

Time to register for UTS Graduation, Alumni Weekend, Meals etc.

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REGISTER FOR THE ALUMNI CONFERENCE AND ORDER YOUR MEALS AT BARRYTOWN THIS WEEK. REGISTER ONLINE BY SATURDAY MAY 16TH TO GET THE BEST PRICE.

Thanks for your patience.

Here are the schedules, costs and information you need to know for Saturday's graduation May 23rd and also the Alumni Conference on Sunday May 24th and Monday May 25th

The 1st section covers the schedule

The 2nd section covers the costs: the conference and the meals

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SECTION 1

**Memorial Day Weekend Program
Saturday May 23rd – Monday May 25th**

UTS GRADUATION

Saturday 23rd

3:00-4:30 PM

39th Commencement at UTS, Barrytown (Class of 2015)

Alumni are invited to walk with the graduating class.

4:30- 5:30 PM

Reception in *UTS Dining Commons*

Come say hello at the UTS Alumni table

ALUMNI CONFERENCE

Sunday 24th

7:00 AM onwards

Registration (the table will be in the UTS Dining Commons)

7:00- 7:30 AM

Morning Reflective Walk on Campus

7:30-8:45 AM

Breakfast - *UTS Dining Commons*

8:30-8:45 AM

Welcome

Introduction to Community Sessions - *UTS Dining Commons*

9:00-10:30 AM

Session 1

What does Principled education look like? – Robert Beebe

10:30-11:00 AM

Break

11:00 AM-12:30 PM

Session 2

Interreligious dialogue and Interfaith peace-building – Abdou Gaye, Essi Zahedi

12:30-1:30 PM

Lunch - *UTS Dining Commons*

Upgrade your UTS diploma – Ute Delaney in annex dining area

1:30-3:00 PM

Session 3

Gender Balance and DP – Alison Wakelin, Jeanne Carroll and Kathleen Burton

3:00-4:00 PM

Break

4:00-5:30 PM

Session 4

The future of UTS and the Barrytown property – Hugh Spurgin

5:30-7:00 PM

Dinner - *UTS Dining Commons*

After dinner poetry (Lloyd Howell et al)

7:00-8:30 PM

Session 5

Save America- Donna Ferrantello

Monday 25th

8:00 onwards

Registration (the table will be in the UTS Dining Commons)

7:00-7:45 AM

Memorial Service for ascended alumni, faculty and staff - UTS Chapel

7:45- 8:45 AM

Breakfast –*UTS Dining Commons*

9:00-10:30 AM

Session 6

Virtues and Character Education for Leadership and Personal Development- Alan Saunders, Robin Graham

10:30-11:00 AM

Break

11:00 AM-12:30 PM

Session 7 (Choose one of the two)

Governance- Non-profits and faith communities –Jim Dougherty, Gregg Noll, Mike Mickler, Mark Isaacs (others invited)

Remembering Father; a poetic tribute – Lloyd Howell

12:30-1:30 PM

Lunch on the lawn (picnic tables) or in *UTS Dining Commons* (in case of inclement weather)

Close of Alumni Weekend

Section 2

COSTS

Graduation Saturday May 23rd

Everyone is invited, no charge. The reception is also free; hosted by UTS for graduates, relatives, guests, friends, and alumni.

Please indicate on the registration page if you will

Attend the graduation on Saturday May 23rd at 3:00 PM

Join other alumni and “walk” with (behind) the graduating class of 2015

Alumni Conference

Register online by Saturday May 16th and pay the discounted price of \$25

Sunday May 17th through to Memorial Day weekend it will be \$35

Sunday May 24, Meal Plans

There are three choices:

Option A is 3 meals: **breakfast, lunch** and **dinner** and is **\$30**

Option B is 2 meals: **lunch** and **dinner** and is **\$24**

Option C is 1 meal: **dinner** and is **\$12**

Coffee and teas will be served throughout the day and are included in the price

To have these prices and reserve meals, you **MUST pay in advance on the registration page.**

Expect to be charged 33% more after May 17th and at registration, or plan to eat off-campus.

ie Option A will become \$40 pp

Option B will become \$32 pp

Option C will become \$16 pp

Monday May 25 Meal Plans

Option D is 2 meals: **breakfast** and **lunch** and is **\$16**

Option E is 1 meal: **lunch** and is **\$11**

To have these prices and reserve meals, you **MUST pay in advance on the registration page.**

These prices will be available online through Thursday May 21st

If not pre-ordered then please plan to have Monday's breakfast and lunch off campus.

Coffee and teas are included in the price and will be served during the morning.

ALL THESE CHOICES ARE ON THE ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM

Section 3

REGISTRATION

CLICK on the Registration page below

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/uts-graduation-and-the-uts-alumni-conference-memorial-day-weekend-tickets-16911218911>

Section 4.

HOSPITALITY

To reserve rooms and/or dormitory accommodation then please contact Kate Korda (UTS'10), Director of Hospitality at UTS.

She can be reached at

conference-center@uts.edu

or

katekorda@gmail.com

Section 5

BOOKS

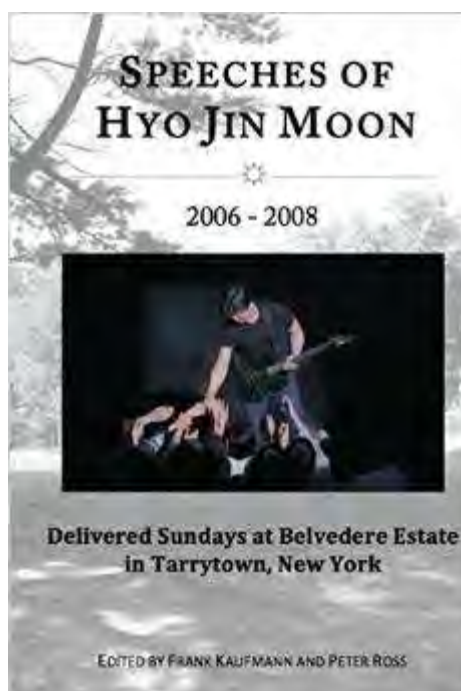
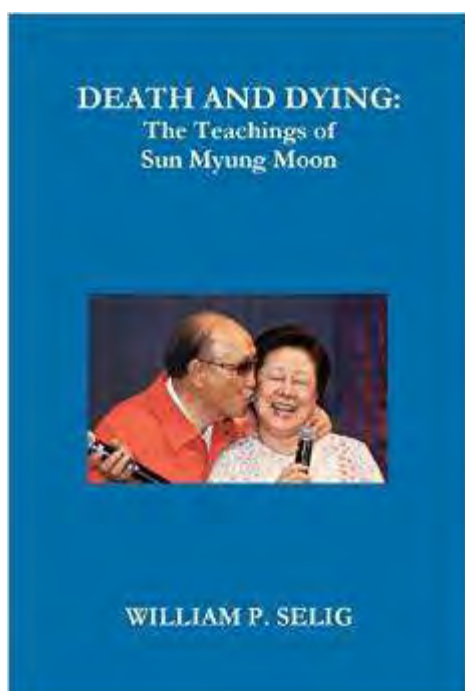
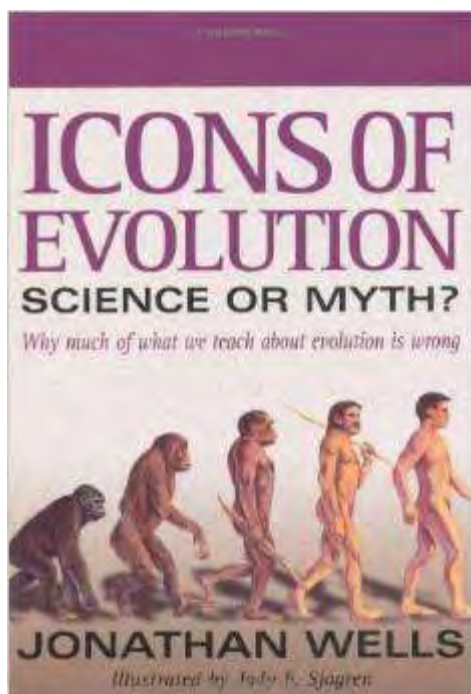
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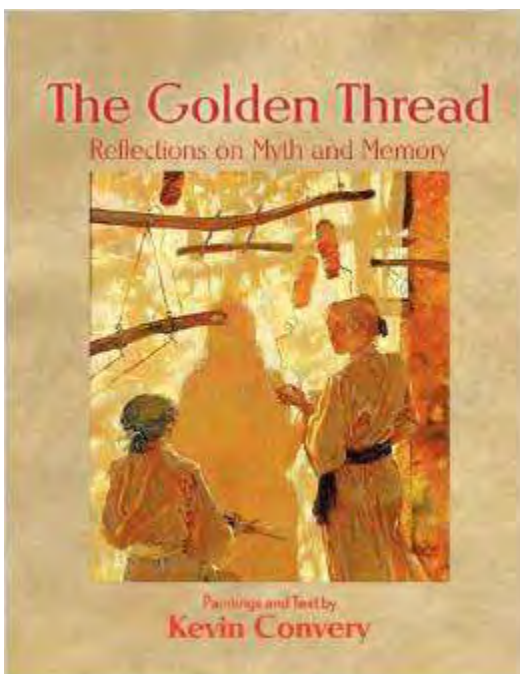
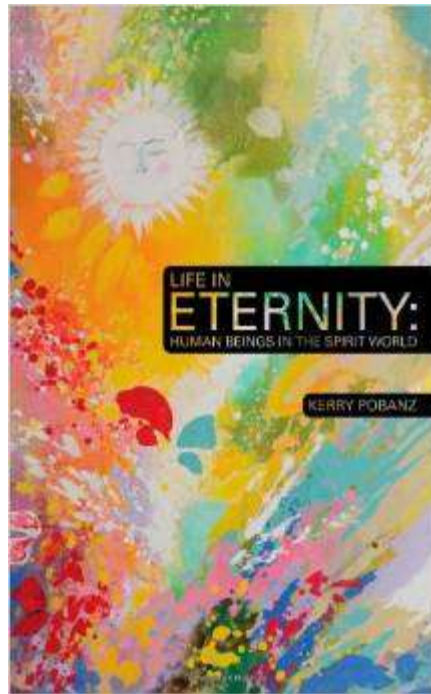
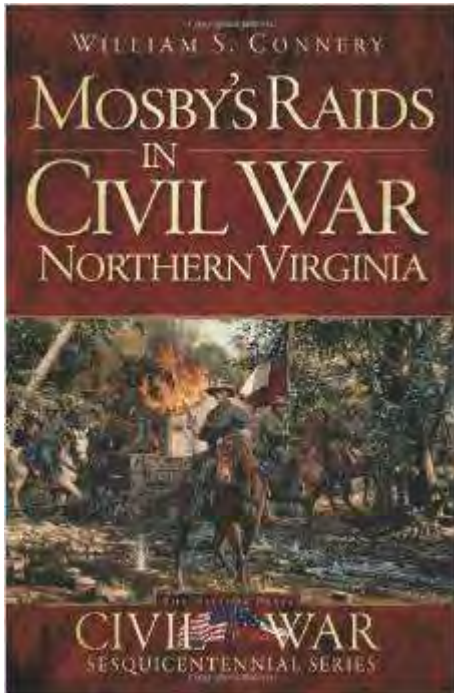
table, then please send a copy/copies to

**Development Office
UTS
30 Seminary Drive
Barrytown NY 12507**

The deadline to receive books by post/parcel delivery is **Monday May 15th !!!**

Below are examples of UTS alumni published works.





Section 6

ALUMNI CONFERENCE

SESSION OUTLINES

Session 1

What does Principled education look like? – Dr. Robert Beebe

“Education can be described as the process of raising children to attain resemblance to God... In its most fundamental form, education is the guidance that parents give to their children so that the children may fulfill the Three Blessings.” (Unification Theory of Education)

In the 1980s and 1990s various UC-based schools were established to provide BCs with a Principled-based perspective on education. Since then these schools have grown to serve many families in their surrounding communities not otherwise connected to the Unification Church. In the process they have continued to grapple with the question of what Principled education looks like in practice.

This session will explore this question. It will begin some relevant ice-breakers followed by a short PowerPoint providing a background perspective. From there we will break into a general discussion on the topic. A related issue that will be considered is whether it is better for Unificationist educators to work within the existing education system or to continue to develop our own schools as model Principled-based learning environments.

Session 2

Interreligious dialogue and Interfaith peace-building – Abdou Gaye, Essi Zahedi

Gaye and Zahedi will be giving a short summary about the vision of the UC they fell in love with: to bring peace on earth through ideal families and transcending the barriers of race, nationality and creed. The obvious question to follow is "where are we now"? Uniting or divided? Is the Unification of all religions rooted in our doctrine (DP)? If so, does Islam have a presence within the Unification doctrine and practices?

In the mind of Rev. Moon is "Movement" (as in Unification Movement) synonymous with multi-religionism?

Session 3

Gender Balance and DP – Alison Wakelin, Jeanne Carroll and Kathleen Burton

Session 4

The future of UTS and the Barrytown property – Hugh Spurgin

An open discussion with questions and answers. Dr. Spurgin welcomes the opportunity to interact with alumni and friends of UTS.

Session 5

Save America- Donna Ferrantello

Saving America involves education for the next generation. What do we know about Common Core? Are our children served best as free and creative "clients" in the schools? Or-- Are our children becoming "products" to be manipulated by the state in an increasingly controlled and politically correct/corrupt environment? Come discuss what you know, and your questions. As a key issue for the 2016 Presidential elections, see a short film excerpt of one educator's well-researched analysis of agendas behind Common Core. Discuss grass-roots leadership in our communities and what we can do now. Facilitated by Dr. Donna who also went inside the schools and interviewed teachers, students, administrators and parents.

Session 6

Character Education as Leadership and Personal Development- Alan Saunders, Robin Graham

The interactive session will highlight how virtues, character education and interpersonal communication skills can be used in leadership and personal development for youth leaders aged 18 to 30 years of age. We will briefly discuss how the programs can be used by parents, teachers and coaches..

The facilitators will draw on the experience of using their models in the field.

Session 7

1. Governance- Non-profits and faith communities `

The rationale for good governance begins at the individual and organizational level, but has implications for the wider society.

One of the main issues that the Unification Movement speaks to is the global need for good governance e.g. through the Universal Peace Federation

This session will provide a positive, introductory discussion on governance at the non-profit level and the faith community level, looking at models of (good) governance which can help usher in healthier political, social and economic environments at the local level with implication for the national and international levels.

This may include such topics as: regulatory, tax and legal compliance; donor confidence and financial accountability; member confidence, morale and empowerment; preservation and protection of organizational assets; protection against abuse, fraud, waste or other misuse of funds; evaluation of effectiveness and efficiency of programs, campaigns or other efforts; organizational unity, credibility, influence and impact within the larger society; models for peaceful coexistence, harmony, justice and freedom; institutionalization of best practices, learned from the achievements of human civilization and from experience.

A long range vision could be an Institute of Governance Studies, possibly at UTS. An institute which would be able to support the work of affiliated Unificationist organizations, but also governments, corporations etc. seeking to move the world toward better governance,

2. Remembering Father; a poetic tribute – Lloyd Howell

Lloyd Howell invites you to join him in an intimate sharing of the love and life of the Founder through the vehicle of his recently published book: Remembering Father; a poetic tribute.

Sunday lunchtime

Upgrade your UTS diploma – Ute Delaney (UTS registrar)

This will be a short informational session about upgrading a diploma to an accredited Master's degree. Topics addressed: Who is eligible for upgrades? What is the process? What to expect? Bring your questions.



SEE YOU AT BARRYTOWN !