

# About the Facilitators. . .

# "OPPORTUNITIES"

- ◆ **Arthur Barry**, B.A. Philosophy, M.A. & Ph.D. Boston College, is retired as Assistant Principal of Marshfield High School, where he also taught Spanish. He is an Instructor at Curry College and teaches Spanish to adult learners.
- ◆ **Danica Buckley**, B.A., M.A. English, earned an M.M. in Choral Conducting from Boston Conservatory. She is Artistic Director of Choral Art Society of the South Shore, directs the Simmons College Concert Choir, where she also teaches Music History, and is an adjunct professor of English at Wentworth Institute of Technology.
- ◆ **Deborah Comeau**, B.S. Education, Ed.M, is a retired Marshfield teacher and enjoys drawing and painting, especially nature sketching. She studied with a number of local artists, taught a children's art class at North River Arts Society in Marshfield Hills and created the "Opportunities" logo for Marshfield Lifelong Learning.
- ◆ **Edris Kelley**, B.A., M.Ed., a retired Marshfield teacher, is past president and active member of the Eire Society of Boston. She is membership chair for the Eastern Chapter of the Mid-Life and Older Women's League, and worked at the Gerontology Institute at University of Massachusetts for 11 years.
- ◆ **Nancy Kelly**, B.A., English Literature, MLS, Library and Information Science, has been a librarian at Ventress Memorial Library since 1994. In 2008, she completed the Travel and Tourism Management Program at Massasoit Community College and joined Hotel 140 in Boston as weekend concierge. An inveterate traveler, her favorite destinations are "Switzerland, Switzerland and Switzerland!"
- ◆ **Jeanne McKenna**, a Norwell photographer, earned a B.A. in Art History. She exhibits and displays with local art associations and has received many awards. Currently, she freelances, gives private photography lessons/workshops, and judges for local camera clubs.
- ◆ **Bob Panuto** is retired from the National Weather Service in Taunton. He currently teaches an Earth Science class at Bridgewater State University and will teach Global Warming in future sessions.
- ◆ **Anthony Pilla** retired from Bedford Public Schools after 39 years as a teacher and K-12 Director of Art. An exhibiting artist and printmaker, he is currently Education Coordinator for South Shore Art Center in Cohasset.
- ◆ **Regina Porter** is a freelance educator and storyteller. Her programs reflect years of research focusing on local history. She speaks to the everyday life (family, food, religion) to explore what life was like in historic periods.
- ◆ **Stephen Puleo** is the author of best seller *The Boston Italians* and of the critically acclaimed historic book *Dark Tide: The Great Boston Molasses Flood of 1919*. A former award-winning newspaper reporter and contributor to *American History* magazine, he holds a master's degree in history and teaches at Suffolk University.
- ◆ **Robert Smith** received a Ph.D. in American history from the College of William and Mary. He is assistant professor of history at Worcester State University, a published author, and President of the Historic Winslow House.
- ◆ **Reed Stewart** earned an M.A. and Ph.D. in geography from Clark University. Now Professor Emeritus, he spent 28 years as professor of geography and anthropology at Bridgewater State University, including two terms as departmental chair. A long-time environmental activist, he spent twelve years teaching in Africa (Liberia and Kenya) from elementary through college levels and wrote a doctoral dissertation on West African settlement patterns.
- ◆ **Chris Woods**, B.A. English, M.S. in Library and Information Science, has been Head Reference Librarian at Ventress Memorial Library in Marshfield for over 17 years, where she also coordinates adult cultural programming and teaches stress relief classes.



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# SPRING/SUMMER 2012 COURSE OFFERINGS

- #1 ART HISTORY - STYLES AND TEMPERAMENTS, Anthony Pilla at COA, \$20, 1-2:30 p.m., 6 Wednesdays (Aug. 15, 22, 29, Sept. 5, 12, 19). Visual art survey with focus on major styles and periods from 14th century to early 20th century.
- #2 BEGINNER'S PHOTOGRAPHY, Jeanne McKenna at COA, \$20, 1:30-3:00 p.m., 6 Fridays (May 25, June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29). How to use a digital camera, picture design, exposure and lighting, landscapes and nature, people and portraits.
- #3 GLOBAL WARMING/CLIMATE CHANGE, Bob Panuto at COA, \$20, 10-11:30 a.m., 3 Mondays (July 23, 30, Aug. 6)
- #4 GOSPEL MUSIC, Danica Buckley at Ventress Library, \$10, 10-11:30 a.m., 2 Fridays (July 20 - History and Roots of Gospel Music in America; August 3 - Gospel Music in Marshfield: Songs) No singing experience necessary - come feel the joy!
- #5 GREAT THINKERS OF THE PAST, Arthur Barry at COA, \$20, 1-2:30 p.m., 6 Tuesdays (June 19, 26, July 3, 10, 17, 24) Class will visit the ideas of great thinkers throughout history from Socrates to Harriet Beecher Stowe.
- #6 MARSHFIELD DAYS GONE BY: 1600-1900, Regina Porter at Proprietor's Green, \$20, 10-11:30 a.m., 8 Tuesdays (April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, June 5, 12) From Native Americans, to early explorers to 20th c. culture come learn about Marshfield's past. Final session is a history party with authentic food, song and dance - bring a friend!
- #7 PHYSICAL AND CULTURAL GEOGRAPHY OF AFRICA, Reed Stewart at COA, \$20, 2-3:30 p.m., 4 Tuesdays (May 8, 15, 22, 29) Course covers Africa's increasing importance exploring climate, culture, resources, wild life, diseases, religion and more.
- #8 SKETCHING FROM NATURE AT 3 LOCATIONS, Deborah Comeau, from Ventress Library carpool to nature sites, \$20, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., 3 Thursdays (July 12, 19, 26) Bring a pencil, sketchpad, something to sit on, a hat and lunch. Beginners welcome! Limit of 10 students.
- #9 TRAVEL PLANNING, Nancy Kelly at Ventress Library, \$20, 10-11:30 a.m., 4 Fridays (June 8, 15, 22, 29). Introduces tools and resources necessary for optimal trip planning with focal topics of cruise selection tips, travel agent use and senior travel. Guest speakers from South Shore travel community will share their expertise with students.
- #10 WAR OF 1812, Robert Smith at Historic Winslow House, \$20, 10-11:30 a.m., 6 Wednesdays (May 23, 30, June 6, 13, 20, 27). Topics include European and American background, military campaigns on land and sea, New England opposition, diplomacy and the legacy of War of 1812.

## BROWN BAG DAY TRIPS

- #11 BACKROADS BUS TRIP: SOUTH TO NORTH Led by Regina Porter - Two Thursdays, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., cost is \$10 for both - May 17: South - Alden House/Duxbury; Hedge House/Plymouth - May 24: North - Pratt Library/Cohasset; Old Ordinary/Hingham. Lunch on your own at restaurants or bring brown bag lunch and then bus trip back.
- #12 WALK A LABYRINTH Led by Chris Woods - Field trip to walk a labyrinth - Three trips at \$5. each - limit of 10 per session - May 18, July 13, Sept. 7, 10 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Bring a lunch to enjoy. Meet at Ventress Library at 10 a.m. for video presentation, and then carpool to Cohasset to walk the labyrinth at St. Joseph's Retreat Center. Come relax!
- #13 IRISH MARITIME AND MOSSING MUSEUM Led by Edris Kelley - Friday, Aug. 17, 10 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Cost is \$5. Meet at library at 10 a.m. for video presentation and carpool to Irish Mossing Museum, 301 Driftway, Scituate, MA - Docents will guide students around the museum. Bring brown bag lunch.
- #14 NORTH END WALK WITH AUTHOR STEPHEN PULEO - Sat., April 28, 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Cost \$20 (includes round-trip boat ride fare and parking fee). Meet at 8 a.m. at Ventress Library to carpool to Quincy Harbor Express ferry. Meet author on Salem Street for 1 and 1/2 hour tour of sites related to historic Molasses Flood of 1919. Buy lunch at L'Osteria restaurant or take your brown bag lunch to the waterfront! Includes fair amount of walking over uneven surfaces - please keep this in mind before signing up for the day.

Kick-off Breakfast and Registration is Tuesday, April 3, 2012 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Marshfield Senior Center/COA 230 Webster Street Marshfield, MA 781-834-5581

Register at Ventress Library on Saturday, April 7, at "Books in Bloom" event from 10 - 2

Registration is ongoing after kick-offs as space permits. Visit the COA to fill out registration forms and pay with your check to "COA Boosters" or use cash.