University Express Classes: Fall 2019

Sign up is ongoing in the Senior Center office or by calling 874-3266. All of the following classes held at the Town of Tonawanda Senior Center, 291 Ensminger Rd. Tonawanda, NY

Who Was That Man?: As the president’s wife, Jacqueline Kennedy was assigned her own Secret Service agent for her personal protection. Who was that man that jumped onto the limousine after the shooting and what were his thoughts on being given the job of securing the safety of the first lady instead of the president? Learn about his tenure with Mrs. Kennedy and about the book he eventually wrote after decades of silence. Based on the book, Mrs. Kennedy and Me, by Clint Hill.

Instructor: Theresa Wiater, retired teacher, Clarence Center Elementary School; experienced quilter

Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 1:00 pm

Their Great Adventure: WNY Women in World War 1: Hear Alice Lord O’Brien, Anna Perit Rochester, Doris Kellogg, and Mary Belknap describe in their own words why they volunteered to go abroad with the Red Cross to assist French and American soldiers at canteens. Their experiences were as varied as their personalities.

Instructor: Susan Eck, educator and student of local history

Tuesday, October 22, 2019 at 1:00 pm

Millard Fillmore Revisited: Millard Fillmore was a founder and chancellor of the University at Buffalo. As the 13th United States President, he signed the Fugitive Slave Act, which required governments and citizens to capture and return runaway slaves, even ones who had made it from the South to new lives in the North. The Buffalo branch of the nation’s oldest civil rights organization has asked elected officials to deny any future requests to attach the 13th president's name to places or things, citing his signing of the 1850 Fugitive Slave Act that allowed for the capture and return of runaway slaves.

Instructor: Claude Welch, Distinguished Service Prof.; Political Science, SUNY Buffalo

Tuesday, November 5, 2019 at 1:00pm

Spot That Scam!: Join us for a discussion on the tactics that scammers use across the board to throw us off balance. We will cover how scammers create a fake crisis, designed to elicit an emotional response so a person quickly purchases gift cards or sends cash. We will educate you on what is being done to combat scams and where and how to report. Our goal is to help spark a realization of how scammers use these tactics to get money, so we can all be prepared for when we get that phone call or letter in the mail.

Instructors: Sarah Duval, Esq., Supervising Attorney; and Kathy Kanaley, Social Work Supervisor, E-MDT Coordinator, Center for Elder Law & Justice

Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at 1:00 pm

Retirement: What Should I do With all This Time?: Are you ready to plan the next phase of your life – or what you need to do to prepare? Learn how the Creative Problem-Solving process can help you brainstorm solutions for your time in retirement. Through this interactive workshop, you’ll learn about different tools and take part in a creative problem-solving exercise. Everyone is creative – learn how to make creative breakthroughs for your life!

Instructor: Rob Kubiak, Creative Problem-Solving Facilitator

Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 1:00pm

Joseph H. Emminger, Supervisor
Town of Tonawanda

Dan Crangle, Councilman
Chairman, Youth, Parks & Recreation Committee

Mark D. Campanella Sr., Superintendent
Parks & Recreation Department