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Winter Session Class Registration at Senior Activity Centers

Annapolis, MD (Nov. 4, 2011) -- Registration begins Nov. 16 for the winter session classes offered by Anne Arundel Community College at the seven senior activity centers operated by the Anne Arundel County Department of Aging and Disabilities. Classes begin the week of Jan. 9, 2012.

To obtain a class schedule, visit the senior center you wish to attend or go online at www.aacounty.com/aging about Nov. 9 and click on a senior activity center for its list of courses.

Several new courses are offered this session. For instance, Arnold Senior Activity Center will offer "Reader's Theater" where you read plays, discuss characters, scene, voice and interpretation, and more. It also will offer an introductory American Sign Language course. Brooklyn Park Senior Activity Center will have "Flower Painting" on folk art painting techniques and "Financial Strategies" dealing with funding a pre-determined lifestyle level in retirement.

O'Malley Senior Activity Center in Odenton also will offer a "Reader's Theater," as well as computer courses: "Microsoft Windows Level 1," "Computer Awareness," "Computer Security," "Google Tools II," and "Introduction to Social Media." It also will feature "World War II: MacArthur's Commanders," "Major Supreme Court Cases," "Immigration in American History: Jewish Americans," "Pastels," and "Opera: A Song of Love and Death."

Pasadena Senior Activity Center is offering "Beginning Italian," "History of American Wars" and "Maryland History." Annapolis Senior Activity Center has "Beginning Sign Language," "History of India," "Beginning Italian," "Zumba," and "China: Art and History."

Pascal Senior Activity Center's new classes include "Introduction to Social Media," "Decorative Painting," "Mixed media," and "Windows 7 Basics." South County Senior Activity Center will offer three new technology classes: "Introduction to Social Media," "Computer Security for the Home Computer," and "Microsoft Windows XP, Level 1." Also new will be "Maryland Government" and "Perspectives in Theater."

There are several ways to register for the AACC classes at the senior centers: 1. Go online at www.myaacc.aacc.edu.

2. Use the college's STAR Touch-Tone Phone at 410-777-2241 and follow the voice prompts between 5 a.m. to midnight, seven days a week. Before calling, have the following information available: a Social Security number or an AACC Student ID number; a personal identification number (PIN) – first time users will use your digit birth month and day, i.e., June 14 birthday, PIN would be 0614 (must be four digits); what term you are registering for (winter); the five digit STARS number that matches the course you want to take; and a credit card number with the expiration date.

3. Register in person at any college registration location; pay by cash, check, money order, or credit or debit card. On the Arnold campus, registration is from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, and 8 a.m. to noon Saturday in CALT Building Room 115 and the Student Services Center Room 104.

4. By Fax at 410-777-4325 with only a credit card.

5. Mail your registration form to Continuing Education and Workforce Development – CALT 115, 101 College Parkway, Arnold, MD 21012-1895. You can then use a credit card, check or money order payable to AACC.

6. At a senior center. However, turning in a registration form at a center does not guarantee a seat in class. Registrants will be notified by the college if the class is full. The senior activity centers do not accept cash payment for registration.

Tuition is waived for those 60 and older but there is an administrative cycle fee of \$80 payable to AACC. Seniors ages 55-59 must pay the \$80 administrative fee plus \$40 per course. A tuition waiver form must be certified by the Social Security Administration to exempt permanently-disabled seniors from paying the \$40 fee per course. They are still responsible for the \$80 administrative fee. Some classes may have an additional fee for supplies or a text book. You may take courses at more than one center.

The seven senior activity centers also offer non-college courses. Visit your senior center to review the available courses.

For information, call Annapolis at 410-222-1818, Arnold at 410-222-1922, Brooklyn Park at 410-222-6847, O'Malley in Odenton at 410-222-6227, Pasadena at 410-222-0030, Pascal in Glen Burnie at 410-222-6680, and South County in Edgewater at 410-222-1927, or visit www.aacounty.org/aging and click the senior center of choice.

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