The Year of Twain

Mark Twain said “mere killing would be too light” for the person who invented anniversaries. But that won’t stop St. Mary’s College from celebrating three important dates (the 175th of his birthday, the 125th of Huck Finn’s publication, and the 100th of his death) with public lectures, a silent film showing, and a month-long gallery show.

The Twain Lecture Series on American Humor and Culture presents:

“I reckon you ain’t used to lying...what you want is practice,’
or what *Huckleberry Finn* teaches about Education’

Gregg Camfield discusses Twain’s novel
in Auerbach Auditorium of St. Mary’s Hall
Thursday, November 4 at 8:15 pm

Gregg Camfield is the author of three books: *Sentimental Twain: Mark Twain in the Maze of Moral Philosophy* (University of Pennsylvania Press, 1994); *Necessary Madness: The Humor of Domesticity in Nineteenth-Century American Literature* (Oxford University Press, 1997); and *The Oxford Companion to Mark Twain* (Oxford University Press, 2003). In addition, he wrote the introduction and annotations for the Bedford Edition of *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* and has written several scholarly articles and literary reviews. Camfield is currently a professor of Literature and Culture at the University of California, Merced where he is the Hillyer Chair.