

Here are the Zoom webinars for next week:

Tuesday, July 7 at 10:30 AM

Genghis Khan

In the early 13th century, the Mongol army led by Genghis Khan subjugated more lands in twenty-five years than the Romans did in four hundred. And all by an army sometimes half the size of those he faced. By managing the Silk Road between Asia and Europe, the Mongols brought an unprecedented rise in cultural communication, expanded trade and a blossoming of civilization. Unlike his European or Asian counterparts, Genghis Khan abolished torture, granted universal religious freedom and smashed feudal systems of aristocratic privilege. And yet this brilliant and sometimes ruthless military strategist had no formal education, and he probably met no more than a few hundred people in his entire childhood. His story is indeed fascinating.

Presenter: Susan Diehl

Wednesday, July 8 at 10:30 AM

Distinguished Guest Lecturer Program

Lizabeth Cohen, author of *Saving America's Cities: Ed Logue and the Struggle to Renew Urban America in the Suburban Age*

Edward J. "Ed" Logue was an urban planner, public administrator, lawyer, politician, and academic who worked in New Haven, Boston, and New York State.

Lizabeth Cohen is the Howard Mumford Jones Professor of American Studies and a Harvard University Distinguished Service Professor in the Department of History at Harvard. Her current book on Ed Logue is the winner of the 2020 Bancroft Prize in American History. She will discuss the book and a fresh look at urban renewal.

Liz was originally scheduled to speak during the Spring semester. She has graciously agreed to do her presentation via Zoom

Coordinators: Arlynn Greenbaum, Bob Reiss, Estelle Selzer, Arlene Hajinlian

Thursday, July 9 at 10:30 AM

Bending Toward Justice

Author: Doug Jones

On September 15, 1963, in one of the most horrific moments of the civil right struggle, a bomb exploded beneath the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama. The bomb killed 4 young girls and injured 22 others. While the FBI identified several Klan members as the perpetrators responsible, due to reluctant witnesses, a lack of physical evidence, and pervasive racial prejudice, the bombing case was closed with no one held accountable for the crime.

***Bending Toward Justice* is the story of how an incredible 38 years after the bombing, the US Attorney for Northern Alabama, Doug Jones, was able to convict the last 2 of the remaining bombers. It's the story of the many, many challenges to obtaining the convictions, and how, to paraphrase Dr. Martin Luther King, the arc of the moral universe did bend toward justice.**

Presenter: Toni Dickenson

Zoom Tip of the Week:

One easy way to control the sound on laptop computers is through the keys on the top row of your keyboard (also known as the "function" keys). On most laptops, the F6, F7 and F8 function keys serve as volume controls and they typically have speaker icons on them so they can be easily identified as volume controls.

