



# SENIOR UNIVERSITY

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## SUMMER LECTURE SERIES

JUNE 6-10, 2016

OLIN HALL, ROOM 105

SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY CAMPUS

*\$40 Registration Fee for the Series*

*(includes up to 10 lectures)*

*Current Senior University Membership Required*

Monday, June 6

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

**“The Marches of John Philip Sousa”**

*Paul R. Lehman, Ph.D.*

John Philip Sousa was a genuine American hero, and in his day everyone knew him as a great composer, a great entertainer, and a great American patriot. His march “The Stars and Stripes Forever” is the most popular march ever written and it is a masterpiece by any standard. Sousa’s appeal was universal, and he, perhaps better than any other individual, symbolized America during the period when our country was emerging as a world power. This presentation will feature some of the best known of Sousa’s marches together with background information designed to increase your appreciation of the important contribution of “America’s March King.”

*Paul R. Lehman is a Professor Emeritus and formerly the Senior Associate Dean of the School of Music, Theatre & Dance at the University of Michigan. Previously, he taught at the University of Colorado, the University of Kentucky, and the Eastman School of Music. He has also served as Music Specialist with the United States Department of Education in Washington, D.C. and has lectured in 44 states and 16 countries.*

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**“Evolution of Political Parties”**

*David Smith, Ph.D.*

From their beginnings in the 1790s when people thought they meant the destruction of the Republic, to their current manifestation as cultural and political shorthand, political parties have been a constant in American history. This lecture will examine the development of political parties as the carriers of ideas and policy positions over the course of American history.

*Dr. David A. Smith is a senior lecturer in American history at Baylor University in Waco, Texas. He received his Ph.D. in modern American history from the University of Missouri. He is the author of several books and numerous essays on art, culture, and politics. His most recent book is *The Price of Valor: The Life of Audie Murphy, America's Most Decorated Hero of World War II*. His works are featured in both national and regional news publications and presented on various radio shows. Dr. Smith is the recipient of teaching awards at Baylor University and University of Missouri. Along with his teaching and research commitments, he is also a Fleet Seminar Professor for the U.S. Naval War College, teaching in the Strategy and Policy division.*

Tuesday, June 7

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

**“Literature and the Law”**

**Larry Buxbaum, J.D.**

This lecture will show how works of literature have and can be used by judges to help understand what motivates and influences their decisions and the actions they take. Mr. Buxbaum has presented a program called “Literature and Professional Learning” to the legal profession that uses short stories and plays which raise moral and ethical issues. To illustrate the process, the class is encouraged to read the short story “Killing an Elephant” by George Orwell which is available online.

*Mr. Buxbaum received his undergraduate degree from Williams College and law degree from Harvard. In his career he served both the public and private sectors including positions as Massachusetts state legislator, corporate counsel and officer of retail businesses, and executive director of bar associations.*

Tuesday, June 7

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

**“Reba McMinn: First-Year Student at Southwestern 100 Years Ago”**

**Anne Veerkamp, B.S.**

Using letters donated to Southwestern University’s Special Collections paired with photographs from the university archives, this presentation will provide a window into the life of student Reba McMinn in the early 1900s. Details in these timeless letters written to her childhood best friend include what went on in town, on campus, and in the mind of this charming female student.

*Ms. Veerkamp worked at Southwestern University from 2011-2014 in the Smith Library Special Collections, during*

*which time she worked on the Reba McMinn Project. With her love for the conservation of old and rare materials, Anne has remained as a volunteer at Southwestern. In addition to her volunteer work at Southwestern, she also serves as a volunteer in the conversation departments of the Harry Ransom Center at the University of Texas and at the Texas State Library and Archives Commission and in other departments at these institutions as well. A resident of Pflugerville, Texas, Ms. Veerkamp holds a Bachelor of Science in Psychology from Texas State University.*

Wednesday, June 8

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

**“The Supreme Court and the 2016 Election”**

**Don J. Erler, Ph.D.**

The Supreme Court’s current term includes several major cases. The evolving judicial process will affect (perhaps effect) November’s evolving political fireworks. Let’s consider the most likely scenarios.

*Don Erler received his Ph.D. from the University of Dallas in 1975. He has taught courses in Constitutional Law at Assumption College in Worcester, Massachusetts, and at Texas Wesleyan University in Ft. Worth, Texas. He was also a contributing columnist for the Star-Telegram in Ft. Worth.*

Wednesday, June 8

10:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m.

**“American Society and the Spirit of ‘Just a Little Bit More’ ”**

**Rev. T. Carlos “Tim” Anderson, M.Div.**

Legend tells that John D. Rockefeller responded to the question, How much is enough?, with an answer that defines both American success and excess: ‘Just a little bit more.’ While this spirit has been a guiding principle for subsequent generations of Americans, studies now show that the current generation of younger Americans will not be as well-off financially as their parents—a trend shift unprecedented in the last 150 years of American history. The powerful influences of Rockefeller in American society affecting commerce, philanthropy, religion, and inequality will be explored. Both history buffs and observers of current events will enjoy this presentation that focuses on the unique American spirit of achievement and its effect on common good.

*T. Carlos “Tim” Anderson is the pastor of St. John’s / San Juan Lutheran Church (ELCA), Austin, TX. His book “Just a Little Bit More: The Culture of Excess and the Fate of the Common Good” was published in 2014. Reviewers have lauded Anderson’s book as a “masterpiece” and “a sweeping new*

*look at our unequal world.”*

Thursday, June 9

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

**“T. Nast & Boss Tweed: Cartoon History”**

**Richard W. (Bill) Brown, Ph.D.**

Boss Tweed of New York’s Tammany Hall is one of the most famous of America’s city bosses. Thomas Nast is one of America’s most prominent political cartoonists. In the 1860s, the Tweed Ring stole somewhere between 20 and 200 million dollars from New York City, the County of New York, and the State of New York. Nast chronicled the inner workings of Tammany Hall in a series of wonderful cartoons. Nast’s cartoons were so effective that they helped drive Tweed out of office and into jail. This lecture will include a short history of Tammany Hall and a detailed look at Nast’s most important cartoons about Boss Tweed.

*Richard W. (Bill) Brown, Ph.D. is a Professor Emeritus of History at Ithaca College. He earned a Masters and Ph.D. in History at the University of Michigan. In his 35 year career at Ithaca College, he taught courses in United States Urban History and United States Business History. He and his wife are new residents of Sun City.*

Thursday, June 9

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

**“Post Traumatic God: How Communities Can Help Veterans After War”**

**Rev. David Peters, D.Min.**

This lecture deals with the phenomena of Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome (PTSS) and the returning veterans of the middle east wars. What is it like to return home after experiencing war in the 21st Century? How does the veteran cope with returning from primitive lands where warfare is fought by an unrecognized enemy? Where is God in this equation? How does the community assist the returning veteran in the transition from war?

*David W. Peters served in the military as an enlisted Marine and an Army Chaplain, deploying to Baghdad, Iraq in 2005. His ministry experience includes youth ministry, hospital and military chaplaincy, as well as parish experience at Grace Episcopal Church in Georgetown, TX. He completed the Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry degrees, as well as two years of Clinical Pastoral Education. He is currently in the final year of the Master of Arts in Religion program. David’s writing has been published by the Huffington Post, Oxford University Press, and Tactical 16 Press. His*

*sermon, “Learning War and Reconciliation”, won the Reconciliation Preaching Prize from Trinity, Wall Street. David had the honor of preaching it to first responders at Ground Zero in NYC on 9/11/2015. David still ministers as an Army chaplain in the Army Reserve. He is currently a reserve Instructor at the U.S. Army Chaplain Center and School at Ft. Jackson, SC. David is the founder of the Episcopal Veterans Fellowship and the Hospitallers of St. Martin, a mission- al Christian Community for Veterans.*

Friday, June 10

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

**“NASA & JPL Missions - Past, Present and Future Space Exploration “**

**Greg Lawson, M.Ed.**

Greg Lawson, NASA Solar System Ambassador, will provide an overview of unmanned space exploration including the classes and uses of specific spacecraft, such as, Voyager, New Horizons and others. He will address efforts to identify planet habitability and the use of robotics and rovers in scientific research.

*Mr. Lawson is a ten-year military veteran and 24-year law enforcement officer with experience as a homicide detective and academy instructor specializing in investigative procedures. He holds a Master’s degree in Education from Texas State University. With his background in education, military expertise in satellite communications technology, and lifelong fascination with space exploration, Mr. Lawson was appointed NASA Solar System Ambassador in 2016.*

Friday, June 10

10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

**“Pandemics”**

**Stephen Benold, M.D.**

It has been assumed, until recently, that infectious diseases are a scourge of the past. However, the recent scare caused by Ebola in West Africa, and now the Zika virus are causing a reevaluation of that belief. Dr. Benold will cover some historical pandemics, as well as more recent infectious diseases that pose a threat, and what we can do to stop them.

*Stephen Benold has been teaching economics and various other courses for Senior University for 15 years. His undergraduate degree was in economics from Rice University, where he was the Hayden Honor Scholar in Economics. He recently retired as medical director of the Williamson County EMS, but he maintains a private financial practice.*



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*Or visit [www.SeniorUniv.org](http://www.SeniorUniv.org)*

# Summer Lecture Series, June 6-10, 2016

## REGISTRATION FORM

*You must be a current Senior University Member to register for the Summer Lecture Series.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Member Number: (on mailing label) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (New members will not have one)

Did you know that your membership expiration date is always on your mailing label?

How did you hear about Senior Univ.? \_\_\_\_\_

Here's an example of how it will look:  
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While there is no limit to the number of lectures you may attend, we would appreciate knowing which ones you plan to attend because of room capacity restrictions. Please check the box for each lecture you plan to attend.

Monday - 9 am	Tuesday - 9 am	Wednesday - 9 am	Thursday - 9 am	Friday - 9 am
Monday - 10:30 am	Tuesday - 10:30 am	Wednesday - 10:30 am	Thursday - 10:30 am	Friday - 10:30 am

\_\_\_\_\_ \$40 registration fee enclosed (this includes all 10 lectures)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$50 membership fee enclosed (**new or renewing members only**)

\_\_\_\_\_ Donation enclosed in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to "SOSU" Sold on Senior University (Tax Deductible)

\_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount enclosed

Please make checks out to "Senior University Georgetown"

**Please mail this form to P.O. Box 488, Georgetown, TX 78627**  
**By May 26, 2016**

*We do not mail out a postal confirmation of enrollment. An email will be sent the weekend prior to the lectures.*

*Just show up at Southwestern and get your name tag!*

*You can email us your questions at [admin@senioruniv.org](mailto:admin@senioruniv.org) or call the office at **512-819-7680***

Our office is on Southwestern's Campus in Mundy Hall, which is located at 1310 Service Road on campus at Southwestern University. We are in Rm 110.