



## SUMMER 2023 SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

### NEXT STOP, ROD SERLING'S TWILIGHT ZONE – PART I

**Todd Jones**

**Thursdays, July 6, 13, 20, 27**

**1:00 pm – 3:00 pm**

The course will discuss Rod Serling's background and how he was able to get a supernatural anthology show on network television. We will also watch and review 8 episodes from the first two seasons of the show. During each session, we will watch 2 episodes of *The Twilight Zone*. Session I will include "Where is Everybody" and "Walking Distance". Session II will feature "Time Enough At Last" and "The Monsters are Due on Maple Street". Session III will show "Mirror Image" and "Eye of the Beholder". Session IV will include "Nick of Time" and "The Invaders"

**Location:** Room 104, Morris Conference Center, SUNY Oneonta

**Maximum Enrollment:** 24

**Registration:** To register please email [ccaloneonta@stny.rr.com](mailto:ccaloneonta@stny.rr.com) or call 607-441-7370

### AMERICAN HISTORY THROUGH THE EYES OF THE PRESIDENTS - I

**Edmond Overbey**

**Tuesday, July 11**

**10:30 am – 12:00 pm**

A book club with a historical biography theme. Classes will feature an interactive video overview of the first and second Presidents of the United States of America, George Washington and John Adams, including successes, failures, challenges before, during, and after achieving office.

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### CHATBOTS: THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE UGLY

**Charles Hartley**

**Tuesday, July 11**

**1:00 pm – 2:30 pm**

I will present information about chatbots, those computer programs which one can talk to and have the program write out information, messages, term papers, emails, or reports, etc. I will attempt to describe how, at the present, these chatbots work, what they can actually do, and what they can not do. In the process, I will describe some of the Artificial Intelligence that goes into building these programs and how the programs may be changed in the future. Samsung has currently banned the use of chatbots on the job. Italy, China, and other countries have banned the use of ChatGPT (the most popular chatbot). Numerous prominent school districts in the U.S. have banned or limited chatbot use. I will present information as to why these programs may be useful or possibly dangerous.

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## **DREAMWORK: UNDERSTANDING MESSAGES FROM WITHIN**

**Barbara Hinkley**

**Wednesdays, July 12, 19, 26**

**10:00 am – 11:30 am**

“A dream that’s unexamined is like a letter that’s unopened.” Expect some surprises in this class, as all is not what it seems when working with dreams! We’ll discuss benefits of Dreamwork and some basic terms like REM and the sleep cycle, nightmares, the symbolic language of dreams. We’ll look at the methods of Freud, Carl Jung, Jeremy Taylor, and Dr. Ray Rainville; and we’ll examine techniques of understanding meaning, like association, compensation, active imagination, and amplification.

**Location:** 1st United Presbyterian (Red Door) Church, 2 Walling Ave., Oneonta (Blue Room)

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## **RATHER BE READING BOOK GROUP**

**Pat Norton-White**

**Wednesdays, July 12, Aug. 9,  
Sept. 13, Oct. 11, Nov. 8**

**11:00 am – 12:00 pm**

Book lovers unite! Stories have always brought people together. Take this opportunity to get together with fellow book enthusiasts for a relaxed and informal opportunity to simply chat about books and meet others with a common interest. Read the selected book before the meeting and plan on enjoying the company of others while discussing a book each session.

Books to be read:

July - *Homecoming* by Kate Morton

August - *West With Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge

September- *The Paris Library* by Janet Skeslien

October - *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver

November - *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman

December - *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt

**Location:** 1st United Presbyterian (Red Door) Church, 2 Walling Ave., Oneonta

Upper Room – enter via ramp on Roosevelt Ave, on July 12

Blue Room on Aug 9, Sept 13, Oct 11, Nov 8

**Cost:** Enrollees will need to acquire the books themselves.

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## **BEYOND THE SNAPSHOT: THOUGHTS ON PHOTO COMPOSITION OR LEARNING TO SEE THE WORLD A LITTLE DIFFERENTLY**

**Bill Ryall**

**Thursdays, July 13, 20, 27**

**10:00 am – 12:00 pm**

In week 1, Bill will share and illustrate a number of techniques we can use to compose better images and to add power, visual strength, and interest to the photographs we make. In week 2 we will look at a few additional basic elements of photo composition and then class participants will be asked to review the concepts by looking analytically at a number of Bill’s images and discussing the composition elements they see. In week 3 we will work together to analyze images submitted by class participants. This week’s class will also conclude with the presentation of a series of thematic shooting ideas class members can use to go out and work on “seeing the world a little differently” while practicing strong photographic composition techniques.

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## **PREDICTING THE FUTURE OF TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY IN LIGHT OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE**

**Charles Hartley**

**Tuesday, July 18**

**1:00 pm – 2:30 pm**

In the past people had attempted to predict the technology of the future, often with miserable results. Now it is my turn. Over the last few decades there has been a sharp decline in library use, newspaper and magazine subscriptions. More and more people are getting their daily news from "on line" "social media". All this will most likely be the source of societal changes. Recent Artificial Intelligence(AI) advances indicate that in the future knowledge and perhaps truth will be determined by what is found on the internet. Much information will be gathered and published by computers--not by authors. Decisions will be dictated by consulting sophisticated computer calculations--also leading to societal changes.

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## **AMERICAN HISTORY THROUGH THE EYES OF THE PRESIDENTS - II**

**Edmond Overbey**

**Tuesday, August 1**

**10:30 am – 12:00 pm**

A book club with a historical biography theme. Classes will feature an interactive video overview of the third and fourth Presidents of the United States of America, Thomas Jefferson and James Madison, including successes, failures, challenges before, during, and after achieving office.

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## **THE WEBB SPACE TELESCOPE: HOW IT IS MADE AND WHAT IT IS SEEING**

**Charles Hartley**

**Tuesday, August 1**

**1:00 pm – 2:30 pm**

This telescope is capable of almost seeing to the edge of the observable universe; or nearly to the beginning of the observable universe—same thing. It has observed galaxies just 500 million years after the Big Bang. The Big Bang occurred 13,700 million years ago. I will talk a little about the very modern technology that went into constructing and deploying in space this infrared telescope. Then I will present dozens of photographs taken by the telescope and describe some of what has been learned (so far) from each photograph.

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The course will discuss Rod Serling's background and how he was able to get a supernatural anthology show on network television. We will also watch and review 8 episodes from season 2 and season 3 of the show. During each session, we will watch 2 episodes of The Twilight Zone. Session I will include "Long Distance Call"

and “A Hundred Years Over the Rim”. Session II will feature “The Rip Van Winkle Caper” and “Shadow Play”. Session III will show “Will the Real Martian Please Stand Up” and “Two”. Session IV will include “Nothing in the Dark” and “It’s a Good Life”

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## **ANCESTOR TAKES YOU BY THE HAND**

**Lanny Harrison**

**Monday, August 14**

**10:30 am – 12:00 pm**

Lanny Harrison will lead us in a brief sitting meditation time. This will be followed by a contemplative exercise in which we will use both imagination and simple physical movement. There will be time for discussion, questions, and comments.

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## **AMERICAN HISTORY THROUGH THE EYES OF THE PRESIDENTS - III**

**Edmond Overbey**

**Tuesday, August 29**

**10:30 am – 12:00 pm**

A book club with a historical biography theme. Classes will feature an interactive video overview of the fifth and sixth President of the United States of America, James Monroe and John Quincy Adams, including successes, failures, challenges before during and after achieving office.

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**Harrison, Lanny** is a performer, teacher, poet, visual artist. She teaches theater at NYU in the Gallatin School of Individualized Study; is one of the founding teachers at West Kortright Centre & has an ongoing theater & movement workshop both in NYC & at her home in East Meredith. She is a certified meditation instructor in the Tibetan Buddhist Shambhala lineage.

**Hartley, Charles** grew up in Portland, Oregon, received a Bachelor’s Degree in Physics from Portland State University, and a Ph.D. in Physics from the University of Colorado. For thirty years he taught physics, astronomy, and the occasional beginning computer-programming course at Hartwick College in Oneonta, New York. He retired in 2006. He taught Elder Hostel courses before 1995 and CCAL classes on and off since 1996.

**Hinkley, Barbara** is a retired educator who, during her more than 25 years of wintering in Tucson, was involved in dream work. She took and taught classes and workshops, and she participated in dream groups, while helping to start new ones. She took her first dream course in 1984 with Dr. Ray Rainville, a psychology professor at SUNY Oneonta. Dreamwork introduced her to Carl Jung's work, the Swiss psychiatrist, as well as other courses she took – screenwriting, mythology, quantum theory, psychology, and the culture of the Southwest.

**Jones, Todd** received his Bachelor of Science in Psychology from SUNY Cortland and Master of Science in College Student Development from Alfred University. Since coming to Oneonta in 1984, he has worked at SUNY Oneonta, the Department of Labor, the ARC Otsego and, in 2021, he retired from the Salvation Army. He has always been an avid fan of *The Twilight Zone* and is looking forward to discussing the show with others.

**Norton-White, Pat** is a retired English teacher and school administrator. She now enjoys her time reading, cooking, gardening, quilting, traveling, and watching grandchildren. She lives in Bloomville, NY with her husband, one Connemara pony, two Corgis, and an opinionated cat.

**Overbey, Edmond** - his B.A in English, social studies and education from Lamar University was followed by graduate work in economics at the University of Houston and remote learning at SUNY Albany. Early in his career in the Management Development Program at Prudential, he discovered an aptitude for information technology (IT). He went into systems integration management focusing on land use planning. His post retirement career included teaching in the SUNY Research Foundation's high school diploma program.

**Ryall, Bill** is a retired French teacher who enjoyed a career that spanned over 42 years both in the public schools and at SUNY Oneonta. During that career, he also worked as a consultant in foreign language education at the New York State Education Department. He continues to travel regularly in the French world. Bill is passionate about his photography, an interest he has pursued since his early teens. His photography has won awards in various shows and his images of the Francophone world have been published in secondary school and university-level French textbooks.