

The Second Half

LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE

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The Second Half: Lifelong Learning Institute is a community-based membership organization whose programs include intellectual stimulation and social interaction for members. Membership is open to adults who wish to learn in a non-traditional, relaxed environment. There are no admission requirements, no exams, no grades, and no age requirements. All are welcome to participate.

Welcome to the Second Half: Lifelong Learning Institute

“Tell me and I forget;

Teach me and I remember;

Involve me and I will Learn.” Benjamin Franklin

Spring 2022 Semester is here. I know that we have had a tough few years in this world, but your love of learning did not disappear. Isolation taught us a lot about ourselves and our fellow students.

WHAT WE KNOW - Learning something new leads to feelings of happiness and a sense of accomplishment. Science has proven that learning a different new skill will help you feel good about yourself.

Interactive social circles have been shown to boost cognitive abilities. Healthy relationships improve immune systems and minimize feelings of loneliness. Connecting with your fellow Lifelong Learners will make you feel like you are home again. We have been here for you throughout the past two difficult years, and we intend to continue our Mission.

WHAT WE DO NOT KNOW - Exactly when the world will return to “normal,” but we must believe that we are heading in the right direction – together.

Once again, this Spring we have an incredible group of faculty members. They are ready to guide us and share their knowledge. Their experience in their field of study will impress and please you. What are you waiting for?

Please join us. You will begin to feel uplifted, purposeful, and a bit smarter.

Spring Semester is almost ready to bloom - are you?

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Spring 2022 – PLEASE SAVE THESE IMPORTANT DATES

Registration begins January 31, 2022 Classes begin the week of February 28, 2022

Most classes will begin later, so please check your catalog for the starting date of each class or workshop.

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Fall River, MA 02720

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2301 **Intermediate Birding**

Classroom 12:30 - 2:30 P.M.

Classroom: Fridays, April 29 – May 27, 2022

Field Trips 8:00 - 10:00 A.M.

Field Trips: Mondays, May 2 – 30, 2022

(5 weeks)

This study group is for the slightly more advanced birder. In the classroom we will review typical birds that would be seen in the habitats that we will visit on the following Field Trip.

Location: In-person classes on Fridays, at Somerset Library on County Street (Route 138)
Field Trips on Mondays, new location each week to be announced at each class session.

Facilitator: Mary Martha Murphy

Mary Martha Murphy started birding during a vacation to the Allegash in Northern Maine in 1970. A fellow traveler introduced her to the Little Golden Book of Bird Identification, and he pointed out that the “duck” they had been chasing in their canoe was none other than a Common Loon. She has graduated to more sophisticated field guides! Her birding trips include forays into Rhode Island, Cape Cod, Cape Ann, and the Bay of Fundy. She has also traveled to Southern Texas and the prairies of Montana. Her Life List is 491.

2302 **Greek History II**

9:30 - 11:00 A.M.

February 28 – April 18, 2022

Did you know that the 4th century BCE started the first day of 400 BCE and ended the last day of 301 BCE?

It is considered part of the Classical era, epoch, or historical period. This century marked the height of Classical Greek civilization in all its aspects. This class will be starting with the 4th Century BCE and going as far as possible. It is not necessary for you to have taken Part I to participate in this class.

Location: Online Zoom

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Facilitator: Thomas Roche

Thomas Roche holds an M.S.L. and a Ph.D in classics/ancient history, from SUNY Buffalo, an M.S. from the University of Vermont, and a B.A. in classics from Williams College. He has taught extensively in various K-12 settings, as well as Wheaton College, Salve Regina University, Bridgewater State University, and Eastern Nazarene College. He has taught classical Latin and ancient Greek, rhetoric, philosophy, German, and reading/study Library skills.

2303 **Survey of the American Civil War**

9:30 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

March 7 – April 11, 2022

(6 weeks)

Over 150 years ago, our nation was torn apart by war. This war proved to be the bloodiest and most traumatic in our nation’s history. By war’s end, there were over 700,000 casualties, more than all other U.S. wars combined, and the nation still needed decades to heal the deep wounds left by the war. However, a nation that was divided eventually became more united. This road was not easy, but it was necessary. Our focus will be on the battles, major events, and lives of those on the home front. The outcomes of this journey will ideally make the participant critically think about historical events and issues, empathize with those individuals who lived through the war, and evaluate the importance of the war within U.S. history. Together we will see whether, as President Lincoln poetically put it, “that nation ... can long endure,” and whether those men “shall not have died in vain.”

Location: Online Zoom

Facilitator: Mark Mello

Mark Mello is an avid historian who has been studying the American Civil War for well over ten years. He has given presentations to many different groups, including Civil War Round Tables and Historical Societies, and he has taught classes for Massachusetts Community College and The Second Half. He is employed by the National Park Service in Blackstone Valley.

MONDAY CLASSES

2304 **Ten of the 100 Best Films of All Time**

10:00 – 11:00 A.M.

March 21 – May 23, 2022
(10 weeks)

In this class we have watched and discussed heist films, comedies, films from the 100 Best, and Facilitator's Favorites. This semester we will watch and discuss Ten of the Best 100 Films of All Times from the American Film Institute's List. Come to enjoy lively discussions and to learn more about films you have enjoyed or those you are viewing for the first time.

Each week you will receive a handout with little-known facts and fun trivia about the film we are discussing.

MARCH 21: *Amadeus* (1984) 2 h, 40 m

MARCH 28: *The Hurt Locker* (2008) 2 h, 11 m

APRIL 4: *The Producers* (1967) 1 h, 28 m

APRIL 11: *On the Waterfront* (1954) 1 h, 48 m

APRIL 18: *Moonlight* (2016) 1 h, 51 m

APRIL 25: *Anatomy of a Murder* (1959) 2 h, 40 m

MAY 2: *The Philadelphia Story* (1940) 1 h, 52 m

MAY 9: *The Maltese Falcon* (1941) 1 h, 41 m

MAY 16: *Double Indemnity* (1944) 1 h, 47 m

MAY 23: *Star Wars, Episode IV (the original)* (1977)
2 h, 1 m

Location: Online Zoom

Facilitator: Eileen Sorrentino

Eileen Sorrentino is a retired lawyer and mediator who enjoys great movies. She plays ukulele, rows whaleboats whenever she can, and lives in Mattapoisett with her husband John.

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2305 **Roman History II**

Noon – 1:30 P.M.

February 28 – April 18, 2022 (8 weeks)

Fun fact--the 2d Century BCE started the first day of 200 BC and ended the last day of 101 BC. Some consider it the end of the axial age. This class will be starting with the 2d Century BCE and go as far as time allows. It is not necessary for you to have taken Part I to participate in Part II.

Location: Online Zoom

Facilitator: Thomas Roche

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TUESDAY CLASSES

2306 **The Human Experience: Transitions, Transformation, Transcendence. The Evolution of Human Nature and the Search for Identity**

9:30 – 11:30 A.M.

April 12 – May 24, 2022 (7 Weeks)

This participatory seminar will examine the evolution of human nature, the transitions, transformations therein, and the initial and continued human connection to the transcendent. Do humans have a particular and special identity, and how are we subjectively connected to that identity? Come help me determine why the hell I'm doing this, and let's help each other in the discovery and understanding of human nature and our personal identifies within the story of humanity. The required reading for this seminar is *Life's Greatest Lessons, (20 Things That Matter)* by Hal Urban. Optional reading is *Too Soon Old, Too Late Smart* by Gordon Livingston, M.D. As is my approach to facilitating a seminar, we will begin by exploring the easy topics first, such as, the universe and our place in it, the human experience, human nature, and the meaning of human life. We should be able to nail that down in a couple of hours!

Location: Dartmouth Public Library, North Branch, Community Room, 211 Cross Road, North Dartmouth, MA

Facilitator: *Raymond Loranger*

After twenty-five years in business Raymond earned a Master's degree in Human Development and Counseling and a Ph.D. in Humanities from Salve Regina University in Newport, RI. He has worked as a therapist,

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teacher, and clinical director for several mental health agencies, including the Massachusetts Department of Corrections, Dartmouth facility. He also taught a special psychology class at Bristol Community College as part of an innovative re-entry program for criminal offenders.



2307 **“What I need” Documentaries that Fill a Hole in My....**

Noon – 2:00 P.M.

April 12 – May 17, 2022 (6 Weeks)

Documentaries at their best send us away with a desire to know more about the subject, whether a personality or a cause. Even at their worst, they can send us on a journey to find a more believable story.

APRIL 12: *Breaking Boundaries* (2021) David Attenborough and Johan Rockstrom and the science of our planet.

APRIL 19: *Planet of the Human* (2020) We are losing the battle to stop climate change.

APRIL 26: *E.O. Wilson: of Ants and Man* (2015) The story of E.O. Wilson

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MAY 3: Class Choice

MAY 10: *The Most Unknown* (2018)
Scientists of different disciplines look for common ground by sharing their expertise with each other.

MAY 17: *Everything & Nothing* (2016) How small is small and is nothing really nothing?

Location: Dartmouth Public Library, North Branch, Community Room,
211 Cross Road, North Dartmouth, MA

Facilitator: *Dennis Tweedy*

Dennis was the co-founder of Design-Able, a design and manufacturing company that created custom equipment for individuals with physical disabilities. He left Design-Able and became the National Sales Manager for the Swedish wheelchair manufacturer Permobil, Inc. He traveled extensively throughout the U.S.A. and Canada setting up a sales network for Permobil. He is an avid reader, music and movie lover. His favorite quote: "I refuse to join any club that would have me as a member." Groucho Marx



WEDNESDAY CLASSES

2308 **Conversational Spanish: Intermediate Level**

Noon – 2:00 P.M.

February 23 -- April 27, 2022 (10 weeks)

This is an ongoing, progressive learning study group. It focuses on increasing the participants' familiarity with the Spanish language and their ability to express themselves both orally and with the written work. Class discussion in Spanish, review of written exercises, and increased mastery of grammar are major components of the class. Anybody with a basic knowledge of Spanish is welcome to join this study group.

LOCATION: Online Zoom

Facilitator: Mariano Merino

Mariano Merino is a native of Spain. After graduate studies in Madrid, he continued his graduate education at Boston University and Rhode Island College. He has worked in the field of mental health. Retired for over a decade and a half, he enjoys the challenge of engaging in new learning and continued education programs.

2309 **Kaleidoscope**

Noon – 2:00 P.M.

May 4 – June 8, 2022 (6 weeks)

Please join us for an intriguing escapade throughout the Southcoast and Rhode Island.

Each week--a new adventure and location. We will take you on a journey to learn about Rhode Island's Independence Day to Middleboro's Historic Village--Remember Tom Thumb? and points of interest in between.

This class will give you an opportunity to learn about the lives, work, and perhaps scandals of the people that lived in these historic locations throughout our area. Please join us for a walk through time.

MAY 4: Tiverton, R.I., Public Library. RI Independence Day and a Brief History of Tiverton. The first part of this session gives a glimpse into what led up to Rhode Island's declaring independence from England on this date in 1776. The second half (pun intended) delves further into other main facets of Tiverton's history: from pre-Colonial

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times, the American Revolution, the mid 1800s, and the Prohibition era.

MAY 11: Norton Historical Society, Norton, MA

MAY 18: Rochester Historical Society, Rochester, MA

MAY 25: Freetown Historical Society, Freetown MA

JUNE 1: Linden Grove Cemetery, Westport, MA

JUNE 8: Middleboro Historical Assoc, Middleboro, MA

Location: In person. Location will change each week. You will receive directions and locations for each week when class begins.

Facilitators: Roberta Melton and Lois Spirlet

What can we say--we are curious and inquisitive, and we love to share History with all of you.

2310 **Book Club for the Mind and Soul**

Noon – 2:00 P.M.

March 2, March 23, April 13, May 4, May 25,
2022 (5 weeks)

Come and join a group of enthusiastic readers. We love to read and to talk about what we have read and what we look forward to reading in the future. If you like to read and enjoy lively discussions, this is the course for you.

MARCH 2: *The State of Terror* by Hillary Rodham Clinton and Louise Penny

MARCH 23: *The Paris Library* by Janet Skeslien Charles

APRIL 13: *The Time Traveler's Wife* by Audrey Niffenegger

MAY 4: *Crossings* by Alex Landragin

MAY 25: The book for this discussion will be chosen by the group.

THE STATE OF TERROR should be read before the first meeting.

Location: In person

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Facilitators: Elaine Oliveira and Anne Maranda

Elaine Oliveira majored in English and taught English as a second language in local elementary schools and at Bristol

Community College. She also studied in Lisbon on scholarship and at Azores University. She has been leading this book group since 2001.

Anne Maranda is a retired elementary school teacher. She taught in Boston, Acushnet, and New Bedford public schools, and at Dominican Academy in Fall River. Since her retirement she has enjoyed reading and traveling.

2311 Sacred Spaces: Architecture and Religion

**March 2 – April 6, 2022 (6 weeks)
Noon – 2:00 P.M.**

Religion, throughout human history, has been the inspiration for brilliant and luminous works of literature, philosophy, sculpture, painting, and architecture. From the sands of ancient Egypt to the streets of modern-day Barcelona, sacred traditions are embodied, expressed, and preserved in places of worship and pilgrimage. Sacred Spaces will explore religious architecture from the Parthenon to the tragic fire and rebuilding of Notre Dame Cathedral.

We will visit more than 25 buildings--Gothic Cathedrals, Mosques, Stave churches, onion-domed Russian Orthodox churches, Italian and English chapels, as well as Abuna Yemata Guh, one of a hundred or so rock-hewn churches in northern Ethiopia. This truly amazing church requires its visitors to climb up a 1,000-foot rock face to “be closer to God” and enter the church founded in 5 CE.

Additionally, we will explore contemporary church structures from Thorncrown Chapel, which rests amongst the oaks, pines, and maples of Arkansas Ozark Mountains, to Santiago Calatrava’s reconstruction of the Greek Orthodox Church of St. Nicolas at Ground Zero in New York.

History, culture, art, architecture, and religion--fascinating stuff!

How to Read Churches offers a crash course in ecclesiastical architecture and is a marvelous little book

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that will be invaluable for this course. It is available on Amazon. Look for *How to Read Churches: A Crash Course in Ecclesiastical Architecture* by McNamara, Denis R. (2011)

Location: Online Zoom

Facilitator: Nancy Ogden

Nancy Ogden is an Art Historian by education and a filmmaker by occupation. She is developing a film on the life and work of Fra Angelico and the monastery of San Marco.

2312 Shakespeare for All

2:30 – 4:30 P.M.

April 27 – June 1, 2022 (6 weeks)

The work of the Bard of Avon has been studied by scholars for generations. But what about the rest of us? We can enjoy and understand Shakespeare as well. This class is for all those who love poetry and drama but who may be hesitant about studying these magnificent works. We will begin by reviewing the life, time, and language of Shakespeare. We’ll also see if anyone agrees with the controversy surrounding the authorship of the plays. Then we’ll select scenes and speeches from several of his most famous works (you can suggest your favorite!) and analyze them until we all understand. We’ll also watch scenes from some of the fabulous films based on these plays. Finally, we’ll examine several of Shakespeare’s sonnets, some of the most beautiful love poetry ever written. This class is intended for anyone who would like to learn more about Shakespeare and discuss his work with others who feel the same. Join us for the experience!

LOCATION: Online Zoom

Facilitator: Susan Richard

Susan Richard is a retired English teacher and department Head who spent 36 years working with high school students. Working with adults is a joy and a pleasure! She is also the President of the Governing Board of Your Theatre, Inc, and an avid theatre patron. Although she has not been active on stage for some time, she has directed and performed in community theatre.

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2313 **Zoom Trivia**

2:30 – 4:30 P.M.

March 2 – April 6

(6 weeks)

Are you tired of having all that trivial information in your head and no one to share it with? Are you afraid that someday your head just might explode if that trivia has no place to go? The Second Half has heard you, and we are ready to provide a solution! Join our Zoom Trivia class and release all that pent-up knowledge in a fun and painless way. Each week your Trivia Master will ask questions of participants taken from a variety of trivia games and sources. All you need is a pad of paper, a pen or pencil, and your fabulous brain! During the game, we will also explore some of the more obscure trivia answers to fill your brain with even more useless information! A winner will be declared each week and there may even be a special prize for the truly gifted. So, if you know that Boston was the first United States city to have a subway, that Knute Rockne popularized the forward pass in football, or that when doing a tequila shot, the correct order is salt, tequila, lemon, this class is for you!

(**WARNING:** Some questions may require serious thought.)

Location: Online Zoom

Facilitator/Trivia Master: Susan Richard

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2314 **“Khurbn” – The Destruction of 1918-1921 and its Decisive Impact on How the Holocaust in the Same Region Would Later Unfold**

9:30 – 11:30 A.M.

April 6 – May 11 (6 weeks)

In this class we will examine the often historically overlooked events of the interwar period (1918-21) and the mass killing of Jews in Ukraine and Poland. We will see how these “local programs” were to become a bridge to the Holocaust that would begin twenty years later. We will also assess the effects of these programs on the non-Jewish population, and how these events helped to set up the conditions that would become known as the Holocaust/Shoah. Known as the “Khurbn” (destruction in Yiddish), these genocidal events created the conditions for the Holocaust/Shoah and proved prophetic the warnings sent out by aid workers that Jews were in danger of complete extermination.

Location: In person

Facilitators: Dr. Ronald Weisberger and Manya Bark

Dr. Ronald Weisberger is the Director of the Bristol Community College Holocaust Center and Adjunct Professor of History. He has a B.A. and an M.A. in History, and an Ed.D in Higher Education. He has taught at BCC for forty years and has co-taught a course on the Holocaust for the last fourteen years.

Manya Bark is an independent scholar. She has a B.A. and an M.A. in German and East European history as well as a minor in Judaic Studies. She was born and lived in Germany and studied in Australia as well as the United States.

THURSDAY CLASSES

2315 **The Way of the Breath: Mindfulness Meditation Practice in our Daily Lives**

9:30 -11:00 A.M.

March 3, 17, 31; April 14, 28; May 12, 26;
June 9, 23, 2022 (9 weeks)

This nine-week study group will offer strategies, guided meditations, and opportunities for discussion in order to help us become more adept at taming our internal dialogues. Four decades of research into this 2,500-year-old practice have shown it to be beneficial for many stress-related emotional and physical conditions. It is also helpful in nurturing an atmosphere of inquiry into our internal lies and our own relationships.

STUDENTS MUST HAVE PARTICIPATED IN ONE OF MR. PINTER'S CLASSES OR HAVE PREVIOUS KNOWLEDGE OF MEDITATION.

Location: In person, 209 Bedford St, Fall River, MA

Facilitator: Kenneth Pinter

Ken Pinter is a part-time psychotherapist who has studied and practiced mindful mediation for approximately 25 years. He currently maintains his own individual and weekly group practice.

2316 **Advanced Beginner Bridge**

9:30 A.M. – Noon

April 28 – June 16, 2022 (8 weeks)

This class is for Beginner Bridge players who understand the basics of Suits; Count; Major, Minor, and No Trump bids; and play. The class will look at how to handle distribution hands, such as preempts. It will also teach high-count hands, such as 18-19 point hands, 2NT, and 2c bids. Additionally, it will showcase Blackwood, Gerber, and Roman Key Card and when each can be used.

This class is limited to 16 players.

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Location: In person, Fairhaven Council on Aging, 229 Huttleston Ave, Fairhaven, MA

Facilitator: Caroline “Coco” Cooper

I have played bridge for a long time but stopped when career path and family were higher demands. Returning to bridge after retirement, I found things had changed dramatically. I have adopted most of these changes but continue to learn as bridge is a never-ending learning experience. I play both Social and Duplicate Bridge and have points of many colors.

2317 **World Religions Practiced on the Southcoast**

Noon – 1:30 P.M.

March 17 – April 28, 2022 (7 weeks)

Rather than approaching the subject of world religions from a historical or philosophical perspective, this world religions course chooses to study world religions that are practiced on the Southcoast. The Course will seek to answer the questions “How may I be a god guest at my neighbors’ house of worship?” “How will the worship compare to that of my own background? Some religious groups with nearby addresses are: Baha’I, Buddhism, Islam, Judaism, Liturgical Christianity, Non-Liturgical Christianity, Quaker, and Unitarian-Universalism. Learning about the diversity of religious belief in the communities around us will prove enjoyable and rewarding.

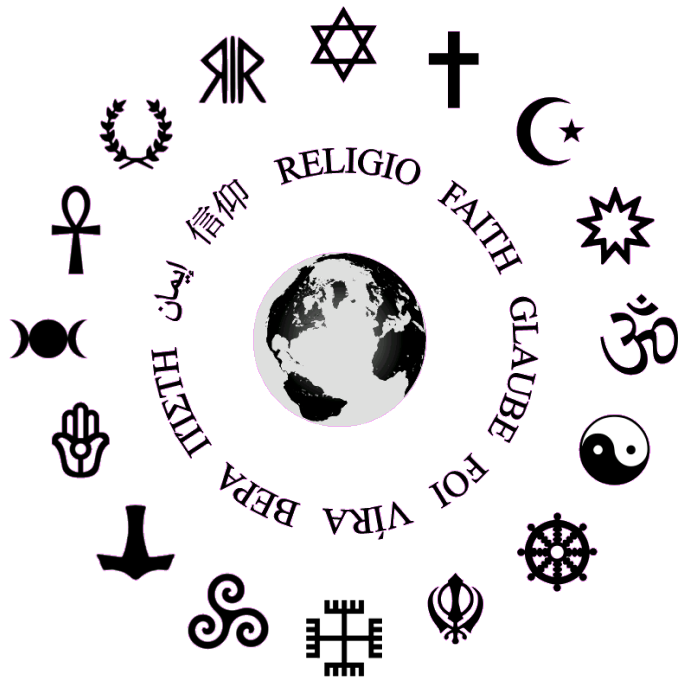
Location: Online Zoom

Facilitator: Pamela Cole

Pamela Cole holds a M.Div. from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, an M.B.A. from Anna Maria College, and a B.A. in history/government from Gordon College. For more than fifty years she has served in the area as an ordained United Church of Christ clergy person, with special emphasis on ecumenical and interfaith ministry as the volunteer President of Church Women United of Greater New Bedford. She broadcast local religious news on WBSM for nine years. She has taught in

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a formal capacity as an adjunct history professor at Bristol Community College and informally for church and community adult groups. The first course she taught at *The Second Half* was An Introduction to the Greek Language.



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2318 **Looking at and Listening to Beethoven Piano Sonatas**

2:30 – 4:30 P.M.

April 7 - June 16 (10 weeks)

No class April 14

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Each class will consist of a 45-minute DVD giving information on historical background, music forms, and music examples. Time will be allotted for questions and discussion, and we will watch and listen to a YouTube example. Emphasis will be on listening and enjoyment.

Location: Online Zoom

Facilitator: *Thom Sargent*

Thom is the Parish Music director and Organist at St. Anthony of Padua Church in New Bedford. He retired in 2000 from the Providence, RI, School Department as Music Director at Classical High School. His formal education includes degrees in church music, music education, and choral conducting.



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2319 **Singer/Songwriters**

10:00 A.M. – Noon

March 4 – April 22, 2022 (8 weeks)

This course will explore the rise of the singer/songwriter from the late 1960s through the early 1970s, following such artists as James Taylor, Jackson Browne, Carol King, Joni Mitchell, Bonnie Raitt, and a host of related artists that were not so well known. I will hint at their biographical background and expand on their musical output. I hope that you will join Ron and me for another great musical journey.

Location: Online Zoom

Facilitators: *Gary Brown and Ron Weisberger*

Gary Brown is a retired high school English teacher and administrator. He is also an active musician, guitar teacher, and promoter.

Ron Weisberger is a professor of history at Bristol Community College.



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2320 **Great Decisions**

9:30 – 11:30 A.M.

March 4 – April 22, 2022 (8 weeks)

Great Decisions is part of a nationwide, non-partisan program of the Foreign Policy Association intended to broaden public involvement in foreign affairs. Led by librarian Carol Gafford, this program involves readings and meetings to discuss the most critical global issues facing American today. Each year eight topics are chosen from the Briefing Book created by the Foreign Policy Institute. Become informed, engaged, and inspired—you can change the world.

Location: Online Zoom

Facilitator: *Carol Gafford*

Carol Gafford is the Youth Services/Outreach Librarian at the Swansea Public Library. In addition to her involvement with genealogy, she has done a series of outreach programs over the last nine years on many topics. She ran the News Hounds Program at the library for several years, in which members read newspaper articles from local, state, regional, national, and world newspapers and discussed issues pertaining to current events.

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2321 **British Children's Authors**

9:30 – 11:30 A.M.

June 17 – July 22, 2022 (6 weeks)

In this class we will learn about six Great British children's authors, including A.A. Milne, C.S. Lewis, Anna Sewell, Beatrix Potter, Lewis Carroll, and Edith Nesbit. Learn about their lives, their literature, and what motivated and inspired them to create great classical books. We will reread the classic books and various biographies of the writers. We may also watch some of the films based on the books.

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2322 **Researching Your Family**

History

9:30 – 11:30 A.M.

May 6 – June 10, 2022 (6 weeks)

In this class we will cover the basics of researching your family history and putting it in order to create a book. Starting with each person's genealogy, participants will learn how to find information and organize it. This class will teach the group how to place family members in the proper historical context, and blend fact with family history. We will put together biographies of relatives,

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create a timeline, read certain books as examples, talk about format options, and begin the story of you.

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Carol Gafford is the Youth Services/Outreach Librarian at the Swansea Public Library. In addition to her involvement with genealogy, she has done a series of outreach programs over the last nine years on many topics. She ran the News Hounds Program at the library for several years in which members read state, regional, national, and world newspapers and discussed issues pertaining to current events.

WORKSHOPS

2323 **WORKSHOP: GARDENING SPRING SEASON**

**Two sessions: Monday, March 28
and
Monday, April 11, 2022
9:30 A.M. – Noon**

Cost for two-session workshop: \$20.00

In the Spring we will discuss assessing the garden, leaves, weeding, fertilizing, dividing, and containers.

Location: In the Garden--Dartmouth and/or New Bedford

Facilitators will notify you of locations for classes

Facilitators: Renate Oliver & Lisa Mellgard

Lisa is a Gardener, and Renate is a Master Gardener. Both have incredible gardening knowledge and are very informative on this subject.

**THE SECOND HALF LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE
MEMBERSHIP FORM 2021-2022**

Members new to The Second Half: Please complete this form.

We would like to get to know you better and ask that you respond to the following questions.

This information will allow us to better plan classes, trips, and special events.

Name _____ **Street Address** _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip Code** _____

Telephone _____ **Email** _____

How did you hear about The Second Half? _____

Age? Under 50 _____ 50-55 _____ 56-60 _____ 61-65 _____ 66-70 _____ 71-75 _____

76-80 _____ 81-85 _____ 86+ _____

Are you retired? _____ Do you work part time? _____

Please describe your volunteer activities/hobbies/interests. _____

In what areas would you like us to offer classes, trips, special events? _____

Membership is \$50.00 per year, September 1, 2021-August 31, 2022

Please make check payable to *The Second Half* and mail to

If you are mailing your Membership Form and are paying by credit card, please complete the following:

Name as it appears on card Credit card number Exp. Date Security Code

We do not retain your credit card information.

THE SECOND HALF: LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE REGISTRATION FORM – SPRING 2022

Name _____ Home Phone _____
Street Address _____ Cell Phone _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Email _____
Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____

ARE YOU NEW TO THE SECOND HALF? ____ YES ____ NO

IF YES, PLEASE COMPLETE THE MEMBERSHIP FORM ON THE REVERSE SIDE.

STUDY GROUP SELECTIONS.

Please use the number of the study group, not the name, in completing your registration.

REGISTRATIONS ARE FIRST COME/FIRST SERVED. Registrations received on or before September 1 will be date stamped with that date and processed first.

(1) # _____ (2) # _____ (3) # _____ (4) # _____ (5) # _____
(6) # _____ (7) # _____ (8) # _____ (9) # _____ (10) # _____

If you registered for a class in the fall and did not get in, you may request priority admission to the SAME class if it is offered again in the spring. **Please make your request as soon as registration opens.**

Priority request for # _____

_____ **\$50.00** Membership dues

_____ **\$150.00** Tuition for up to two study groups

_____ \$ _____ Tuition for additional study groups (\$30.00 per study group)

_____ I am a facilitator. My tuition is waived.

_____ \$ _____ Donation

\$ _____ TOTAL AMOUNT DUE

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

MEMBERSHIP/ REGISTRATION FORM

If you are a new member, please fill out both sides of the Membership/Registration Form.

ALTERNATIVE STUDY GROUPS

We maintain waiting lists for over-enrolled study groups. Spaces in over-enrolled study groups are filled by lottery. If you do not get your first choice, you may be placed in another study group that you indicated on the Registration Form.

PRIORITY REGISTRATION

Sometimes members are shut out of an over-enrolled study group. If that happens to you, you will be given priority for the SAME study group if it is offered in the s semester.

If you registered for a class in fall 2021 and did not get in, you may request priority admission to the SAME class if it is offered again in spring 2022.

You must submit your request for priority by the first day of registration.

REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION

The office will send out enrollment confirmations by regular mail the week before classes begin.

WITHDRAWAL FROM A STUDY GROUP

If you withdraw from a study group before the end of the first week of classes, you will receive a full refund for that class less a \$15.00 processing fee. The membership fee will not be refunded.

TRANSFERRING BETWEEN STUDY GROUPS

If you wish to transfer from one study group to another, you may submit your request to the Director by the end of the first week of the class in question. Changes are dependent on available space. We will do our best to satisfy your requests.

CANCELLING STUDY GROUPS

Study groups are cancelled if fewer than five members have enrolled, or if the facilitator is no longer available to lead the group.

CANCELLING STUDY GROUP MEETINGS

Study group meetings are cancelled

- when Fall River public schools are closed because of weather;
- when the facilitator is unavailable.

The facilitator or the office will notify study group members of cancellations.

CERTAIN TRIPS/EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

Many of our special events are free as a benefit of your membership. We may charge a processing fee to cover our administrative costs in planning and coordinating certain trips, events, and activities. You may ask at The Second Half Office whether a particular event is subject to a processing fee before or at the time of registration for the event.

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Registration Information

Spring 2022

Registration Information

Registration Begins on

Registration begins January 31, 2022
Classes begin the week of February 28,
2022

Payment is required at the time of
registration. If you have questions, please
contact us at The Second Half,
(508) 677-4694 or email us at
office@secondhalfli.org

Please send all registration forms and
payments to:
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