

Jim Gibbons Historical Presentations

2017 Anniversary Dates for Programming

The Decades Series (presentations)

The 1920's: Flappers, Speakeasies, and Coolidge (NEW)

The 1930's: F.D.R., The Great Depression, and *Gone With The Wind* (NEW)

The 1940's: Swing Dancing, World War II, and Truman (NEW)

The 1950's: Elvis, Eisenhower, and Lucy (NEW)

The 1960's: Flower Power, The Beatles, and J.F.K.

The 1970's: Bell-bottoms, Disco, and Nixon

The 1980's: The Royal Wedding, Reagan, and Pacman

The 1990's: The Macarena, Beanie Babies, and Clinton

Presentations For Any Month

Ally and Enemy: The Mighty Mississippi River

The Presidents: Historical Facts, Trivia, and More

Chicago Area Name Game (NEW)

Month

Presentation

January

The Life of Theodore Roosevelt (date of death, January 6, 1919)

The Life of Alexander Hamilton (birthday, January 11, 1757)
(NEW)

The Life of Winston Churchill (date of death, January 24, 1965)

The Life of Franklin Delano Roosevelt (birthday, January 30, 1882)

February

The Life of Charles Lindberg (birthday February 4, 1902, famous flight May 20, 1927, **90th Anniversary**) (NEW)

Presidents' Day: February 20, 2017

The Life of Dwight D. Eisenhower

The Life of Franklin Delano Roosevelt

The Life of Theodore Roosevelt

The Life of Harry S. Truman

The Life of President John F. Kennedy (John F. Kennedy was strong on Civil Rights Movement)

The Life of Ronald Reagan (birthday, February 6, 1911)

The Eerie Similarities between John F. Kennedy and Abraham Lincoln (Lincoln's birthday, February 12, 1809)

The Assassination of Abraham Lincoln (Lincoln's birthday, February 12, 1809)

The Life of President Abraham Lincoln (NEW)

The Assassination of President John F. Kennedy

Eleanor Roosevelt and Civil Rights (NEW)

March

Women's History Month

The Life of Amelia Earhart (80th Anniversary of her Disappearance July 2, 1937)

The Life of Margaret Thatcher (NEW)

The Life of Queen Elizabeth II (NEW)

The Life of Anne Frank (72nd Anniversary of her death, March 1945)

The Life of Eleanor Roosevelt

Eleanor Roosevelt and Civil Rights (NEW)

The Life of Dwight D. Eisenhower (date of death, March 28, 1969)

April

A World Gone Mad WWI (100th Anniversary of the United States Entering WWI, April 6, 1917)

The Life of Margaret Thatcher (Anniversary of her death April 8, 2013) (NEW)

The Life of President Franklin D. Roosevelt (72nd Anniversary of his death, April 12, 1945)

The Assassination of President Abraham Lincoln (152nd Anniversary of his death, April 14 & 15, 1865)

The Life of President Abraham Lincoln (NEW)

The Eerie Similarities between John F. Kennedy and Abraham Lincoln (152nd Anniversary of Lincoln's death, April 15, 1865)

The Life of Queen Elizabeth II (Birthday April 21, 1926) (NEW)

May

Memorial Day: May 29, 2017

The Life of Charles Lindberg

(Famous flight May 20, 1927 **90th Anniversary**) (NEW)

The Hindenburg Disaster (80th Anniversary May 6, 1937)

(NEW)

The Life of President Harry S. Truman (birthday, May 8, 1884)

World War II—72nd Anniversary of VE Day (Germany surrendered on May 8, 1945)

The Life of Mayor Richard J. Daley (birthday, May 15, 1902)

The Assassination of President John F. Kennedy

(**100th Anniversary** of his birthday, May 29, 1917)

The Life of President John F. Kennedy (100th Anniversary of his birthday, May 29, 1917)

The Eerie Similarities between John F. Kennedy and Abraham Lincoln

(**100th Anniversary** of Kennedy's birthday, May, 1917)

The Johnstown Flood (May 31, 1889)

June

The Life of Queen Elizabeth II (Coronation June 2, 1953) (NEW)

The Life of Ronald Reagan (death date, June 5, 2004)

WWII (D-Day, 73rd Anniversary, June 6, 1944)

The Life of Anne Frank (birthday, June 12, 1929)

WWI (June 28, 1914, 103rd Anniversary and The Assassination of the Archduke Franz Ferdinand)

July

The Life of Amelia Earhart (birthday, July 24, 1897;
80th Anniversary Date of Disappearance, July 2, 1937)

The Life of Alexander Hamilton (date of death, July 12,
1804) (NEW)

The Sinking of the Andrea Doria (61st Anniversary, July 25,
& 26, 1956)

The Life of Walter Cronkite (date of death, July 17, 2009)
(NEW)

The Life of Lady Diana Spencer, Princess of Wales
(birthday, July 1, 1961 and wedding date of Princess Diana and
Prince Charles, July 29, 1981) (NEW)

August

National Aviation Day: August 19, 2017

The Life of Amelia Earhart (**80th year Anniversary** of her
disappearance)

The Life of Charles Lindberg (NEW)
90th year anniversary of his famous flight)
date of death Aug. 26, 1974

WWII (72nd Anniversary, VJ Day--Japan surrendered on
August 14, 1945)

The Life of Lady Diana Spencer, Princess of Wales
(**20th Anniversary of her death**, August 31, 1997) (NEW)

September

Labor Day: September 4, 2017

WWII (72nd Anniversary-- September 2, 1945 marks the
official end of WWII per President Harry S. Truman)

The Life of Harry S. Truman (Ended WWII)

The Life of Eleanor Roosevelt (Eleanor Roosevelt was very influential in the Labor Movement)

The Life of Franklin Delano Roosevelt (Franklin Roosevelt was very influential in the Labor Movement)

The Life of Theodore Roosevelt (Theodore Roosevelt was very influential in the Labor Movement)

October

National Fire Prevention Month

Our Lady of the Angels School Fire (National Fire Prevention Day, October 9, 2017; Week, October 8-14, 2017)

The Life of Eleanor Roosevelt (birthday, October 11, 1884)

The Life of Margaret Thatcher (birthday, October 13, 1925)
(NEW)

The Life of Dwight D. Eisenhower (birthday, October 14, 1890)

The Life of Theodore Roosevelt (birthday, October 27, 1858)

November

The Life of Walter Cronkite (birthday, November 4, 1916, 101 Anniversary) (NEW)

The Life of Eleanor Roosevelt (date of death, November 7, 1962)

1909 Cherry Mine Disaster (November 13, 1909)

The Assassination of President John F. Kennedy (54th Anniversary--November 22, 1963)

The Life of President John F. Kennedy (100th Anniversary of his birth)

The Eerie Similarities between John F. Kennedy and Abraham Lincoln

The Life of Winston Churchill (birthday, November 30, 1874)

December

Our Lady of the Angels School Fire (59th Anniversary-- December 1, 2017)

WWII (December 7, 2017--76th Anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor)

The Life of Dwight D. Eisenhower (December 7, 2017--76th Anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor / WWII)

The Life of Franklin Delano Roosevelt (December 7, 2017--76th Anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor / WWII)

The Life of Richard J. Daley (41st Anniversary date of death, December 20, 1976)



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