

Lecturer and Class Information Spring 2017

Dr. Ronald S. Adrezin

Topic: 3-D Printing

Thu, March 30 1:00-2:30 pm

A demonstration of 3-D printing.

Dr. Adrezin is a professor of Mechanical Engineering at the US Coast Guard Academy.

Father Tomasz Albrecht

Topic: Poland: Its History and Culture

Tue, May 9 10:00-11:30 am

A discussion of Poland's history, music, art, food and architecture. Father Albrecht is a native of Poland and a priest of the Diocese of Norwich assigned to the cluster parishes of St. Peter and Paul, St. Joseph and St. Mary in Norwich. He is a graduate of St. Cyril and Methodius in Orchard Lake, MI.

Ryan Blessing

Topic: The Derby Affair

Wed, Apr 5 1:00-2:30 pm

Ryan Blessing is a reporter for The Bulletin in Norwich and is covering The Derby Affair. In May, 2016, leaders of Norwich Public Utilities and Norwich's General Manager and Mayor, spent a luxurious weekend at the Kentucky Derby - paid for by the nonprofit energy group that counts Norwich Public Utilities as a member.

Michael Carta

Topic: The Manhattan Project

Mon, Mar 27 1:00-2:30 pm

This lecture will discuss the Manhattan Project, the code name for the team of scientists who were given the task of building the atomic bomb. Michael Carta is an Assistant Professor of Chemistry at TRCC. Prior to TRCC, he worked for Pfizer in Groton for 25 years.

Mark Comeau

Topic: Contemporary Architecture

Mon, May 1 1:00-2:30 pm

Mark Comeau is an architect and professor at Three Rivers where he teaches architectural and sustainable design technology and construction management.

Richard Curland

Topic: Paul Harvey, His Family and His Story

Wed, Mar 29 10:00-11:30 am

Dick spent 34 years as an educator and immediately became a consultant upon retiring. With degrees from both ECSU and UConn, he has been telling stories since his Boy Scout days in the 40's.

Jared Day

Topic 1: Hollywood Song and Dance, 1929-1942

Tue, Apr 18 10:00-11:30 am

This lecture will explore the emergence of Hollywood movie "tap dancing" in the early 1930's with special focus on some of Hollywood's "hoofers," including Fred Astaire, Eleanor Powell, Bill "Bojangles" Robinson and many others.

Topic 2: Winston Churchill: A Life in the Arena

Tue, Apr 25 10:00-11:30 am

This lecture explores the life and times of one of the 20th century's most influential figures. It will examine Churchill's family, his quick rise, and his challenges before emerging in the late 1930's to take on Nazi Germany. Jared Day was a professor of History and Engineering Public Policy for 26 years at Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh.

Beth Delaney

Topic: *Animal Farm* by George Orwell

Mon, May 1 10:00-11:30 am



We will discuss *Animal Farm* by George Orwell. Copies of the book will be available in the TRCC library or at your local library. Beth Delaney works at the Scotland Public Library.

Terrence Delaney

Topic: The North Woods of Maine

Tue, Apr 25 1:00-2:30 pm

This lecture will discuss how the economy of the North Woods of Maine is changing from logging to tourism. Terrence Delaney is a Professor of History at Three Rivers.

Edward Derr

Topic: The Railroad That Tied America Together

Tue, Mar 28 10:00-11:30 am

This lecture will explore the building of the transcontinental railroad. Edward Derr has been an Adjunct Instructor of History and Sociology since 2001. He has degrees in history, sociology and education and is currently the coordinator of the ConnCAS Educational Success Program at TRCC.

Gary Donato

Topic: Global Ramifications of 2016 Election

Fri, May 19 Both sessions

Gary Donato is a retired naval officer. He earned his PhD in Political Science and Diplomatic History from UConn.

Larry Erhart

Topic: Local Classic Car Clubs

Mon, Apr 24 1:00-2:30 pm

A nostalgic look at classic American cars over the past 75 years through the lens of Connecticut's local car clubs, their cars, their stories, and their benevolent charitable work. Larry is a retired Pfizer scientist, member of sev-

eral car clubs, Pontiac Oakland Club Inc., Charter Oak Pontiacs and Yesterday of Oakdale Classic Car Club. He has restored and collected cars, as well as lectured on automobiles from the legendary 1920's to the modern Tesla electric vehicles.

Anne Flammang

Topic: The Flock Theatre Presents O'Neill

Wed, Apr 12 1:00-2:30 pm

During the month of April, New London-based Flock Theatre will stage Nobel prize-winning American playwright Eugene O'Neill's most famous work. *Long Day's Journey Into Night* is a reflection of his own family, and Flock is presenting the play in the very location in which it is set: the Monte Cristo Cottage on Pequot Avenue, O'Neill's childhood home. Anne Flammang plays Mary Tyrone, based on O'Neill's mother, who struggled with morphine addiction. Anne, who may be joined by other members of Flock Theater, will give us a behind-the-scenes look at this historic production. Dr. Anne Flammang (CAPT U.S. Coast Guard, ret.) is a Flock Theatre Associate Artist, having directed and acted in Flock productions. She has sung many recitals for A.L.L. and spoken about directing Shakespeare. She retired from the Coast Guard Academy where she taught English and headed the Department of Humanities.

Catherine Forier

Topic: Credit/Debit Card Fraud

Tue, Apr 18 1:00-2:30 pm

Credit vs debit cards, consumer rights, ATM safety, recent fraud trends, and how not to become a victim. Catherine Forier has been employed by Charter Oak Federal Credit Union for 30 years and is their Corporate Security Coordinator. She is treasurer of the CT chapter of the International Association of Financial Crimes Investigators (IAFCI)

and was the IAFCI CT Investigator of the Year in 2015.

Kevin Franklin

Topic: Land Surveying

Mon, April 10 1:00-2:30 pm

This lecture will explore the technological advances in the land surveying profession. Kevin Franklin teaches land surveying courses at Three Rivers and is employed by UConn and CT DOT as the administrator for the Connecticut RTN base-station network. He is the founder/owner of Franklin Surveys, a professional land surveying firm.

Hillary Gavreau Oat

Topic: Prove Your Thoughts Affect Energy!

Wed, May 10 1:00-2:30 pm

We are not who we think we are! The material world, including the body, is comprised of energy patterns. We can't see them, but we influence how they flow through us. We are going to play with simple dowsing to measure that energy and show that your thoughts and feelings have an effect. Hillary Gavreau Oat is a Brennan Healing Science practitioner, Reiki Master and teacher with a private healing practice in Niantic for over 20 years.

Wayne Gignac

Topic: Growing Older Gracefully

Wed, Apr 5 10:00-11:30 am

Living a Legacy of Love, Laughter and Joy: Growing Older Gracefully. Aging does not equal loss, the importance of active aging, the roll that our past plays in our future, passing your wisdom on, memory tips, tricks and techniques, and fun things to do with youngsters. Wayne Gignac works for ESPN and specializes in the use of humor in the workplace. He now includes a program for persons 55 and older.

Betty Gladue

Topic: Basic Computer Skills

Fri, Apr 21 10:00-11:30 am

Limit to 20 participants.

Itch to Stitch

Fri, Apr 28 10:00-11:30 am

Bring your knitting, crocheting or other crafty project and join us for an informal, social get-together.

Susan Jerome and Gideon

Loewenstein

Topic: Fashion and Furniture of the Bauhaus Period

Tue, May 9 1:00-2:30 pm

Susan J. Jerome is the Collections Manager at the URI Historic Textile and Costume Collection.

Brian Jones

Topic: CT's Earliest English Settlers: Recent Finds from Windsor and Glastonbury

Tue, Apr 4 1:00-2:30 pm

Brian Jones is Connecticut's State Archaeologist and is associated with the Connecticut State Museum of Natural History at UConn. Brian received his PhD in Anthropology from UConn in 1998 and has a broad background in New England archaeology that spans the Paleoindian period through the industrial era. He has recently made the archaeology of 17th century Connecticut one of his top priorities.

Mary Ellen Jukoski

Topic: What's Your Learning Style?

Mon, March 27 10:00-11:30 am

Mary Ellen Jukoski is the president of Three Rivers Community College. She received her Doctorate in Education from The University of Memphis in Memphis, TN. Previously she was the president of Mitchell College in New

London.

Klezmer Early Evening Concert

Thu, May 18 6:30 pm

Faye Ringel, Roz Etra, and the musicians of their band Klezmenschen present a toe-tapping, lively concert of Klezmer music. What is Klezmer music? Remember the wedding dances in *Fiddler on the Roof*? The clarinet solos of Benny Goodman? It's a joyful music that makes you want to take hands in a circle and dance, but it can make you nostalgic for a vanished world. The Klezmenschen of Eastern Connecticut, led by Roz Etra on accordion and keyboard, featuring Faye Ringel, keyboard and vocals, have been playing together for over a decade. Joining them are band members who play drums, clarinet, fiddle, trumpet, and other instruments. We perform "Jewish jazz" arrangements of traditional melodies, songs from the Yiddish Theater and Israeli dance tunes. Faye Ringel, a Norwich native, is Professor Emerita of Humanities at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, where she taught for 25 years. She has performed music, given lectures, and accompanied silent films for A.L.L. every year since the organization was founded. Roz Etra grew up on a farm in Lebanon, CT and taught music to several generations of students in Colchester. She is the founder of Klezmenschen, and has shared her musical energy with audiences throughout the state. Since retirement, she continues to teach music and play at senior facilities and soup kitchens, raising spirits everywhere.

Frederick Knowles

Topic: Slam Poetry

Wed, Mar 29 1:00-2:30 pm

Frederick Knowles is an Associate Professor of English at Three Rivers.

Jim Konrad

Topic: Fake News: A Real Problem

Tue, May 2 10:00-11:30 am

We take a look at the short but dangerous history of fake news - what it is, what it isn't, and how it weakens American institutions of government and the media. Jim Konrad is the Executive Editor of The Bulletin. He has been a journalist for more than 30 years, most of them in eastern Connecticut, where he grew up. He has covered sports, news, features and worked in newsroom management at several levels.

Ken Lamothe

Topic: Hey, Kids, Let's Put on a Play

Fri, Apr 7 10:00-11:30 am

Chelsea Players will be in rehearsal for the spring play. Learn how a production comes together. Ken Lamothe taught math at NFA from 1969-2006. In the 1970's, he was faculty advisor for the theater group. In 1983, he was one of the founding members of Chelsea Players, still active after all these years. He also has a radio show on WCNI-FM 90.9 from Connecticut College, Tuesdays 3:00-6:00 p.m.

Sean Langlais

Topic: Hands-on Art Class

Fri, Mar 31 10:00-11:30 am

Limited to 20 participants. Bring #2 pencils and eraser. Sean is an instructor of drawing and art history at TRCC. He has a MFA from UMass-Amherst and is a practicing artist with exhibits from Boston to New York. He is the recipient of the CT Commission on Culture & Tourism Artist Fellowship Award.

Arthur Liverant

Topic: Antique Children's Chairs: Little Seats for Little Buns

Tue, Apr 11 10:00-11:30 am

Discussion of the history of children's chairs in a wide array of forms in early America. Arthur Liverant is an antiques dealer and appraiser specializing in American antique furniture, paintings, silver,

porcelain and related fine art and accessories. He is the third generation owner of the firm Nathan Liverant and Son, LLC. He is a founding member of the Antique Dealer's Association, a member of the Appraiser's Association of America and has appeared on the WGBH television program, Antiques Roadshow.

Manuel Lizarralde

Topic: Historical Ethnobotany of Southern New England: Recovering and Repatriating Indigenous Plant Knowledge

Wed, Apr 19 10:00-11:30 am

Even though native indigenous people were being "vanished" from southern New England history, a rich body of knowledge of plant use was preserved and still in the mind of living descendants. These wide range of sources (ethnographic, historical and archaeological) yielded information of 309 species of plants. Dr. Manuel Lizarralde is an Associate Professor in Ethnobotany and Environmental Anthropology at Connecticut College.

Gideon Loewenstein

Open Forum

Thu, Apr 20 1:00-2:30 pm

An open discussion of current events. Bring your ideas. Gideon had a long career as an interior designer and is a retired professor of design and furniture history at URI and The Fashion Institute of New York City. Gideon has been with A.L.L. for some 14 years and served as president for two years.

Phil Mayer

Topic: Why Trump Won

Tue, March 28 1:30*-3:00 pm

***Please note time change.**

Phil Mayer is Professor of Economics and Political Science at TRCC. He received a BS from Villanova University, a MA from Kansas State and a MLS from Fort Hayes State University.

Alex Miele**Topic: The Trump Effect on Your Portfolio****Fri, May 12 10:00-11:30 am**

Alex Miele received a BA in Economics and Government from Connecticut College. She is a Certified Financial Planner and was honored to be included in CT Magazine's "40 Under 40" issue that highlights upcoming professionals in the state. CT Magazine has also honored Ms. Miele as a Five-Star Wealth Manager in 2013, 2014, and 2015.

Gary Motin**Classic film: Valley of the Kings (1954)****Mon, Apr 3 10:00 am-12:00 pm****Classic film: How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying****Thu, Apr 27 12:30 - 2:30 pm*****Please note time change.****Classic film: The Last Voyage (1959)****Wed, May 10 10:00 am-12:00 pm**

Gary Motin is an optical physicist and worked for NUSC as head of the ElectroOptics branch, Analysis & Technology and taught math and physics at Mitchell College and TRCC. His hobby is classic films of the 40's and 50's.

Raymond Nagan**Topic: Metal Casting from Art Form to Precision Aerospace****Thu, Apr 6 1:00-2:30 pm**

Dazzling art castings preface the age of utilitarian cast tools to the development of sophisticated super alloy precision casting in a wide array of applications. Raymond Nagan has B.S. degree in Ceramic Engineering from Alfred University and a graduate degree in metallurgy from Syracuse University. He worked as a foundry metallurgist in large machine tool castings and then in very high production automotive and trucking components followed by 30 years in management positions in process

development in a wide array of alloys.

Ronn Nagel**Topic: History of Rock & Roll and the Return of Vinyl****Tue, Apr 4 10:00-11:30 am**

This lecture will cover the history of rock and roll music as it pertains to vinyl records, including the value and collectability of vinyl versus other formats. Ronn Nagel has been a record collector since 1957 and is president of the CT Record Club. He has also been a DJ and band member.

Steve Neufeld**Topic: U.S. Relations with Russia: A New Cold War or Unnecessary Hype?****Thu, May 11 1:00-2:30 pm**

The lecture will consider how adversarial U.S. relations with Russia should be and what to make of Trump's "bromance" (as some have called it) with Putin. Steve Neufeld is a Professor of Sociology and International Studies at Three Rivers. He has a B.A. from Brown University and a M.A. and PhD from Northwestern University.

David Oat**Topic: The Shooting Lady****Mon, Apr 3 1:00-2:30 pm**

As the need to hunt to put food on the table declined so did the demand for hunting guns. As a result firearms companies, including Norwich's Hopkins & Allen, began marketing their products specifically to women, producing shotguns and target rifles designed for the new "shooting lady." Through slides, we will explore this aspect of America's golden age. David Oat is a board member of the Norwich Historical Society and contributor to their newsletter. He was one of the organizers and past president for many years of "The Guns of Norwich Historical Society."

Charles Prewitt**Topic: Astronomy****Tue, May 2****1:00-2:30 pm**

With the most recent pictures, latest discoveries, and newest theories, Charles Prewitt will speak about our sun, planets in our solar system, the Milky Way, nebulae, quasars, black holes, dark energy, dark matter, galaxies and the Big Bang in relation to distance, time, and an expanding universe. Until retirement after 32 years as a science teacher, Charles Prewitt taught astronomy to junior and senior high school students. He is a popular speaker at A.L.L. with a lifelong interest in astronomy. His summer travel plans include the maximum point at which to experience the Great American Eclipse.

Faye Ringel**Topic: Jewish Supernatural Traditions****Mon, Apr 17****1:00-2:30 pm****Faye Ringel and Avery Rondeau****Topic: Vocal Recital****Fri, Apr 7****1:00-2:30 pm**

Join Faye Ringel, pianist, and Avery Rondeau, vocalist, for an afternoon of music with songs from the Great American Songbook, classical arts songs and opera arias. Lyric soprano, Avery Rondeau, was born and raised in Jewett City. She has a master's degree in Vocal Performance from UConn and made her international debut in Ireland where she collaborated with the Dublin Institute of Technology on several operatic scenes. She is a local voice teacher and continues to sing in the CT area. Faye Ringel, a Norwich native, is Professor Emerita of Humanities at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, where she taught for 25 years. She has performed music, given lectures, and accompanied silent films for A.L.L. every year since the organization was founded.

James Sherrard**Topic: Everyday Concerns About**