

**YOUR SPRING 2025 SCHEDULE AND LEADERS**

**9:40 to 10:30 A.M.**

**A FINANCIAL PERSPECTIVE ON THE NEAR FUTURE**

*Dr. Gary Leinberger, Presenter  
Dr. Helena Tuleya-Payne, Coordinator*

**CONCERTOS, REQUIEMS, AND ONE-HIT WONDERS**

*Dr. Davis Giersch, Presenter  
Professor Dennis C. Dougherty, Coordinator*

**SHORT STORY DISCUSSION GROUP**

*Dr. Victoria Ehrhardt and Dr. Amy R. Moreno, Coordinators*

**FRONTIERS OF PHYSICAL SCIENCE: BIG QUESTIONS UNVEILED**

*Dr. Richard D. Clark, Presenter  
Linda Roscoe, Coordinator*

**MAR 27** Municipal Bonds: A Key to Understanding Financial Markets  
*Jay Wenger, Guest Presenter*

Concertos

“Eveline” by James Joyce  
*Dr. Victoria Ehrhardt, Discussion Leader*

The Fine-Tuning of Universal Constants

**APR 3** Perspectives on the “Future” and Impacts on Economic Decisions

Schumann’s *Carnaval*

“Augie Wren’s Christmas Story” by Paul Auster  
*Dr. John Robrkemper, Discussion Leader*

The Nature of Dark Matter and Dark Energy

**APR 10** The Coming Financial Crashes of China, Germany, Japan, and Russia

Guest Pianist: Scarlett Zheng, Lancaster International Piano Competition Winner

“Wants” by Grace Paley  
*Dr. Roger Godin, Discussion Leader*

The Origin and Fate of the Universe

**APR 24** Understanding Inflation: Its Constant Presence and Current Drivers

Requiems

“The Yellow Wallpaper” by C.P. Gilman  
*Dr. Amy R. Moreno, Discussion Leader*

Quantum Gravity

**MAY 1** Poverty in America and Behavioral Economics

One-Hit Wonders

“Slowly Slowly in the Wind” by Patricia Highsmith  
*Dr. Justin Hopkins, Discussion Leader*

The Arrow of Time

**MAY 8** Demographic Shifts and Their Impact on Economic Growth and Consumption.

One-Hit Wonders

“In the Land of the Free” by Sui Sin Far  
*Dr. Carla Rineer, Discussion Leader*

Consciousness and the Brain-Mind Relationship

**NO MEETING APR 17 BECAUSE OF HOLY WEEK**

**HERE’S HOW TO REGISTER**

A \$30.00 registration fee per person covers one program at 9:40 and another at 11:00 plus refreshment breaks for one six-week season and is for full (or partial) participation in the Quest program. You may register by using the form attached to this brochure OR you may register online at our website at [www.questlancaster.org](http://www.questlancaster.org). If you have friends who would like to attend, please refer them to the website. Your completed registration form should be sent to: Quest for Learning, P. O. Box 86, Sterling, PA 18463. If you want to contact us, please send an email to: [questlancaster@gmail.com](mailto:questlancaster@gmail.com).

**11:00 to 11:50 A.M.**

**COMPLEXITY OF AMERICAN ELECTIONS**

*Dr. Robert J. Bresler, Coordinator*

**ARCHITECTURE IN AMERICAN HISTORY**

*Chris Wiker, Coordinator*

**THE ELIZABETH-TOWN COLLEGE LECTURE SERIES**

*Dr. Fletcher McClellan, Coordinator*

**SIX HISTORICAL CHARACTERS WITH LANCASTER CONNECTIONS**

*Jack Brubaker, Presenter  
Dr. Joseph Karlesky, Coordinator*

The Electoral College  
*Dr. Joseph Karlesky, Presenter*

The First American Architects: The Origins of American Architecture  
*James S. Douglas, Presenter*

Commodity or Spiritual Path? How Yoga Became a 100-Billion Dollar Business  
*Dr. Jeffery Long, Presenter*

James Logan (1674-1751), Pennsylvania Quaker Mover and Shaker

Disputed Elections: 1876 and 2000  
*Dr. Robert J. Friedrich, Presenter*

Contemporary Design Possibilities in a Historic District  
*Matthew Funk Barley, Presenter*

The Psychology of Misinformation: Creating Conditions for Quality Cognition  
*Dr. Jean Pretz, Presenter*

Susanna Wright (1697-1784), Wright’s Ferry Poet and Polymath

Culture Wars and Elections  
*Dr. Robert J. Bresler, Presenter*

Columbia Architecture and the Underground Railroad  
*Matthew Funk Barley, Presenter*

Two Painters and a Poet: Bruegel, Demuth, and William Carlos Williams  
*Dr. John Robrkemper, Presenter*

Edward Shippen III (1703-1781), Abettor of the Conestoga Massacre

Why Only Two Parties  
*Dr. Stephen K. Medvic, Presenter*

Beaux-Arts Architecture in America  
*James S. Douglas, Presenter*

Personality and Music: How Who You Are Is Related to the Role that Music Plays in Your Life  
*Dr. Michael Roy, Presenter*

Daniel Gibbons (1775-1853), Operator on the Underground Railroad

Polling and Its Challenges  
*Berwood A. Yost, Presenter*

Behind the Curtain: C. Emlen Urban and Milton S. Hershey  
*Gregory J. Scott, Presenter*

The Significance of a President’s First 100 Days (and an assessment of Trump 2.0)  
*Dr. Fletcher McClellan, Presenter*

Phebe Gibbons (1821-1893), Ethnographer of the Pennsylvania Dutch

Campaign Financing  
*Dr. Fletcher McClellan, Presenter*

Behind the Curtain, Part 2  
*Gregory J. Scott, Presenter*

Musical Textures of Belonging: A Global Tour of Music and Culture  
*Dr. Kevin Shorner-Johnson, Presenter*

Harriet Lane Johnston (1830-1903), “First Hostess” of the White House

**10:35 to 10:55 a.m. Break. Join us for coffee & cookies in the auditorium.**

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**SPRING 2025 Registration**

**9:40 – 10:30 SESSION**  
(Check one seminar for Person A & one for Person B)

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  **ECONOMICS**  
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  **SHORT STORY DISCUSSION GROUP\***  
  **PHYSICAL SCIENCE**

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  **ARCHITECTURE IN AMERICAN HISTORY**  
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Our thanks go to these generous people who have volunteered to share their knowledge and talents with you.

Matthew Funk Barley  
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Author of Urban Legend: The Life &  
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First Prize, 8th Nice Côte d'Azur  
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