



**RETIREMENT MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH, Inc. (RMA)**  
Invites you to its meeting, December 15 at 11 AM at  
First Presbyterian Church, Lafayette Place, Greenwich, CT.  
The program will also be shown on Webinar: <https://bit.ly/30IBj21>

## **Andrew Woelflein**

### **Napoleon's 1812 Invasion of Russia**

### **based on the illustrated journal of Faber de Faur**



German artist Faber de Faur, an artillery officer in Napoleon's Grand Armée, served during the French invasion of Russia in 1812. In an extraordinary memoir, he documented the campaign with many sketches which he later developed into full color illustrations, 92 of which were published starting in 1831. Faber de Faur's images and commentary offer a vivid account of the invasion, from sourcing supplies and interacting with local Russian civilians, to battle scenes, the occupation of Moscow, and lastly Napoleon's fateful retreat.

Drawing on this one-of-a-kind illustrated memoir, Andrew Woelflein will discuss the invasion in a slide presentation that captures the visual reality and brutality of this vivid chapter of early 19th century history. One of the greatest military fiascos of all time, the 1812 invasion was the beginning of the end for Napoleon and a valiant victory for the Russians against great odds.

Andrew Woelflein has been a Trustee of Anne S.K. Brown Military Collection at Brown University since 1996 where the Faber de Faur material is housed. One of the world's foremost collections of military iconography, it uses its vast material of over 28,000 military art images to promote knowledge of military history through lectures, museum exhibitions, supporting research, and publications. Mr. Woelflein has lectured widely on the collection and is the author of *Herbert Knotel's German Armies in Color* (2007,) featuring depictions of German army units from the 17th to 20th century. He orchestrated WWI exhibits to commemorate the centennial start of WWI (2014) and the centennial of American involvement (2017) at the President Woodrow Wilson House in Washington, D.C. and the WWI Museum in Kansas City.

Andrew is the Chief Strategy Officer of Tempus, a FinTech provider of corporate foreign exchange and international payment services. He is a graduate of Greenwich High School and holds a BA from Brown University in European History and an MBA from the Harvard Business School.

**Next week speaker, December 22: Andrew Winston, globally recognized advisor, writer, and speaker on sustainable business, “MegaTrends and the Big Pivot: Profit and Innovation in a Hotter, Scarcer, and more Open Connected World.”**

*The Greenwich Retired Men’s Association offers a free program every Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. For additional information see [www.greenwichrma.org](http://www.greenwichrma.org) or contact us by email at [info@greenwichrma.org](mailto:info@greenwichrma.org).*