

PHI BETA KAPPA
FELLOWS LECTURESHIP PANEL
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T. H. Breen, *William Smith Mason Professor of American History, Northwestern University*

David M. Clifford, *Melba and Forest Seay Professor of Clinical Neuropharmacology and Professor of Medicine, Washington University School of Medicine*

Thomas G. Palaima, *Raymond F. Dickson Centennial Professor, University of Texas at Austin*

Lisa M. Pratt, *Professor of Geological Sciences, Indiana University*

Robert J. Richards, *Morris Fishbein Professor of Science and Medicine, University of Chicago*

PROCEDURAL INFORMATION

Speakers listed above are available to Phi Beta Kappa chapters and associations for single lectures during the current academic year. Biographical information for each panel member is provided on the following page. Although not specifically noted in the sketches, all speakers are members of Phi Beta Kappa.

Invitations must be extended through the Washington office. If your group would like to invite a speaker, send a list of your preferences to the **Fellows Lectureship, Phi Beta Kappa Society, 1606 New Hampshire Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20009**, or to the following e-mail address, **knavascues@pbk.org**. Please include in your letter information on proposed dates, a suggested time for the lecture, and the type of occasion. An invitation will then be extended to your choices in the order ranked until an acceptance is received.

Once the invitation has been accepted, you will be notified and asked to write to the speaker of the detailed arrangements being made for the visit. It should be emphasized that the speaker is invited for a single lecture only.

The Washington office pays directly to the speaker an honorarium plus all travel and en route expenses. Chapters and associations participating in the Lectureship will be responsible for a \$500 service fee to help defray the cost of the engagement. The sponsors are also expected to take care of housing, meals, and local airport transportation.

T. H. Breen William Smith Mason Professor of American History and Director of the Center for Historical Studies, Northwestern University; recipient, Outstanding Teacher in the College of Arts and Sciences award; member of faculty since 1970. Recipient, Alexander von Humboldt Award. Visiting professor, University of Chicago; Pitt Professor of American History and Institutions, Cambridge University; Harmsworth Professor, Oxford University. Fellow, Max Planck Institute, National Humanities Center, Rockefeller Center (Bellagio). Former member, Institute for Advanced Study (Princeton). Fellowships, ACLS, Guggenheim Foundation. Phi Beta Kappa Visiting Scholar, 1986-87. Author or co-author, *Tobacco Culture: The Mentality of the Great Tidewater Planters on the Eve of Revolution* (T. Saloutos Prize); *Imagining the Past: East Hampton Histories* (Historical Preservation Book Prize); *America: Past and Present; Marketplace of Revolution: How Consumer Politics Shaped American Independence* (Colonial War Society Prize for the best book in 2004 on the American Revolution); *Rising of the People: American Insurgents on the Eve of Independence, 1774-1776* (in progress). Research interests: Colonial America; American Revolution; history of political thought, material culture, cultural anthropology; popular political culture.

David M. Clifford Melba and Forest Seay Professor of Clinical Neuropharmacology and professor of medicine, Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis; member of faculty since 1982. Former chair, Neurology Section of the AIDS Clinical Trials Group; former counselor, American Neurological Association. Member, editorial board, *Journal of NeuroVirology*, *NeuroAIDS*. Works in cooperation with medical schools of Ethiopia to further diagnosis and treatment of HIV in that country. Research interests: neuropharmacology; development of more successful medical management of neurological disease; studies of epilepsy, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis, neurologic complications of HIV.

Thomas G. Palaima Raymond F. Dickson Centennial Professor and director, Program in Aegean Scripts and Prehistory, University of Texas at Austin, 1991--; member of faculty since 1986; recipient, 2004 Texas Exes Holloway Award for Excellence in Teaching, 2005 Plan II Honors Program Chad Oliver Teaching Award. Former faculty member, Fordham University. MacArthur Fellow, 1985-90. Visiting professor, University of Uppsala 1992, 94, 98, 2001; Fulbright Gastprofessor, University of Salzburg, 1992-93; Fulbright Profesor Visitante, Universidad Autonoma de Barcelona, 2007. Author, *The Scribes of Pylos* and *The Triple Invention of Writing in Cyprus and Written Sources for Cypriote History*; co-author or co-editor of six other books. Co-editor, *Aegaeum* monograph series, 1993--, and *Minos: Revista de Filologia Egea*, 1995--. Book reviews and commentary writing, 1999-- (*Austin American-Statesman*, *Times Higher Education*, *Texas Observer*). Special interests: ancient writing systems and ancient Greek history; war and violence in ancient and modern societies; Greek prehistory and Homer; folk music and social criticism. Possible lecture topics: "Home Front and War Front in Ancient and Modern Times"; "Ritual and Feasting in the Real Homeric Age"; "Evaluating the Present by Evaluating the Past and Vice Versa."

Lisa M. Pratt Professor of geological sciences, Indiana University, 1996--; Gill Fellow, College of Arts and Sciences, 1997-2001; member of faculty since 1987. Currently director, NASA Astrobiology Team to study biosustaining energy and nutrient cycles in the deep subsurface of Earth and Mars. Research geologist, U.S. Geological Survey, Petroleum Branch, 1983-87. Distinguished Lecturer, American Association of Petroleum Geologists, 1990-91. Distinguished Faculty Member, 2003, College of Arts and Sciences Alumni. Appointed to College of Reviewers for Canadian Research Chairs Program, 2004-07. Professional memberships include: Geological Society of America, Geochemical Society (currently serves on the executive committee for Organic Geochemistry Division), American Association of Petroleum Geologists, Society for Sedimentary Geology. Focus of research: astrobiology and biogeochemistry.

Robert J. Richards Morris Fishbein Professor of Science and Medicine and professor of history, philosophy, and psychology, University of Chicago; director, Fishbein Center for the History of Science, 1992--; member of faculty since 1978. Recipient, Quantrell Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, University of Chicago Award for Excellence in Graduate Student Teaching. Visiting professor and Fidia Lecturer, Harvard University. Author, *The Tragic Sense of Life: Ernst Haeckel and the Battle over Evolution*; *The Romantic Conception of Life: Science and Philosophy in the Age of Goethe*; *The Meaning of Evolution: The Morphological Construction and Ideological Reconstruction of Darwin's Theory*; *Darwin and the Emergence of Evolutionary Theories of Mind and Behavior* (Pfizer Prize, History of Science Society; prize of the International BioPhilosophy Forum); co-editor, *Darwinian Heretics*. Research interests: history and philosophy of biology and psychology, and German Romanticism.