

February 2023

1-History of the Soo Locks 2-The Citizens' Guide to the 1619 Project

2-The Coming Age of Chinese World Leadership?

3-La Belle Epoque, Part 2

5-Great Books

6-British Life in the Victorian Age: Aristocrats and the Elites

6-The Mystery of Margaret: Unraveling the Story of Harriet Tumbman's "Daughter"

7-Our Jane: Why We Are Always On a First-Name Basis with Jane Austen

7-For You the War is Over 8-Becoming the King: A Day in the Life

of the Budweiser Clydesdales

9-TRIP - "The Root Beer Lady"

13-What's Cooking? Gadgets from Around the Kitchen

13-British Life in the Victorian Age:

Poor and Working Classes

14-Valentine's Day Traditions in Boston

14-Charles M. Schulz: An American Cartoonist

15-Stories of Survival: Object. Image. Memory.

15-TRIP-"All You Need is Love: The Songs of the Beatles"

16-The Life of Alex Trebek: A Jeopardy! Legend

16-From the Scraps of My Life in the Mississippi Delta

17-LIFE Book Group

19-TRIP-"To Kill a Mockingbird"

21-Abraham Lincoln and Self-Improvement

22-Across Multiple Cultures: Visual Expression in Ukraine

22-Great Decisions 2023 Discussion Group - 8 Part Series Starts

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Group Topic: Energy Geopolitics 23-New Approaches to Treating and Monitoring Alzheimer's Disease

27-A Very British Love Story: Wallis Simpson & King Edward VIII

28-An Auschwitz Virtual Live Tour 28-Philosophical Thought Experiments

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FEBRUARY - A MONTH OF PARADOXES

What does February bring to us LIFE members here in Minnesota? A paradox of events and choices such as:

Weather - longer daylight hours but continued snow and cold **Taxes and budget planning** – what to save and what to spend

Politics – what to believe and what not to believe

COVID protection – what to do if it gets better or worse **Two holidays** – Valentine's Day, a celebration of love and President's Day,

a celebration of honor

LIFE classes – how many to take and which ones to choose?
With so many LIFE classes, such diversity of topics, and so many talented speakers, where do we begin and end? Among our choices are current affairs with Richard Leitch on "Chinese World Leadership". For biography

we have "Abraham Lincoln and Self-improvement". Our Art Historian gives us "Visual Expression in Ukraine." For American cultural history we have Valentine's Day Traditions in Boston" and for French cultural history we have Part 2 of "La Belle Epoque" in Paris. One of our most timely topics is covered in "Treating and Monitoring Alzheimer's Disease." And for nostalgic humor there is the life of Charles M. Schulz with Charlie Brown and Snoopy. The variety and depth of subjects in our classes helps to keep us LIFERS well informed and in touch with the world around us whether we travel extensively or stay closer to home.



Brenda Dicken LIFE Board Member

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TEACHER FEATURE...Dr. Jerzy Wojcik, Docent, Auschwitz

Jerzy Wójcik had been guiding tours of Auschwitz-Birkenau for 14 years. He created what he believes is a first-of-its kind virtual, interactive tour of the concentration camp using a combination of pre-existing digital resources, including the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum's virtual reality panorama, archival historical footage, and recordings from drone flights, all of which form the backdrop to Wójcik's commentary. *Join LIFE for a Zoom trip to Poland!*



Tuesday, February 28 at 10 am

