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News and Events

Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa

Fall Luncheon: Secretary Frederick M. Lawrence: “Phi Beta Kappa’s 21st-Century Mission: Advocating for the Liberal Arts and Sciences and Championing Free Expression”

Tuesday, October 24, 11:45 a.m.
Ward Room, Seattle Yacht Club
1807 E. Hamlin Street, Seattle

Frederick M. Lawrence is the 10th secretary and CEO of the Phi Beta Kappa Society. He is visiting professor at the Georgetown Law Center and the McCourt School of Public Policy at Georgetown University, and has previously served as president of Brandeis University, dean of the George Washington University Law School, and visiting professor and senior research scholar at Yale Law School.

An accomplished scholar, teacher, and attorney, Lawrence is one of the nation’s leading experts on civil rights, free expression, and bias crimes. Lawrence has published widely and lectured internationally. He is the author of *Punishing Hate: Bias Crimes Under American Law* (Harvard University Press, 1999), examining bias-motivated violence and the laws governing how such violence is punished in the United States. He frequently contributes op-eds to various news sources, such as *Newsweek*, *The Boston Globe*, *The Observer*, *The Hill*, the *New York Daily News*, and *The Huffington Post*, and has appeared on CNN, among other networks.

At Phi Beta Kappa, Lawrence has focused on advocacy for the arts, humanities, and sciences; championing free expression, free inquiry, and academic freedom; and invigorating the society’s 286 chapters and nearly 50 alumni associations. As president of Brandeis, Lawrence strengthened ties between the university and its alumni and focused on sustaining the university’s historical commitment to educational access through financial aid. An acclaimed teacher, Lawrence taught an undergraduate seminar on punishment and crime that was one of the most popular undergraduate courses offered at Brandeis.

Prior to Brandeis, Lawrence was dean and Robert Kramer Research Professor of Law at George Washington University from 2005 to 2010. During his time there, Lawrence recruited the strongest classes in the school’s history, and his five years as dean were five of the six highest fundraising years in the school’s history. He was professor of law at Boston University from 1988 to 2005, during which time he served as associate dean for academic affairs and received the Metcalf Award for Excellence in Teaching, the university’s highest teaching honor.



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Lawrence's legal career was distinguished by service as an assistant U.S. attorney for the Southern District of New York in the 1980s, where he became chief of the Civil Rights Unit. Lawrence received a bachelor's degree *magna cum laude* in 1977 from Williams College, where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and his law degree in 1980 from Yale Law School.

The luncheon will take place on Tuesday, October 24, at the Seattle Yacht Club. Free parking is available in the adjacent parking lot. The luncheon starts at 11:45 a.m.; doors open at 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$40 per person and guests are welcome. For your luncheon entrée you may select either roast turkey breast with mashed potatoes and vegetables, or vegetarian spinach tortellini. Please let us know of any special dietary requests. Please make your reservation by Wednesday, October 18, by mailing in your payment with the coupon in this newsletter or going to <http://www.psa-pbk.org/online-payments-donations.html>.

Docent tour of Seattle Art Museum exhibit *Andrew Wyeth: In Retrospect*

Saturday, November 11, 10 a.m.
Seattle Art Museum
1300 First Avenue, Seattle

You and your guests are invited to join us for a private docent tour of the exhibition *Andrew Wyeth: In Retrospect*. This exhibition follows the evolution of one of America's most famous painters, bringing together some of his most well-known and rarely seen works. From depictions of his life in Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania, to the coastal villages of Maine, Wyeth's art challenged the 20th century's norms of realism and abstraction. For additional information about the exhibit, please visit <http://seattleartmuseum.org>.

The cost, which includes the docent fee, is \$29 for adults, \$27 for seniors (62 and over), \$18 for students (including full-time college students), and \$5 for SAM members or children 12 and under.

Please RSVP by November 1 with your payment using the coupon in the newsletter or online at <http://www.psa-pbk.org/online-payments-donations.html>. SAM members need to include their full name and SAM ID number. We will purchase the tickets for all tour participants.

We will meet in the lobby near the main ticketing area. Doors to the museum open at 10 a.m. Our tour will begin promptly at 10:15 a.m.

Your museum admission ticket will be good for the entire day. After the docent tour you can join other tour participants for a no-host lunch at a local café or visit other exhibits at the museum. If you have questions, contact Linda Willenberg at lwillenberg@comcast.net or call her at (425) 641-1606.

High School Book Awards

In spring 2017, PSA-PBK awarded 114 personally inscribed books to outstanding graduating seniors in participating high schools in the 13-county Puget Sound area. Our High School Book Award program encourages and rewards outstanding scholastic achievement in the liberal arts and sciences. The program also introduces students to Phi Beta Kappa and our core values of knowledge, wisdom, intellectual honesty, broad interests, trust, integrity, and responsibility. Principals, faculty, and staff at participating high schools select the graduating seniors who best exemplify the values of Phi Beta Kappa. The book that we presented this year was *The Elephant Whisperer: My Life with the Herd in the African Wild* by Lawrence Anthony.

Walk around Green Lake followed by coffee at Fix Coffeehouse

Saturday, October 7, 9–11 a.m.

Walk: Parking lot of Evans Pool, 7201 E. Green Lake Drive N., Seattle (9 a.m.)

Coffee only: Fix Coffeehouse, 6900 E. Green Lake Way N., Seattle (10 a.m.)

The walk is about three miles total around the lake on a completely paved concrete sidewalk.

You and your friends and family are invited to join us for a walk around Green Lake. You will be in excellent company: there are cute dogs, bicyclists, rollerbladers, joggers, walkers, families, and many more people who enjoy the park. We will meet at the parking lot of Evans Pool, a nice central meeting location. After the walk, we will head to Fix Coffeehouse for a latte, Americano, pastry, or perhaps a light snack... you pick your treat! If you want to skip walking and meet for coffee, that's great too — meet us at Fix at 10 a.m.

Directions to Evans Pool parking lot

From I-5 northbound: at exit 170, take right ramp for Ravenna Boulevard N.E. toward N.E. 65th Street.
Turn left onto N.E. Ravenna Boulevard.
Turn right onto E. Green Lake Drive N.
Turn left onto Latona Avenue N.E.

Evans Pool is indoors, so it is a large brown building with a parking lot next to it. You can park in the pool parking lot to walk around the lake or park on a nearby street. You can also travel to Green Lake by Metro bus.

Directions directly to Fix Coffeehouse

From I-5 North: at exit 170, take right ramp for Ravenna Boulevard N.E. toward N.E. 65th Street.
Turn left onto N.E. Ravenna Boulevard.
Turn left onto N.E. 65th Street.
Turn right onto 4th Avenue N.E.
Turn right onto E. Green Lake Way N.

The coffeehouse is in the same strip as Turnpike Pizza and Teddy's Bigger Burgers.

Please RSVP to Linda Willenberg at lwillenberg@comcast.net or call her at (425) 641-1606 if you plan to join us for the walk or for coffee.

Submit your nominations for our Pathfinder Awards

The Pathfinder Award reflects the imagery on the Phi Beta Kappa key — a hand pointing to the stars. It honors those who encourage others to seek new worlds to discover, pathways to explore, and untouched destinations to reach. It is awarded each year at our spring luncheon.

You are invited to submit nominations for our Pathfinder Awards. Forms are available on our website, <http://psa-pbk.org>. Nominations must be submitted by January 1, 2018.

Thank you to Dorsey and Whitney

The board of trustees of the Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa would like to thank Dorsey and Whitney, LLP, for graciously hosting our monthly board meetings. We appreciate your generosity and hospitality.

Solomon Katz Distinguished Lectures in the Humanities

Both Kelley and Mills's lectures are part of "Capitalism and Comparative Racialization," a 2017–2018 John E. Sawyer Seminar on the Comparative Study of Cultures, funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

All lectures are free and open to the public.

Robin D.G. Kelley: "What Is Racial Capitalism and Why Does It Matter?"

Tuesday, November 7, 7 p.m.

Kane Hall 120, University of Washington, Seattle

Robin D.G. Kelley is Distinguished Professor and Gary B. Nash Endowed Chair in U.S. History at the University of California, Los Angeles. He is the author of *Africa Speaks, America Answers: Modern Jazz in Revolutionary Times* (2012), *Thelonious Monk: The Life and Times of an American Original* (2009), and *Freedom Dreams: The Black Radical Imagination* (2002). His research has explored the history of social movements in the U.S., the African diaspora, and Africa; black intellectuals; music; visual culture; contemporary urban studies; historiography and historical theory; poverty studies and ethnography; colonialism/imperialism; organized labor; constructions of race; Surrealism; Marxism; and nationalism, among other things.

Paul Farmer on Global Public Health Today

Wednesday, February 8, 2018, 7 p.m.

Kane Hall 120, University of Washington, Seattle

Brian Reed on Contemporary Poetry

Thursday, March 1, 2018, 7 p.m.

Kane Hall 210, University of Washington, Seattle

Charles W. Mills: "Race and Capitalism"

Friday, March 16, 2018, 7 p.m.

Kane Hall 210, University of Washington, Seattle

For detailed information on these lectures, please visit
<https://simpsoncenter.org/programs/katz-distinguished-lectures-humanities>.

Undergraduate scholarships awarded

Five \$2,000 undergraduate scholarships have been awarded to the following University of Puget Sound and University of Washington students: Lillian Bengtson (UPS, psychology); Joyce Kim (UW, undeclared); Frances Klatt (UPS, politics and government; German; music); Tian Tian Metzgar (UW, psychology; computer science); and Riley Poole (UW, mechanical engineering).

In addition to having a high GPA, applicants write an essay on "What book has influenced your college career most, and why?" The scholarship committee determined that Riley Poole wrote the best essay, so he was awarded the additional \$400 Ellsworth C. Alvord Jr. Scholarship. The late Dr. Alvord, a member of PSA-PBK, was an outstanding physician, scientist, philanthropist, and humanitarian who dedicated his life to medical research and support of the local arts and sciences.

Congratulations to all five scholars!

Thank you to our donors

The Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa gratefully acknowledges the following individuals for their generosity. Their contributions support our undergraduate and graduate scholarships, our High School Book Awards, our Pathfinder Awards and Humanities Achievement Awards, and speakers and member events throughout the year.

The following contributions were received from July 1, 2016, through August 30, 2017.

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Alpha Chapter news

Alpha Chapter invited 474 students to become members of Phi Beta Kappa this year. Many friends and family members attended the annual initiation ceremony, held June 7 in Kane Hall. It was preceded by the traditional procession across Red Square from the Gerberding Hall bell tower, where the Phi Beta Kappa key is carved in stone four times, symbolizing the University of Washington's commitment to excellence. Change-bell ringers led by Rebecca Woodgate pealed the Gordon Stuart Peek Memorial Bells as the initiates walked across the square. This year's featured speaker was Professor Victoria A. Lawson of the Department of Geography, who is also director of the UW Honors Program. Her talk, "Lessons of Serendipity: A Life Story," addressed her experiences as an immigrant to the U.S. and the unknowable ways that geography, economics, and chance play in our lives.

Long-time board member and president Norm Arkans retired in June from the UW. We are delighted that he has accepted the invitation to continue serving on the board. Professor Zev Handel of the Department of Asian Languages and Literature, was elected president for 2017–2018. He has been active in the chapter for many years. We also welcomed new board member Professor Chris Hamm, also of Asian Languages and Literature.

The chapter is planning for the visit of Frederick Lawrence, secretary and CEO of the national Phi Beta Kappa Society. To coincide with his visit, a 1-credit course on free speech is being offered to undergraduates. Professor Jamie Mayerfeld of the Department of Political Science is the instructor and Lawrence, an expert in free speech jurisprudence, will conduct one session of the course. Alpha Chapter and the Simpson Center for the Humanities are co-sponsors.

Your PSA-PBK board and committee members

Linda Willenberg, president; Benjamin Lukoff, vice president and electronic communications coordinator; Terry Jankowski, secretary and archivist; Howard Johnson, treasurer; Erin Stumbaugh, assistant treasurer. Other board members include Dennis Adler, Kate Gunsul, Karrin Klotz, Derek Little, Myra Lupton, William Mari, Margaret Palmquest, Edward Perrin, Louise Richards, Amy Ryken, Doris Stiefel, and Dennis Yamashita.

Non-board committee members include Joe Bruner, Joan Peterson, Barbee Tucker-Pigott, and Greta Austin. Our administrative assistant is Amy Davis.

Meet your new PSA-PBK board members

Derek Little

Derek Little is an attorney at Karr Tuttle Campbell, where he focuses his practice on commercial litigation and labor and employment matters. He received his law degree from the University of Chicago. Prior to law school, Little worked as a journalist and in green building construction in Taos, New Mexico. He earned an M.A. in English from the University of Washington and a B.A., also in English, from Reed College, where he graduated Phi Beta Kappa. In his free time, he enjoys traveling, hiking, bicycling, and skiing.

Erin Stumbaugh

Erin Stumbaugh works as a business management consultant for a global consulting firm, with a focus on financial consulting and project management. Prior to consulting, she spent time at Russell Investments in Private Client Services.

Stumbaugh graduated from the University of Puget Sound *magna cum laude* in the Business Leadership Honors Program. She also completed a second B.A. in Spanish language and culture. She studied and interned abroad in Alcalá de Henares (Madrid), Spain, where she developed a passion for the Spanish language, culture, art, people, and cuisine. At UPS, she was a four-year letter winner and two-year captain of the women's basketball team. Her team was Northwest Conference champions and competed in the NCAA Division III national tournament. She shares her love for the game by volunteer coaching the Northgate Community Center 10-year-old boys' basketball team. In addition, she is an active member of United Way's Emerging Leaders Program. In her home state of Colorado and currently in Washington, she enjoys being outside and taking advantage of the surrounding beauty! She likes to spend her free time cooking good food, exercising, traveling, and engaging with her friends and family.

Ernest R. Stiefel Graduate Study Award

Magenta N. Loera has been selected to receive this year’s Ernest R. Stiefel Graduate Study Award of \$4,500. The Stiefel Award is given to graduate or professional students who are members of the Phi Beta Kappa chapters at the University of Puget Sound or University of Washington and who will attend graduate or professional school at UPS or the UW.

Loera will begin her graduate studies at the UW Information School in fall 2017 in the master of library and information science program. She graduated from the UW in 2017, majoring in comparative history of ideas and gender, women and sexuality studies. While an undergraduate, she worked at Suzzallo and Allen Libraries, participating in a digital archiving program. She studied abroad in Tahiti and worked on an oral history project to preserve generations of knowledge about voyaging, agriculture, and scientific information. She continued developing her interest and expertise in oral history and sees the great potential for digital media to transcend barriers of time, space, and culture. Previously, she was the director of Amnesty International’s Eastside chapter, raising awareness of human trafficking and global women’s rights by the use of digital media. Her goal is to work in academic libraries, which are critical for gathering, preserving, and making available local and global voices. She was initiated into Phi Beta Kappa in June 2017.



COUPON

**Fall Luncheon, October 24
(RSVP by October 18)**

Roast turkey breast _____
Spinach tortellini (vegetarian)____
Number of attendees @ \$40 _____
Name(s)_____

I would like to pay for a scholarship recipient
@ \$40 _____

SAM Tour, November 11 (RSVP by November 1)

Number of attendees _____
Name(s)_____

SAM membership number(s) _____

DUES (Please check mailing label to see if
your dues have expired)

- _____ \$40 Regular
- _____ \$75 Sustaining
- _____ \$125 Patron
- _____ \$250 Key

TOTAL ENCLOSED

\$ _____ **Fall luncheon (\$40)**
\$ _____ **SAM Tour (\$29 adults, \$27 seniors, \$18 full-time students, \$5 SAM members and children under 12)**
\$ _____ **Scholarship fund**
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