UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN… NEXT SESSION

Today’s college students would turn green with envy to hear that the Frommies get a four-week Spring Break!!! I imagine all of you will be busy spending time with friends and family, traveling, volunteering, catching up on favorite programs, or simply reading a good book. However you choose to spend your break, you will all be in our thoughts as we prepare for the next session. The staff will be busy mailing the new Spring Session catalogs to nearly 2,000 individuals. We will enroll more than 1,000 students in the 31 courses offered by our faculty next session. We will also be busy with a semi-annual Board of Directors meeting and preparing all the details necessary to launch our Spring Session on time.

While we all look forward to the next session, I would like to take some time to share my gratitude for the current session ending this week. As we conclude my first session back at the Fromm Institute, I have so much to appreciate and so many to thank:

Thank you to all the new faces I have met for the first time. You have all overwhelmed me with your supportive and encouraging words – something I did not expect, but am so happy to hear. Thank you also to the familiar faces still here who have been such a comfort to me as I returned to a Fromm Institute without the magnanimous presence of two of the people who were such a big part of my previous time here – Robert Fordham and Hanna Fromm.

Finally, thank you to the staff – Carla, Herbert, Dawa, and Scott – the seamless behind-the-scenes presence that makes our program a shining star on the hilltop. Working with such a competent, caring, joyful staff minimizes the difficult parts of this job, while at the same time magnifying the gratifying parts of my job.

I returned to the Fromm Institute after twelve years away with trepidation knowing that so much has changed. The biggest change is the loss of Robert Fordham, one of my first mentors and a personal friend. I knew it would be hard to sit in the office I had seen him in so many times before, but what would it be like for everyone else to see me sitting there? All of you were still reeling from his loss, but in true Fromm spirit, I saw many of you bring your compassionate, understanding charisma forward to reassure the staff and one another through your grief. I thank you for so quickly and whole-heartedly including me. I look forward to many more classes, many more sessions, and most importantly, many more interactions with all of you. Enjoy your Spring Break knowing that we all look forward to your safe return next session.

Derek S. Leighnor, Fromm Institute’s Executive Director
**GENERATION TO GENERATION**

**LUNCHTIME DISCUSSIONS**

**SAVE THE DATE**

Next Discussion is on 4/17 in Kalmanovitz 163*

11:45 A.M. UNTIL 12:45 P.M.

Generation to Generation is an on-campus club comprised of members from both Fromm and USF. The club meets once a month for a 'lunchtime discussion' in which members gather with sack lunches to compare intergenerational viewpoints and ideas on topics ranging from dating to the Olympics. We would love to have you join us for lunch soon! The last discussion is happening on April 17th. Also, look out for the end of the school year pot luck coming in late May / early June! Please email the club’s President Rose Mannas at rmmannas@dons.usfca.edu for more information. Hope to see you all there!

* To get to Kalmanovitz from Fromm: walk straight towards Welch Field (the open space by the church), and then Kalmanovitz will be the first building on your right. We will be on the first floor!

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**FROMMCAST SPRING SESSION ENROLLMENT**

The Frommcast is the Fromm Institute’s digital platform where you, as on-line students, can access an ever-growing library of educational content recorded by our faculty here in Fromm Hall ... from anywhere you have internet access. For just $50 for registered Spring students ($100 for those who’ve not registered to attend classes in Fromm Hall), the On-Line Spring 2018 Session (Mar. 1 to June 1) awaits your registration. Of note, two Spring classes will be uploaded on the following Friday one week after their classes have been recorded. Those classes are Prof. O’Sullivan’s “The Golden State in the American Century” and Prof. Hohmann’s “Napoleon I, Napoleon II, and Napoleon III - Promise, Tragedy, Tyranny.” For full information on all video lectures, video courses, & audio-only courses, a Frommcast brochure will be mailed with your Spring 2018 Course Catalog and you can enroll online by calling the Fromm Institute office. Join today making the Frommcast your on-line companion to all the educational opportunities Fromm Hall provides.

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**FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

2018 Spring Classes begin the week of **Monday, April 9** and end on **Thursday, May 31**. “Make-Up” Week, for classes cancelled by a holiday or by a faculty commitment/illness, will be **June 4 - 7**. Monday Holidays during the Spring are **Thursday, May 17** (USF Commencement) and **Monday, May 28** (Memorial Day.)

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**“MAKEUP” WEEK — MAR. 5, 6, 7, 8**

The following classes will meet one more time during “Make-Up” Week.

- **Mon., March 5**: All Monday courses meet.
- **Tues., March 6**: Prof. Covert meets his class one last time.

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**THE LAST WONDER**

Join Fromm Institute perennial favorite “Wonders” lecturer, Seth Shostak, as he talks about “What Extra-terrestrials Might Look Like,” on **Wednesday, February 28 in Xavier**. This is the last in this session’s “Wonders of Science Series.”

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**EVALUATION REMINDER**

Course Evaluations will be available for you to complete for your classes through the end of the Winter Session. Please pick one up and complete as directed. Our Course Evaluation process greatly contributes to the success of our academic program and our understanding of The Fromm Institute’s overall learning community. Your opinion really matters and we want to hear your voices on what was successful and what may have not reached the mark. When many evaluate, a truer picture comes into focus.