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SAVE THE DATE
Harvest Dinner 2021
Thursday, Oct. 28th



"Looking Forward to the Next Set of LIFE Classes!"

With half of our busy September-October term yet to go, I want to draw your attention to a new speaker coming to LIFE in early December. If you like the British Monarchy and/or delightful, fun, and deeply knowledgeable speakers on the subject—in addition to all things Shakespeare—you will enjoy Carol Ann Lloyd. Carol Ann has two master's degrees (Virginia and Utah) and was the Manager of Visitor Education at the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, D.C before becoming a full-time public speaker. She is a popular speaker for Smithsonian, Osher Lifelong Learning Programs (like LIFE), and business leadership groups. Carol's topic for us on December 2 is "Tudor Reigning Queens." After hundreds of years of rule by kings, rule by regnant queens was unthinkable. Nevertheless, Mary and Elizabeth, half-sisters as different as they could be, ruled for close to half of the Tudor Dynasty. After them, the monarchy would never be the same.

For October, a wealth of interesting and provocative subjects await. "Grief and Anxiety in Animals" with Emilie Snell-Rood, British Life During the Battle of Britain and "A Royal Life at a VERY British Castle: Windsor" with Andrew O'Brien, "Russian Alaska" with Carol Veldman Rudie, and "China: Four Domestic Issues" with Richard Leitch. Or open the mystery of "BlockChain, BitCoin, and CryptoCurrency" with Steve Troutman or dig into the implications for Minnesota of the 2020 Census with Susan Brower. For Halloween, the Salem Witch Museum shares "The Salem Witch Trials" and Taylor Hagood shares the twists and turns of "Edgar Allen Poe" and recites from his poem, "The Raven." And of course, the highlight of the month will be the Harvest Dinner 2021 "For the Love of Cod: A Father and Son's Search for Norwegian Happiness" with Eric Dregni at the International Event Center on Thursday, Oct. 28.

On a personal note: When the pandemic hit, the board members were terribly concerned about LIFE. We knew we couldn't continue the in-person classes; our members' safety came first. It's easy now to forget those days. So we were more than grateful to Chrisanne and Jamie for their solution--Zoom classes--and for leading us into them in early spring last year, with Steve Troutman's help. What we couldn't predict was how Zoom classes would make the program broader and richer with speakers who wouldn't have been able to come to us. We have our old favorites—our stalwarts—but look at the speakers from away in any given month. To many of us, it has been the *biggest step* the LIFE program has ever taken.



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Teacher Feature...

Jeff Rennie traveled the world for more than 20 years as a writer for such prestigious publications as *National Geographic Traveler*, *Reader's Digest*, *Backpacker* and others. His photography, known for its creative artistry, has been featured in publications such as *Reader's Digest*, *National Geographic Traveler*, and *Backpacker* and was included in an exhibit honoring the 50th anniversary of the Wilderness Act in the Smithsonian's Museum on Natural History.



Jeff Rennie will
 be presenting on 10/12

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