



**ELMIRA COLLEGE CENTER  
FOR MARK TWAIN STUDIES  
AT QUARRY FARM**

**Presents**

**SIX SPRINGTIME TALKS**



**Wednesday, March 9, 1988**

**8:00 p.m., at Quarry Farm:**

**Professor Robert Regan** of the University of Pennsylvania's English Department will speak about Mark Twain's view of art in a talk titled "**The Art Ignoramous and the Art Snob: Mark Twain and John Ruskin.**"

Professor Regan is this spring's Distinguished Academic Visitor at the Center. He has published widely on Mark Twain and other American authors. His principal work is Unpromising Heroes: Mark Twain and his Characters, published by the University of California Press. Professor Regan is a former managing editor of American Quarterly, the journal of the American Studies Association, and has been visiting lecturer in various French, British, North African and Middle Eastern universities. In addition to his public talk, he will also be giving guest classes in Elmira College courses in American Studies and American literature.

**Monday, March 28, 1988**

**7:30 p.m., in Beecher Hall at Park Church:**

**Professor Myra Glenn** of Elmira College's History faculty will speak on "**Thomas K. Beecher and the Anti-Slavery Movement.**" She is currently at work on a biography of the Reverend and spoke recently on her subject at the Ninth Mid-America Conference on History. Professor Glenn has authored a book and several articles on reform in nineteenth century America and has served as a visiting Professor of History at Casa Thomas Jefferson in Brasilia, Brazil and more recently as a Fulbright Lecturer at the University of Cordoba in Argentina.

**Wednesday, April 13, 1988**

**8:00 p.m., at Quarry Farm:**

**William Loos**, Curator of the Rare Book Room at the Buffalo and Erie County Public Library, will give "**An Illustrated Talk on How Huckleberry Finn Came to New York State.**" Mr. Loos and his library were recently in the news when the Buffalo Library was the high bidder for a much sought after lengthy letter from Mark Twain to a Buffalo lawyer about the composition of Twain's great American novel. The letter will be added to an outstanding collection and exhibit of materials bearing on the manuscript belonging to the library.

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**Wednesday, April 20, 1988**

**8:00 p.m., in the Langdon Library at Quarry Farm:**

**Readers' Theater with the Camarata Players  
Featuring Joseph Cook and Donna Ziegler**

**"Janus Speaks"**

Taking their cue from the Roman god who looks both inward and outward, the Camarata Players explore the views on men and women of a variety of American male and female writers and poets. Included in the program are the love letters of Sam and Olivia Clemens. Professor Cook teaches Music and Donna Ziegler is a Lecturer in Languages and Literature at Elmira College.

**Wednesday, May 4, 1988**

**8:00 p.m., at Quarry Farm:**

**Nicholas Karanovich** will talk about **"Collecting Mark Twain"** as a highly successful practitioner of the art. His collection will be on exhibit next year at the Lilly Library of the University of Indiana. Mr. Karanovich is a past contributor to the American Book Collector and the private publisher of A Mark Twain Collector's List.

**Wednesday, May 18, 1988:**

**8:00 p.m., at Quarry Farm:**

**Jim Gibb's** slide and lecture program, **"A View from the Turf: An Archaeological Perspective on Quarry Farm,"** will describe and interpret the findings of three seasons of work carried out by the Quarry Farm Archaeological Project. Mr. Gibb is completing his doctoral studies in Anthropology at SUNY/Binghamton and has been a member of research teams conducting on-site archaeological investigations under the auspices of the Arizona State Museum, the Peabody Museum of Harvard University, the State University of New York at Stony Brook and the Division of History and Archives of the State of North Carolina.

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Unless otherwise stated, all Quarry Farm events are held in the Gannett Educational Center (former woodshed, laundry and servants cottage) behind the main house. Parking is provided by the mowed portion of the field opposite the barn. Quarry Farm is located on Crane Road and can be reached from East Avenue or Lattabrook Road.

For all events, doors open one hour before the trouble begins.