

40 Miles in 4 Weeks

Come to the WAC and hop on a treadmill, bike, elliptical, or the track and get started racking up your forty cardio miles.

Amazing Grace Café (sign-ups)

The Amazing Grace Café is a small, local soup kitchen run semi-monthly out of a Methodist church nearby. Sign up to help prepare, serve, and clean up the meal. Spots are limited, so sign up in the AGS Office and we'll raffle off spots for each trip.

Dodgeball Tourney (sign-ups)

Dodge, duck, dip, dive, and dodge! Get your troops together into teams and register during lunch for weekly epic showdowns. As dodgeball-great Patches O'Houlihan would say, "If you can dodge a wrench, you can dodge a ball!"

Indoor Volleyball Tourney

Get ready for some intense volleyball action in the cozy confines of the WAC gym. Get your team together by registering in the Sunporch and bring your best volleyball game for a chance to play the *Faculty All-Stars*.

Kickball

Come to the WAC fields to "kick-off" AGS by playing the best elementary school yard game ever.

Deconstructing the Death Penalty

A critical analysis of capital punishment.

Mother Nature's Son, I Got 99 Problems and a Glass Onion: Postmodernism. The Beatles, Mashups, and Copyright Criminals

In 1968, The Beatles released an eponymously named controversial double-album later nicknamed the *White Album*. This sprawling work is important for its pastiches of musical styles, allusive lyrics, and its use of prerecorded music. This album generated controversy again in 2004 when Brian Burton (Danger Mouse) created a mashup of Jay-Z and The Beatles called *The Grey Album*. We will use the *White Album* as a starting point to talk about postmodern art, mashup culture, fair use of copyright, and case studies of musicians who found themselves labeled criminals.

Math Movie Monday: Flatland

The first installment of Math Movie Monday features Flatland: The Movie, an adaptation of Edwin Abbott's book of the same name. Flatland: The Movie is set in a two-dimensional universe and focuses on Hex, a young girl intent on discovering the third dimension.

Human Scavenger Hunt

Meet by the Fountain and get to know the campus and faculty by deciphering riddles and performing various tasks! Think you have what it takes to win?

Yoga (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday)

A class for all levels of yoga students, including beginners, who want to explore a variety of yoga postures and breathing techniques; instructions are given to modify postures for more advanced levels of practice -- a great way to get moving in the morning! Bring a yoga mat or towel to stand on; we have a few extra mats, but not enough for everyone.

Art Swap

Come by Susanna Sutherland's desk in the AGS office and pick up an index card to participate in Art Swap. Each participant will design and decorate one side of their card with any medium you choose (be creative!), write your name and mailbox number on the back, and return the card to me by this Friday. I will distribute the cards randomly to the mailboxes of everyone who participates, so that everyone who turns in a card will receive a piece of artwork to keep by one of their classmates.

2012: We're All (Not) Gonna Die

You've heard the rumors, the conspiracy theories, the internet scuttlebutt: the Mayans predicted the end of the world will occur on December 21, 2012. Books have been written, documentaries aired, even a major motion picture was made based on this idea. But is it real? In a word: nope. Astronomer and author Phil Plait will take you through the claims made by the doomsday-mongers and show why there's nothing to fear. No mega solar flares, no galactic alignment, no giant asteroid impact... and, in fact, the Mayans didn't even really predict the end of the world at all! Dr. Plait will use firm science and lots of humor to describe just why December 2012 will be pretty much like every other December on the calendar

Ultimate Frisbee

It's called "Ultimate" for a reason. The Spartans played Ultimate Frisbee. Fact. Come out to the turf fields for the most intense experience you've ever had with a plastic disc!

Entrepreneurship: Idea to Business Creation

One of the most important aspects of entrepreneurship is innovation. In this hands-on session you will use your creativity to design solutions for product and service needs. You will also learn what it takes to bring an idea to market in today's connected world.

What's in That Hamburger?: A look at today's food industry

We will examine the food industry, its effect on the environment and the economy, and will deconstruct various movements advocating for higher quality food production.

Open Source Software

A look at the motivations behind open source software development. Why will programmers work for "free"? What open source projects should everyone know about?

Writing Japanese

Learn how to write in hiragana, katakana, and kanji, the three types of Japanese characters!

Capture the Flag

Campus-wide Capture the Flag. Meet at the fountain prepared for battle. I suggest wearing tennis shoes and possibly bug spray.

Rap vs. Hip-Hop: Is there a difference?

A discussion of the history of rap and hip-hop music and whether they are two separate genres.

Drumset JAMboree!

An informal talk about playing the drumset. All are welcome! Whether a beginner or an experience musician, all will be welcome to sit down at the drumset and play a groove.

Mindfulness Experience and Stress Management

Introduction to stress management based upon mindfulness meditation to manage stress emotionally and physically.

Medical Research: Turning People into Things

In this session, we look at the history of medical ethics and the need for the recognition and protection of human dignity. We look particularly to medical experiments done on those living in poverty, prisoners, and people of color.

Creative Session

Let's make some art using different types of media: printmaking, mixed media, watercolor, and charcoal drawing with materials provided.

Old Country Dance

C'mon down for a good ol' time! Imagine some combination of the square dancing you did to a record in elementary school, live music, and swing dancing. The extremely popular Arkansas Country Dance Society is coming to AGS this year, so put on your dancing shoes or come just to watch! Zero dance ability required.

Knockout Tourney

Put your mad shooting skills to the test at the WAC in this classic school-yard game of accuracy and athleticism.

What Do the Scriptures Actually Say About Creation?

Bring your holy scriptures with you! Bibles, Torahs, Korans (we'll probably focus on scriptures of the Abrahamic religions, but all are welcome!) and any other sacred texts you may wish to hear or read from. Let's examine a bit of the diversity among creation accounts from the scriptures and think about what they say. We can also talk about what science has to say about the history of the universe, the Earth, and life. Any questions you may have about evolution will be entertained in this question/answer/open discussion session.

GIANT GAMES

Head over to the Brick Pit and challenge either your brain or your athleticism. Groups of five will compete for the king position in GIANT four-square while other students will ponder over a GIANT game of Sudoku. Be there or be square.

Hemingway Did it and You Can Too: An Introduction to Flash Fiction

Join us for an interactive overview of one of the flashiest (and briefest!) forms of fiction being published today. Challenge your imagination and make a big impact with just a few words.

Utopias in Space

What can we learn about human nature by comparing two utopian societies, Gene Rodenberry's Star Trek, and Iain M. Bank's Culture novels.

Koyaanisqatsi

Directed by Godfrey Reggio. This movie is described by Leonard Maltin as a "spellbinding, senses-staggering, non-narrative film" so rich in beauty and detail that with each viewing it becomes a new and different film. It juxtaposes natural environments and those affected by humans in a way that suggests "life out of balance" (a translation of its Hopi title), yet without preaching or ignoring the beauty of the man-made world. The score by Philip Glass is riveting and compelling. The film raises questions about the human relationship to nature, the destructive potential of technology, and the chaos and loneliness of the modern urban world. It also can provoke discussions of aesthetic questions through its innovative approach to the medium of film and its creation of a new reality through extensive visual comparisons of nature and technology using slow motion and time-lapse photography intertwined with a "dialogue" of music.

Outdoor Futbol

The WORLD'S favorite pastime. We will play a full game of 11 vs. 11, or multiple games if we have enough people. Cleats not necessary—passion required. We'll be waiting for you behind the WAC!

Walking a Labyrinth

Learn about the designed walking path called a Labyrinth and experience a walk at the Hendrix campus labyrinth.

Spiritual Politics

Comments and Observations: Despite arguments about separation of church and state, politics and religion seem to be entwined.

The Firebird

Presentation of the Royal Ballet's production of Igor Stravinsky's ballet The Firebird, filmed live at Covent Garden.

Creeps, Thugs, and Spies: Privacy in the Information Age

Come one, come all for a crash-course in digital self-defense. We live our lives on-line, but governments, corporations, and individuals threaten to restrict our freedoms and censor our speech. Learn the history, the threats, and how to stay free on-line.

Faculty/Staff Variety Show

Who knew the AGS faculty had so many skillz? It's awesome. 'nuf said.

Knitting for Noggins

Help make a difference in the lives of the patients and families of Arkansas Children's Hospital. Knit or crochet hats for children of all ages. No advanced skill necessary. Patterns, needles, hooks, and yarn provided, but feel free to bring your own! You can also drop by and pick up materials, work on a project on your own time, and drop finished hats off to Susanna's desk in the AGS Office anytime!

Backyard Bash

Who doesn't love SLIP-N-SLIDING in the hot summer sun? Come out to the lawn behind the WAC to cool off and have some fun with corn-hole, sand volleyball, and slip-n-slide!

Throwback Mixer

Let's go back in time and dance to old favorites. The best songs never die (just like jorts)! Dress for your favorite decade, from the sixties to the nineties!

Spades Tournament 2012

Find a partner or come as a free agent to compete in the most competitive card game at AGS! The game will be officiated by the 2007 Spades Tournament Grand Champion. Be there or be square.

3 v 3 Basketball

Grab some friends or show up as a free agent. Thou shall shooteth the hoops.

Soccer Under the Lights

In the words of the great Leonidas, "We will fight in the shade." There will be two teams. Show up and PREPARE FOR GLORY.

Caring Cards

Drop by the Burrow and put your creative side towards something positive! Decorate cards that will be delivered to elderly and sick homebound community members!