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Sussex County Center for Lifelong Learning March Offerings at Sussex County Community College

The Center for Lifelong Learning at Sussex County Community College (SCCC), a collaboration between the Sussex County Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Senior Services and Sussex County Community College, is hosting presentations and classes during the month of March.

Birds, Bees & the Butterflies. Join Professor Erin Shroll on Friday, **March 8, 2024**, at 11:00 a.m., in the Atrium of the Performing Arts Center at SCCC as she helps you kick off your spring planting. Professor Shroll will provide you with the information and inspiration needed to attract birds, bees and butterflies to your garden. Learn how to create your own special habitat right in your own backyard. Come ready to take notes, learn and ask questions!

Rock and Roll Music of Our Lives. Join lifelong musician Wendy Fullem in the Student Theater – D Building on Friday, **March 22, 2024**, and Friday, **April 12, 2024**, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., for a two-part event. Take a walk through the history of rock and roll as it unfolded in the United States, from the days before rock (pre-1955) to the beginning of the 1980s (and beyond if time permits). Professor Fullem will discuss how developments in the music business and in technology helped shape the ways in which styles developed while enjoying the exploration of the music and artists, emphasizing both the cultural context and the music itself.

Introduction to Drawing. A five-part **Introduction to Drawing** class will be held emphasizing the development of observational drawing skills and hand-eye coordination. Basic drawing elements such as line, proportion, perspective, composition, texture, and the study of light and shade are investigated through various perceptual and conceptual approaches. Open to beginning students as well as those who want to refresh their skills before moving on to more advanced studio courses. Professor Michael Hughes is a practicing artist and member of the Fine Arts Faculty at SCCC. The class will meet on five (5) Saturdays, **March 23, April 6, April 13, April 20 and April 27, 2024**, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., in the Art Gallery, Room C106.

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The course fee is \$30.00. Students are required to bring their own drawing supplies. Basic tools should include a large newsprint pad and a very basic drawing kit containing charcoal pencils, graphite drawing pencils, charcoal sticks and an eraser. Pre-registration is required and space is limited.

For more information or to register, please contact the Division of Senior Services by calling 973-579-0555, ext. 1277.

Becoming a Community Journalist. This is a free Certificate Program. This course is designed to teach journalism skills and design practices for anyone in greater Sussex County who wants to share stories and information about their communities. The eight-week course offers a hands-on exploration of how journalism works. You will learn how to increase your understanding of local issues that are affecting you and your neighbors and how to write and report important stories with and for your communities. You will leave this course with samples of articles you have written, with ideas for future stories and a Certificate of Participation! Participants will be connected to local news outlet staff and community media producers in the greater Sussex County area giving you the continuing opportunities to produce original journalism.

When registering for the course, you can choose one of the following: 1.) In-person Course *or* 2) Online Course.

In-person course participants are required to attend 6 of the 8 workshops in this program to earn a certificate.

Online course participants are required to complete 6 out of the 8 modules in the online course to earn a certificate.

IN-PERSON COURSE

Date: Every Tuesday, **March 26, April 2, April 9, April 16, April 23, April 30, May 7 and May 14, 2024**

Time: 12:45 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Location: SCCC's Media Center

ONLINE COURSE

Date: The online course begins Tuesday, **March 26, 2024**, and runs for eight weeks, ending on May 14, 2024.

Registration: To register for either the in-person or online version of the course or obtain additional information, please call 579-0555, ext. 1277. *Space is limited for this course.*



Sussex County's Veterans Appreciation Luncheon

The Sussex County Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Senior Services, Catholic Charities Veteran Services, and the Veterans Committee invite Sussex County veterans to attend an appreciation luncheon. This special event will be held on Wednesday, April 24, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Farmstead Golf and Country Club located at 88 Lawrence Road in Lafayette, NJ. The luncheon will include presentations from various veteran organizations, information tables, and giveaways.

Various service providers will be present to offer information and assistance regarding programs available to veterans and their families. We will also have some fun entertainment for our veterans to enjoy with their lunch.

We look forward to honoring the sacrifices Sussex County veterans have made for our country, and to share important information and services that are available.

Pre-registration for this event is required by April 15, 2024. For additional information and to RSVP for the luncheon, please contact the Sussex County Division of Senior Services at 973-579-0555, ext.1277 or seniorservices@sussex.nj.us.

Upcoming March Program sponsored by the Sussex County Division of Senior Services

Spring "Birds of Prey" Migration Watch
Wednesday, March 27, 2024
1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Meet at High Point Monument in High Point State Park

This time of year starts the migration cycle for many birds. We hope to see many different species from Orioles and Warblers to the mighty raptors. Identification sources will be on hand for your use.

This is an easy walk, at times on uneven terrain. Dress weather appropriate and bring your binoculars and a water bottle if you wish. Contact Karen King at Senior Services to register or for any questions at (973) 579-0555 or kking@sussex.nj.us.



2024 Senior Bus Trips

Sparta Parks & Recreation – Will host a bus trip to the 9/11 Memorial & Museum on **Thursday, April 4, 2024**. The cost is \$35 for Sparta residents and \$40 for non-residents. The cost includes admission to the museum. Lunch is on your own. Please call Sparta Parks and Recreation at (973) 729-2383 to register. Registration closes on March 21.

XYZ Club/St. Francis DeSales Church Club - Will host a bus trip to Wind Creek Casino in Bethlehem, PA on **Tuesday, April 16, 2024**. The cost is \$35 per person (No Refunds). You will receive \$25 in slot play.

XYZ Club/St. Francis DeSales Church Club - Will host a bus trip to Forestburgh Playhouse on **Wednesday, July 10, 2024**, to see *Jimmy Buffett's Escape to Margaritaville*. Lunch will be at the Erie Hotel in Port Jervis, New York. The cost is \$100 per person.



Vernon Leisure Club

Join the Vernon Leisure Club on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 1:00 p.m. at the Vernon Senior Center, 21 Church Street in Vernon, for a fun and informative get together. Bring a friend!

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