

DEALEY PLAZA UK

The 19th Dealey Plaza UK Weekend Seminar

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The Abode Hotel, Canterbury 30th September – 1st October 2023



Presenters:

Paul Bleau Brooks LaPlante (remote)
Stuart Galloway Larry Schnapf (remote)
Bill Simpich (remote) Jim DiEugenio (remote)
Paul Abbott (remote) Scott Reid (remote)
Larry Hancock (remote) Nancy Weiford (remote)



I am delighted to welcome you all, especially those attending for the first time, to our nineteenth Dealey Plaza UK Weekend Seminar in Canterbury. It is the second seminar of the year and given the success and intimacy of the York event in June, which was hotel-based, we decided to apply the same model to Canterbury and hold the event at a hotel rather than at Christ Church University.

This year marks the 60th anniversary of the JFK assassination and unlike the York programme that was exclusively UK-based members presenting in-person, our Canterbury schedule is largely made up of overseas speakers who are presenting remotely. However, and this makes this year special, I am thrilled that DPUK friend, Paul Bleau, who has presented to us by Zoom in the past, has flown to

the UK to be here in-person and present for the first time at Canterbury. He is our keynote speaker and it's been eight years since a high-profile North American-based researcher has attended and presented in-person. We give a warm welcome to Paul and also his son who is attending and I trust that you will be able to pick Paul's brain over the course of the weekend.

Once again, we are fortunate to have a fantastic line-up of speakers, five of whom, have presented at Canterbury before; stalwart and DPUK President Stuart Galloway, Larry Schnapf, Scott Reid and long-standing regulars – Jim DiEugenio and Larry Hancock. Canterbury first-timers this year are Brooks LaPlante, Bill Simpich, Paul Abbott from Perth, Australia and our own DPUK member Nancy Weiford.

It's been a good year for DPUK and our brand. We've held multiple Zoom meetings throughout the year with some guest speakers appearing for the first time, such as Garry Fannin & Tim Brennan, Robert & Janet Groden and Brooks LaPlante, as well as holding a successful York seminar. All of our talks are uploaded to our YouTube channel if you aren't able to attend on the day and in general, we receive very good feedback from viewers throughout the world with respect to our efforts to inform and bring new content to those interested in the JFK assassination. In addition, several of our members have been guests this year on JFKA podcasts; Johnny Cairns, Bart Kamp, Jeff Meek, Scott Reid and Nancy Weiford. Some members have also had research published as articles on leading assassination websites, as chapters in other authors' books, as articles in our own publication or have even published a book themselves. We have also produced a Jumbo edition of the DPUK Echo to mark the 60th as two volumes and it should have been distributed to domestic members prior to this seminar. And finally, there is a reasonable sized contingent going to Dallas this November to fly the flag, conduct research and even present in-person. We haven't had this many members representing DPUK in Dallas since the 50^{th.} Fittingly for the 60th, there will be a tribute to the late and highly respected lan Griggs made by David Ward at the JFK Lancer conference.

I wish you all a very enjoyable weekend, both in the "class room" and in the bars & restaurants. Moreover, I hope that the event will motivate you to further develop your understanding of the JFK assassination and that you will undertake specific research and share your findings at future meetings or in print in The Echo. DPUK will benefit if more UK-based members present their research over the next year. We certainly need to start planning our two seminars for 2024 as well as content for future editions of The Echo!

Below are a few specific comments on all of our speakers and what to expect:

Paul Bleau, has a long track record of researching and writing about the JFK assassination, regularly appears on podcasts and has developed a strong working relationship with Oliver Stone and Jim DiEugenio. As keynote speaker, Paul will be focusing on the irrefutable evidence of conspiracy.

Stuart Galloway, is the President of DPUK and a committee member. He has given considerable time and effort to the society, having also held the post of secretary for circa ten years. He is most interested in JFKA characters, Jack Ruby and General Walker and will be discussing General Walker and the Far Right.

Brooks LaPante, has had a long-standing interest in the JFK assassination and regularly features as an attendee at the Project JFK/CSI Dallas Zoom meetings series, "The Journey" and has also presented at their virtual conferences. His presentation is the second part of a trilogy that explores Oswald's movements from the time of the shooting in Dealey Plaza until his arrest in the Texas Theatre.

Larry Schnapf, is an environmental attorney and also a regular contributor to Project JFK/ CSI Dallas' "The Journey" series. He will be giving us an update on the document releases, the stance that the Biden administration has taken and the status of the research community's legal proceedings.

Bill Simpich, is a civil rights lawyer, JFK assassination author and along with Larry Schnapf, has driven the suit against Biden and the National Archives. He has presented at numerous conferences and seminars over the years, including a DPUK Zoom talk and is also a regular guest on specific JFKA podcasts. He will be focusing on the persons of interest in the three murders that occurred that weekend.

Jim DiEugenio, should need no introduction as a long-standing friend of DPUK and a JFK assassination researcher who has decades under his belt as a historian and author of multiple articles and books. He will be giving us the inside track on 2021's documentary JFK: Destined Betrayed in which he wrote the screenplay as well as the book of the film.

Paul Abbott, has been hooked on the JFK assassination since aged eleven and in the last couple of years, has painstakingly focused his energy on indexing the Garrison files made available by Len Osanic. His presentation will demonstrate how to use his spreadsheet to search these enormous files for JFKA persons of interest and specific areas of interest.

Scott Reid, is one of our members who has dug deep into peripheral aspects of the JFKA and contributed to the DPUK Echo, research websites and other authors' books. He has visited Dallas & the surrounding areas on multiple occasions. He is a regular DPUK speaker and he will be focusing on the grey issues around the General Walker shooting, some of which may not be widely known

Larry Hancock, is another DPUK friend who should need no introduction and also has decades of research behind him and is an author of multiple articles and books. Yet again, he is presenting to us and he will be focusing on some controversial areas around the observations of Oswald.

Nancy Weiford, is a California-based DPUK member and researcher who also has committed decades to analysing the assassination and interviewing primary sources. She is considered an expert on George de Mohrenschildt, has more recently heavily researched Buell Wesley Frazier and today will be discussing Michael Paine.

My special thanks to Mike Dworetsky for organising our auction on Sunday and to Tony Power for assisting in the production of this programme and the testing of the facilities at the hotel on Friday. And finally, to the events staff at The Abode for their work in helping us put this event together.

Neale Safaty - DPUK Secretary

CONTRIBUTOR PROFILES

Scott Reid



Scott Reid is a lifelong resident of Glasgow, Scotland and has had a keen interest in the JFK assassination since the mid 1980s. He made his first trip to Dealey Plaza in 1996 and returned in 2013 for the 50th anniversary of the assassination. Scott returned to Dallas every year since then until Covid interrupted all our lives. In recent years, he began developing his own research and presented at the JFK Lancer Virtual Conference in 2020 and 2021. Scott has also contributed articles for the Kennedys and King website, Garrison magazine and our own DPUK journal. He continues to read and research the JFK assassination when not at the day job in Glasgow, and also has an interest in the other high profile political assassinations of the 1960s, including MLK Jr and RFK.

Larry Hancock



Larry is a graduate of the University of New Mexico with a BA in Education and majors in Anthropology, Sociology and Education. Following service in the United States Air Force, he worked in the telecommunications and computer communications fields for some 35 years.

He became involved with Kennedy assassination research in the early 1990's, and has focused on intelligence and national security aspects of the conspiracy. He has published a variety of document collections and analysis on CD with JFK Lancer, contributed articles and essays to Lancer, DPUK, and the Mary Ferrell Foundation. His first book, with Connie Kritzberg (former Dallas reporter) was "November Patriots", a "docufiction" piece on the Kennedy Assassination. His second book, "Someone Would Have Talked", a factual study of the Kennedy conspiracy and cover-up is now in its third (2010) edition. Larry was also one of the authors who

contributed to the DPUK book published in 2013, "JFK: Echoes from Elm Street". In 2016 he published a book entitled "Surprise Attack: From Pearl Harbour to 9/11" — covering 60 years of terrorist threats against the USA. In recent years, Larry has authored "In Denial: Secret Wars with Air Strikes and Tanks?" (2020) and "Tipping Point" (2021). He has co-led multiple conferences in Dallas.

Paul Bleau



Paul holds an MBA from McGill University, Montreal, Canada. With over 25 years experience as a strategic planner on national accounts, Paul eventually took ownership of, and presided Bleau Marketing Communications. He cofounded Harmonia in 2006 which has grown to become a leading commemorative services provider in the Quebec Market. Paul has also sat on many boards. He now is in his eighteenth year as a teacher in the P. W. Sims Business Program at Champlain St., Lawrence College. Presently a CAPA member, he has a long track record of research and writing about the JFK assassination which includes the following:

- Has written numerous articles for KennedysandKing
- A regular guest on BlackOp Radio and other podcasts
- Appeared in the documentary JFK Revisited: Through the Looking Glass, Oliver Stone
- Organized the Oliver Stone comes to Quebec City event in 2022
- CAPA Conference 2022 presenter Dallas, Texas

Stuart Galloway



Stuart grew up in a suburb of North London and worked as an Electronics Engineering Manager in both the semiconductor and missile industries in London, Chippenham, and Stevenage. This work required him to travel extensively in Europe, Canada, and SE Asia. His interest in the Assassination began in the 60's although it was not until the late 90's that he started to read extensively on the subject. He met his wife in the West Country and they have lived in Sandy, Bedfordshire since 1974. He is a Life Member of Biggleswade Athletic Club and became a member of DPUK in 2004 becoming Secretary to the Group in 2007, retiring in 2019. As Treasurer to his local Twinning Association he has close contact with friends in Germany, one of whom, as a young girl, was proud to be presented, as the local Mayor's daughter, to President Kennedy when he visited Hanau and Frankfurt am Main in

June 1963. He is also a member of the Whitechapel Society, the Campaign for Real Ale, and runs an Investment Club (meeting in a pub, of course!) Stuart's principle interest in the case relates to the history and development of the CIA, the Planning and build-up to the Assassination, and the Tippit murder.

Bill Simpich



Bill Simpich is a civil rights attorney in the San Francisco Bay Area who appreciates the challenge posed by suits against large government entities. He was with the legal team chosen by Public Justice as Trial Attorneys of the Year in 2003, for winning a verdict of 4.4 million dollars for environmental activists Judi Bari and Darryl Cherney against FBI agents and Oakland police officers for framing them as suspects in the bombing of their car while on an Earth First! organizing tour. Most of the dollars were awarded for violating their First Amendment rights as political organizers. Other prominent cases include suits against corporations for toxic exposures to communities and acquittals in criminal cases for urban outreach workers using needle exchange to stop the spread of AIDS by using the defence

of necessity. Bill and Larry Schnapf are currently involved in a federal suit against the President and the National Archives to release the last of the JFK documents in the possession of the National Archives, and to order the National Archives to stop the stonewalling and acquire additional assassination records from the agencies.

Paul Abbott



Paul Abbott has been fascinated with the assassination of President John F. Kennedy since he watched the boxset of Nigel Turner's 'The Men Who Killed Kennedy' as an 11 year old. Having been born and raised in Perth, Western Australia – he would read any book, watch every movie and documentary on the topic that he could get his hands on as it was never a subject that featured in the mainstream Australian experience. Over the years, he's continued to research the subject but also wrote, produced and directed a stage play depicting Oswald's time in Dallas Police custody that weekend.

All the while, Paul has benefited a great deal from the research and work from others on the JFK assassination so it was when he gained access to the Garrison folders from Len Osanic, he had the idea to index the entire catalogue of documents, files and folders. The intent was to create an easy to use spreadsheet that anyone – novice through to expert - could use to easily access a particular document within the folders by name or date or context. Paul hopes that this index will not only aid ongoing research and developments into the case but also inspire others to act in the name of truth and fact finding plus shed a light on how extensive and relentless Jim Garrison's work with pursuing the truth behind the JFK assassination was during the 60's and beyond.

R. Brooks LaPlante



Brooks is a former state legislator from Indiana who has researched the JFK assassination for several decades. He has always doubted that Oswald acted alone, but was really drawn into the case when he bought David Lifton's Best Evidence some 40 years ago. He credits his interest in the JFK case primarily to his mother who was born on November 22—coincidentally in the same hospital as Jacqueline Bouvier, but a few years later.

Brooks spent most of his career as a manufacturing entrepreneur in the aluminium industry. From 2005-2009 he served on the Indiana State University Board of Trustees, and in October 2007 he had the opportunity to engage with Vincent Bugliosi while the author was on the ISU

campus to present his book Reclaiming History.

Brooks has focused his research on the JFK medical evidence including what happened at Parkland and Bethesda, and to the Harvey & Lee duality as put forth by John Armstrong.

Larry Schnapf



Larry is an environmental attorney and regular contributor to Project JFK/ CSI Dallas' "The Journey" series. He has filed a lawsuit against President Joe Biden and the National Archives calling for the release of all classified information, some 16,000 documents.

Jim DiEugenio



James DiEugenio has an MA in history from California State University Northridge. He is a retired teacher who has written or co-edited four books on the assassinations of the sixties: Destiny Betrayed, The Assassinations, The JFK Assassination: The Evidence Today and JFK Revisited. The last volume is the companion piece to Oliver Stone's two recent documentaries on the Kennedy assassination, JFK Revisited: Through the Looking Glass, and JFK: Destiny Betrayed. \Jim wrote the screenplays for both of those films. He has lectured widely and made many appearances on many broadcast programs about the subject. He is the editor and publisher of the online journal KennedysandKing.com

which features articles, news stories and critiques of works about the four major assassinations of the sixties: JFK, Malcolm X, MLK and RFK.

Nancy Weiford



Nancy was raised in Southern California. She began writing short stores at the age of ten and completed her first full length novel in high school. An avid historian, she studied the political violence of the 1960's. Conducting interviews with a wide variety of witnesses and people whose lives touched history, she concentrated on the assassinations of John F. Kennedy, Martin Luther King and Robert F. Kennedy. She assisted many authors by sharing research for their best selling books. Her driving interest is accuracy in the historical record. She has published numerous articles in journals, served as Editor of the Master Researchers' Directory, and

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Saturday 30th September

- 09:30 09:40 Neale Safaty Opening Remarks
 09:40 10:25 Paul Bleau (in-person) "The Chokeholds Part I"
 10:25 10:30 Comfort Break
 10:30 11:15 Paul Bleau (in-person) "The Chokeholds Part II"
 11:15-11:30 Tea/Coffee Break
 11:30 12:30 Stuart Galloway (in-person) "General Walker and The Far Right"
 12:30 13:50 Lunch at the hotel
 13:50 15:05 Brooks LaPlante (remote) "The Taxi Ride"
 15:10 16:00 Larry Schnapf (remote) "Litigation and Release Update"
 16:00-16:10 Tea/Coffee Break
 16:15- 17:25 Bill Simpich (remote) "Persons of Interest in the Three Murders"
 17:30 -18:30 Jim DiEugenio (remote) "JFK Destiny Betrayed: The Film & The Book of the Film"
 Sunday 1st October
- 09:45- 10:15 Mike Dworetsky Auction of Coins & Selected JFKA Books
- 10:15 11:15 Paul Abbott (remote) "Searching The Garrison Files"
- 11:15 11:25 Tea/Coffee Break
- 11:30 12:30 Scott Reid (remote) "The General Walker Shooting Reasons to Doubt Lee Harvey

Oswald's Involvement."

- 12:30 13:55 Lunch at the hotel
- 14:00 15:00 Larry Hancock (remote) "Oswald Observations"
- 15:00 15:10 Tea/Coffee Break
- 15:15 16:15 Nancy Weiford (remote) " Michael Paine"
- 16:15-16:20 Neale Safaty Closing Remarks

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