**OLLI-on-Campus SPEAKER SERIES**

**“Tuesday Mornings on Campus”**

**Room 202 Ruffatto Hall** Tuesday Mornings, 9:30-11:30 am
Katherine A. Ruffatto Hall, Room 202
Coffee & baked goods provided

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<td>Tu 9/17</td>
<td><strong>Discussion: Why Geography Matters in the 21st Century</strong>&lt;br&gt;Join <strong>Dr. Joseph Kerski</strong>, lifelong geographer, NOAA, USGS, Census Bureau on a journey into why geography and Geotechnologies affect our everyday lives and what you can do to ensure that it is taught and used in schools and society today. From using maps on your smartphone for day to day navigation, to how your breakfast food was delivered to your grocery store, how your bus was routed, to how your city is planned for a sustainable future and beyond, geography is more relevant than ever before.</td>
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<td>Tu 9/24</td>
<td><strong>Book Talk/Discussion: The Fundamental Roots of Suffering in the Context of the Tragedy of Israel-Palestine</strong>&lt;br&gt;For his entire life, <strong>Richard Forer</strong> supported the policies of the state of Israel in its relations with the Palestinian people. He believed that Israel was always ready to make peace with the Palestinians but the Palestinians were never ready to make peace with Israel. In 2006, he underwent a profound spiritual awakening that led him to write his book, <strong>Breakthrough: Transforming Fear into Compassion – A New Perspective on the Israel-Palestine Conflict</strong>. A former member of AIPAC (American Israel Public Affairs Committee) with orthodox relatives living in settlements in the West Bank, Richard has been to the West Bank a few times as well as to the Gaza Strip in November 2012.&lt;br&gt;(Books will be available for purchase from the author)</td>
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<td>Tu 10/1</td>
<td><strong>Discussion: Celebrating Oktoberfest: Beer, Brats and Bavaria</strong>&lt;br&gt;Come on this journey as our own OLLI-on-Campus Co-site Manager, <strong>Jacqueline Wyant</strong>, takes us on a virtual field trip through the Bavarian region of Germany; “sampling” beer and food as we go. Through pictures and videos, we will find out how food and beer has defined this region throughout the centuries. We will explore the biergartens in Munich, from large to small, and see how they have become the center of family life and we will discover the origin of the Oktoberfest and the six breweries allowed to serve beer at this world-famous festival.</td>
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<td>Tu 10/8</td>
<td><strong>Discussion: China’s Dynamic Economy</strong>&lt;br&gt;<strong>Dr. Douglas Allen</strong> is an associate professor of management at the University of Denver. During his tenure at DU he has taken many trips to China with his students, to watch the ever-changing landscape of the China economy, the political environment, and the expansion of China and its political influence. Dr. Allen was a visiting professor at the Renmin University in China and has a long-held interest in China and its growing importance in Asia and the world as a whole. Dr. Allen will talk about the current economy in China and how it is changing to meet the challenges of the 21st century.</td>
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| Tu 10/15   | **Book Talk/Discussion: Out of Way Places in CO**  
Bruce Caughey, author of “The Colorado Guide,” a 700-page bestseller with over 250,000 copies in print, will entertain us with a journey through the “hidden places in Colorado” – from where to take the grandkids for fun, to spending a day with ranchers at a cattle auction, to enjoying an evening with friends at a speakeasy! Bruce has written dozens of articles for magazines and newspapers, including Frontier Airlines Inflight; AAA Encompass; and National Geographic Traveler. A retired school administrator and Communications Director, Bruce continues to consult, most recently with PEBC. (Books will be available for purchase from the author). |
| Tu 10/22   | **Increasing Success for Women-led Startups**  
Barbara Bauer is Executive Director, Rockies Venture Institute (RVI), and Director, Women’s Investor Network (WIN), for the Rockies Venture Club, Denver, CO. RVI delivers entrepreneur and investor workshops globally, and WIN recruits and supports women interested in early stage investments to prepare them to become active and engaged angel investors. Barbara was the Executive Director, Myanmar, for Partnership for Change (PfC), a Norwegian social enterprise impact investment and international development organization. Barbara worked closely with community, state and national Myanmar leaders to design and implement programs and development models to encourage entrepreneurs, especially women. Barbara founded the Myanmar Women’s Entrepreneurship Conference in 2014 and continued to host it for three years. During this talk, Barbara will describe her experience working with female founders from concept to “pitching” to successful investment. |
| Tu 10/29   | **Discussion: Immigration Issues in the Time of Trump: An in-depth discussion about what this all means for immigrants, their families, and the country.**  
Join us for an informative session with Hans Meyer, Founder of the Meyer Law Office, P.C. and former Director of Public Policy for the Colorado Immigrant Rights Coalition where he focused on local, state, and national immigration policy. Most recently, Atty. Meyer was honored by the Anti-Defamation League. His practice specializes in immigration law and removal defense, criminal defense and postconviction relief, the immigration consequences of crimes, and the civil rights of immigrants. Atty. Meyer advocates for the statutory and constitutional rights of immigrants before various immigration agencies and state and federal courts, often against governmental and institutional abuses of power. He is a former trial attorney with the Colorado State Public Defender, where he became an expert in the field of Immigration Law and developed a statewide immigration advisement system for indigent noncitizen defendants. |
| Tu 11/5    | **Discussion: “Are you feeling taxed? Maximizing your assets and minimizing your taxes.”**  
Are you tired of watching your retirement dollars dwindle? Do you wish you had more philanthropic funds available to support your favorite causes? Join Jon Kraus, Executive Director for Gift Planning at DU and DU alums with expertise in financial and gift planning for an interactive learning seminar that will cover topics such as:  
a. “Gifts that keep on giving” – life income gifts, trusts, donor advised funds, and family foundations;  
b. “Tax Takedown” – IRA required minimum distributions, appreciated assets, and other unique ways of making a gift;  
c. “Hack the Hacker” – preparing your digital estate plans; and  
d. “Crunch the Numbers” – worksheets and online tools for folks to assess what’s best for them  
Jon Kraus, Executive Director, DU Development & Planning and Karen Shaw, Director of Development Gift Planning, DU Advancement, will coordinate this informative discussion. |

Registration for one or both 4-weeks sessions begins on AUGUST 5, 2019. Limited to first 40 registrants so sign up early.  
Two ways to attend:  
1) Sign up for a 4-week session during OLLI-on-Campus registration and receive a free parking access card for a DU garage  
2) Email Jackie or Joanne to find out if there is space available for a session and pay $10 at the door. Also, OLLI members who bring a friend ($20 fee per guest; space available) will receive a gift card as a thank you.  
Please contact Joanne (joanne.ihrig@du.edu) or Jackie (Jacqueline.wyant@du.edu) for questions or availability.