

Course Descriptions 2011-2012

Acrylic Painting (E) (winter session)

Teacher: Cindi Bixler (540-955-2196 cindiB4JC@hotmail.com)

Grade Level: 7-12

Prerequisite: Prior Painting & Drawing Classes Required

Course Fee: \$31.50

Material Fee: \$25

Acrylic Painting is for the more serious artist who feels comfortable with using various mediums and feels they want more to express themselves. We will be studying the techniques of canvas preparation, color blending, and use of various tools. Also, we will explore different artist styles. The course will allow for 1 -2 paintings to be completed over a semester. The first painting will be a landscape and the next will be the students' choice.

Adventures in Writing (A)

Teacher: Janet Beavin (540-955-6193 janetbeavin@comcast.net)

Grade Level: 7-8

Prerequisite: All students must submit a writing sample prior to registration.

Homework: Weekly compositions

Course Fee: \$123

Material Fee: \$10

This foundational class introduces the writing elements, which are used to construct interesting sentences and well-crafted paragraphs. Students will write weekly compositions. Second semester focuses on writing a five-paragraph paper each week.

Beginner Chess (E) (fall session)

Teacher: Laurie Lukens (540-869-6375 mlkma@verizon.net)

Grade Level: 7-12

Course Fee: \$31.50

Material Fee: \$10 which will include *Osborne's Starting Chess*

Chess, this word conjures up images of challenge, victory and time well spent. To others Chess may spark a curiosity of the unknown. While in others it provokes images of boredom or confusion. This class is for those who have never played the game of Chess and yet always wanted to. It is also for those who have forgotten how to play and even for those who play, but play poorly. Our time will be spent learning, developing and improving the skills needed to play competitively. Students will learn about each chess piece and their unique movements and qualities that keep the game moving while playing this challenging and thought provoking game.

Biology with Lab (A)

Teacher: Betsy Ilderton (bmilderton@yahoo.com)

Grade Level: 9-12

Prerequisite: Physical Science

Required Books and/or Materials: *Apologia Exploring Creation with Biology, 2nd edition w/ solutions manual* by Dr. Jay L. Wile

Course Fee: \$272

Material Fee: \$75

Extended Schedule: This class will also meet on 8/29/11, 12/5/11, 12/12/11, 4/2/12, 4/16/12 and 4/23/12

This course is a college-prep Biology course that provides a detailed introduction to the methods and concepts of general biology. Heavily emphasizing the vocabulary of Biology, it provides the student with a strong background in the scientific method, the five-kingdom classification scheme, microscopy, biochemistry, cellular biology, molecular and Mendelian genetics, evolution, dissection and ecosystems. It also provides a complete survey of the five kingdoms in creation. Microscopic observations and dissection work are included. Class size is limited to 14 students. This course is scheduled as a 2-hour block.

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Chemistry with Lab (A)

Teacher: Tina Badley (304-258-9536 tbadley@juno.com)

Grade Level: 10-12

Prerequisite: Algebra I

Required Books and/or Materials: *Exploring Creation with Chemistry, 2nd edition* w/ solutions manual by Dr. Jay L. Wile

Homework: Expect at least an hour's worth of homework each night.

Course Fee: \$253

Material Fee: \$60

Extended Schedule: This class will also meet on 12/5/11, 12/12/11, 4/16/12 and 4/23/12

This rigorous high school course will cover basic principles of chemistry such as atomic and molecular structure, energy, heat and temperature, acid/base chemistry, chemistry of solutions, thermodynamics, nomenclature, kinetic theory, chemical equilibrium, and oxidation/reduction reactions. Class size is limited to 14 students. This course is scheduled as a 2-hour block.

Chess Club (E) (winter session)

Teacher: Laurie Lukens (540-869-6375 mlkma@verizon.net)

Grade Level: 7-12

Course Fee: \$31.50

Material Fee: \$5

Come one; come all to the Winter Semester SAIL Chess Club! This time is for those who are looking for an opportunity to practice their Chess skills or those who enjoy exercising their brains in a fun and socially interactive way. Come play the game of Chess. This will be a time to develop and improve skills while playing this challenging and thought provoking game with fellow SAIL students.

Chorale (E)

Teacher: Sandra Snodgrass (540-662-8842 ronsan5@comcast.net)

Grade Level: 5-12

Course Fee: \$63

Material Fee: \$10

This course will cover ensemble practice and basic choral singing techniques as well as basic note reading. We will cover various styles of music which will include any of the following: sacred, folk, spirituals, vocal jazz, classical. We will aim for quality performances. Jr. Sail members 5th grade and up are also welcome!

Cooking (E)

Teacher: Diane Gum (540-837-2038 gum.diane@yahoo.com)

Grade Level: 7-12

Course Fee: \$31.50 per semester (\$63 for full year)

Material Fee: \$32.50 per semester (\$65 for full year)

Classes will be cooking and baking, getting familiar with measurements and other kitchen terms, and learning how to adjust and personalize recipes. Hopefully students will become more comfortable in the kitchen and be willing to help out in that area at home.

Creative Design (E)

Teacher: Kathleen Forgues (540-722-5046 kjforgues@aol.com)

Grade Level: 7-12

Course Fee: \$63

Material Fee: \$15

In this class we will explore various elements of design, as well as create our own using a variety of mediums. You do not need to have had a previous art class to take this course.

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Critical Thinking (I)

Teacher: Samantha Walraven (540-955-1330 swalraven@verizon.net)

Grade Level: 7-12

Required Books and/or Materials: *The Fallacy Detective* and *The Thinking Toolbox* by the Bluedorn brothers

Homework: 1 hour per week

Course Fee: \$93

Material Fee: \$27.00 includes purchase of *Critical Thinking* book

Since the Bible teaches us to "take every thought captive to the obedience of Christ", we must learn to use our God given ability to think critically. Critical thinking is a skill which must not only be learned but practiced also. In this class, we will spend all of our time practicing this skill by learning how to express our opinions, hear rebuttals, and recognize bad reasoning.

Current Events (E)

Teacher: Duffy Simonpetri (540-662-5999 mereduff1216@hotmail.com)

Grade Level: 7-9

Homework: Minimal homework required.

Course Fee: \$63

Material Fee: \$14

Using God's World literature, students will discuss current events.

Drawing (E) (fall session)

Teacher: Cindi Bixler (540-955-2196 cindiB4JC@hotmail.com)

Grade Level: 7-12

Course Fee: \$31.50

Material Fee: \$15

This course is a drawing course covering the use of pencil, pen and pastels. Class goals include familiarizing students with line drawing, shading and use of various mediums. An introduction to the masters and their techniques will be included. Students will be required to do a weekly sketch in class which will include subject matter of still life, landscapes and abstract art. We will look at various artists and their use of mediums and attempt to reproduce similar works.

General Science (A)

Teacher: Angie LeMay (540-869-7944 angelia.lemay100@comcast.net)

Grade Level: 7-8

Required Books and/or Materials: *Exploring Creation with General Science 2nd edition w/solutions manual* by Dr. Jay L. Wile (the 2nd edition is mandatory)

Homework: Approximately 4-5 hours of homework per week are required.

Course Fee: \$123

Material Fee: \$10

This course is an excellent introduction to the series of Apologia texts by Dr. Wile. The material is appropriate for grades 6-8. The book covers such topics as: the scientific method, designing experiments, simple machines, archeology, geology, paleontology, biology, and human anatomy and physiology. Students will participate in experiments and discuss the text in class. Class size is limited to 14 students.

Government (A)

Teacher: Angie LeMay (540-869-7944 angelia.lemay100@comcast.net)

Grade Level: 10-12

Prerequisite: U.S. History

Required Books and/or Materials: American Government text, Activities Manual and test booklet from BJU press

Course Fee: \$123

Material Fee: \$10

Students will study the Christian foundation for American government, the constitution, the party system, elections, forms of government, democracy, and the three branches of government. This course also provides students with an overview of the changes and developments of our government along with discussions about current issues.

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In Stitches (E) (winter session)

Teachers: Diane Gum (540-837-2038 gum.diane@yahoo.com) and Ellen Rogers (540-955-6380 ellenr714@comcast.net)

Grade Level: 7-12

Required Books and/or Materials: Students must have a portable sewing machine, dressmaking shears, pins, a tape measure, and a seam ripper. An additional list of required materials (fabric, thread, etc.) will be sent out during the summer. (For those who do not own a sewing machine, a few loaner machines may be available for a small refundable deposit. Contact Ellen Rogers if you are interested.)

Course Fee: \$31.50

Material Fee: \$10

This is a beginning sewing class designed to teach students basic sewing techniques, including reading and following a pattern. Students will complete a variety of fun projects (appealing to both guys and gals) leaving plenty of room for creative self-expression. Students will come away convinced that sewing can be practical, frugal, and most of all, FUN!

Medieval History (A)

Teacher: Donna Diaz (540-868-0806 Robpt@aol.com)

Grade Level: 8-12

Homework: Approximately one hour per day.

Prerequisite: Involves a lot of reading. Student must be able to do research and write reports.

Required Books and/or Materials: The Story of Liberty by Charles C. Coffin
The Magna Charta by James Daugherty
In Freedom's Cause by G.A. Henty
Castle and Cathedral by David MacCauley
The Morning Star of the Reformation by Andy Thomson
The Monk Who Shook the World by Cyril Davey
Fine Print by Joann Burch

The World of Columbus and Sons by Genevieve Foster

The Hawk That Dare Not Hunt By Day by Scott O'Dell

Optional Reading: Otto of the Silver Hand by Howard Pyle

Adam of the Road by Elizabeth Gray

The Door in the Wall by Marguerite DeAngeli

The Trumpeter of Krakaw by Eric P. Kelly

Course Fee: \$123

Material Fee: \$10

Using the Beautiful Feet curriculum, this class will study Medieval, Renaissance, and Reformation history. Beginning at the era of the Magna Charta in 1215, the class will culminate with the early Pilgrim colony of 1620.

Old Testament Survey (I)

Teacher: Beth LaRusso (304-229-1411 LaRusso6@MSN.com)

Grade Level: 9-12

Required Books and/or Materials: A strong study Bible and *A Survey of the Old Testament 3rd edition* by Andrew E. Hill, John H. Walton. This is a college textbook but is also a great lifetime resource with maps, photos, timelines, and charts.

Homework: 30 minutes per day

Course Fee: \$93

Material Fee: none

For each Old Testament book we will address the background information, the purpose, message, structure and major themes. We will look at issues of interpretation, geography, archaeology, history, formation of the Old Testament canon and its relationship to the New Testament.

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Physical Science (A)

Teacher: Beth LaRusso (304-229-1411 LaRusso6@MSN.com)

Grade Level: 8-9

Prerequisite: mathematical skill at 8th grade level; ability to read and comprehend textbook

Required Books and/or Materials: *Exploring Creation with Physical Science, 2nd edition* w/solutions manual by Dr. Jay L. Wile and a calculator (a basic one is fine). It is recommended that students also have 3 by 5 index cards, *Exploring Creation with Physical Science Companion CD-ROM* (highly recommended), and audio textbook CD (a wonderful help for audio learners).

Homework: 45 to 60 minutes per day

Course Fee: \$155

Material Fee: \$18

Extended Schedule: This class will also meet on 8/29/11, 12/5/11, 12/12/11, 4/2/12, 4/16/12 and 4/23/12

This course is a continuation of Jay Wile's secondary level science program. Class size is limited to 14 students.

Physics with Lab (A)

Teacher: Laura Poffenberger (304-839-6677, Lpoffen@gmail.com)

Grade Level: 11-12

Prerequisite: Algebra I, Geometry, and an introduction to Trigonometry including the definitions of sine, cosine, and tangent.

Required Books and/or Materials: *Exploring Creation with Physics, 2nd edition* w/ solutions manual by Dr. Jay L. Wile

Homework: Expect *at least* an hour's worth of homework each night.

Course Fee: \$272

Material Fee: \$45

Extended Schedule: This class will also meet on 8/29/11, 12/5/11, 12/12/11, 4/2/12, 4/16/12 and 4/23/12

This is a challenging high school course. As stated on the Apologia website, it "provides a detailed introduction to the methods and concepts of general physics, heavily emphasizing vector analysis". "The course provides the student with a strong background in units, measurement, one- and two-dimensional motion, Newton's laws and their application, gravity, work and energy, momentum, periodic motion, waves, optics, electrostatics, electrodynamics, electrical circuits, and magnetism." Class size is limited to 14 students. This course is scheduled as a 2-hour block.

Physics Prerequisite Requirements

Algebra I, Geometry, and an introduction to Trigonometry including the definitions of sine, cosine, and tangent are required prerequisites for Apologia's *Exploring Creation with Physics 2nd Edition*. Please check the math program(s) that have been completed by the student and have the student complete a competency test in Algebra and Geometry. Many Geometry programs include an introduction to Trigonometry. It is important that parents check the curriculum that was used by the student to verify if Trigonometry was covered. If a student has successfully completed Geometry from Bob Jones or Math U See, then he/she should be adequately prepared. Teaching Textbooks does not cover Trigonometry in Geometry, hence you will need to supplement where this program lacks. A solid foundation in mathematics is essential for understanding and completing assignments in physics. Each student should be able to successfully complete the following competency tests:

Algebra: <http://www.mathusee.com/pdfs/placement/a1exam.pdf>

Geometry: <http://www.mathusee.com/pdfs/placement/geometryexam.pdf>

Use the competency tests to determine where review is necessary. Each student should come into the physics class with a solid understanding with respect to the material covered on these tests. Students should also have a firm grasp of the metric system and significant numbers (as taught in Apologia's *Exploring Creation with Chemistry*).

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Quilting (E) (fall session)

Teacher: Diane Gum (540-837-2038 gum.diane@yahoo.com)

Grade Level: 7-12

Required Books and/or Materials: Students must have a portable sewing machine. (For those who do not own a sewing machine, a few loaner machines may be available for a small refundable deposit. Contact Ellen Rogers if you are interested.)

Course Fee: \$31.50

Material Fee: determined by the student's fabric selection

This class is an introduction to quilting. We will be making a log cabin quilt top. There will be an additional class during the fall semester in order to discuss and purchase the student's fabric selection. My hope is that we will be able to complete the quilt by the end of the 12 weeks, including tying and binding it.

Reading Literature for Pleasure (I)

Teacher: Cynthia Graves (304-856-1306 Cynthia9@thegravesfamily.net)

Grade Level: 7-12

Required Books and/or Materials: Will probably include *Rascal*, *Little Men*, *Summer of the Monkeys*, *Room One*, *Hans Brinker*, *The Voyages of Dr. Dolittle*, *Nory Ryan's Song*, *Indian Captive: The Story of Mary Jemison*, and the student's choice of a missionary biography. (Please do not purchase books until the final list, which will be available in June.)

Homework: Weekly reading of approximately 75 to 125 pages.

Course Fee: \$93

Material Fee: \$10

This class is a literature discussion class, including recognizing literary elements and doing beginning analysis in class. Weekly reading must be done on time and class participation is required. Each student will submit a final project on his/her favorite book for presentation at SAIL's showcase such as a diorama, or a movie poster. Students must provide their own books.

Responding to Literature (A) (winter session)

Teacher: Janet Beavin (540-955-6193 janetbeavin@comcast.net)

Grade Level: 8-10

Prerequisite: Teacher approval for new students is required prior to registration.

Required Books and/or Materials: *The Yearling*, *The Pearl*, *Animal Farm*, *The Black Arrow*, *Kidnapped*, *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *A Separate Peace*, *Joni*, *The Hiding Place*, *Watership Down*

Course Fee: \$61.50

Material Fee: none

This is a fast-paced literature discussion class, covering key literary elements, analysis and composition. This class has an extended reading schedule, in order to complete the syllabus. Students must provide their own books.

SAT Prep (I)

Teacher: Carla Estep (540-955-4631 chapelrun@juno.com)

Grade Level: 11-12

Required Text: *Kaplan SAT 2011: Strategies, Practice, and Review*

Homework: Approximately one hour per week

Course Fee: \$93

Material Fee: none

This course is designed to make students feel at ease about the SAT and confident in the concepts they will face. Class time will be used to creatively review each chapter, and will cover all 3 components of the exam: writing, critical reading, and math. Time spent at home working on practice tests and studying will be at the discretion of the student, according to their level of need and personal motivation. A more thorough review of the book may be seen on-line from any major book store.

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Self Defense (I)

Teacher: Boyce Martial Arts (540-869-5900 bmastephenscity@aol.com)

Grade Level: 7-12

Course Fee: \$46.50 per semester

Material Fee: none

This class will focus predominantly on physical maneuvers intended to prevent or escape from attack, including proper form and techniques for protection and defense. Safety tips and precautionary measures will also be stressed. Students should dress in comfortable sports clothes and shoes (no skirts, heels, sandals, etc.). The class will be designed so that students can take either one semester or both and still grow in their skills and knowledge.

Shakespeare I (A) (winter session):

Teacher: Janet Beavin (540-955-6193 janetbeavin@comcast.net)

Grade Level: 9-12

Prerequisite: Teacher approval for new students is required prior to registration.

Course Fee: \$61.50

Material Fee: \$5

Welcome to the world of the Bard of Avon! Using hands-on projects, simple memorization and presentations, students will read, study and enjoy *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, and *Julius Caesar*. Students must purchase the New Folger Edition of the books. A viewing of *Henry V* will be scheduled outside of class.

Spanish 1A (A)

Teacher: Aurelie Schmid (540- 665-8396 aurelie.schmid@comcast.net)

Grade Level: 7-10

Required Books and/or Materials: *Avancemos 1a* ISBN# 9780618611027; CDROM ISBN# 9780618724499

You can find them for a good price on Amazon.com. You will need a 3 ring binder and dividers. This class requires the purchase of a CDROM and the use of a computer weekly.

Homework: 30 to 45 minutes daily

Course Fee: \$123

Material Fee: \$10

We will explore Spain and the distinctive Spanish-speaking cultures as well as build skills and develop strategies for communication. This method is ideal for homeschoolers since we use a CDROM to practice listening and pronunciation at home. It is the equivalent of 1 Middle School year of Spanish or 1/2 of a High School year.

Spanish 1B (A)

Teacher: Aurelie Schmid (540- 665-8396 aurelie.schmid@comcast.net)

Grade Level: 7-11

Prerequisite: This course is open to students from Spanish 1A (2010-2011) or teacher's authorization.

Required Books and/or Materials: will use the book *Avancemos 1* ISBN# 978-0-554-02531-5

Homework: 30 to 45 minutes daily

Course Fee: \$123

Material Fee: \$10

We will explore Spain and the distinctive Spanish speaking cultures as well as build skills and develop strategies for communication. This method is ideal for homeschoolers since we use a CDROM to practice listening and pronunciation at home. It is the equivalent of a second year of Middle School Spanish or 1/2 year of High School Spanish.

Speech I: Youth Leadership (I) (fall session)

Teacher: Lou Einstman (540-888-3132 einstman@yahoo.com)

Grade Level: 7-12

Homework: approximately 1 hour per week

Course Fee: \$46.50

Material Fee: \$5

An informal course in the arts of communication and leadership, this class will prepare the students for public speaking and how to conduct meetings. Students will be required to prepare and present at least three speeches, as well as evaluate the speeches of classmates. This class is offered as pass/fail.

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Speech II: Advanced Speech (I) (winter session)

Teacher: Lou Einstman (540-888-3132 einstman@yahoo.com)

Grade Level: 7-12

Prerequisite: Youth Leadership

Homework: approximately 1 hour per week

Course Fee: \$46.50

Material Fee: \$5

In this program young people will expand on the principles learned in Speech I. The speeches will be longer and more challenging subject matter will be introduced. There will be sessions on Forensics and Debate which will enhance their research skills and their ability to think on their feet. Debate will also enhance their listening skills by encouraging them to listen attentively to their opponents' arguments in order to formulate rebuttal. This class is offered as pass/fail.

Superhero Science (I)

Teacher: Tina Badley (304-258-9536 tbadley@juno.com)

Grade Level: 7-12

Prerequisite: none

Homework: approximately 1 hour per week

Course Fee: \$93

Material Fee: \$55

Superhero Science is an intermediate course designed to motivate and excite students to explore recent developments in Science. The course will examine popular Superheroes (such as Spiderman) and look at the science that is involved (such as genetics, or vanDer Waals forces). Students will do internet research on the Superhero, brainstorm about the science involved, and perform experiments that define some aspect of that Superhero. Students will look at current publications (such as Popular Science Magazine) to determine what is on the horizon in areas such as Biology, Chemistry, Physics etc. and examine how this might relate to the Superhero involved. We may also examine Comic books and movie clips that pertain to the Hero involved. We will also discuss the idea that Jesus Christ is the greatest Superhero, and that all disciplines of Science and Technology should be examined through a Christian worldview. Ideally, each student will be asked to research at least one Superhero, and a minimum of ten experiments will be performed.

U.S. Geography (I)

Teacher: Donna Diaz (540-868-0806 Robpt@aol.com)

Grade Level: 7-12

Homework: 2 hours per week

Course Fee: \$93

Material Fee: \$15

This intermediate class will study the regions of the U.S., discovering what makes each area unique. States and capitals, time zones, and major mountain ranges, rivers, lakes, etc. will be studied. The class will "take a walk" through the National Parks, create a map, and plan a trip around the U.S.A. Various geography games will be played to help learn the material.

U.S. History (A)

Teacher: Angie LeMay (540-869-7944 angelia.lemay100@comcast.net)

Grade Level: 10-12

Required Books and/or Materials: *A Patriot's History of the United States* by Larry Schweikart and Michael Allen (ISBN# 798-1-59523-032-4), *United States History: Heritage of Freedom* (3rd ed.) from ABEKA Books.

Homework: 1 hour per day

Course Fee: \$123

Material Fee: \$10

The student will gain an honest understanding of how our country was founded. The authors believe that a true evaluation of the history of the United States is very important. Through the text the student will recognize that, compared to any other nation, America's past is a bright and shining light. The authors state, "America was and is, the city on the hill, the fountain of hope, the beacon of liberty." This course will require a great deal of reading.

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Word Power (I)

Teacher: Sandra Snodgrass (540-662-8842 ronsan5@comcast.net)

Grade Level: 7-12

Homework: up to ½ hour per day

Course Fee: \$93

Material Fee: \$20 includes workbook and handouts

This is a vocabulary class using the Sadlier-Oxford *Vocabulary Workshop* workbooks. This course is used in some gifted student programs and will cover 300 words (and their synonyms and antonyms!). It is great practice and preparation for end of year standardized tests as well as SAT or ACT tests. The course is comprehensive, but the weekly work is not overwhelming.

World Geography (A)

Teacher: Donna Diaz (540-868-0806 Robpt@aol.com)

Grade Level: 9-12

Prerequisite: A study of U.S. Geography is recommended, however, not required.

Homework: approximately 1 hour per day

Course Fee: \$123

Material Fee: \$50, which includes a current atlas of the world

This class will study each continent of the world as well as create a 20" X 30" map following an equi-rectangular projection of the world.

World History (A)

Teacher: Angie LeMay (540-869-7944 angelia.lemay100@comcast.net)

Grade Level: 9-10

Required Books and/or Materials: *World History with Student Activities* from Bob Jones Press (3rd ed.)

Course Fee: \$123

Material Fee: \$10

Students will study in depth the rise of the modern civilization from a Christian perspective. We will accomplish this through the study of the text, special projects, and outside literature sources. We will begin with the 16th century world and end with the beginning of the third millennium. There will be reading to cover before Fall begins in the fall.

World Literature (A)

Teacher: Janet Beavin (540-955-6193 janetbeavin@comcast.net)

Grade Level: 10-12

Pre-requisite: Teacher approval for new students

Course fee: \$123

Materials fee: \$5

This class focuses not only on great works of literature from around the world, but also on the Christian perspective of how God works among different people groups and nations. The goal of this class is not only to analyze great books, but also to become a "world Christian"—that is, a believer with a heart to reach the world. This is a fast-paced class with an extensive reading list and an expanded nine month reading schedule. Students will complete book journals for all titles. Students are responsible for purchasing their own books. Reading assignments begin in August.

Book list (Christian titles): *Peace Child* (Don Richardson), *Through Gates of Splendor* (Elisabeth Elliot), *Eternity in Their Hearts* (Don Richardson), *God's Smuggler* (Brother Andrew)
Choice of any TWO: *Evidence Not Seen* (Darlene Deibler Rose), *Vanya* (Myrna Grant), *Bruchko* (Bruce Olson), *I Dared to Call Him Father* (Bilquis Sheikh), *The Persecutor* (Sergei Kourdakov)

Classic Titles: *Cry, the Beloved Country* (Alan Paton), *The Metamorphosis* (Franz Kafka), *Darkness at Noon* (Arthur Koestler), *One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich* (A. Solzhenitsyn), *Giants in the Earth* (Ole Rolevaag), *The Samurai* (Shusako Endo), *Les Miserables* (Victor Hugo), *The Chosen* (Chaim Potok), *The Good Earth* (Pearl Buck), *Eighth Moon** (Bette Lord), *Lord of the Flies* (William Golding), *Kontiki* (Thor Heyerdahl)

*this book is out of print but still available online and from past WL students. Order early.

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Writing Mastery: (A) (fall session)

Teacher: Janet Beavin (540-955-6193 janetbeavin@comcast.net)

Grade Level: 9-12

Prerequisite: New students must submit a writing sample. Teacher approval required before registration is complete.

Homework: 30 to 40 minutes per day

Course Fee: \$61.50

Material Fee: \$5

Building upon the Adventures in Writing guidelines, students in this advanced class will practice a variety of writing techniques and develop research skills. Topics include a personal essay, biography research, a 4-6 page research paper, developing style, and other topics.

Writing Spectrum: (A) (fall session)

Teacher: Janet Beavin (540-955-6193 janetbeavin@comcast.net)

Grade Level: 8-10

Prerequisite: New students must submit a writing sample. Teacher approval required before registration is complete.

Course Fee: \$61.50

Material Fee: \$5

Building upon the elements introduced in Adventures in Writing, this intermediate level course covers different genres of composition—narrative, fable, devotional, exposition, compare & contrast, persuasive, proverb, imitation, and thesis.

Yearbook (I)

Teacher: Doran Richards (540-295-2186 dandora@shentel.net)

Grade Level: 8-12

Required Books and/or Materials: Knowledge of Microsoft Word and Editing Photos on computer. Laptops are highly recommended, but not necessary. A good camera is also recommended for taking photos throughout the year.

Homework: up to 1 hour per week

Course Fee: \$93

Material Fee: \$20

The Navigator, the SAIL yearbook, is published by the Yearbook staff annually since 2003. Students on staff will create the yearbook on a computer, using digital images and Microsoft Windows software. They will create pages and upload digital images, adding captions and titles, as appropriate, learning how to do page layouts, blocking, and other techniques of page design. The students will also be using their writing skills by being journalist for certain portions of the yearbook, adding more meat to the publication. The Yearbook staff mission is to both chronicle the SAIL and Jr. SAIL year and produce a quality product.

Each student will be required to sell advertising space to pay for the publication of the yearbook, and will be part of their course grade.