



Baldwin Wallace University Institute for Learning in Retirement-East 2019 Fall Quarter Schedule

The Institute for Learning in Retirement (ILR-East) program offers college-level courses in a friendly, non-competitive environment. No homework, no tests, no grades! The courses are designed for seniors who want to continue learning. You will have the opportunity to meet new friends, exchange ideas and expand your horizons. Please join us in this exciting program at Temple Emanuel EL, at the corner of Brainard and Emery roads in Orange Village.

This course schedule is posted for INFORMATION ONLY. A registration form will be mailed to you by the middle of September, providing your name is on ILR-East's mailing list.

The Fall Term will begin on Tuesday, October 15, 2019 and run for six weeks, ending on Thursday, November 21, 2019.

TUESDAYS, BEGINNING OCTOBER 15

Art in Focus, a Different Approach

9:30 a.m.-10:45 a.m.

Presenter: Michael J. Kaplan, J.D.

Nothing is created in a vacuum. Paintings and sculptures reflect the political and social circumstances of their time and tell much more than what's on the label – WHY is much more interesting than WHEN or WHO. Like DNA markers, it provides critical context to understanding what we see. We'll share an eclectic journey through the art history of Western Civilization, stopping to explore as we find rocks worth turning. Leave the standard textbook at home, and bring a curious mind as we go in search of "wondrous things." **Class is limited to 44 students.**

The Jewish Influence on American Drama, Comedy and Musicals

11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Presenter: Roy Berko, Ph.D.

Explore the history of Yiddish, the Yiddish/Jewish theater, in Europe and America, and those whose creative talents gave birth to not only American theatrical dramas and comedies, but the American musical theater. **Class is limited to 44 students.**

The Bible: Archaeologically, Historically and Literarily Considered

12:30 p.m.-1:45 p.m.

Presenter: Peter J. Haas, Ph.D.

The Bible is not a single book but rather a collection of Ancient Near East and Hellenistic writings that have become the basis of all Western Religions. The course begins by looking at how the various books of the Bible came to be. It then examines how these Scriptures came down to us including evidence from the Dead Sea Scrolls, the Masoretic text, and medieval and modern translations. We end with a look at how the Bible is used in American public discourse today. **Class is limited to 44 students.**

Financial Wellness and Retirement

2:00 p.m.-3:15 p.m.

Presenter: Michael Zawatsky, B.S.B.A.

Through a series of classes, The Society for Financial Awareness (SOFA) will introduce the keys to financial success. Each topic is designed to motivate individuals to identify and improve their personal/family financial planning needs. All educational programs are aimed to further the advancement of financial education. A class will be presented on each of the following topics: 25 Biggest Money Mistakes, Investment Basics, Tax Planning Strategies, Estate Planning, Asset Allocation and Solving the Retirement Income Puzzle. **Class is limited to 44 students.**

WEDNESDAYS, BEGINNING OCTOBER 16

See How We Grow?

9:30 a.m.-10:45 a.m.

Presenter: Dolores Christie, Ph.D.

Through movies, other media, and additional known and neglected evidence of change, the course will examine how and if America has grown with respect to serious moral issues. Some possible topics are race (e.g. Black Lives Matter, Charlottesville, Oberlin College lawsuit), sex and gender roles (e.g. MeToo movement), religion and other subjects. Discussion is encouraged.

Tea Time with All the U. S. Presidents

9:30 a.m.-10:45 a.m.

Presenter: Judi Slack, M.Ed.

Do you know which president had a tea room built into his house? Or which first lady's last word was "tea"? Or which president's son caused an Italian diplomat's monocle to drop into his tea? This fascinating look at America's first families will answer these questions and more. Discover the importance of tea at the highest level of our nation's leadership and the integral role it played in the lives of our country's founding fathers. Come and celebrate with a cup of tea, and raise that cup to honor the country's Presidents and their First Ladies.

Empire: the American Experience

11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

**Presenter: Karl-Heinz Bernhardt,
Capt. USN (Ret.)**

Enjoy a compelling presentation led by a well-traveled, well-read retired Navy Captain, 40 plus combined years in uniform and federal management. Includes a thought-provoking discussion of how American and international history's greatest moments affect our present life using historical examples of military events, statesmanship, cultural trends, the role of media, etc. Explains the best kept secrets of how we win in warfare (from a war college graduate perspective). Includes an insider's look at military organization, intelligence agencies, how and why wars are fought, with real life examples. Future trends are touched upon. Interactive class participation encouraged.

Pavarotti: His Life, His Loves and His Music

11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Presenter: Michael Blauner, Ph.D.

We are so fortunate that Pavarotti's career spanned the efflorescence of television technology. Thus, we are able to appreciate his artistry in all of his roles. This course will offer video clips from most of his roles (many with English subtitles). You will also see clips from his personal life as well as his interviews. (Caution: Pavarotti could have been a stand up comedian!) I will also relate some of my own personal memories of this great artist. **The course program may change upon the discovery of new clips.**

Hollywood Biographies of Famous People (Part 2)

12:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Presenter: Bill Rafalski

The first film shown will be "The Founder" with Michael Keaton as Ray Croc, the CEO of McDonalds. The second film will be "Steve Jobs" with Michael Fassbender and all-star cast. Switching gears, we will look at Gary Oldman's Oscar winning turn as "Churchill in Darkest Hour." Next we will see Andrew Garfield in "Hacksaw Ridge," the true story of Desmond Doss, a pacifist, who became a hero in the WWII Battle of Okinawa. The last two films are about old time movie stars, Lon Chaney and Laurel & Hardy. James Cagney stars in "Man of 1000 Faces" and recreates Chaney as several characters including "Phantom of the Opera." The last film will be the recent biography, "Stan and Ollie" featuring Steve Coogan and John C. Reilly in a heartfelt tribute to the two movie comics. **Class is limited to 44 students.**

THURSDAYS, BEGINNING OCTOBER 17

Taking Care of Your Old Self

9:30 a.m.-10:45 a.m.

Presenter: Richard Christie, M.D.

The course will consider new approaches to medical care including checking your own ECG (i.e. EKG), heart rhythm, DNA, doctors working for hospitals, telemedicine, Medicare for All, single payer system, insurers buying drug companies, artificial intelligence applications, HIPPA, new drugs, genetic manipulation and surgical advances.

Exploring Religious Experiences

11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Presenter: Hugh Burtner, Ph.D.

This course looks carefully at the varieties of religious experiences, with the aim of locating central themes of those experiences. Using the research of William James and Charles Taylor as our guides, we will draw upon diverse forms of religious practices from many times and places. The course will hopefully help us widen the horizon of our knowledge of religious experiences, and deepen our insights into such experiences, including our own evaluations of these forms of human life and culture.

American Presidency, Polk to Pierce

11:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Presenter: Steven Schecter, M.A.

We continue our series on the Presidents, beginning with James Polk (everyone's favorite). We then look at the Presidents of the 1850s: Zachary Taylor, Millard Fillmore and Franklin Pierce, and if time permits, James Buchanan.

Special Materials: What They Do and How They Do It

12:30 p.m.-1:45 p.m.

Presenter: James Marder, Ph.D.

This course is designed to convey an understanding of metals and alloys developed for special purposes. Examples are titanium for aircraft and for medical implants, what makes stainless steels stainless and how to use them as well as powder metals and what they can do. High temperature alloys for jet and automobile engines will also be covered. The history as well as the technology of these innovations will be described. **Class is limited to 44 students.**

Aboard the Nautilus!

2:00 p.m.-3:15 p.m.

Presenter: Janet Cocco, Ph.D.

In the mid-nineteenth century, Jules Verne introduced readers to a new genre of literature, the scientific romance. In a world that was being transformed by technology and science, Verne's novels were greeted with enthusiasm and wonder. Fiction, fact and fantasy are seamlessly blended in the spellbinding adventures he created. One hundred and fifty years after its initial publication, his masterpiece, "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea," continues to captivate readers of all ages. As we accompany Captain Nemo on his journey, we will explore the scientific innovations and philosophical themes that are presented throughout the novel. Text: "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea" by Jules Verne.