

Adventures In Learning[©]

at

COLBY-SAWYER COLLEGE

Fall Semester 1998

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PURPOSE:

Adventures In Learning at Colby-Sawyer College has been created to provide adults in the Kearsarge-Lake Sunapee area with additional opportunities for intellectual enrichment.

ORGANIZATION:

Adventures In Learning will function with the support of Colby-Sawyer College but will have its own volunteer leadership. Courses, offered on a non-credit basis, will be led by volunteers over a six or eight week period with a two-hour class once each week.

The Fall Semester will begin on September 28 and end on November 20. A four-week Lecture Series is scheduled for February 1999, and a six-week Spring semester in April & May 1999.

Classes will be held in the Archives Room at the Colby-Sawyer College Library, or in the Meeting Room at Tracy Memorial Library, New London.

ENROLLMENT:

Attached to this brochure is a form on which you may list your course selections **in the order of your preference**. A Study Group will usually be limited to twenty members. If there are more applicants for a particular course than there are spaces available, applicants will be chosen by lottery. Those applicants who are not able to enroll in their first choice of courses will be enrolled in their second or third choice if space is available.

If an applicant does not gain entry to any of her/his first three course selections, the term fee will be returned and the applicant will receive first



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choice in the Spring Semester.

If an applicant desires to participate in more than one Study Group (at no additional charge) he/she may sign up on a first-come first-served basis **after** August 21, 1998

FEES: Members in **Adventures In Learning** pay an Annual Membership fee of \$35 for the academic year in order to enroll in a Study Group.

In addition to the membership fee, enrollment for the Fall Semester will be \$30 per person. (Additional course enrollment without charge will be permitted **after** August 21.)

BOOKS: Books for courses will be selected by the Study Group Leader. The total cost of books will not exceed \$25 for each course. Books normally will be available through the Colby-Sawyer College Bookstore.

To participate in the initial selection of courses, an application with membership fee **and** course fee must be received by 4:00 p.m. Friday, August 14, 1998

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Course Offerings — Fall 1998

1. **The Break-up of the Soviet Union:** **Mondays 2:00-4:00 p.m.**
CSC Library

This course will analyze the various causes of the break-up of the Soviet Union in 1991. Participants will be asked to read one book as well as do individual research in order to provide lively discussion.

Discussion Leaders

Hilary Cleveland	Adjunct Associate Professor of Political Science at Colby-Sawyer College, 1955-present.
Jack Richards	Former Instructor in History, Phillips Academy, Andover, MA, 1959-1997. Author with Janet Vaillant of Harvard of <i>From Russia to USSR</i> and <i>From Russia to USSR and Beyond</i> .

**2. The End Crowns All: A Study of Two Tragedies. Tuesdays 10:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon
Tracy Library**

In the year 1595, Shakespeare wrote the tragedy of *Romeo and Juliet*. Unlike his other tragedies which find their bases in Greek models, *Romeo and Juliet* is a tragedy of circumstances involving two young and innocent lovers and their families. *King Lear*, which was written ten years later in 1605, looks at two other families and the sorrows that attend them. Two ends of the age scale can be observed in the two plays; the memories of youth and the "wisdom" that age may bring will give, we hope, greater understanding of the plays and perhaps a better understanding of ourselves.

We hope to read these two great works, to see them on film, to discuss them in the light of our own family experiences. All that is needed as a member of the Study Group are copies of the two plays and a willing heart.

Discussion Leader: George Tracy was born in Canada in the city of Halifax, Nova Scotia. He was educated in the United States and the United Kingdom. From 1953 to 1993, Mr. Tracy was a teacher of classics at St. Paul's School, Concord, NH, where he held for many years the Cochrane Mastership in Greek. In 1974 Mr. Tracy began teaching Elizabethan Literature both in The Advanced Studies Program at St. Paul's as well as in the regular school. During this time he has covered the entire canon of Shakespeare many times as well as having directed and acted in many of the plays. While the classical languages of Latin and Greek remain his first love, the writings of Shakespeare occupy much of his study and his heart.

3. Simplifying Wine:

**Tuesdays 2:00-4:00 p.m.
CSC Library**

This Study Group (mostly lecture and Q&A) is not designed to make you a wine connoisseur, but merely to help you feel at ease with this wonderful food complement. You will become confident about selecting, storing, serving, and really enjoying wine. We'll touch on the long history of wine. As we progress, grape varieties, wine types, growing areas, wine-making techniques, tasting and serving methods, information sources, and even stuff like bottle openers and glasses will be discussed. There will be two small tasting sessions and lots of handouts worth keeping. Inexpensive (i.e., about \$7.00) and easy-to-read reference text. Participants are asked to donate \$4.00 each to defray the cost of the wine from the Study Group Leader's own cellar. Relax and have fun! Only snobs want wine to be mysterious.

