



1855-2005

Elmira College

2004 Sesquicentennial Fall Lecture Series

Center for Mark Twain Studies

The Trouble Begins at Eight

Wednesday, September 29, 2004, in the Barn at Quarry Farm, 8 p.m.

“Horton Foote’s *The Shape of the River*: The Lost Teleplay about Mark Twain”

Mark Dawidziak, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio

Join Mark Dawidziak as he recounts history and analyzes footage from the Playhouse 90 teleplay, *The Shape of the River*. Horton Foote’s remarkable play, filmed in 1960, and its starring actor, Franchot Tone, have unique connections with Elmira College.

Mark Dawidziak is the television critic at the *Cleveland Plain Dealer*.

Wednesday, October 13, 2004, in the Barn at Quarry Farm, 8 p.m.

“Somewhere between where you live and where I live is the place where we ought to live:

Reverend Joseph Hopkins Twichell and Elmira”

Steve Courtney, Terryville, Connecticut

Join Steve Courtney as he explores Reverend Twichell’s visits to Elmira and the effect of Twichell’s friendship on Mark Twain and Olivia Langdon.

Steve Courtney, writer and editor, has been researching a new biography of the Reverend Joseph Hopkins Twichell for several years.

Wednesday, October 27, 2004, in the Barn at Quarry Farm, 8 p.m.

“Political Humor: Mark Twain and the Presidency”

Jan Younger, Ph.D., Heidelberg College, Tiffin, Ohio

Less than one week before our 2004 presidential election, join Dr. Jan Younger as he takes a visual and textual look at Mark Twain’s presidential humor.

Dr. Jan Younger is Chair of the Communications and Theatre Arts Department and Dean of the Honors Program at Heidelberg College.