

**Please indicate your top four class choices
on the enclosed RSVP card.**

We will do our best to honor your top two choices.

First Class - 7:00 p.m.

Second Class - 8:00 p.m.

American Smooth
April and Gary Dahl,
Dahl Dance Center

Tango, Waltz, Foxtrot - these words have become common in the American vocabulary thanks to the rise in popularity of TV programs like *Dancing with the Stars* and *So You Think You Can Dance*, but where did they come from? What are the origins of these dance styles? Join the staff from Dahl Dance Center for a brief history of American Smooth dancing, exciting dance demonstrations and enjoy learning a few of the basics to these fun dance styles.

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The Blue Notebook
Dr. James Levine

James A. Levine, a professor of medicine at the Mayo Clinic, is a world-renowned scientist, doctor, and researcher. His recently published novel *The Blue Notebook* is the haunting story of a young Indian prostitute who uses writing and imagination to transcend her reality.

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**The Health Reform Debate:
What's Happening, and Why.**
Tim Penny

An old axiom advises that you should never watch laws or sausage being made. The health reform debate provides a case study as to why that axiom is true. Mr. Penny's presentation will explore the following: What do voters really want from health reform - and what are they getting? Which interest groups have the most clout - and why? Why is it that most legislators won't read this 2000 page bill (and you wouldn't either)? What will reform really cost? Who will pay?

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Open Wide and Say "Ha!"
Father Nick

Long, dark winter days can produce long, dark attitudes in all of us. This presentation aims to 'shorten' and 'lighten-up' our perspectives and warm-up our frosted smiles. Laughter is great winter medicine.

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Quest for the Perfect Ingredient

LeeAnn Zubay

From ZZest Market, LeeAnn Zubay takes you on an adventure with one perfect culinary ingredient. LeeAnn's love for gourmet food and cooking began in grade school. Today, LeeAnn's passion is finding and putting together the ultimate, amazing ingredients you can't find in a regular grocery store. Culinary Market opened in June 2008 and expanded with ZZest in October 2009. Discover a new taste and a new dish with ZZest! The adventure begins with a hand-selected ingredient that goes from cheese accompaniment to dessert. www.zzestmarket.com

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Wine Geek 101

*Michelle Repinski,
Paustis Wine Co*

Tired of the same old Cabernet or Chardonnay? Looking for something to satisfy your inner wine geek? Please join Michelle Repinski of Paustis Wine Company for an exciting tour of some of the wine world's hidden gems, brought to you by top importers Eric Solomon and Fran Kysela. These two gentleman and their portfolios are routinely featured in publications such as the Wine Advocate and Wine Spectator. Here is your chance to try and see why. Attendees

are encouraged to participate in "beverage research" (wine tasting) as we sample a variety of offerings from Argentina, France, Spain and beyond.

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Ladling Gravy: The Unique Role of the Community Newspaper

*Randy Chapman,
Publisher, Post-Bulletin Co.*

Perceptions of newspaper publishing are changing dramatically. Is there a viable future for the traditional community news-gathering organization? If so, what is that role and how does the local daily newspaper best serve the interests and needs of the communities for which it publishes? Post-Bulletin Publisher Randy Chapman shares his vision and strategy for effective community journalism and asks you to challenge yourself with this question: Does a community really get the newspaper it deserves?

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The Last River Rat

Kenny Salwey

Folks say he cut his teeth on a canoe paddle and seasoned it with Mississippi mud. He's certainly the last of a breed of men whose lifestyle has all but disappeared in this fast-paced, high-tech world. Kenny Salwey is a storyteller, environmental educator, keynote speaker, nature writer and advocate for the Upper

Mississippi River. His tales unravel the mysteries of the Mississippi, it's natural and human history and ultimately reveal what the natural world means to him. His stories are a blend of folksy humor, woods lore and a gentle philosophy of nature.

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Whisky Appreciation

Helen and Bryan McIver

Whisky is a subject steeped in tradition and mystery. Join Helen and Bryan McIver for a discussion and taste testing of Scottish single malt whiskies. We will talk about the ingredients, methods of preparation and sample from the distinct regions and make individual recommendations for your palate. The event includes the whisky (3 to 4 single malts), complementing Scottish hors d'oeuvres and talks/handouts on whisky/history. Come taste with friends and argue about which single malt whisky is best! Sign up early, this class is limited to 30 each session. This will fill up fast!

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Patriotic and Historical Art

Gil Gutknecht

The more you learn about history, the more interesting it becomes. During his time in Washington, Gil Gutknecht soaked up a lot of the history surrounding the statues and artwork that decorate our capitol. He loves to share the stories with visitors. Learn about some of the events that helped shape our nation

and the artists who put their heart and souls into the art. They wanted to tell a story. From two pastor brothers who left their churches to lead the Revolution to General Grant at the turning point in the Civil War, join Gil as he shares stories that are sure to inspire.

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Race: Are We So Different?

Robert Garfinkle,

Science Museum of Minnesota

In May, the Rochester Public Library and the Mayo Clinic will host an exhibition that explores race and racism through the lenses of science, history, and contemporary experience. Created by the Science Museum of Minnesota in St. Paul, *Race: Are We So Different?* is a ground breaking exhibit that has been a catalyst for dynamic community conversations at previous venues. Organizers promise to make it a timely and engaging event for Rochester as well. Project Leader Robert Garfinkle will preview the exhibition and the local plans for programs and events.

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