



# ELMIRA COLLEGE

## Center for Mark Twain Studies

### 1999 Fall Lecture Series "The Trouble Begins At Eight"

Wednesday, September 15th  
Quarry Farm, 8:00 P.M.

Dr. Philip Leland Krauth, University of Colorado  
"Masked Knaves and Lost Socks:  
A Tramp Abroad"

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Krauth's new book, *The Proper Mark Twain* (University of Georgia Press), is now available in the Elmira College McGraw Bookstore.

"A major contribution to Mark Twain criticism."  
Louis J. Budd



Wednesday, September 29th  
Quarry Farm, 8:00 P.M.

Dr. Peter Messent, University of Nottingham  
"Straw-filled Fossils, Solitary Oesophagi,  
Woe-worn Men Up Telegraph Poles:  
The Quest Comedy in Mark Twain's  
Short Stories and Sketches"

Welcome international scholar Professor Peter Messent from the United Kingdom and enjoy his enlivening insights on comedy in Twain's writing.

"People forget that no man is all humor, just as they fail to remember that every man is a humorist."

Interview in the *New York Times*,  
November 26, 1905  
MTSFH, p. 196

Wednesday, October 20th  
Quarry Farm, 8:00 P.M.

Dr. Janice McIntire-Strasburg, St. Louis University  
"Mark Twain's Farewell  
To Journalism"

Greet Dr. McIntire-Strasburg as she unveils information from Twain's reporting days. Look for her recent book *Mark Twain at the Buffalo Express: Articles and Sketches by America's Favorite Humorist* (Northern Illinois University Press) in the Elmira College McGraw Bookstore.



Tuesday, November 30th  
Hamilton Great Hall, 8:00 P.M.  
The Mark Twain Society Lecture  
Dr. Lawrence Berkove, University of Michigan  
"The Secret Source of *Roughing It*(s) Humor"

Join us to celebrate the birthdays of Olivia and Samuel L. Clemens.

"The *Innocents Abroad* will have to get up early to beat it [*Roughing It*]. It will be a book that will jump right straight into a continental celebrity the first month it is issued."

Letter to Elisha Bliss,  
September 4, 1870  
Ltrs-4, p. 90

