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ALL COURSES & EVENTS ARE OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS

Al Batt on Nature

at 10:00 am, April 2, Community Center Room 112, 600 N German Street. Open to the public and sponsored by the NU Library. Al will grace us with his wonderful, true and humorous stories and lessons of wildlife and nature in Southern Minnesota.

Antarctica Update

April 5 at 1:30 pm at the Community Center Room 112 with Professor Martin Sponholz. Antarctica has been in the news since our last class. Let's hear updates on scientific discoveries and exploration from our own explorer Marty Sponholz. Bring your curiosity.

Book Discussion - A Mother's Reckoning

By Sue Klebold, April 8, 1:30 p.m. the Community Center Room 112, facilitated by Dave Martinka. The acclaimed New York Times bestseller by Sue Klebold, mother of one of the Columbine shooters, is about living in the aftermath of the 1999 Colorado school shooting. Copies of the book can be borrowed from the CASTLE office or checked out at the Library. It is also available on Kindle and Audible. Come for the discussion even if you have just begun the book.

Estate Planning and Downsizing for Retirement

April 10, 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m., at Sozial Restaurant, 209 N Minnesota with Attorney Kate Graham from Fafinski, Mark & Johnson and Complete Relocation's Sandy Donnay and Jolene Field O'Hare. The vast majority of us will face financial decisions and downsizing decisions as we move to smaller living spaces or age in place. Let's spend the afternoon together with these experts and talk about our futures. Appetizers and beverages will be available. (Sozial is located in the same space as The Chef's Pantry was previously.)

New Automobile Technology

April 12, 1:30 p.m., Community Center Room 112 with Ben Jensen. Quoting Kelley Blue Book, 'new car buyers would do well to spend less time looking under the hood and more examining all the technology in the car. Of course, the powertrain still matters, but more important is how the driver and vehicle occupants interact with today's increasingly sophisticated automobiles.' This will be a great class on the new technology and how to use it!!

Mozart and his 5th and final Violin Concerto

Pre-concert lecture, April 29 11:00 p.m., Martin Luther College Cafeteria Solarium (\$7 lunch optional) with Professor Wayne Wagner followed by the 10:00 a.m. May 3 Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra Lecture and Concert at Wooddale in Eden Prairie. SPCO Associate Concertmaster Ruggero Alliffranchini taking center stage for Mozart's fifth, known for its rollicking final movement. Also, to be performed, 'the 2nd movement of Haydn's 63rd Symphony entitled La Roxelane, named for Roxelana, the powerful and influential wife of Ottoman Emperor Suleiman the Great. The program begins with a powerful miniature for string orchestra by George Walker, the first African American composer to win the Pulitzer Prize for Music.' 12 tickets available at \$15 each. Carpool from the Community Center on May 3 at 8:00 a.m. RSVP.

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- ▶ **MOZART AT SPCO PRE-CONCERT CLASS** APRIL 29, 11:00 AM, MLC CAFETERIA. RSVP- CONCERT MAY 3, 8AM CARPOOL, 11AM EDEN PRAIRIE
- ▶ **GUSTAVUS MAYDAY CONFERENCE** MAY 1 CARPOOL 8:45AM FROM COMM CENTER TO ST. PETER. RSVP
- ▶ **SPOTS STUDENTS** MAY 6, 3:30 PM, NU LIBRARY LOWER LEVEL
- ▶ **MVTL LAB TOUR** MAY 8, 1:30 PM, MEET AT 1126 N FRONT STREET NEW ULM,
- ▶ **SLEEP APNEA** MAY TBD
- ▶ **VERTICAL PIANOS** JUNE 15, 1ST UMC, 1 N BWY
- ▶ **WAICAPI POWWOW** JUNE 14 IN MORTON MN, CARPOOL FROM COMM. CENTER PARKING LOT AT 5:30 PM
- ▶ **WOODSTOCK WRAPUP PARTY** JUNE 20 1:30 PM, COMM CENTER LOWER LEVEL



Gustavus MayDay Conference

8:45 am carpool May 1st to Gustavus Christ Chapel in St. Peter, lecture at 10 am. 'Journalism and the media may influence positive political and social change or fuel violence and conflict. Award-winning New York Times journalist and author, Thomas Friedman, will share his thoughts on interpreting large-scale trends, making sense of accelerating change, and providing reasons for hope in a complex and volatile world.' The event is free, but a ticket is needed. We have 10 general admission tickets, first come first served. RSVP soon.

Students Performing On Tough Situations- SPOTS

May 6 at 3:30pm at 17 N Minnesota St, the New Ulm Library lower level with Sheldon Reike and Youth made up of two dozen high school students from 5 different schools in Brown County. Each fall they spend 2 days in training to create scenes on subjects that students need to talk about. These range from bus safety for kindergarteners to dating abuse and drugs at the high school level. After each scene they stay in character to answer questions. Then they break character and talk based on their experiences. The students hope to help other students make better decisions. During each school year they perform over 50 times for over 2000 people. Let's soak up their message, add to the discussion and show our support.

Minnesota Valley Testing Laboratories Tour

May 8, 1:30pm meet at MVTL, 1126 N Front with President Jerry Balabach. MVTL is a large, diverse group of analytical laboratories offering environmental, agricultural, food science and energy technology testing services. MVTL provides the analytical services that support environmental projects with a full range of analyses for trace level organic and inorganic contaminants using the latest technology. This includes testing compost, petroleum hydrocarbons, pesticide residues/PCB's, biosolids and more.

What's Sleep Apnea all about?

May date TBD with NUMC staff. Sleep apnea is a serious sleep disorder that occurs when a person's breathing is interrupted during sleep. People with untreated sleep apnea stop breathing repeatedly during their sleep, sometimes hundreds of times. This means the brain -- and the rest of the body -- may not get enough oxygen. Learn about the symptoms, diagnosis, and treatments available.

A Trip to the 42nd Lower Sioux Traditional Wacipi PowWow

June 14, 5:30 pm carpool from the Community Center for the 7 pm PowWow dance and an introduction prior to the PowWow dance by Lower Sioux Committee members. While "Lower Sioux" was the name given to this band after treaties with the United States in 1851, members of the Lower Sioux Indian Community are part of the Mdewakanton Band of Dakota. The Dakota, translates closely to "friend" or "ally". Today, the Lower Sioux Community has almost 930 enrolled members, with more than half living on Tribal lands. There will be food, history and tradition at this PowWow. Bring a lawn chair and \$5 toward a wristband that gains you entrance all weekend, if you choose to return on

Vertical Pianos in WWII

June 15 at First UMC, 1 N Broadway. with Professor of piano at Eastern Michigan University. He is doing a concert tour with a lecture and performance about the Steinway Vertical Pianos Program in WWII. He talks about a program of parachuting Steinway pianos into the battle field to help with morale during the war. He lectures about this and also performs music of the era.

Woodstock Period Party

with Instructor Lowell Liedman, June 20 at 1:30 pm at the Lower Level Room 15 at the Community Center and in the outdoor park by this room. Woodstock was a music festival held on a dairy farm in the Catskill Mountains, northwest of New York City, between August 15-18, 1969, which attracted an audience of more than 400,000. Remembering our CASTLE 'Period Parties' in previous years, come prepared for fun! We will have a short lecture on the history of this 1960's event with Lowell Liedman. We will follow the lecture with musicians and a guest entertainer, plus a contest for the CASTLE member wearing the best Woodstock attire and the CASTLE member that was geographically closest to the actual event at the time. We'll have a few crafty things to do, too. Water and lemonade will be provided. Bring 'period authentic' appetizers/beverages to share and enjoy the afternoon party. Note: State Street Theater will host a Woodstock Tribute Band on June 29!

If poor weather conditions are forecast, check the website, look for an email from us and/or phone the office at 507-354-3212 for a recorded message of cancellations.

Many thanks to our supporters: The New Ulm Library, ISD 88 Community Education, Turner Hall, State Street Theater, Brown County Historical Society, Martin Luther College, the City of New Ulm for classroom space, Department of Natural Resources and the United Way of the Brown County Area.

If you Skype or Facetime on a computer or tablet and would like to participate in a class from home, let us know
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