

# Clarke Forum

## for Contemporary Issues

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**Tuesday, January 28, 2020 ♦ \***

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.

***Educating for Democracy in a Post-Truth Era***

**Lynn Pasquerella**, Association of American Colleges and Universities

This talk will address how reclaiming the civic mission of colleges and universities as a central component of a 21st-century liberal education is essential for preparing students to thrive in a globally interdependent world.

**Tuesday, February 18, 2020 \***

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.

***An Anticipatory Memoir: Aging on the Diagonal***

**Bill Durden '71**, International University Alliance

Advanced age - or what is commonly called "The Third Chapter" - arguably remains without operative definition, although so many citizens globally are entering that phase of life. Based upon personal reflection, a definition is proposed for debate - a definition that could lead to a "Good Life."

**Wednesday, February 19, 2020 ♦**

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.

***From Community Engagement to the Good Society***

**Randy Stoecker**, University of Wisconsin

How do we go from "keeping things the same" through charity forms of service to "making things better" through social change forms of community engagement? This talk will argue for why we should make the switch and how we can do it.

**Monday, February 24, 2020 \***

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.

***Psychedelics: Science, Medicine and Politics***

**Rick Doblin 'P21**, Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies

This lecture will discuss the politics of psychedelic research from the 1960's to today. Doblin will explore the history of MDMA, mechanisms of actions of psychedelics, and efforts to medicalize psychedelic-assisted psychotherapy for PTSD, depression and other indications.

**Wednesday, February 26, 2020**

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.

***Protests Around the World***

**Panel of Dickinson Professors**

**Ed Webb**, Middle East studies

**Mireille Rebeiz**, French department

**Angela Delutis-Eichenberger**, Spanish department

**Nicoletta Marini-Maio**, Italian studies

**Heather Bedi**, Environmental studies

Protests are breaking around the world, and people are demanding immediate action and calling for changes in governmental, political, and environmental policies. What sparked these protests, and what is next for many of the countries involved? Panelists will address world-wide environmental activism as well as political protests in Algeria, Chile, Iraq, Italy, and Lebanon.

**Monday, March 2, 2020**

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m.

***While Reason Slept: Recapturing the Founders' Vision of a Rational Republic***

**Thomas Brier**, attorney and author

How did we get to our current state of political acrimony? Brier, the author of *While Reason Slept*, will walk us through the beginning of our national politics to the present day before offering a solution for recapturing our Founding Fathers' path to a rational Republic.

**Wednesday, March 25, 2020**

Live Stream Event, 7 p.m.

***Mayor Tim Scott and His Team Explain How Carlisle is Responding to the Pandemic***

**Tim Scott**, Mayor

**Sean Shultz**, Deputy Mayor

**Susan Armstrong**, Borough Manager

**Jeffrey Snyder**, Carlisle Fire Chief

Please join us for our first live-streamed event with our local officials concerning Carlisle's response to the coronavirus pandemic.

**Thursday, April 2, 2020**

Live Stream Event, 7 p.m.

***Providing Safe Shelter When Home is Not a Haven From Crisis***

**Jason Brode**, AMEND Program

**Sonya Browne**, Domestic Violence Services of Cumberland and Perry Counties

**Colleen Kinney**, YWCA Carlisle

**Scott Shewell**, Safe Harbour

Around the world people are being told to stay home to help flatten the curve against the spread of Covid-19. But what happens if your home is not safe to shelter-in-place? Panelists will talk about what their organizations and programs are doing to support survivors in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic and what resources are available for individuals and families who are not safe (or at risk) at home.

**Monday, April 6, 2020**

Live Stream Event, Noon

***Why Are We Optimistically Biased About Our Risks?: Applications to the Coronavirus Pandemic***

**Marie Helweg-Larsen**, Dickinson College

The optimistic bias (thinking you are less at risk than other people) is well documented. This talk will explain why it is so pervasive and how it can help us understand complacency in following coronavirus precautionary behaviors.

**Tuesday, April 7, 2020**

Live Stream Event, 7 p.m.

***Food in a Time of Crisis***

**Jenn Halpin**, Dickinson College Farm

**Andrea Karns**, Karns Quality Foods

**Robert Weed**, Project Share

Access to quality food was already an issue for many families in Central Pennsylvania prior to the arrival of the coronavirus. Today, the question of access is more urgent for many more people. Supply chains are also threatened, as our efforts to respond to the health crisis creates all kinds of unforeseen challenges. A panel of experts will discuss food, food supply chains and food access during a time of crisis.

**Wednesday, April 15, 2020**

Live Stream Event, 7 p.m.

***Adapting to Challenging Times: Local Small Businesses Navigate the Coronavirus Response***

**Stephanie Gilbert**, Georgie Lou's Retro Candy

**Tanis Monroy**, Destination Carlisle

**Kirk Ream**, Transformation Training & Fitness

The Coronavirus Pandemic and resulting closure of non-essential businesses and shelter-in-place orders have had serious impacts on small businesses across the nation. In this discussion, small business owners in Carlisle will share the new realities local businesses are adjusting to and how businesses in the Carlisle area are responding to the challenges presented by the pandemic.

**Thursday, April 16, 2020**

Live Stream Event, 7 p.m.

***Carlisle Artists and Arts Organizations Respond to COVID-19***

**Erika Juran**, Carlisle Regional Performing Arts Center

**Zach King**, Singer/Songwriter

**Becky Richeson**, Carlisle Arts Learning Center

**Sarah Skaggs**, Dickinson College

The Coronavirus Pandemic and resulting closure of non-essential businesses, the practice of social distancing and shelter-in-place orders have had serious impacts the lives of artists and arts organizations all across the country. In this discussion we will hear from a local musician and several arts organizations and find out how they are adjusting to this new reality.

**Tuesday, April 21, 2020**

Live Stream Event, 7 p.m.

***Global Pandemic: What it Reveals About Prospects for a Sustainable World***

**Dickinson Panelists**

**Heather Bedi**, environment studies

**Michael Beevers**, environmental studies

**Neil Leary**, Center for Sustainability Education

The effects and responses to the COVID-19 pandemic are making visible stark differences in who and what are vulnerable and resilient to its widespread disruptions and dislocations. Panelists will explore what the pandemic is revealing about existing inequities and vulnerabilities and implications for pursuing sustainable development goals.

**Wednesday, April 22, 2020**

Live Stream Event, 7 p.m.

***Pursuing the Good Life During a Pandemic: Pause, Connect, Pivot and Re-Design***

**Dana Souders**, licensed massage therapist, life coach

This talk will include some reflections regarding

awareness and what happens in our bodies when we are in extended periods of stress and fight/flight/freeze response. The Good Life, according to Souders, means being able to create a safe haven for ourself and each other as well as a launching pad of re-designing our lives anew as we move forward.

**Tuesday, April 28, 2020**

Live Stream Event, 7 p.m.

***The Science of COVID-19: Aspects of Infection, Immunity, Treatment and Testing***

**John Henson**, Dickinson College

The SARS-CoV-2 virus that causes COVID-19 has been called the “perfect pathogen” due to it being both highly infectious and virulent. This presentation will provide an overview of our current understanding of how the virus damages the lungs, the good – and bad – of the resulting immune response, the potential for treatments/vaccines, and the mechanisms underlying the various testing strategies.

**Wednesday, April 29, 2020**

Live Stream Event, 7 p.m.

***How Mentors Can Shape Your Future: A Conversation with a Global Leader***

**David McCormick**, Bridgewater & Associates

Dickinson College President Margee Ensign and U.S. District Judge John E. Jones will converse with Bridgewater Associates CEO David McCormick (Bridgewater Associates manages approximately \$160 billion in global investments). They will discuss the importance of mentorship and the role mentors can play in developing leadership skills.

**Thursday, April 30, 2020**

Live Stream Event, 7 p.m.

***How the Public's Perception of Face Coverings and Face Masks Can Impact People of Color in the United States During the Coronavirus Pandemic***

**Safronia Perry**, Hope Station

Due to COVID-19, PA Governor Tom Wolf mandated that essential employees wear masks at work. The wearing of face masks and coverings is very new for most Americans. The lack of PPE in the U.S during the pandemic has resulted in health officials suggesting that people make their own face masks and coverings using bandanas and other cloth materials. In American cities in particular, bandanas of certain colors are associated with gang membership and violence. This conversation will explore how wearing face masks and coverings could intensify racial profiling and stereotyping of people of color in America.

**Spring 2020 Semester Theme**

**CIVIC ENGAGEMENT  
AND THE LIBERAL ARTS**

This semester's faculty seminar and Clarke Forum theme will explore the relationship between the liberal arts and civic engagement. We will ask: What is the point of promoting civic engagement on a liberal arts campus? Are there irreconcilable tensions between civic engagement and the liberal arts? Have civic engagement practices in higher education become so institutionalized that we fail to think critically about why we do this work? How do calls for “civil discourse” and “civility” inform practices of civic engagement in higher education?

◆ Denotes a program that is part of the theme

**The Clarke Forum's**

**LEADERSHIP IN AN AGE OF  
UNCERTAINTY SERIES**

The Clarke Forum established a series of programmatic events dedicated to the theme of leadership in an age of uncertainty. This initiative is grounded on the reality that today's generation of Dickinson students confronts a large number of intractable political, economic, and social problems. How Dickinsonians respond to these challenges presents us with an opportunity for reflection on the meaning of leadership in the contemporary world. This series is partially supported by a fund created by Betty R. '58 and Dan Churchill.

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