

November 2017 Events Schedule

Monday, November 6 | 7:00 – 8:15 PM The Ten Tenets of The Communist Manifesto

Edward Carson, Chair, Communist Party-USA Boston Karl Marx's prophetic notions continue to challenge the inherent problems of capitalism, and why capitalism's current status limits the health and well being of the working class. This presentation showcases 21st century problems first identified by Marx, and offers non-theoretical pragmatic solution for raising the conscious of the working class.

Monday, November 13 | 7:00 - 8:15 PM Challenging White Supremacy

Edward Carson, Chair, Communist Party-USA Boston White supremacy has long sought to divide the white, black and brown working class via intentional tactics, the propagation of capitalism, and by enveloping people of color. This presentation looks to past historical strategies in combatting white supremacy, while seeking to explore its current methodology in order to strategically silence it through working-class unity.

Thursday, November 16 | 7:00 – 8:30 PM BookTalk: Capital

Sandeep Choubey

Capital is Karl Marx's magnum opus, and remains the best explanation of how capitalism works and why this system is prone to cycles of booms and busts. Join us for an engaging discussion of this still relevant text. We will be reading Chapter 11 and 12.

Sunday, November 19 | 6:00 – 8:00 PM The Mine Wars, Watch the trailer.

Richard Pendleton, CME Steering Committee At the dawn of the 20th century, coal was the fuel that powered the nation. Yet few Americans thought much about the men who blasted the black rock from underground and hauled it to the surface. The Mine Wars tells the overlooked story of the miners in the mountains of southern West Virginia — native mountaineers, African American migrants, and European immigrants — who came together in a protracted struggle for their rights. Decades of violence, strikes, assassinations and marches accompanied their attempts to form a union, culminating in the Battle of Blair Mountain in 1921, the largest armed insurrection since the Civil War. The West Virginia mine wars raised profound questions about what freedom and democracy meant to working people in an industrial society.

Wednesday, November 29, 2017 | 7:00 – 8:30 PM China Discussion Group Program: Xi Jinping's "New Era" for China and Donald Trump's Beijing Visit Duncan McFarland, Coordinator of China education programs at the CME

The Chinese Communist Party held its important Nineteenth Party Congress in October, which made decisions setting the political direction for the next five years and longer. General Secretary Xi Jinping announced China's transition to a New Era of developed socialism and the renewal of the nation, an ambitious goal to be achieved by 2050 step-by-step. What are the features of the New Era, how will it be accomplished and what are the obstacles to be overcome? Trump's Asia tour in early November is his longest overseas trip since becoming president and has substantial impact on US-China relations, including handling of the Korea crisis and the economic relationship. What is the situation of US-China relations today? Duncan will make a presentation on these questions and others, followed by discussion.

Thursday, November 30 | 7:00 – 8:30 PM BookTalk: Capital

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