



The Walter Durham Lecture Series



Michael Bishop

Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 6 pm

AUTHOR

Michael Bishop was born on a small farm near Gadsden, AL. He earned degrees from Freed Hardeman University & University of Tennessee – Knoxville. He is the author of *A Murder in Music City: Corruption, Scandal, and the Framing of an Innocent Man* stemming from a hidden 1964 babysitter murder case file he discovered at the Nashville Archives in 1997. He led a decades-long investigation in his spare time to right this wrong.



Chris Thurman

Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 6 pm

BLED SOE CREEK STATE PARK MANAGER

Gallatin native Chris Thurman holds two bachelor degrees: Biology & Secondary Education from TN Wesleyan University; and Environmental Geology from TN Technological University. He is licensed to teach Biology in TN. In 2014, he began work at Bledsoe Creek State Park, later becoming a Long Hunter State Park Ranger. He is now the new manager of Bledsoe Creek State Park.



Jerry Lumpkins

Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 6 pm

EDUCATOR, COACH & COLLECTOR

Jerry Lumpkins moved from Camden to Gallatin, TN in 1962. At Gallatin High School, he met teacher Rob Hosier who inspired Jerry's love of history. He graduated from Middle Tennessee State University in 1979 with a M.S. in Physical Education & Recreation. Jerry began collecting historic items in college. His experience includes teaching physical education, coaching, assistant principal, & he is now retired.



Velma Howell Brinkley

Tuesday, April 23, 2019 at 6 pm

HISTORIAN & AUTHOR

A Mississippi native, Brinkley earned degrees from M. V. S. U. & Tennessee State University. She taught at Harris Jr. College prior to becoming counselor at Gallatin Jr. High, Volunteer State, and White House High. She has written 3 books, co-authored 2, edited & published a book of poetry. Velma is church historian, founder of Elite Millennial Financial LLC & of the church scholarship ministry which has awarded over one hundred thousand dollars.

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