

Common Reading Experience

Educator Workshop Opportunity for

The Things They Carried by Tim O'Brien

Dr. Brett Holden, workshop facilitator, has taught a literature of war course at BGSU for several years, is an instructor in the Chapman Learning Community and in English, and has done extensive research on the topic of war. His particular area of interest is in the mental and physical effects of combat upon veterans of the twentieth century and the role that writing plays in their trauma-recovery process.

Workshop participants can expect to:

- Learn more about Tim O'Brien and his unique approach to writing;
- Uncover some of the main themes in the text, with a particular focus on two works in the collection ("The Things They Carried" and "How to Tell a True War Story"); and
- Make deeper connections between the text and the current situation in Iraq.

This workshop will be held in the Pallister Conference Room of Jerome Library and offered during the following times:

Wednesday, August 4 from 1:00-2:30

Monday, August 9 from 11:00-12:30

Tuesday, August 24 from 9:00-10:30

RSVP to Colleen Boff by phone at 372-7901 or by email at cboff@bgnet.bgsu.edu.