The Dalai Lama and Tibetan Culture

In celebration of the visit to Charlottesville by the spiritual leader of Tibetan Buddhism, the Dalai Lama, PVCC offers the following events on our campus at 501 College Drive in Charlottesville. **Events are free and open to the public.**

**Monday, October 8**
*Tribal Weeks in Tibet*
Valerie Palamountain, Workforce Dean, PVCC
Photo talk of a three-week visit to Tibet to promote economic self-sufficiency among Tibetans
12:30 p.m., Auditorium, Main Building

**Tuesday, October 9**
*Dalai Lama’s Compassionate Life and Teachings*
A discussion of the Dalai Lama tradition and the life and teachings of the present Dalai Lama
7 p.m., Main Stage, V. Earl Dickinson Building

**Wednesday, October 10**
*History and Culture of Tibet*
Kurtis Schaeffer, Professor and Chair, Department of Religious Studies, U.Va.
A discussion of the history and culture of Tibet
12:30 p.m., Auditorium, Main Building

*A Westerner’s Effort to Appreciate the Dalai Lama on Freedom, Self and the Mind*
John Gulley, Associate Professor of Philosophy, PVCC
Draws from the record of the Dalai Lama’s thinking on core philosophical issues of Western metaphysics
7 p.m., Main Stage, V. Earl Dickinson Building

**Friday, October 12**
*Screening of the movie Seven Years in Tibet*
Heinrich Harrer is an Austrian mountaineer who is forced to be a hero for Nazi propaganda. He leaves Austria in 1939 to climb a mountain in the Himalayas. Through a series of circumstances (including POW camp), he and fellow climber Peter Aufschnaiter become the only two foreigners in the Tibetan Holy City of Lhasa. There, Heinrich’s life changes forever as he becomes a close confidant to the Dalai Lama.
7:30 p.m., Main Stage, V. Earl Dickinson Building