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P.J. O'Rourke Speaks at Hampden-Sydney College

Leading political satirist and best-selling author

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Calendar Announcement

Date: Monday, November 1

Time: 7:30 PM

Place: Johns Auditorium, Hampden-Sydney College (free and open to the public)

Topic: *Don't Vote: It Just Encourages the Bastards*

O'Rourke is America's leading political satirist and the best-selling author of twelve books. After graduating from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, and attending the graduate program at Johns Hopkins, O'Rourke began his career of skewering both the left and the right on the ends of his razor-sharp one-liners. Among the many publications for which O'Rourke has written are *The National Lampoon* (which he first joined in 1973, becoming editor-in-chief in 1978), *Automobile*, *American Spectator*, *Playboy*, *Esquire*, *Vanity Fair*, and *Harper's*. He was also the Foreign Affairs Desk Chief for *Rolling Stone*, a position which allowed him to expose the hypocrisies of world politics from the Persian Gulf to the Philippines. Currently he is the H. L. Mencken Research Fellow of the Cato Institute and a regular correspondent for *The Atlantic Monthly*.

O'Rourke's books have been translated into a dozen languages and have been best sellers worldwide. Three have been *New York Times* bestsellers: *Parliament of Whores* and *Give War a Chance*, both of which went to #1, and *All the Trouble in the World*. O'Rourke divides his time between New Hampshire and Washington, DC.

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