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SPRING LECTURE LBJ: ARCHITECT OF AMERICAN AMBITION



BAYLOR

The 2010 Poage Lecture will be delivered on March 18 by Dr. Randall Woods, author of LBJ: Architect of American Ambition. The lecture will be in the Meadows Recital Hall of the Glennis McCrary Music Building at 4:00 p.m. A reception and book signing in Poage Library will follow the lecture.

Randall Woods received his Ph.D. from the University of Texas and began teaching at the University of Arkansas in 1971. In 1985 he was named John A.

Cooper Professor of American History and in 1996 was promoted to Distinguished Professor. He has published seven books, most notably, Fulbright: A Biography (Cambridge, 1995), which was nominated for both the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award and which won the Ferrell and Ledbetter Prizes. In 2006, the Free Press published LBJ: Architect of American Ambition.

If you are in the Waco area, please plan to attend the lecture and reception.

LBJ EXHIBIT: TEXAN – POLITICIAN - PRESIDENT

In conjunction with the lecture, an exhibit about Lyndon Johnson will open in March titled LBJ: Texan, Politician, President. This exhibit will feature LBJ materials collected over the past 35 years by George Meyer of Georgetown, Texas. Heather Mauger, our new museum studies assistant, is creating the exhibit with the assistance of Poage staff and other student assistants. If you are in the Waco area during this Spring or Summer, plan to stop and visit the exhibit. You will be able to see such rare items as an LBJ Ranch egg carton and other interesting artifacts.

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HIGHTOWER BOOK FUND

Judge То honor Jack Hightower, Poage Library has established the Jack Hightower Book Fund. The purpose of the fund is to continue the legacy of the last 65 years of collecting signed editions of presidents and other political figures. The Hightower Book Vault will contain over 3,000 books which Jack began collecting while a student at Baylor in the 1940's. About 1,000 of these have already made the trip from Austin to Waco including the signed presidential books. If you would like to be a part of this legacy,



you can send gifts designated to the Hightower Book Fund. When the fund reaches \$25,000, it can be converted into a book endowment which will produce an annual income for book purchases.

FOWLER WEST AND HYDE MURRAY **BOOKS STILL AVAILABLE**

Indicate on the membership form which book you would like to receive with your membership. In addition, if you join at a \$100 or more level, you may request a copy of LBJ: Architect of American Ambition by Dr. Randall Woods. For a complete list of books including four by Bob Poage, go to our books web site: baylor.edu/lib/poage/books. You can click on any book title for more information.



Cover of Fowler West's book

Thank you for your continuing support of Poage Legislative Library and our work of preserving political history.



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