

The Wild West Era

True tales and amazing legends of the Old West during the 19th century

Course #	21FWIL
Format:	Seminar
Moderator:	Patricia Tillona
Date and Time:	Wednesday, 1:30-3:30 PM 10 weeks, starting 9/29/2021
Format:	Online
Maximum number of participants:	14
Auditors accepted:	Yes, up to 2

Purpose: In this seminar we will learn about an era that spanned most of the 19th century from the Lewis & Clark Expedition in 1803-04 to the closing of the frontier in the 1890s.

Description: We will study this important time through readings and discussions about how people travelled, settled, and worked on the frontier. We will learn why people ventured west and endured the rigors they encountered on the way; how they developed the land; and who were the famous and the not so famous adventurers--lawmen, outlaws, gamblers, Indians, inventors, prospectors and the women.

Role of participants: Class members will choose from a list of topics or propose a topic for approval and give a presentation and lead a discussion on it. Photos will enhance the presentation.

Resources: There is no one book that all participants will use. There are online resources and documentaries on U-Tube. The moderator will provide a list of books and other resources.

About the Moderator: Pat was raised in Brooklyn and employed as an early childhood teacher before retiring in 2008. She has been with LIR since 2010, taking and moderating seminars.