

YORK COUNTY SENIOR COLLEGE
'COMING ATTRACTION #2'
GARY SULLIVAN LECTURE SERIES
WINTER 2021

While we're still dealing with the difficulties of the coronavirus and are unable to provide in-person venues, our lecture series for Senior College members is being held via Zoom this year. Though perhaps not as inviting as in-person, Zoom programs do offer advantages - no traveling in snowy conditions, many folks say they hear much better, it certainly beats being home alone in a pandemic, and the series is being offered FREE this year! Take this opportunity to join friends, share some time and gather information. There are to be 7 lectures over 3 months, all on Wednesday afternoons. Register once for all 7, and then put them in your calendar.

To register, send an email to: info@yorkcountyseniorcollege.org with your name and email address. You will not receive a registration confirmation. An email invite link to the program will be sent to you as the respective day approaches. For those who are hesitant but willing to try the online experience, let us know and we will do our best to guide you through it.

JANUARY

January 13th 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

"Remembering the '40s"

Lorraine Dutile Masure has led senior college courses across four academic venues during the past nine years. She continues to delight seniors by presenting alluring subject matter – some of which, as the '40s, she's lived. She has authored one book, 'Growing Up Franco-American' and has at times enjoyed doing readings of her published essays (twice national). She served as Director of the Sanford/Springvale University of Maine System Center in Springvale and is currently Music Minister at the Brothers of Christian Instruction Chapel in Alfred.

January 20th 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

"How We Know What We Know...What Do We Know?"

Edward Gleason, Astronomer, Southworth Planetarium, University of Maine is engaged in astronomy education by teaching classes, writing articles, presenting planetarium shows and spreading the astronomy word.

FEBRUARY

February 10th 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

“Vaccines: How Our History Helps Us Move Forward”

From the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, we have looked to the development of a vaccine as our entrance to a return to normalcy. This may be the most anticipated vaccine in history. Stephen C. Pelsue, PH.D. is the Scientific Director of BBI Solutions, Maine Site (formerly Maine Biotechnology Services, Inc). BBI is focused on custom antibody development and production for the biotechnology and biopharma sector. Prior to joining BBI, he was a faculty member in the Applied Medical Department and had also served as Graduate Coordinator, Department Chair, and Associate Dean of the College of Science, Technology and Health.

February 17th 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

“I Have Struck Mrs. Cochran With a Stake”

Leslie Lamber Rounds is Executive Director of the Saco Library/Saco Museum and is the author of several books. She will discuss her latest book, released in October, a true crime story that takes place over a century ago in New Hampshire and is about the brutal murder of a young married woman and mother of two by an 18 year old family farmhand and the trial that followed.

February 24th 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

“The Ice Age and New England”

Steven Podsiadlo will talk about the giant ice sheet that covered Maine 20,000 years ago and discuss the ice age and its effects on Maine’s landscape. Steve has long-time interest in natural and geological processes. Steve’s background also includes developing and providing technical training and with elementary STEM and English Learners programs.

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MARCH

March 10th 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

**“China’s False Promise of Autonomy to Those Living On its Periphery
(And What it Means for Tibet, Xinjiang, Hong Kong and Taiwan)”**

Allen Carlson, PH.D, is an Associate Professor in Cornell University’s Government Department, the Michael J. Zak Chair of History for U.S.-China Relations and the Director of Cornell’s Brittany and Adam Levinson China Asia-Pacific Studies. His research focuses primarily on international relations, Asian security, Chinese foreign policy, and Tibet.

March 17th 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

“Small Town Journalism Today”

Shawn Sullivan, York County Coast Star, is a journalist, columnist, author and podcast host. He will provide a view of small-town journalism. Shawn is the son of Gary Sullivan, whom this lecture series memorializes.