

Dr. Richard Pifer
presents

Lessons and Legacies Of the Great War

Marking the 100 Anniversary of the WWI Armistice, Nov. 11, 1918

What was it like to live in Wisconsin during World War I? How would you have felt when the United States declared war on Germany? What would you have done to win the war? Based on his recent book, *The Great War Comes to Wisconsin*, Dr. Pifer will explore the many ways that individuals supported the war effort through volunteer war work, bond drives, food conservation, factory work and farm labor. The home front experience helps to illuminate the meanings of patriotism and the ways in which patriotic fervor bound people together in a common cause and, simultaneously, threatened the liberties for which the war was being fought.

Monday November 12th at 7:00 pm

**New Berlin Public Library Community Room
15105 Library Lane in the City Center**

Free and open to the public

Light Refreshments

Rick Pifer has spent most of his life studying and teaching Wisconsin history, particularly the home front experience during World War I and World War II. Dr. Pifer received his doctorate in history from UW-Madison, worked as the Archivist at UW-Eau Claire for ten years and then spent twenty-five years in several positions at the Wisconsin Historical Society. He retired in 2015 as the Director of Public Services for the Library-Archives Division. During his career, he taught Wisconsin history at the college level and presented numerous workshops, classes and presentations on local history and genealogy. In November 2017, the Wisconsin Historical Society Press published his most recent book: *The Great War Comes to Wisconsin: Sacrifice, Patriotism, and Free Speech in a Time of Crisis*, written in cooperation with Marge Hannon Pifer. Dr. Pifer is also the author of *A City at War: Milwaukee Labor During World War II*.

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