fats, saturated fats and the foods they are found in and the Calcium and Vitamin D levels appropriate for all ages will be covered.

Dates: Tuesdays, April 7, 14

Time: 1:30-3:30pm

Location: Reeds Landing

Potpourri Sessions:

Introduction to Buddhism

Instructor: David McMahon, Director of Campus Ministries at Springfield College

In this introductory class, David will share the concepts and teachings that are the foundation of this ancient religion. Learn of the many beliefs and practices that are shared by more than 250 million people in the world today.

Date: Thursday May 7

Time: 10:00am-12:00pm

Location: Brennan Center Room 1&2

St. Patrick's Day Cooking Demonstration and Lunch

Instructors: Executive Chef, Drew Hall and Operations Director, Roger Roberge, Aramark Dining Services

Join your chefs du jour as they prepare a meal, share great cooking tips and tricks of the trade and then partake in a little lunch compliments of Aramark. *Registration is limited to the first 20 participants.*

Date: Tuesday March 17

Time: 10:00-11:30am

Location: Cheney Hall

Ireland Travels

Instructor: Katherine Smith, Director of Conferences and Special Events Springfield College

Enjoy a discussion and a photo presentation of the top ten recommended sites of Ireland from Kathy's visits to the Emerald Isle.

Date: Tuesday April 7

Time: 10am-12:00pm

Location: Fuller Arts Center, Appleton Auditorium

Economics

Instructor: Dr. John Doyle, Professor of Economics, Springfield College

The current state of the economy has everyone scratching their heads and wondering what to do. John Doyle lends his insight as a professor of economics about our economy, what lead up to the current market and economic conditions and what we can expect in the near future.

Date: Wednesday April 8

Time: 1:30-3:30pm

Location: Reeds Landing

Naomi's Inn: Dream to Reality-One woman's journey and how it relates to your life.

Instructor: Marci Webber, Owner of Naomi's Inn

Naomi's Inn, Bed and Breakfast and Wellness Center in Springfield Massachusetts was built in 1846 and completely renovated and restored in 2006. Join Marci as she describes her dream and turned it into her own reality.

Date: Tuesday, March 24

Time: 1:30pm-3:30pm

Location: Marsh Memorial Chapel

Appreciating Film

Instructor: Dr. Carol E. Mitchell, Professor of English, Springfield College

Join Carol to view a compelling contemporary film of her choice. Discussion of themes, characters, and cinematic technique will follow.

Date: Tuesday, March 31

Time: 9:00am-12:00pm

Location: Fuller Arts Center, Appleton Auditorium

Leisure and Recreation Guidance

Instructor: Dr. Donald Snyder, Professor of Sport Management and Recreation, Springfield College

Learn about leisure values, attitudes, interests, behaviors, and resources from graduate students majoring in therapeutic recreation. *Registration is limited to the first 20 participants.*

Date: Wednesday, April 1

Time: 5 to 8 p.m.

Location: Blake Hall Room107

Web 2.0: Social Networking Using the Internet

Instructor: Andrea Taupier, Director of the Library, Springfield College

Ever wonder what happened to Web 1.0? Are you hearing about Facebook and Twitter when you just have learned to text a message on your cell phone? Library Director, Andrea Taupier, and members of the Babson Library staff will demonstrate software, answer your questions, and demystify the latest in online social networking tools. Take a look at the way the younger generations are communicating with family and friends!

Date: Thursday April 30

Time: 1:30-3:30pm

Location: Brennan Center Room 125

“The Untold Story of William G. Morgan, Inventor of Volleyball”

Instructor: Joel Dearing, Associate Professor and Head Women’s Volleyball Coach at Springfield College and Author

Join Professor Joel Dearing, author of *“The Untold Story of William G. Morgan, Inventor of Volleyball”* for a discussion of William Morgan. Joel will also share his experience writing the book and his journey to publication!

Date: Thursday March 26

Time: 1:00pm-3:00pm

Location: Brennan Center Room 125

Singing Through the Years: Songs to Remember

Instructor: Verne MacArthur, Retired Professor of Human Services, Springfield College

Bring your singing voices, senses of humor, and compassion. We’ll remember songs from different periods of our lives that express the joys and struggles of past times. We’ll sing as many of them as we can remember—at least one verse!!

Date: Thursday, April 23

Time: 1:00pm-3:00pm

Location: Reeds Landing

The Birds and the Bees and the Flowers and the Trees

Instructor: Dr. Dietrich Schlobohm, Professor Emeritus, Springfield College

Celebrate the arrival of spring by observing and enjoying the debut of returning birds, wildflowers, leafing trees, insects and wildlife. Good footwear and comfortable clothing are recommended for this nature walk through Stanley Park in Westfield.

Date: Tuesday, May 5 (Raindate: May 6th)

Time: 10:00am-12:00pm

Location: Stanley Park in Westfield

Italian Renaissance Art

Instructor: Michael DiVenuto, Foreign Language Teacher, Central H.S.

Continuing our Introduction to Italian Art from the Spring of 2006, Michael will present on the role of symbolism in Italian renaissance art.

Date: Wednesday April 15

Time: 2:00-4:00pm

Location: Fuller Arts Center, Appleton Auditorium

“Monique and the Mango Rains: Two Years with a Midwife in Mali”

Instructor: Kris Holloway, Author

Monique and the Mango Rains is the nonfiction account of Kris Holloway’s time spent as a young Peace Corps volunteer in Mali. Join Kris as she speaks of her personal experience and talks about her book.

Date: Monday April 20

Time: 10-11:30am

Location: Fuller Arts Center, Appleton Auditorium

Take Me Out to the Ballgame

Instructor: Carl Fetteroll

Do you remember the Boston Beaneaters? If not, it is because they were the forerunners for our own Boston Braves. Yes, the current Atlanta Braves franchise originally played in Boston, and can trace their history back to the 1800's and the Beaneaters. Come on out for a day of popcorn and peanuts as we explore that other baseball team in town, its place in the National League and its rich and colorful history.

Date: Wednesday April 29

Time: 9:30-11:30am

Location: Fuller Arts Center, Appleton Auditorium

Special Events

Kick-off Kaffee-Klatsch

The literal meaning of the term is an informal social gathering for coffee and conversation. Join old friends and meet new members over coffee, tea, assorted juices, fresh fruit, danish, and muffins. You will be able to pick up your calendars, William Simson Fine Arts Series brochure and other fun and useful information.

Date: Monday March 16

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30am

Location: Cheney Hall

Price: No Charge: MUST RSVP TO Special Programs (413)748-5287

Instructor Appreciation

Join us for a “Flavors From Around the Globe” themed social as we thank the LLL instructors who have given their time and energy this past academic year. Light snacks and beverages with an International flair will be available.

Date: Thursday May 21st

Time: 1:30-3:00pm

Location: Townhouse Conference Room

\$10.00 per person

Main Street, U.S.A.

Enjoy a bus ride through the Berkshires to the picturesque village of Stockbridge Massachusetts. First stop, The Norman Rockwell Museum. Enjoy a self guided tour through the museum and have time to enjoy the gift shop. Second stop on our tour is the fabulous Red Lion Inn for lunch and fellowship. After lunch, enjoy a leisurely stroll down Main Street to enjoy antiquing, window shopping and get some fresh air before we depart home to Springfield.

Date: Thursday April 2nd

Time: 8:30 a.m.-4:30pm

**Location: Depart Lot 4 at 8:45 am and return by 4:30pm to Lot 4
(Lot behind Cheney Hall)**

Charge: \$60: includes round trip transportation, museum admission and lunch

Membership

The Institute for Learning in Later Life (LLL) membership and benefits to people aged 55 and older:

Individual \$59/semester

Couple \$100/semester

Benefits

- ◆ Enrollment in all LLL courses (*Courses fill quickly; registrations are on a first-come first-served basis.*)
- ◆ Priority registration for all LLL trips
- ◆ Access to Babson Library with lending privileges
- ◆ Admission to competitive athletic events (except championship games), William Simpson Fine Arts series events, and other campus events at no charge or at reduced rates
- ◆ Free campus parking

How to Register

1. Complete the membership application. Select your membership category: Individual or Couple.
2. Full members may select courses and potpourris. Please provide all requested information.
3. Return this registration form to the Institute for Learning in Later Life
4. Upon receipt of your registration and payment, we will send you a confirmation letter, course schedule, campus map, and parking permit. We reserve the right to limit course registrations due to classroom space limitations. We reserve the right to cancel classes.
5. Please register only for classes you plan to attend. If you sign up for a class or trip with limited registration, please notify the Office of Special Programs if you ultimately cannot attend. There is always a waiting list, and we can give the next person in line an opportunity to attend if we are notified.
6. Refunds will be made for trip cancellations only if we are able to fill your seat.

Return the completed form with payment to:

LLL Registration, Attn.: Business Office

Springfield College

263 Alden Street

Springfield, MA 01109-3797

Questions?

Call the Office of Special Programs at (413)748-5287 or email: specialprograms@spfldcol.edu

Look for updates and information on our website.

www.springfieldcollege.edu/specialprograms

Learning In Later Life
Spring 2009 Registration Form

Name 1	
Name 2	
Address	
City State Zip	Phone#
Email Address	
Check here if new member	
ID Number 1	ID Number 2
New Member yes/no	
Membership Fee	
Single \$59	
Couple \$100	
Kaffee-Klatsch Reservation March 16	No Charge RSVP 748-5287
Main Street USA \$60 April 2	
Instructor Appreciation \$10 May 21	
Donation to Marilyn Cohen Spirit Physician Assistant Program Scholarship Fund (optional)	
<i>This award was established by LLL in memory of Marilyn Cohen, who was instrumental in the establishment of the Learning In Later Life Program</i>	
Total Due	
PAYMENT	
<i>Check enclosed payable to Springfield College</i>	
Please charge my: Visa/ MasterCard/ Discover/ Amex	
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Course Number	Name of Course	Dates for Class	Member 1	Member 2	Location of Class	Class Meeting Times
LILL10101	Talking Books	3/23,4/13,5/4,5/18			Brennan Rm 3	10am-12pm
LILL10102	Environmental History	3/18,3/25,4/1,4/8			Fuller	10am-11:30am
LILL10103	Cooking Class	3/17			Cheney	10am-11:30am
LILL10104	Robert Frost Poems	4/23,4/30			Brennan 125	10am-12pm
LILL10105	Ireland	4/7			Fuller	10am-12pm
LILL10106	Social Networking	4/30			Brennan 125	1:30-3:30pm
LILL10107	Monique & Mango Rains	4/20			Fuller	10-11:30am
LILL10108	Appreciating Film	3/31			Fuller	9am-12pm
LILL10109	William Morgan Book	3/26			Brennan 125	1-3:00pm
LILL10110	Bette Davis Films	3/23,4/6,4/13,4/2,4/7,5/4,5/11			Brennan 125	1pm-3:30pm
LILL10111	Italian Renaissance Art	4/15			Fuller	2-4pm
LILL10112	Opera	4/15,4/22,4/29,5/6			Fuller	9:30-11:30am
LILL10113	Politics	3/24,4/21			Fuller	9:30-11:30am
LILL10114	Geographic Names	3/30,4/6			Brennan 1&2	11am-12pm
LILL10115	Intro to Buddhism	5/7			Brennan 1&2	10am-12pm
LILL10116	Economics	4/8			Reeds Landing	1:30-3:30pm
LILL10117	Naomi's Inn	3/24			Marsh Chapel	1:30-3:30pm
LILL10118	Hot Topics in Health	4/7,4/14			Reeds Landing	1:30-3:30pm
LILL10119	Leisure & Rec Guidance	4/1			Blake Hall 107	5pm-8pm
LILL10120	Singing through the Years	4/23			Reeds Landing	1-3pm
LILL10121	Birds & Bees Nature Walk	5/5 <i>Rain Date 5/6</i>			Stanley Park	10-12pm
LILL10122	Boston Braves	4/29			Fuller	9:30-11:30am
LILL10125	Kaffee Klatsch	3/16			Cheney Hall	10-11:30am
LILL10127	Main Street USA	4/2			Meet at Lot 4	8:30am-4:30pm
LILL10128	Instructor Appreciation	5/21			Townhouse Conference Rm	1:30-3pm