**Mondays:**

“Ribbons and Button – but not sewing!” with Jean Hrbek
Come explore the various “ribbons” (menus) and “buttons” (icons) on the top of the screen in Microsoft word and excel. Learn how to use these features to enhance your word processing experience. This is a hands-on workshop, limited to 12 participants. Basic knowledge of word processing prerequisite.

“Writing Workshop” with Geri Kaplan & Kathee Sheff Kelson
All formats welcome: Poetry, Fiction, Non-fiction, Memoirs, Prose… all writers. We’ll share, encourage, play, laugh.

“Introduction to the Macintosh Computer” with Frank Du Rubeis
The purpose of this course is to teach the fundamentals of the Macintosh computer. It is a four session that will cover the basic elements of the computer, the operating system, the system software (e.g. iTunes, Photo, etc.), networking and communication, and using printers and other attachments.

“Just the Facts, Please” with Mark Prendergast
Each workshop features a documentary about journalism. The collection includes “The Witness,” a reconstruction of coverage of the 1964 Kitty Genovese murder case; “obit”, a look at how The New York Times prepares its in-depth obituaries; “Free Speech,” an interview of Washington Post editor Ben Bradlee by Jim Lehrer of PBS; “The Journalist and the Jihadi,” an examination of the circumstances surrounding the murder of Wall Street reporter Daniel Pearl. The workshop leader is a longtime journalism and retired journalism professor. He may decide to substitute some of the selections upon consultation with workshop members.

**Tuesdays:**

“Op-Ed Summer” with Bob Mirman
Op-Ed Thursday provides you the opportunity to join in discussions of the political, social and economic issues currently affecting our lives. Each week three different volunteers bring in newspaper, internet or magazine opinion articles that would make for lively discussion by members with differing points of view. While every volunteer has the opportunity to comment first or last on their own article, they may just want to sit and listen as everyone gets a chance, face-to-face, to voice his or her opinion on the subject.

“Current Affairs in Israel” with Robert Weiss
"Reading articles pertaining to recent developments in Israel and the Middle East with active member input and discussion"

“That Sixties Decade” with Bob Hayes
In our course, we will examine and review the social and cultural events of the 1960’s. We will view relevant DVD episodes of the times. Class participation is most welcome!
“Wellness and Aging” with Lou D’Onofrio
This course is a continuation of the Spring 2018 workshop. However, attendance in the spring is not a prerequisite. We will continue to use the Great Course “Lifelong Health” Achieving Optimum wellbeing at any age. Additional information will be provided.

Wednesdays:

“La France D’Aujourd'hui” with Tasha Greenberg
Geared to the intermediate level, this workshop will offer French language students another opportunity to practice their skills. We will feature French language movies plus current French publications and use these as the basis for discussion.

"Chess for All Levels" with Steve Kelman
All skill levels are welcome. If you are an advanced player, new to the game, or somewhere in-between, we will strive to provide you with a challenging experience you will enjoy. Most workshops will begin with a short, enticing lesson to improve your strategy, skill sets, and tactics for this game. The rest of the workshop will be lots of game played with a variety of players.

“A Musical Journey of Various Pop Artists and Musical Genres” with Gary Field & Suzanne Field
A compilation of light jazz, bossa nova, and pop/rock and roll music from the eras of the 50’s through the 80’s. Diverse artists such as those from the disco era, the bee gees, the carpenters, the fifth dimension, Abba, Dionne Warwick, Stan Getz, and the music of Antonio Carlos Jobim will be featured. Presentation will be via YouTube videos and biographical data.

“The Mystery Novel as Literature: Current Authors” with Tasha Greenberg
We will discuss authors P.D. James and Daniel Silva. The workshop features a PowerPoint presentation with discussion accompanying the lecture.

“Biblical Reflections: Find yourself in the stories of the Bible” with Shalom Cohen
The stories in Genesis inspire countless retellings and adaptations. They retain their power because they deal with the most powerful of human motives: the quests for love, purpose, identity, and redemption. They also explore the inner obstacles that threaten these goals: lust, greed, hatred and jealousy. You will see how their stories are also the stories of YOUR life, reflecting your joy and your pain, your struggles and your victories. And you will learn how the Bible’s eternal values provide insight that helps you respond more thoughtfully as you face critical moments of your own.

“The Best and Worst American Presidents” with Martin Levinson
This workshop will examine the executive office from the exalted to the ignoble, using the 2017 C-SPAN Presidential Historians Survey as a backdrop.

Session 1: Ranking the Presidents (a discussion of the C-SPAN Survey)
Session 2: Learning from success (what can we learn from successful chief executives)
Session 3: Learning from failure (what can we learn from less-than-stellar presidents)
Session 4: Ranking the modern presidents
Thursdays:

“Adventures in the World of Gemology + Jewelry” with Rabbi David Altman
The study of gems has a long and honored history. In this course students will be able to peer beyond the sparkle and gain a true understanding of the art + science of gems and jewelry.
Tentative Schedule:
June 7 - Introduction
June 14 – Pearls & Diamonds
June 21 – Rubies Sapphires Emeralds
June 28 – Appraisal and purchasing of jewelry

“Op-Ed Thursday” with Ken Buxbaum
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“Yiddish Language Conversation” with Rabbi David Altman
Students will learn basic conversation along with Jewish culture and possibly music.

“The Roman-Jewish War (66-73 A.D.)”
10 am – 11:15 am with Charles Rudiger – June 7, 14, 21, 28. SBS N112
The first Roman-Jewish War (66-73 CE, from Jotapata to Jerusalem to Masada), and destruction of the Second Temple, was a defining event in ancient history. This workshop will be concerned with the events leading up to “The Great Revolt,” and many of its participants: Nero, Vespasian and Titus, Josephus, Herod the Great, Eliezer ben Simon, General Flavius Silva and his Legion X Fretensis, et al, also, Tisha B’av and the resulting diaspora.

“Famous People” with David Leader
Famous people and events

“Previewing “Seinfeld” and the Borscht Belt” Catskills with Jeff and Diane Hollander
You’re cordially invited to join us while we preview the workshop we plan to offer over the next two semesters. “Seinfeld” will be explored as we study the intersecting roles portrayed by the characters of Jerry, Elaine, George & Kramer. Their ongoing antics are guaranteed to keep us laughing. We’ll briefly visit the “Borscht Belt” area of the Catskills which has the summer playground of so many OLLI members and their families. You won’t want to miss that nostalgic trip.