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SARASOTA--Because of the success of the seminar program given for area adults by New College students several months ago, the program will be continued and expanded with registration for the new seminars beginning immediately.

Called "Dialogs," the program is now under the direction of first-year student John Thompson, son of Rev. John Thompson, pastor of the First Congregational Church in Sarasota.

Five weekly student-led seminars in mathematics, psychology, drama, literature and poetry will be offered for five consecutive Mondays on the New College campus beginning April 29. The seminars will be held from 7:30 to 9 p.m., with coffee and other refreshments provided afterwards.

The five student seminar leaders were chosen for their special qualifications in their subject areas. The seminars are entirely student-conceived and directed, although with the consent and cooperation of the faculty and administration.

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Third-year student Allan Jaworski will conduct a seminar on "The Flavor of Pure Mathematics." The course will survey "some of the more fascinating areas of modern pure mathematics," including a study of algebra, topology, set theory and the philosophy of mathematics.

Recreational mathematics and mathematical fiction will also be considered. Class members should have a background in basic high school algebra, trigonometry and geometry.

"Modern Poetry: Poets of Art, Poets of Action" is a seminar that will be offered by two second-year literature majors, Paul Adomites and Helen Hickey. Focusing on five poets--W. B. Yeats, T. S. Eliot, Hart Crane, James Dickey and Robert Ely, the seminar will deal with the distinction between "poetry of art" and "poetry of action."

Another literary seminar, "Literary Theory and the Art of Poetry," will be led by third-year student Laurence Alexander. This seminar will attempt to develop an understanding of poetry by approaching it through the formal structure of literary theory and the philosophical avenue of aesthetics.

First-year student Don Heth will conduct a seminar in "The Psychology of Animal and Human Behavior," discussing new developments in psychology leading to an understanding of behavior. The course will concentrate on methods and development of research.

Finally, third-year student Jill Chamberlain will conduct a seminar on "Theatre: Sacred and Profane." The form and function of theatre will be examined through the reading of two contemporary and two classical plays.

Cost for the five sessions is \$5, plus the cost of books, which will be available through the student seminar leaders.

To register, interested persons should write "Dialogs," New College, Box 1898, Sarasota, 33578, or call 355-7131 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.