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**SPECIAL SEMINAR**

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**WHO WAS HOMER WHEELON?**

DATE: February 23, 2006  
TIME: 4:00 p.m.  
Refreshments: 3:45 p.m.  
PLACE: **Traylor 709**  
HOST: Dr. Murray B. Sachs

Autonomic neuroscientist, gastrointestinal physiologist, endocrinologist, internist, artist, and poet, Homer Wheelon is known today only for his art, which embellishes both the printed and electronic editions of the American Journal of Physiology and the Journal of Applied Physiology. Wheelon overcame an impoverished and troubled youth to make important contributions to physiology in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century and become a highly respected Seattle physician. This presentation will trace Wheelon's life through a critical examination of his scientific contributions, art, poetry, and personal life.

Lawrence Schramm received the American Physiological Society's Orr E. Reynolds Award for contributions to the History of Physiology for his research on Homer Wheelon.

Portions of this research have been published recently as:

Schramm, LP, Schramm, DC, Jackson FW 3<sup>rd</sup>. Homer Wheelon, M.D., physiologist, artist, and poet: origins of the tailpieces in journals of the American Physiological Society. Am. J. Regul. Integr. Comp. Physiol. R1567-1578, 2006.

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