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June Authors This Week at Carter Library

Stories From the Hanoi Hilton to the Titanic

Atlanta, GA. – June promises to be a great month at the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library for those who like books and authors. Here's a quick look at the authors we have coming.

Wed.June 6th (7pm).Lee Ellis..*Leading With Honor: Leadership Lessons from the Hanoi Hilton* Mon. June 11th (7pm)...Julie Williams...*A Rare Titanic Family* Thurs. June 14th (7pm).Jen Marlowe...*The Hour of Sunlight* Thurs. June 21^{stt} (7pm)..Thom Reilly...*Rethinking Public Sector Compensation* Mon. June 25th (6:30pm)...Leonard Pitts...*Freeman*

All the programs (except Leonard Pitts on June 25th) begin at 7pm in the Carter Museum theater. The readings & book signings are free and open to the public.

We are honored to welcome Lee Ellis on June 6th. Early in his career, Ellis served as an Air Force fighter pilot flying fifty-three combat missions over North Vietnam. In 1967, he was shot down and held as a POW for more than five years in Hanoi and surrounding camps. After the war, he commanded a flying squadron and leadership development organizations before retiring as a colonel. Lee's military decorations include two Silver Stars, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star with Valor device, the Purple Heart, and the POW medal. His book, *Leading With Honor* describes the leadership lessons he learned as a POW.

The following week author Julie Williams draws on first-person accounts from her great-Uncle Albert and extensive research to tell the fascinating story of the young family who were saved from drowning on the Titanic by a combination of luck, pluck, Albert's outgoing nature, Sylvia's illness, and Alden's helplessness. Their detailed story of the short life of the Titanic and their lucky rescue aboard the ill-starred Lifeboat 13 has never been fully told in Titanic literature. Don't miss *A Rare Titanic Family*.

Amnesty International joins us to co-sponsor a talk by award-winning documentary filmmaker and author Jen Marlowe. Marlowe tells the story of the transformation of Sami al Jundi, for avowed fighter against Israeli occupation to the cofounder of the Middle East program of Seeds of Peace Center for Coexistence, which brings together Palestinian and Israeli youth. Her book is *The Hour of Sunlight*.

Next, Thom Reilly joins us for one of the most timely books on our schedule, *Rethinking Public Sector Compensation*. With some state governments and political parties battling government unions over contracts and pensions, this book tackles the issue, where dio we go from here.

We round out the month with one of the finest columnists in the country. Leonard Pitts returns to the Carter Library to read from his new novel *Freeman*. The story takes place in the first few months following the Confederate surrender and the assassination of Abraham Lincoln. It illuminates the times and places it describes from a fresh perspective, with stunning results.

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