**Alvernia Seniors College**

**Daytime Classes & Activities**

### Spring Session 2017

**March 15 - May 16**
106-796-8357

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**Classes BEGIN MARCH 20TH**

**March 28 – Enrich Your Knowledge Series**

- **April 4** – *The Reading Symphony Orchestra* – Max G. Director
- **April 18** – *The World of Literature* – Carol Rieger, Owner of Buck orchard, Inc.
- **April 25** – *The FBI Wellness Award Luncheon* – *Elder Law* — Kim K. (The Hoffs Director)
- **April 26** – *The Current Investment Climate* – Virgil H., The Money Director

**Book Review Club**

- **First Wednesday of every month** — 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM
  - Student Center, Private Dining Room – Call Karen Focht – 610-777-9305
- **February** – *Destiny of the Republic* by Candice Millard
- **March** – *The Poorhouse Fair* by John Updike
- **April** – *The World of Literature* – Carol Rieger, Owner of Buck orchard, Inc.
- **May** – *The Current Investment Climate* – Virgil H., The Money Director

**The IMP Club**

- **First and third Wednesday of every month** – 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM
  - Upland Center, Community Room
- **March 29** – *“The World of Literature* – Call Karen Focht – 610-777-9305
- **April 11** – *“Not Just For Kids* – Tracy Scheirer, Instructor of Nursing
- **April 25** – *The Best of the Impressionists* – Carol Hession and Cynthia Davenport
- **April 28** – *The Human History of Sugar and Other Sweeteners* – Professor John Kissinger

**MONDAY**

**Reading Room From the Inside Out** — 4 Weeks

Professor: Jim Koppinger

*Using a complete draft version of John’s next novel, Inclen- tial Angel, as background (and available for free through a group, we will read and critique the book’s key chapters. This is your chance to see your suggestions and ideas in- corporated into a book to be published later this year.*

**Days:**
- 4/3, 10, 24, 5/1

**Time:** 10:30 AM – 12:00 Noon

**Place:** AU Student Center, Sem. Rms.

**Cost:** $40.00

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**Sneak Preview of Upcoming Classes**

**Lunch Bunch Discussion Club**

- **Every Tuesday** — resumes January 17, 2017 — 11:15 AM – 1:00 PM
  - Hall/Seminar Rooms
  - Alvernia University, Student Center Dining

**Heart & Mind Book Club**

- **Every Tuesday** — resumes January 17, 2017 — 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM
  - Student Center, Private Dining Rm. – Call Dianne Walker – 610-413-0790

**First Wednesday of every month** — 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM
- **March** – *Commonwealth* by Alan Patishet
- **April** – *Elder Law* — Kim K. (The Hoffs Director)

**Doctor’s Club**

- **Fourth Monday of every month** – 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM
  - Immanuel UCC, 99 S. Waverly St., Shillington

**Alvernia Seniors College Administration**

Diane D. Garci, J.D., Dean
Sally Reading, Director
610-796-8357

Membership is open to individuals age 55 and over with an interest in learning. Seniors College is a cooperative where members have an opportunity to support its objectives through participation on planning committees or by serving as course instructors. Members are also invited to attend Seniors College social events and activities.

Call 610-796-8357 for information on membership or activities.

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**Basic Membership PLUS - $50 annually**

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**Benefactor - $1,500 (lifetime)**

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**Friends - $150 annually**

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The Revolutionary War—July 1777 through June 1778. This course is for people who want to learn about the more critical year of the American Revolutionary War—July 1777 through June 1778. It will focus on the Battle of Saratoga, the Constitutional Convention, and the Peace Treaty. Participants will also explore the personal stories of individuals who lived through this time, including soldiers, politicians, and civilians.

Dates: 4/20, 27, 5/4

Place: UC, Board Rm. 227

Time: 1:30 – 2:30 PM

Cost: $35.00

European Nationalism in the 19th Century - 3 Weeks

Dr. Kevin O'Shea

This course will examine the development of the concept of nationalism in Europe. While Europe had long been organized into nation-states, and even nations, nationalism emerged as a powerful idea in the 19th century. Participants will explore the causes and consequences of nationalism, and how it played out in different countries and regions.

Dates: 4/27, 5/4, 11

Place: UC, Board Rm. 227

Time: 2:45 – 4:15 PM

Cost: $35.00

Tuesdays

Coloring and Capping with Dale - 8 Weeks + Workshop

Jeanne LaTorre, Artist

Some find their center as they explore Bible stories, stone graffiti, and the Bible. This course will introduce students to the rich and diverse world of Bible graffiti, and explore its potential uses in today's society.

Dates: 4/5, 12, 19, 26, 5/3, 10, 17, 24

Place: UC, Board Rm. 227

Time: 10:30 AM – 12:00 Noon

Cost: $35.00

Mysteries of the Majestic Religion - 3 Weeks

Scott Davidson

Experience the lives of the majesty reflected in all of the maj- or world religions. This course will explore Buddhism, Bud- dhist, Judaism, and Christianity. Participants will learn how the spiritual paths of these three religions share common characteristics, and how understanding this diversity can lead to a deeper appreciation of other cultures.

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MINI-COURSE

AAA Driver Education Safety Program

Basic Course – 2 Sessions (each session for 4 hours)

Contact AAA to enroll in class and pay fees. AAA phone number: 1-800-424-7827

Basic $50

Basic PLUS $100

Friend $150

Benefactor $1,500

Total Course Fees

I understand that Alvernia University has no legal responsibility for my physical welfare while I attend Seniors College classes or events.

Please make check payable to Alvernia University and mail to:

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