

THE WAH-ZHA-ZHI CULTURAL CENTER PROUDLY PRESENTS:

A Morning Discussion with Dr. Garrick Bailey!

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At the beginning of the twentieth century, Francis La Flesche, an Omaha, recorded and translated many of the teachings of the ancient Osage Wa-kon-da-ge, or men of mystery. With the adoption of the peyote religion the actual We-gi-e and Wa-thon of the ancient men were abandoned.

However, as I will argue, the basic ideas incorporated in these teaching were not forgotten. Only by understanding these basic ideas, can one understand how the Osage culture adapted and why the Osage have survived as a people until the present day.

Garrick Bailey is a professor of Anthropology at the University of Tulsa. A native Oklahoman, he has been a Weatherhead Scholar at the School for Advanced Research in Santa Fe, a NEH fellow, and a Senior Fellow in Anthropology at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington D.C. He has served on both the Indian Health Advisory Committee, Indian Health Service and the Review Committee of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), Department of the Interior.

Although his main interest has been in Osage cultural adaption he has also been involved in research in Western Samoa, Guatemala and the Navajo. His publications on the Osage include, *The Osage and the Invisible World*, *Traditions of the Osage*, and *Art of the Osage* with Dan Swan, John Nunley, and Sean Standingbear. In addition his textbook with James Peoples, *Humanity; An Introduction to Cultural Anthropology* is now in its 10th edition. And is the 5th bestselling introductory text.