



# Summer Seminars 2017

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## **A Day at the Opera: "Tosca"** **by Giacomo Puccini**

*With Anthony Agostinelli*

Class Date: June 29

One Session: Thursday, 10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Location: DiStefano Lecture Hall,  
Antone Academic Center, room 128

Class Size: 30      Cost: \$30 (includes lunch)

"Tosca" is one of the most lethal operas. None of the central characters, hero or villain, make it to the end alive. Unsurprisingly then, it's a thrilling melodrama often dismissed as one-dimensional and tawdry. You would be foolish to go in with this attitude, however; Puccini takes an overtly theatrical tale and makes it astonishingly moving. "Tosca" is a story of romance over politics. It features a heroic painter, a despicable ruler and an opera superstar, Tosca herself!

Between acts, lunch will be served. Discussion about the previous act and subsequent act(s) will occur.

*Anthony J. (Tony) Agostinelli* was a university professor, musician and aide to a governor and mayor in Rhode Island. A resident of Aquidneck Island, he is currently an author, writer, cable TV host ("Jazz Bash" on Channel PA-18), and a jazz, Broadway and opera historian.

## **A Primer on Islam and Islamism**

*With George Kassis*

Class Date: June 6

One Session: Tuesday, 10 a.m. - noon

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 260

Class Size: 65      Cost: \$15

This seminar will provide an overview of Islam as a growing religion worldwide and Islamism as a global political phenomenon. It will provide a historical overview; compare and contrast the two main branches of Islam, namely Sunnis and Shiites; and delve into the various schools of jurisprudence in Islam and their interpretations. It will explain the various forms Sharia takes. Participants are encouraged to raise questions.

*George Kassis* was born and raised in Syria before moving to Lebanon to attend the American University of Beirut, and embarking on a career with the United Nations where he met his American wife, Jill. They had parallel professional careers, which took them on tours of duty to Lebanon, Egypt, Jordan and Yemen before being transferred by the United Nations to New York. Upon his retirement in 2009, George and Jill moved to Portsmouth, R.I., where they continue to enjoy the pleasures of the Ocean State.

## **Ancient Greek Origins: The International Olympic Games**

*With Peter Yalanis*

Class Date: June 29

One Session: Thursday, 3 - 5 p.m.

Location: Young Building Library

Class Size: 35      Cost: \$15

Ancient Greek Origins (AGO) is an enlightening and entertaining presentation describing one of the most significant legacies left to the world by the ancient Greeks: the International Olympic Games. Working with the Greek National Tourism Organization in New York City and Kodak Near East in Athens, Peter

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Yalanis and his company captured unprecedented panoramic and regular format photographs of the ancient sacred grounds, temples and venues where the Olympic Games began in 776 B.C. More than 14 years of independent research followed the shoot, allowing Peter to create an engaging, entertaining and informative presentation that includes many proprietary panoramic images taken on site in Olympia, Greece.

**Peter Yalanis**, a first-generation American Greek, was born and raised in central Connecticut. He graduated from Boston University and holds a bachelor's degree in public relations and communication. A U.S. Army Vietnam-era veteran, Peter served for three years as principal percussionist with the 18th Army Band. In 1992, he established "Dogs Up A Tree Photos, Inc." and his photographs have been published and exhibited in San Francisco, Columbus and Ft. Lauderdale. His "All Sides of the Parthenon" exhibition opened at the Coral Springs (Florida) Museum of Art and is currently on display in Boston. Peter is an American and European history buff living in Middletown, R.I., and is the grandfather of seven local outstanding children.

## **Auschwitz and Elie Wiesel's "Night"**

*With Norah Schneider*

Class Dates: June 20, 27

Two Sessions: Tuesdays, 5 - 7 p.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 203

Class Size: 20      Cost: \$20

The world lost Elie Wiesel, one of the most well-known Holocaust scholars and a Holocaust survivor himself, in 2016. This seminar will use "Night," Wiesel's detailed description of his experiences during the Holocaust, as a lens into the study of Auschwitz-Birkenau. Unlike other camps established by the Nazis, Auschwitz-Birkenau was a combination death, concentration and labor camp, presenting unique situations not seen in other camps and showing all aspects of the Nazis' "Final Solution" program to exterminate Europe's Jews. This seminar will look at Auschwitz-Birkenau through historical and literary

viewpoints, bringing Wiesel's personal experiences from "Night" into the historical discussion.

**Required Book:** "Night," Elie Wiesel (\$6.00 Paperback, Amazon)

**Suggested Reading:** "People in Auschwitz," Hermann Langbein (\$32.00 Paperback, Amazon)

**Norah Schneider** has a bachelor's degree in history from DePauw University and a master's degree in American and European history from Providence College. She is currently a Ph.D. candidate in humanities at Salve Regina, where she is writing her dissertation on the Holocaust. She has taught at multiple colleges and universities in Rhode Island, including seminars on the Third Reich at Rhode School of Design. She also worked at the U.S. Naval War College and currently works at the Defense Institute of International Legal Studies in Newport.

## **Breath Techniques**

*With Linda Morse*

Class Dates: June 17, 24, July 1, 8

Four Sessions: Saturdays, 9 -11 a.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 217

Class Size: 25      Cost: \$40

At one time or another, we may have found ourselves dealing with anxiety, fears, panic attacks, sadness, stress, sleep issues, or physical pain. We may have tried a variety of paths to alleviate the condition but, when all else fails, BREATHE!!!! Besides being calming, the breath can also be energizing - giving you the ability to focus and concentrate on a sport, a performance or an activity. This interactive, relaxed, and enjoyable program can help you to increase lung capacity, build stamina and energy, exercise your lungs and heart, and come to the fullest essence of your being. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a yoga mat if you'd like. This program may be fully experienced from the chair.

**Linda M. Morse** has been a yoga and meditation practitioner most of her life, teaching for more than 15 years. Certified professionally through the Kripalu

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Center in Massachusetts, she owned and operated the Yoga Center in Melbourne, Florida. With her relaxed and humorous approach, she hopes to inspire students in body, mind, and spirit.

## **Cheap Chic: A Fashion & Style Retrospective**

*With Author Caterine Milinaire*

*interviewed by Joan Johnson-Freese*

Class Date: June 2

One Session: Friday, 1 - 3 p.m.

Location: DiStefano Lecture Hall,  
Antone Academic Center, room 128

Class Size: 50      Cost: \$15

Join Joan Johnson-Freese as she interviews French photojournalist and Newport resident Caterine Milinaire on her extraordinary life and experiences. The author of the iconic book "Cheap Chic," which was originally published in 1975 and reissued in 2015 as an anniversary edition with a foreword by Tim Gunn, Caterine will offer her own unique perspective on fashion, lifestyles and the fashion industry.

*Caterine Milinaire* began her career in fashion in London at Queen magazine during the years of Mary Quant and the Rolling Stones – and worked with both. At 19, she talked Diana Vreeland into giving her a position as youth fashion editor at Vogue in New York. For the next several decades, she traveled the world modeling, writing about fashion, and acting as a photographer and editor for Vogue, New York Magazine, Interview and other international magazines. She is the author of three other books. Caterine has seen all aspects of the fashion industry, and is today committed to promoting fair trade work practices and sustainability in fashion.

## **Great Movie Biographies I**

*With Lynda Tisdell*

Class Dates: May 23, 30, June 6

Three Sessions: Tuesdays, 1 - 4 p.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 203

Class Size: 40      Cost: \$30

Movies have always been inspired by the lives of famous people. In this seminar, participants will watch and discuss "Henry V," who is considered by many as the greatest king of England; Mozart, the flawed composer of immortal music, in "Amadeus"; and "The Miracle Worker," in which Annie Sullivan's original teaching techniques unlocked Helen Keller to inspire the world. Please plan to stay an extra 15 minutes for our discussion after "Amadeus."

*Lynda Tisdell* has loved movies ever since she saw "Peter Pan" at the age of six. She has studied them, endlessly discussed them, dreamed about them, and taught them. She has previously taught "Deception in Great American Movies" for Salve Regina's Circle of Scholars program.

## **Great Movie Biographies II**

*With Lynda Tisdell*

Class Dates: June 13, 20, 27

Three Sessions: Tuesdays, 1 - 4 p.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 203

Class Size: 40      Cost: \$30

In this second installment of "Great Movie Biographies," participants will have the opportunity to watch the World War I hero battle his conscience in "Sergeant York," Eliot Ness combat Al Capone in "The Untouchables," and the resourceful ground crew battle to save the stranded astronauts in "Apollo 13." Great Movie Biographies I is not a prerequisite for this seminar.

*Please see Lynda Tisdell's biography under "Great Movie Biographies I."*

## **Hero of Aquidneck Island:**

### **The Life of John Clarke**

*With Reverend Paul Hanson*

Class Date: June 23

One Session: Friday, 9 - 11 a.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 265

Class Size: 25      Cost: \$15

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This two-hour seminar will focus on the life and influence of Dr. John Clarke, an original founder of Aquidneck Island, author of the Royal Charter of 1663, proponent of the principle of religious liberty, and founder of the second oldest Baptist church in America.

*Reverend Dr. Paul Hanson* is the pastor of the United Baptist Church (John Clarke Memorial) in Newport. He has done extensive research into the life of Dr. Clarke and the early religious community of Newport. Paul has presented Dr. Clarke and his importance to Newport and early Baptist history in America to various local and national groups.

## **Inside the Executive Branch: A Republican Party Divided**

*With Anne DuBose Joslin*

Class Dates: June 1, 8, 15, 22

Four Sessions: Thursdays, 3 - 5 p.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 203

Class Size: 30            Cost: \$40

Ever since the days of Mr. Jefferson and Mr. Adams, one political party has been opposing the other, leaving, upon Election Day, only one individual as winner of the White House. The process by which one becomes president of the United States is daunting, to say the least; however, to actually be at the helm of the Ship of State and leader of the Free World can be even more so. It is during the first year of an administration, when the president is formulating his foreign and domestic policies, that he or she becomes acutely aware of who is friend and who is foe. In other words, who in the Cabinet and on the Hill can be relied on for support? Without proper backing, a would-be successful presidency can turn out to be just the opposite.

In this class we will take four weeks to explore the possibility of having a Republican president, Donald Trump, fall victim to his own party. Trump is now past the first 100 days of his administration, and already there have been many factors at work trying to dismantle his campaign promises. The Democratic

backlash is quite predictable; what is not so expected is the Republican opposition. Trump was given a Republican House and Senate, and therefore awarded what every President dreams: a majority in both houses of Congress. This should be a green light for him to implement policy according to his desired blueprint. Yet, because of Republican resistance, Donald Trump is continually steering his ship into a very rough sea.

Why would fellow Republicans so vehemently obstruct a president of their own party? What can Trump do, if anything, to try and sway them to his side? Will Congress prevent him from having bills, essential to carrying out his campaign pledges, passed? Will President Trump be doomed to a failing presidency? This class will explore these and many other intriguing issues having to do with a Republican Party Divided.

*Anne DuBose Joslin* has a BA in English, MS in statistics, and AS in legal studies and criminal law. She is a certified paralegal, and has been a scholar of the American political system for 35 years. Anne spent 20 of those years in Washington, D.C., where she served four years as a White House appointee. She is the author of the book entitled "Ambushed: Why G.H.W. Bush Really Lost in 1992."

## **Internet Safety and Online Privacy**

*With David Fontaine*

Class Date: June 9

One Session: Friday, 3 - 5 p.m.

Location: McKillop Library, room 006

Class Size: 20            Cost: \$15

There's almost no limit to what you can do online. The Internet makes it possible to access information quickly, communicate around the world, and much more. Unfortunately, the Internet is also home to certain risks, such as malware, spam, and phishing. If you want to stay safe online, you'll need to understand these risks and learn how to avoid them. Additional topics covered will include: using a browser's security

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features, two-factor password authentication, safe online shopping and phone verification.

**Dave Fontaine** works as an online instructor for the University of Rhode Island's School of Education. There he teaches educators from around the nation how to navigate through the maze of choices when it comes to digital content integration in the classroom. Some of the online courses that he teaches are: Harnessing the Power of the Internet for Teaching and Learning, and eBooks and Digital Content.

## **Islamic Geometric Design: Patterns of Infinite Beauty**

*With Carol Gibbons and Jayme Hennessy*

Class Date: June 14

One Session: Wednesday, 1 - 3 p.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 217

Class Size: 20                      Cost: \$15

Islamic design is characterized by unique and beautiful geometric patterns, which draw the viewer into contemplation of the wonderful works and infinite nature of the Divine Architect. Join us in exploring the significance and beauty of designs from important sites in Al-Andalus on the Iberian Peninsula and Morocco.

**Dr. Carol Gibbons** is an associate professor in the Department of Mathematical Sciences and **Dr. Jayme Hennessy** is an associate professor in the Department of Religious and Theological Studies at Salve Regina. They recently spent sabbatical time in the regions indicated, studying Islamic tiling.

## **Landmark Supreme Court Cases**

*With Kim Ripoli*

Class Dates: June 3, 10

Two Sessions: Saturdays, 9 - 11 a.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 203

Class Size: 25                      Cost: \$20

This seminar is an introduction to the U.S. Constitutional Amendments and the progression of individual rights via landmark Supreme Court cases. Lectures will discuss the impact of social changes on those landmark decisions and their relevance in America today. Case examples for discussion may include: Dred Scott v. Sandford (5th Amendment, 1857); from Plessy v. Ferguson (14th Amendment, 1896) to Brown v. Board of Education (14th Amendment, 1954); Korematsu v. U.S. (14th and 5th Amendments, 1944); District of Columbia v. Heller (2nd Amendment,); Texas v. Johnson (1st Amendment, 1989); and Heart of Atlanta Motel v. U.S.

*Note: A pocket copy of the U.S. Constitution is recommended for seminar participants.*

**Kim A. Ripoli** retired from the Navy as a senior chief after 26 years of military service. During those 26 years, she deployed with the 1st Marines Expeditionary Force for Operations Desert Shield/Storm, New Horizon, African Lion, and in 2003 for Iraqi Freedom. She was assigned to the Pentagon, working in the office of the Secretary of the Navy as a special assistant action officer. Kim was the associate director of the R.I. Division of Veterans' Affairs from August 2012 to July 2016. She earned her bachelor's degree from Rhode Island College, and master's degree in international relations from Salve Regina University. In August 2016, she began in the inaugural class at Roger Williams School of Law's master's degree program.

## **Let's Be Photo Tourists**

*With Kim Fuller*

Class Date: June 5

One Session: Monday, 9 a.m. - noon

Location: Trinity Square, Newport

Class Size: 20                      Cost: \$15

Do you want to take better travel photos with your camera or even your cell phone? Join Kim for a walk around Newport's harbor and Trinity Square and learn some techniques for better ways to capture your

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adventures. We will meet at Trinity Square to go over a few basics and then walk and shoot together.

**Kim Fuller** is a 1986 graduate from Rhode Island School of Design who has worked as a professional photographer for over 27 years. She has also been practicing meditation and Buddhism for approximately 10 years and has taught in private and corporate settings. Kim loves teaching others how to carefully and mindfully look through the lens of a camera.

## Managing Your Money Online

*With David Fontaine*

Class Date: June 16

One Session: Friday, 3 - 5 p.m.

Location: McKillop Library, room 006

Class Size: 20      Cost: \$15

Online banking is becoming the norm in the 21st century. Learn and practice with online banking, paying taxes online, receiving free credit reports, contactless payments, and saving money using free budgeting apps on your phone.

**Dave Fontaine** works as an online instructor for the University of Rhode Island's School of Education. There he teaches educators from around the nation how to navigate through the maze of choices when it comes to digital content integration in the classroom. Some of the online courses that he teaches are: Harnessing the Power of the Internet for Teaching and Learning, Using Blogs and Wikis to Foster Literacy and most recently, eBooks and Digital Content.

## Navigating Retirement: Tips for Staying Happily Married

*With Nora Hall*

Class Date: June 6

One Session: Tuesday, 1 - 3 p.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 265

Class Size: 35      Cost: \$15

Retirement guarantees that couples will face new relationship issues. The old rules, the hours, the daily habits... suddenly it all changes and affects both partners. How does a wife cope when her husband suddenly rearranges the kitchen utensils or spice rack to "make it better"? How do husbands build new friendships outside work? What's the best way for a wife to deal with "Bob the Caboose" who trails her everywhere? What key steps must couples take to collaborate and create a happy retirement marriage? In this workshop, consideration will be given to common pitfalls of early retirement, concerns of retirees in a committed relationship, and effective practices for creating empathy and support for one another.

**Nora Hall**, author of "Survive Your Husband's Retirement: Tips for Staying Happily Married," set out to find solutions to the struggles she and her husband encountered after his retirement. Numerous interviews with retirees revealed that most couples experience similar stress during their retirement adjustment. In "Navigating Retirement," she offers their stories and proven solutions for staying happily married as inspiration for all retired couples. An experienced presenter, Nora encourages lively conversation while guiding participants to discover their own solutions for staying happily together in retirement.

## Offshore Shark Tagging Voyage

*With Charles Avenengo*

One Pre-Voyage Classroom Session:

Thursday, June 15, 1 - 2 p.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 265

One Offshore Session:

Friday June 16, 6:30 a.m. departure,  
4:00 p.m. return (approximate)

Location: Departure from Rodgers Recreation Center by van to the Port of Galilee in Narragansett

Class Size: 10

Cost: \$150

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Travel offshore onboard southern New England's premier shark-watching vessel, *Snappa*, out of Galilee in Narragansett, R.I. If you ever wanted to see sharks, this is your opportunity. June is the peak season for shark sightings. We hope to see any combination of blue, mako, thresher and smaller dogfish sharks. Although a very, very remote possibility, attracting great white sharks in these waters is not unheard of. Sharks alongside the vessel will be tagged by National Marine Fisheries Service to help track their movements and patterns. We will also be on the lookout for other exciting marine life including whales, dolphins, sea turtles and pelagic birds. Please note this is a trip for those with proven sea legs. The cost includes the boat trip and shuttle service to Galilee.

*Note: Please bring your own lunch and snacks for the trip.*

**Charles Avenengo** has been conducting wildlife seminars for Salve Regina's Circle of Scholars since 2015. He spent many years offshore conducting whale-watching and other wildlife observation cruises.

## Shakespeare for Fun

*With Jack Galvin*

Class Dates: June 8, 15, 22

Three Sessions: Thursdays, 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 217

Class Size: 15            Cost: \$30

When did you last read "Julius Caesar"? Probably in the ninth grade and you likely had no idea what was going on. Read it now and join Jack Galvin's three-session discussion of "Julius Caesar" as part of the Shakespeare for Fun series. No tests. No grades. Just the stimulation (fun) of conversation about the Bard's words and ideas of ancient Roman political intrigue. Read Act One before the first session so you, too, will "Beware the Ides of March."

**Jack Galvin** has taught in Salve's Circle of Scholars program for many years, particularly memoir and

fiction writing courses. He began Shakespeare for Fun because, after teaching Shakespeare in high school, he was eager to engage with the ideas of adult readers.

## The Beatles

*With Brett Morse*

Class Dates: June 17, 24, July 1, 8

Four Sessions: Saturdays, 9 - 11 a.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 265

Class Size: 30            Cost: \$40

Come, meet and enjoy the music of the "Fab Four" – John Lennon, Paul McCartney, George Harrison, and Ringo Starr. In the early 1960s their enormously popular music emerged as "Beatlemania," and later, as their music grew and changed through experimentation, it came to be perceived as an embodiment of the ideals shared by the counterculture of the '60s. They led the music charge of the British Invasion and went on to become the bestselling band in the history of music, with estimated sales of over 600 million records worldwide. They became the most influential music group in the rock era. We'll explore their careers – from their beginnings in Liverpool to their historic landing on U.S. soil in 1964 to the events that caused their break-up in 1970. We will also take a look at their careers after the break-up.

**Brett Morse** worked in the pharmaceutical industry for over 40 years. He is a graduate of Bryant College, served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam era, and is a certified yoga instructor.

## The Evolution of the Newport Mansion: from Colonial Days to the Present

*With Ross Cann*

Class Dates: June 5, 12

Two Sessions: Mondays, 5 - 7 p.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 265

Class Size: 30            Cost: \$20

From its early days as an important colonial port to the present day, Newport has always had an element

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of wealth and privilege. In that time, however, great houses have evolved markedly from center hall Georgians to great Victorian villas to the extraordinary Vanderbilt palaces along Bellevue Avenue. This course will take a fast-paced overview of what a 'great house' in Newport represented and in turn allow the attendees to get a snapshot into the economic history of the United States seen through its grandest residential architecture.

**Ross Cann** is a practicing architect, author, historian and teacher. He holds architecture and architectural history degrees from Yale, Cambridge and Columbia Universities and studied with Vincent Scully, Robert A.M. Stern and Maya Lin, among many other notable scholars. He is the founder and principal of A4 Architecture in Newport, Rhode Island.

## **The FBI and Its Responsibility to the Nation**

*With Daniel J. Knight*

Class Dates: May 31, June 7

Two Sessions: Wednesdays, 3 - 5 p.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 265

Class Size: 30            Cost: \$20

This seminar will describe the origins of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), its mission and the responsibilities of the Special Agents charged with upholding the Constitution and enforcing the law. The objectives are to address the manner in which the FBI and its agents are charged with the duty of investigating violations of the laws of the United States, collecting evidence in cases in which the U.S. is or may be a party in interest, and performing other duties imposed by law. In addition to the FBI discharging those responsibilities with which it is charged by statute, the FBI expeditiously carries out directives of the president and the attorney general. In order to address the manner in which these responsibilities are carried out, the basis in law for the authority vested in the FBI and its agents and the investigative techniques utilized in these lawful investigations will be discussed.

**Dan Knight** served on the faculty of Salve Regina University, Newport, Rhode Island, from 2000 to 2014, teaching in the undergraduate and graduate programs in the Administration of Justice. In the fall of 2006, he assumed the duties of director of the graduate program in the Department of Administration of Justice. In October 1971, Mr. Knight was appointed a special agent of the FBI and served in Columbia, South Carolina, Greenville, South Carolina, Baltimore, Maryland and Washington, D.C. During his early assignments in South Carolina and Baltimore, he was assigned auto thefts, bank robberies, fugitive matters, interstate thefts and public corruption investigations. In 1987, he was promoted to Supervisory Special Agent of an organized crime and public corruption squad in the Baltimore Division. In 1992, he was assigned to the Public Corruption Unit of the Criminal Division at FBI headquarters in Washington, D.C. From June 1996, to August 2000, he served as the Supervisory senior resident agent for the Providence Residence Agency of the FBI.

## **The Pastor in Battle**

*With Lee Hardgrove*

Class Date: June 21

One Session: Wednesday, 1 - 3 p.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 217

Class Size: 15            Cost: \$15

This seminar will take a look at what it is like to be a religious figure (pastor, rabbi, priest or chaplain) in the military and in a combat zone. The discussion will focus on questions of faith in this kind of situation as well as the ongoing question of church vs. state.

**Lee Hardgrove** is an ordained pastor who served United Methodist Churches for 30 years. He also served as an Army Reserve/National Guard Chaplain and served on active duty in Kabul, Afghanistan, as well as a brief term of service at Ground Zero in New York City following 9/11. He is now retired from active ministry but does serve as a volunteer Protestant chaplain at the Rhode Island Veterans' Home.

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## **The UN Security Council and General Assembly**

*With Jim Buxton*

Class Dates: June 1, 8, 15

Three Sessions: Thursdays, 10 a.m. - noon

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 265

Class Size: 35            Cost: \$30

In this three-session course, two of the sessions will be used to present information about the powers and limitations of the UN Security Council and UN General Assembly. The third session will be used for a UN simulation and will involve COS participants representing the policies of a particular country, and debating from that government's point of view. The topic will be capital punishment.

*Jim Buxton* was a social studies teacher at South Kingstown High School for three decades, during which time he taught extensively about the United Nations, involving students in UN simulations. Since his retirement from SKHS in 2009, Jim has taught Intro to International Politics and Model United Nations classes at URI. Additionally, he teaches in Salve Regina's Department of Education.

## **Three Rs (Solitude and Community)**

*With Len DeAngelis*

Class Dates: June 12, 19, 26

Three Sessions: Mondays, 9:30 -11:30 a.m.

Location: McAuley Hall, room 209

Class Size: 10            Cost: \$30

Three Rs: Reading, [W]riting, and [C]reativity (handwork, drawing, watercolors, etc.). This workshop is a pilgrimage in exploration and discovery. You are your most interesting mystery and resource. Each session will begin with a 15-minute presentation followed by one-on-one coaching sessions (time divided by participants) on whatever topic(s) you choose. Choose one topic, writing poetry, for example, for all sessions, or a different topic every session. You may keep your work personal, or share it

with workshop members. Participation is voluntary. No prior experience is required; interest is requested.

*Note: A supply list will be provided. Participants may choose to use supplies on hand or purchase their own, \$10-15.*

*Len DeAngelis*, who retired as the head of the English department at Middletown High School, was the 1990 R.I. Teacher of the Year, and has also received Disney's American Teacher Award. He has been leading seminars on the Divine Comedy for several years. He is also the R.I. ambassador for the Portrait Society of America.

## **Understanding Syria Today**

*With George Kassis*

Class Date: June 20

One Session: Tuesday, 10 a.m. - noon

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 260

Class Size: 65            Cost: \$15

For the past six years, the civil war in Syria has left over 400,000 people dead, two million wounded, six million internally displaced and six million as refugees in neighboring countries—a million in Germany and hundreds of thousands more all over the globe. The military establishment of the tyrannical regime of Bashar al Assad is aided and abetted by Russia, Iran and Hezbollah. Opponents of the regime are supported militarily and financially by Turkey, Saudi Arabia, the Gulf States, the United States and much of Western Europe. Early on in the conflict, Islamist fundamentalist groups such as ISIL and various groups affiliated with Al Qaeda have created a third front and taken control of large swaths of land. This seminar will attempt to give a broad perspective on who is who and where, and what the future may hold.

*Please see **George Kassis'** biography under "A Primer on Islam and Islamism."*

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## Understanding the Law of FISA Surveillance

*With Charles J. Heffernan, Jr.*

Class Dates: May 31, June 7, 14, 21

Four Sessions: Wednesdays, 10 a.m. - noon

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 203

Class Size: 25                      Cost: \$40

The news is abuzz with talk of electronic and other surveillance, in which Rhode Island native Lieutenant General Michael Flynn, and perhaps other Americans, have been "incidentally" intercepted. Questions have also arisen on whether innocent parties have had their identities revealed to media as a result of such surveillance. All of this discussion pertains to a subject widely mentioned, but narrowly understood: The Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) of 1978, as amended.

This seminar will discuss the law governing FISA surveillance, both with and without a court order. Subjects will include: who may order or apply for FISA surveillance, the requirements for a warrant, the judges who consider such matters, the restrictions on such surveillance, authorized and unauthorized use of surveillance yields, the much-discussed subject of "unmasking," and the criminal penalties for violation of FISA provisions. Please note that this seminar will not be political in nature. Its emphasis will be on legal substance, with the goal of providing seminar members with an informed basis to discuss and make their own personal judgments on FISA issues in the news.

*Charles J. Heffernan, Jr.* is a retired acting justice of the New York State Supreme Court, a former assistant

district attorney in Manhattan, and a former Special Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Southern District of New York. He is a retired Army lieutenant colonel and military judge.

## Unsung Heroes of the Civil Rights Movement

*With Anthony LoPresti*

Class Dates: June 12, 19, 26

Three Sessions: Mondays, 1 - 3 p.m.

Location: O'Hare Academic Center, room 217

Class Size: 30                      Cost: \$30

When the Civil Rights Movement comes up in conversation, most people know that Rosa Parks wouldn't give up her seat and that Martin Luther King shared his dream on the mall in Washington, D.C. Less familiar are stories about the Greensboro Four, college freshmen who inaugurated the Sit-In Movement; the Freedom Riders, a mixed race group who tried to integrate Greyhound and Trailways buses in the deep South; or the Black Panthers, a more militant organization that FBI Director Hoover considered to be the greatest domestic threat to U.S. security. Through film and discussion, this course will examine some of the lesser known actors who contributed to the movement and fought some of the same racial battles that are alive today.

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# Summer Seminars 2017

## COS On the Road

Please see the enclosed flyer for our next excursion to “The Music Man” at the *Theatre By The Sea* on July 13, 2017.



## Save the Date

*Circle of Scholars Summer Reception*  
*June 14, 2017*

### GPS addresses for seminar locations on campus:

**Antone Academic Center:**  
56 Lawrence Avenue

**McAuley Hall:**  
32 Ochre Point Avenue

**McKillop Library:**  
25 Ochre Point Avenue

**Ochre Court:**  
16 Ochre Point Avenue

**O'Hare Academic Center:**  
36 Ochre Point Avenue

**Young Building (Pell Center):**  
514 Bellevue Avenue

### *Stay tuned ...*

The Circle of Scholars “WriteLife” seminar regulars created a collection of essays that will be published this spring.

Edited by Jack Galvin, “500 Years of Living” features work by Bob Bledsoe, John Broughan, Ray Heins, Dick Hunt, George Kassis, and Gordon Stewart.

“500 Years of Living” will soon be available for purchase and proceeds will go to Salve Regina’s COS Scholarship Fund.

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## Calendar Day Reference

### Monday

#### **Let's Be Photo Tourists**

*Kim Fuller*

June 5: 9 a.m. - noon

#### **The Evolution of the Newport Mansion: Colonial Days to the Present**

*With Ross Cann*

June 5, 12: 5 - 7 p.m.

#### **Three Rs (Solitude & Community)**

*With Len DeAngelis*

June 12, 19, 26: 9:30 -11:30 a.m.

#### **Unsung Heroes of the Civil Rights Movement**

*With Anthony LoPresti*

June 12, 19, 26: 1 - 3 p.m.

### Tuesday

#### **Great Movie Biographies I**

*With Lynda Tisdell*

May 23, 30, June 6: 1 - 4 p.m.

#### **A Primer on Islam and Islamism**

*With George Kassiss*

June 6: 10 a.m. - noon

#### **Navigating Retirement: Tips for Staying Happily Married**

*With Nora Hall*

June 6: 1 - 3 p.m.

#### **Understanding Syria Today**

*With George Kassiss*

June 20: 10 a.m. - noon

#### **Great Movie Biographies II**

*With Lynda Tisdell*

June 13, 20, 27: 1 - 4 p.m.

#### **Auschwitz and Elie Wiesel's "Night"**

*With Norah Schneider*

June 20, 27: 5 - 7 p.m.

### Wednesday

#### **Understanding the Law of FISA Surveillance**

*With Charles J. Heffernan, Jr.*

May 31, June 7, 14, 21: 10 a.m. - noon

#### **The FBI and Its Responsibility to the Nation**

*With Daniel J. Knight*

May 31, June 7: 3 - 5 p.m.

#### **Islamic Geometric Design: Patterns of Infinite Beauty**

*With Carol Gibbons and*

*Jayme Hennessy*

June 14: 1 - 3 p.m.

#### **The Pastor in Battle**

*With Lee Hardgrove*

June 21: 1 - 3 p.m.

### Thursday

#### **The UN Security Council and General Assembly**

*With Jim Buxton*

June 1, 8, 15: 10 a.m. - noon

#### **Inside the Executive Branch: A Republican Party Divided**

*With Anne DuBose Joslin*

June 1, 8, 15, 22: 3 - 5 p.m.

#### **Shakespeare for Fun**

*With Jack Galvin*

June 8, 15, 22: 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

#### **Offshore Shark Tagging Voyage**

*With Charles Avenengo*

June 15: 1 - 2 p.m.

#### **A Day at the Opera: "Tosca" by Giacomo Puccini**

*With Anthony Agostinelli*

June 29: 10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.

#### **Ancient Greek Origins:**

#### **The International Olympic Games**

*With Peter Yalanis*

June 29: 3 - 5 p.m.

#### **On the Road: "The Music Man"**

*With Midge Gordon*

July 13: 11:00 a.m. - 5 p.m.

### Friday

#### **Offshore Shark Tagging Voyage**

*With Charles Avenengo*

June 16: 6:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

#### **Cheap Chic: A Fashion & Style Retrospective**

*With Catherine Milinaire and*

*Joan Johnson-Freese*

June 2: Friday, 1 - 3 p.m.

#### **Internet Safety and Online Privacy**

*With David Fontaine*

June 9: 3 - 5 p.m.

#### **Managing Your Money Online**

*With David Fontaine*

June 16: 3 - 5 p.m.

#### **Hero of Aquidneck Island: The Life of John Clarke**

*With Reverend Paul Hanson*

June 23: 9 - 11 a.m.

### Saturday

#### **Landmark Supreme Court Cases**

*With Kim Ripoli*

June 3, 10: 9 - 11 a.m.

#### **Breath Techniques**

*With Linda Morse*

June 17, 24, July 1, 8: 9 - 11 a.m.

#### **The Beatles**

*With Brett Morse*

June 17, 24, July 1, 8: 9 - 11 a.m.