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**Event:** Illinois Wesleyan University Humanities Lecture Series

**Speaker:** Jonathan Shay, M.D., Ph.D.

**Program:** Achilles, Odysseus, Agamemnon: Homer on Military Leadership

**Synopsis:** Shay makes remarkable and significant connections between his patients' own traumatic war experiences and those of the characters in Homer's poem, with a view to educating the public on issues concerning military leadership, trauma, treatment, and, most importantly, prevention of psychological injury in war.

**Background:** Jonathan Shay is a psychiatrist for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs in Boston. He also is a member of the Department of Psychiatry at the Tufts Medical School.

He works exclusively with patients who are combat veterans with severe psychological injuries.

Shay is the author of *Achilles in Vietnam: Combat Trauma and the Undoing of Character*. For several years, this book has been part of the U.S. Marine Corps professional reading program for "all hands."

Shay frequently speaks and writes for active-duty military audiences on the prevention of psychological and moral injury in the military service.

He is the author of the forthcoming *Odysseus in American* (2002, Scribner).

**Date:** Feb. 14 (Wednesday)

**Time:** 7:30 p.m.

**Location:** Evelyn Chapel, 1301 N. Park St., Bloomington

**Admission:** Open to the public, free-of-charge

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**Event:** Seminar

**Program:** Aristotle's Rhetoric: On Leadership for Health Professionals

**Speaker:** Jonathan Shay, M.D., Ph.D.

**Date:** Feb. 14 (Wednesday)

**Time:** 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

**Location:** 300 Center for Liberal Arts, 301 E. Beecher, Bloomington

**Admission:** This event is not open to the public. However, it is open for news-media coverage

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