

HISTORY

Roundtable

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{(usually) meets the 4th Thursday of every other month at 6:30pm at the Greenwood Public Library}

August's Topic: Cold War

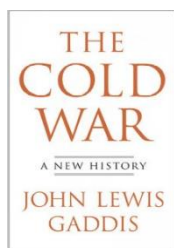
Meeting Date: Thursday, August 25th at 6:30pm

Register at www.greenwoodlibrary.us or by emailing sjerger@greenwoodlibrary.us.

More info and handout at www.greenwoodlibrary.us/historyroundtable.

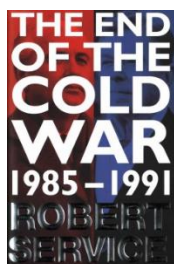
Read. Watch. Listen. Discuss. Read *any* non-fiction book, watch a documentary, and/or listen to a podcast pertaining to the Cold War. Once you've read/watched/listened to the item, attend the roundtable prepared to summarize your source material. Possible resources include (but are not limited to) –

Books:



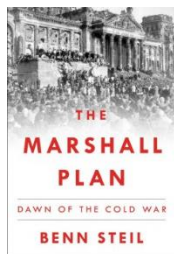
[The Cold War: A New History](#) by John Lewis Gaddis –NONFICTION HISTORY Gaddis; [eAudio](#) via hoopla*

Beginning with World War II and ending with the collapse of the Soviet Union, this is a new account of the strategic dynamics that drove the age, with portraits of its major personalities and much fresh insight into its most crucial events. It contains information drawn from newly opened Soviet, East European, and Chinese archives. Now, as America once again finds itself in a global confrontation with an implacable ideological enemy, this is a story whose lessons it is vitally necessary to understand.



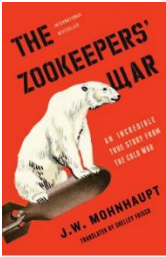
[The End of the Cold War, 1985-1991](#) by Robert Service – NONFICTION HISTORY Service; [eAudio](#) via hoopla*

This work traces the final years of the Cold War, drawing on insider accounts of the internal deliberations of both sides of the Iron Curtain. It also documents the relationship between Reagan and Gorbachev, depicting how the men involved transformed modern politics and history.

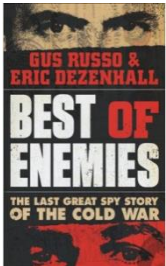


[The Marshall Plan: Dawn of the Cold War](#) by Benn Steil – NONFICTION HISTORY UNITED STATES 20th CENTURY Steil; [eBook](#) via Overdrive/Libby*

Traces the history of the Marshall Plan and the efforts to reconstruct western Europe as a bulwark against communist authoritarianism during a two-year period that saw the collapse of postwar U.S.-Soviet relations and the beginning of the Cold War.



[The Zookeepers' War: An Incredible True Story from the Cold War](#) by Jan Mohnhaupt; - NONFICTION ANIMALS MEMOIRS Mohnhaupt; [eAudio](#) via hoopla*
The unbelievable true story of the Cold War's strangest proxy war, fought between the zoos on either side of the Berlin Wall, and unlike anything readers have heard before. This historical piece is an epic tale of desperate rivalries, human follies, and an animal-mad city. Translated from German.



[Best of Enemies: The Last Great Spy Story of the Cold War](#) by Gus Russo and Eric Dezenhall – NONFICTION TRUE CRIME POLITICAL Russo

In this book, two espionage cowboys reveal how they became key behind-the-scenes players in solving some of the most celebrated spy stories of the twentieth century, including the crucial discovery of the Soviet mole Robert Hanssen, the 2010 Spy Swap which freed Gennady from Soviet imprisonment, and how Robert De Niro played a real-life role in helping Gennady stay alive during his incarceration in Russia after being falsely accused of spying for the Americans. Through their eyes, we see the distinctions between the Russian and American methods of conducting espionage and the painful birth of the new Russia, whose leader, Vladimir Putin, dreams he can roll back to the ideals of the old USSR.

Online:



[Cold War on File](#)

Explore the Cold War collection in the National Archives, which features scans of original Cold War documents, cartoons, and maps.



[A Visual Guide to the Cold War](#)

Explore primary sources by decade, theme, or media type created by the Center for Slavic, Eurasian, and East European Studies at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Videos:



[Ronald Reagan – The Life and Legacy: The Cold War](#) on Kanopy*

There is little argument that Ronald Reagan's greatest accomplishment as President of the United States was putting an end to the 40-plus year Cold War. Part six covers the fall of the Berlin Wall and the collapse of the Soviet Union.

Podcasts:



[History of the Cold War Podcast](#) – with Jeff Hogue

Select a category and choose an intriguing episode. Over 100 episodes to choose from! Jeff Hogue divides the Cold War time period into subcategories.

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