

SCHOLARLY SCOOP

SPRING 2019 LECTURE SERIES

Whitewater Senior Center

Starin Park Community Bldg. 504 W. Starin Rd.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

10:30-11:30 AM

Prohibition: A Perfect Storm

Although the hatchet-wielding Carrie Nation and the WCTU often get much of the blame for Prohibition, the actual story is far more complex. The Volstead Act came about as a result of not only women's temperance movements but also a "perfect storm" of other causes, namely lobbying groups, taxation reform, and anti-immigrant sentiment in the early twentieth century. The history of Prohibition is both complex and, more importantly, very relevant to contemporary conversations about the legalization or criminalization of marijuana and other drugs.



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