

# Perspective

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Programs By Shirley Mears

# **Robin Jones: "The Story of Us"**

The October 9, 2017, luncheon speaker for the Academy of Senior Professionals at Southern



Nazarene University will be Robin L. Jones.

In the 1980s, I was an avid listener to the Bott Radio Network station KQCV 800 AM where Robin Jones was the general manager. I learned they needed some temporary clerical help, and I wound up working parttime for the station.

Through the years we've stayed in touch, and through her, I have enjoyed learning of the city's needs. At the present time, Robin Jones directs community engagement for SALLT (Salt and Light Leadership Training), an Oklahoma City organization founded by Wes Lane.

Jones has explained her current position by saying, "SALLT is a catalyst for change. We don't launch any movements ourselves. We create a culture where the conversations can start." Toward that end, SALLT organizes Clapham Circles which are group gatherings where "like-minded, passionate people come together for strategic planning at all levels of systemic, organizational and individual issues in our city. We gather around a specific issue and we address it."

Robin Jones previously served five years as director of DHS's Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives. Her Christian media and marketing background includes positions such as national promotions and marketing director for Moody Broadcasting Network and general manager of Bott Radio Media Oklahoma properties.

Jones is actively involved in Metropolitan Baptist Church and also serves on the boards of 111Project.org, Arrow Child and Family Ministries, and Joni and Friends International Disability Ministry.

OUR LUNCHEON OCTOBER 9 begins at 11 AM in the Webster Commons Heritage Room on the campus of Southern Nazarene University.

 Members will receive a call to RSVP. If you have not received a call by
Thursday, October 5, you can RSVP by phone (405-728-0515) or by emailing <u>donlincarley@prodigy.net</u>.

Note: SNU Dining has requested that ASP members remain outside of the Heritage Room until 10:30.

#### October 2017



President's Column By Frank Dewey

Welcome to a new year of activities in the Academy of Senior Professionals! There are great programs planned out for the months ahead.

Have you found the noon luncheons to be a time of learning and fellowship? Then, invite a friend or two to come with you and be part of our group. Shirley Mears has some interesting speakers lined up.

Have the morning seminars and book discussions been interesting and at times challenging? Again, bring a friend along. I'm looking forward to what James Worley has planned for the seminars and to the books Barbara Culbertson has chosen for discussion.

At our first meeting in October, we plan to ask for your help.

First, the ASP Directory needs to be updated. At the luncheon check-in desk, there will be a sheet with your current information for you to correct or change, such as address, phone number(s) and/or email addresses.

Second, if you would like to receive the *Academy Perspective* by email only, we will be making that option available. You can mark "TAP email only" on your directory page. This option will save printing and postage costs. If you prefer to receive a printed copy by regular mail, we are happy to continue doing that.

It won't be long before the 2017 SNU Homecoming will be here. I know that Dr. Newman and other leaders at SNU would appreciate the volunteer help of ASP members. It takes a lot of behind-the-scenes folks to make Homecoming events successful. So, I encourage you to help in any way you are able.



# ANNUAL DUES REMINDER

ASP annual membership dues of \$20.00 should be paid at the October Luncheon Meeting.

New members should contact ASP President Frank Dewey or ASP Director Eunice Trent for instructions on getting an ASP Identification Card.

Your ASP Identification Card may be used for many of the following activities:

- Leisure services including access to the SNU gymnasium, swimming pool, weight/ exercise room, and walking track

- Members can check out library materials and have free access to the SNU Library databases

- Discounts for SNU fine arts and athletic events

- Discounts at the SNU bookstore

- Dining at the SNU cafeteria

- Free parking in SNU lots



Fall greetings to each of you as we begin another year with The Academy of Senior Professionals.

Southern Nazarene University is in the midst of a few changes in staff and administration with a new president at the helm of our campus. The Academy will have the opportunity to meet our new president, Dr. Keith Newman at our December ASP Luncheon. Before that time there will be other opportunities to meet Dr. Newman such as events like the SNU Homecoming, November 10-11.

A reminder: ASP members can attend SNU regular season athletic events free of charge. Be in the know by checking dates on the SNU Calendar http://snu.athletics.com/ calendar.aspx

Here are the SNU School of Music October events:

- Sun Oct 1, 6pm Festival of Hymns (Calvary Church of the Nazarene, 3100 N Rockwell Ave, Bethany)
- Fri Oct 6, 7pm "A Night on Broadway" (Cantrell)
- Sun Oct 8, 2pm "A Night on Broadway" (Cantrell)
- Tue Oct 10, 7pm Guest Artist Series: Jay Leach, guitar (Cantrell)
- Tue Oct 17, 7pm Faculty & Student Piano Duet Concert (Cantrell)

• Tue Oct 24, 7pm Chamber Ensemble Concert (Cantrell)

• Thu Oct 26, 7pm Fall Choral Concert (Cantrell)

• Tue Oct 31, 7pm Jazz Band Concert (Cantrell)

Joe L. Wheeler, author of *Abraham Lincoln, a Man of Faith and Courage: Stories of Our Most Admired President*, has said, "There is something incredibly nostalgic and significant about the annual cascade of autumn leaves."

I am wishing each of you an incredibly nostalgic fall season.





THANK YOU TO LEGEND at COUNCIL ROAD OCTOBER LUNCHEON SPONSOR



Calling all readers! Get ready for some stimulating discussions as we join to review both fiction and non-fiction books this year.

Our November book review will be the autobiography of Malala Yousafzai, who at 17

became the youngest person ever to receive the Nobel Peace Prize. Her memoir, *I Am Malala: The Story of the Girl Who Stood Up for Education and was Shot by the Taliban*, was banned by the All Pakistan Private Schools' Federation.



Wikipedia states, "A reviewer for *The Guard-ian* called the book 'fearless' and stated that 'the haters and conspiracy theorists would do well to read this book.' . . . A reviewer for *The Washington Post* called the book 'riveting' and wrote that 'It is difficult to imagine a chronicle of a war more moving, apart from perhaps the diary of Anne Frank.'"

*I Am Lalala* also resulted in a documentary film and in a children's book. Check the library or Amazon for *I Am Malala* by Malala Yousafzai and Christina Lamb. Then join us November 9 at 9:30 to discuss this provocative book.

Proposed for February is *The Testament*, a novel by John Grisham. It recounts a legal battle over a multi-billion-dollar inheritance. Along the way, we grapple with mystery and ethical values as we are transported to a mission field in Brazil.

April's proposal is the non-fiction work of Eric Severson titled *Scandalous Obligation*. Severson is a professor at Eastern Nazarene College. The book is described as "press [ing] readers to consider the many complications that arise when Christians begin to understand . . . their responsibility."

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# Morning Seminar By James Worley

Greg Grimaud, owner of several Precision Tune Auto Care franchises, will be the leader for our 9:30 a.m. Morning Seminar on October 9.

Greg will enlighten us with a story of his life that could be titled "Flexibility in a hostile world" or "How you, too, can own your own Uranium" or even "Why my screen door company for submarines failed." You will find Greg's presentation to be informative and educational, filled with drama, enlightenment and success.

I hope you join us in the President's Dining Room on the third floor of the SNU Commons building to hear how life has been handled by a man who is a husband, entrepreneur, and a Christian.

Greg is an alumnus of the University of South Carolina. He is married to Suzanne and they have three children. He was in the US Air Force where he became a Command Pilot/ Instructor Pilot for the T-38 Talon and the HC-



130P Combat Talon. He now owns nine Precision Tune Auto Care franchises, has attained the level of "Double Diamond Executive Distributor" with "It Works Global" and is involved with Enkindle Ministries.

He attends Western Oaks Church of the Nazarene, and his priorities are God, Family, Country, and Business. His said, "Everything I do and who I am flows from this order."



# SNU Connections By Howard Culbertson

During the SNU Connections moment of each ASP luncheon this year, we will take a peek at interesting things in the doctoral dissertation research of some SNU professors.



In our October luncheon, Davis Berryman, dean of SNU's Graduate and Professional Studies, will give us a look at his doctoral project. Davis grew up in Berea, OH as the son of a college professor. He and his wife Teryl came to SNU in 2002 after 10 years on the staff of Cornerstone University in Grand Rapids, Michigan, where Davis served as Dean of Adult and Continuing Education and Professional Studies.

Berryman has had a fascinating educational pilgrimage. He has a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from Washington University in St. Louis. He has two master's degrees, one in Biomedical Engineering from Case Western Reserve University, while the other is a Master of Business Administration from Kent State University. His Ph.D. is in Higher, Adult, and Lifelong Education from Michigan State University.

In addition to involvement as a board member at his church, Davis is also active in the Mercy Hospital Hospice Program. He was recently named "Volunteer of the Year" by the Council of Accelerated Programs, an international membership organization serving professionals who lead, teach, and conduct research in accelerated programs in higher education.



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Welcome Back!



### **ASP Calendar**

Monday Oct 9, 2017 9:00-11:00 a.m. Shuttle Service from the Sawyer Center lot (41st and Donald) to the Webster Commons 9:30 a.m. Morning Seminar in President's Dining Room 11:00-a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Luncheon Meeting in the Heritage Room 1:00-1:30 p.m. Shuttle will return to parking lot 1:15-2:15 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting in the Flinner Room

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