

The Bern Porter Occasional Symposium Series

The Bomb, the National Security State and the Advanced Thinking of Bern Porter

Friday, 5 August 2011 -- Colby College Special Collections -- 10am -- 4pm

SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE

9am: Light refreshments available

10am:

Welcoming remarks and poetry readings:

Jacob Fricke, Belfast Poet Laureate

Sheila Holtz, newsletter editor, *Gazette Le Duc*

Joel Lipman, professor, University of Toledo English Department

Mark Melnicove, literary executor, Bern Porter Estate

Scholarly talk -- Part 1: Joel Lipman and Mark Melnicove

Noon-ish: Picnic lunch in/outside Miller Library -- music provided -- bring your lunch or buy on campus

1pm: Scholarly talk -- Part 2: Joel Lipman and Mark Melnicove

2:30pm:

Panel discussion facilitated by Joel Lipman and Mark Melnicove

Panelists:

Bob Higgins, writer, Portland Daily Sun

Bill Higgins, principal engineer, ABB Combustion Engineering

Don Hudson, president emeritus, Chewonski Foundation

Paul Josephson, professor, Colby College History Department

Bill Linnell, co-founder and spokesperson, Cheaper, Safer Power

Peter Neils, president, Los Alamos Study Group

ADDITIONAL FEATURES

Book sales: *Found Poems* by Bern Porter, just reprinted by Nightboat Books/UPNE -- also other books by Porter

Exhibit: archival materials from the Bern Porter Collection, Colby College Special Collections

Materials to browse and view: mail art and other periodicals, Porter's security files -- also audio-visual recordings from private collections

Web site: Scholarly talks and panel discussion will be video-recorded for webcasting. Symposium will have a blog and livetweet. Flip recorders will be available to capture comments by symposium attendees.

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