### **IMPORTANT:**

-RSVP'S are due ASAP.

-Please help us plan by letting us know if you plan to attend so we can determine space availability for guests.

# **UPCOMING DATES:**

Blue: Morning Red: Evening

#### JANUARY 2023

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WINTER/SPRING SEASON

JANUARY - MAY 2023

Dear Friends.

We truly appreciate everyone's patience. I realize this schedule is very late getting out. We have extended the season into May 2023 of this year. We plan to meet inperson and will continue to offer ZOOM for every regular morning presentation. We encourage you to be updated about our programs and other opportunities via our website and we will mainly communicate through email, so please keep an eye out for our weekly reminders and updates. I want to thank you for your enthusiastic response to our presentations in our first half. Eclectics became, not only a "learning group" but also a community action group. We continue to encourage you to bring new members and quests and also to stay for lunch to enjoy conversation with old and new friends. We may continue to offer some extra "surprise" events and the best way for you to stay informed is by reading our weekly email updates. I encourage everyone to open our emails. If you are not receiving our information, please contact the office. When you look at our Winter/Spring Agenda from January - May 2023, I think you will be delighted at all the exciting opportunities. Thank you for your positive responses, patience and encouragement through this season. We hear you and we appreciate you, your respectful listening, your reaching out to new attendees and your thoughtful questions to our presenters. Because of your involvement, Denver Eclectics is known as a unique learning and friendship group throughout Denver and we wouldn't be here without you!

With thanks, Lee Everding & Jessica Jones



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### DENVER ECLECTICS AGENDA 2022 FALL/WINTER SEASON

### **REGULAR DAYTIME PROGRAMS:**

Coffee, Tea, Water: 9:30 am
Program: 10:00 am (promptly) to 11:30 am
Optional Lunch: 11:30 am to 12:30 pm
COST FOR LUNCH \$25

### **REGULAR EVENING PROGRAMS:**

Optional Dinner, with wine included:
6:00 pm to 7:30 pm
Program: 7:30 pm (promptly) to 9:00 pm
COST FOR DINNER \$60

### **GUEST FEES:**

\$25 for Morning Program Only | \$50 Program & Lunch \$25 for Evening Program Only | \$60 for Program & Dinner

If you have questions regarding the guest fees please call the office at 303.865.8974.

DENVER ECLECTIC PROGRAMS TAKE PLACE AT THE DENVER COUNTRY CLUB LOCATED AT: 1700 E. 1<sup>ST</sup> AVE., DENVER, CO 80218, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.



Friday, January 20, 2023 | Morning Program
Denver Country Club
Coffee 9:30 am - 10:00 am | Program 10:00 am - 11:30 am
NO LUNCH FOR THIS PROGRAM

OVER, UNDER, AROUND AND THROUGH: HOW HALL OF FAMERS SURMOUNT OBSTACLES: PRESENTED BY, JILL TIETJEN.

Over, Under, Around and Through: How Hall of Famers Surmount Obstacles provides the secrets of how Hall of Famers overcame the obstacles in their lives to become stronger, smarter and more resilient. Everyone faces obstacles in their lives. Absolutely everyone. The stories in the book show how the fifty successful women, inductees into Halls of Fame in the U.S. and around the world, used ten key characteristics either singly or in combination to sur-

mount the many obstacles that they faced in their lives: mental intelligence, emotional intelligence, social support, moral compass – spirituality, determination – perseverance – persistence, optimism, creativity, resilience, action-orientation, and passion. Author Jill Tietjen will present stories from the book, lessons learned, and how anyone can apply the strategies shown in the book to overcome the obstacles in their lives. Published in 2022, the book has already been selected as a finalist for the 2022 International Book Awards, Biography category and won in the category of Women's Literature – Non-Fiction, 2022 Next Generation Indie Book Awards.

JILL'S BOOK WIL BE AVAILABLE AT THE PROGRAM



Friday, January 27, 2023 | Morning Program
Denver Country Club
Coffee 9:30 am - 10:00 am | Program 10:00 am - 11:30 am
Optional Lunch 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

LINDA SPEAKS: PRESENTED BY, LINDA KELLER.

DeAndrea's life-sized, super-realistic sculpture, "Linda" is a favorite of visitors to the Denver Art Museum. The real-life Linda was his model from 1977-1985 during which time he completed 8 sculptures of her.

She will share stories and photos from their work together. Several of the sculptures she posed for are in museums throughout the world, including the Heissisches Landesmuseum in Darmstadt, Germany and the Speed Museum in Louisville, Kentucky. Other sculptures of her have been exhibited in the Centre Pompidou in Paris, the KunstHausWien in Vienna and the Aspen Art Museum. Linda appeared on the Good Afternoon, Colorado show and was interviewed on Colorado Matters in addition to many news programs. Aside from her work with DeAndrea, Linda is the author of 7 books of poetry and has had an active career as an educator. A sampling of her work is available on ColoradoPoetsCenter.org She and her husband are avid hikers, and have already surpassed their goal of going on 1,000 hikes together. Much of the imagery in her poetry reflects her love of nature. Linda will touch on the subject of acceptance and aging. Visit her website at www.ljkeller.com



Friday, February 3, 2023 | Morning Program
Denver Country Club
Coffee 9:30 am - 10:00 am | Program 10:00 am - 11:30 am
Optional Lunch 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

# <u>UNIVERSITY FUTURES</u>: PRESENTED BY, PROFESSOR ERIC GOULD.

There is general agreement in the media and on campuses that universities are in a watershed moment. They face an extraordinary range of chal-

lenges from changing demographics and declining enrolments, to fast developments in technologies and AI, rising costs and huge student debt (some 44 million Americans owe more than \$1.7 trillion in student loans). Colleges and universities, furthermore, are now no longer the only powerful players in the global knowledge economy where there are growing numbers of alternative paths to knowledge credentials. Some 70 colleges have closed or merged in the past six years, and threats to tenure and faculty freedoms, a declining faith in globalization and democratic education, and

the politicization of the curriculum are all ongoing, even in our best institutions. Professor Gould has studied, taught and researched in universities for several decades and in several countries. He has published eight books, including one entitled The University in a Corporate Culture (Yale UP; winner of the Frandson Award for Literature from the University Continuing Education Association), and is finishing off a second book on the university that focuses on the effects of globalization, nationalism, and internationalism. After a brief review of the main challenges to academe, Prof. Gould's talk takes an upbeat and innovative approach to the importance organizing the of pursuit knowledge more effectively in academe, internationalizing both curriculum and campus, and bringing universities closer to the pressing ethical and intellectual needs of civil society.

Friday, February 17, 2023 | Morning Program **Denver Country Club** Coffee 9:30 am - 10:00 am

Program 10:00 am - 11:30 am | Lunch 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

### **OUR CURRENT STATE OF AFFAIRS: PRESENTED BY,** DISTRICT ATTORNEY BETH MCCANN.

Beth McCann was elected District Attorney of cluding child abuse Denver in November 2016 and was sworn into office on January 10, 2017. She is the first female District Attorney in Denver's history. Immediately prior to becoming District Attorney, Beth was the elected four-term state representative in the Colorado Leaislature for House District 8 in central and northeast Denver. McCann was a leader in criminal justice matters and health care reform throughout her legislative career. She was the prime sponsor of bills to provide due process to juveniles facing charges as adults, to increase gun safety, to strengthen human trafficking laws, to provide equal health insurance for women, and to provide support for women going through divorce, among many others. Beth McCann began her legal career as a law clerk for Colorado's U.S. District Court Judge Sherman G. Finesilver. She then served almost eight years as a deputy and Chief Deputy District Attorney in Denver, prosecuting hundreds of cases, in-

and murders. She passed **legislation** to require universal background checks for gun purchases and to keep guns away from convicted domestic



violence abusers and other dangerous individuals and a law to strictly limit the use of isolation cells for juveniles in jails or prisons. McCann was Denver's first female Manager of Safety in the early 1990s under Mayor Wellington Webb. In that position she was the civilian head of the Police, Fire, and Sheriff's **Departments** with a budget of \$180,000,000. She was the first director of Denver's Safe City program to help kids stay out of gangs, drugs and violence. Juvenile crime decreased by over 20% following the establishment of this program.



Friday, February 24, 2023 | Morning Program **Denver Country Club** Coffee 9:30 am - 10:00 am Program 10:00 am - 11:30 am | Optional Lunch 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

NUCLEAR WEAPONS: PRESENTED BY, JOHN HENDERSON OF ACTIVE MINDS.

Join us with Denver Eclectic favorite, John Henderson of Active Minds, as he teaches us about the history and current state of nuclear weapons in the world.

Vladimir Putin has raised the possibility of using nuclear weapons in his war against Ukraine. Join Active Minds as we review the history and role of nuclear weapons in the world. We will discuss both the deterrent effects that have led to over 75 years without a nuclear weapon being used as well as how the advent of "tactical nukes" potentially changes the decision process. We will explore what Putin is potentially considering as well as how the rest of the world might respond.



**GUESTS ENCOURAGED FOR THIS PROGRAM** 



Friday, March 3, 2023 | Morning Program **Denver Country Club** Coffee 9:30 am - 10:00 am Program 10:00 am - 11:30 am Optional Lunch 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

THE JAMES WEBB SPACE TELESCOPE (JWST): A NEW VIEW OF THE UNIVERSE: PRESENTED BY, JAMES H. ERAKER PH.D.

Since the beginning of human life we have observed and been intrigued by the night sky. With the invention of the

telescope, the even richer beauties of the sky became apparent. The possibility of placing telescopes above the Earth's atmosphere, with the advent of rockets; allow observations no longer limited by the obscuration of the atmosphere. JWST is a 6.6 meter aperture astronomical telescope that is comparable to the large ground based telescopes, but passively cooled to cryogenic temperatures in space to achieve performance in the infrared, not possible from the ground. JWST has been dubbed the "First Light Machine" with one of its prime



science missions being to discover the first stars of the early universe after the "Big Bang". The motivating science and rationale for doing astronomy with JWST and the exciting engineering challenges in building the observatory are woven together with the initial observations.



Friday, March 10, 2023 | Morning Program **Denver Country Club** Coffee 9:30 am - 10:00 am | Program 10:00 am - 11:30 am Optional Lunch 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

STRONG WOMEN OF COLORADO HISTORY: PRESENTED BY. PATTY MAHER.

do history were not only strong, they accomplished amazing things. Join us as we discuss some of these fascinating women like Emily

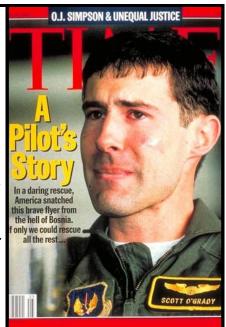
Griffith, who opened an opportunity school in Denver for anyone wanting learn. Even the poor, and immigrants who learned English, or a trade and they were nourished with a hot bowl of soup. Hear about Clara Brown, a freed slave who set up a laundry in Central City during the Colorado gold rush in order to save enough money to search for family members, separated from her, when they were sold as slaves. Or Helen Hunt Jackson, who

The women of Colora- brought attention to the unjust treatment of the American Indian through her novel Ramona. Many claimed it brought as much awareness as Uncle Tom's Cabin did for people of color. And Doc Suzy, a woman doctor, who lived and practiced in Fraser at a time when women were only to be wives and daughters. Doc Suzy was the inspiration for the television show Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman. Or Agnes Vaille, Secretary of the Denver Chamber of Commerce and one of the first women members of the Colorado Mountain Club. Her dream was to be the first woman to climb Longs Peak from the east face ... in winter. But there are more women to hear about who helped shape this great state of Colorado, and you will.

Friday, March 17, 2023 | Morning Program
Denver Country Club
Coffee 9:30 am - 10:00 am
Program 10:00 am - 11:30 am | Lunch 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

# RETURN WITH HONOR: PRESENTED BY, CAPTAIN SCOTT O'GRADY.

Scott O'Grady is a former United States Air Force fighter pilot. He attended the Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training Program at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, from November 1989 to December 1990. He was then assigned to F-16 pilot training at Luke Air Force Base until December 1991 when he began his first operational assignment flying the F-16 at the 80th Fighter Squadron, Kunsan Air Base, Korea. On June 2, 1995, his F-16 Fighter Jet was shot down over Bosnia and he was forced to eject from his F-16C into hostile territory. US Marines from heavy-helicopter squadron and the 24 MEU(SOC) eventually rescued Captain O'Grady after nearly a week of his evading the Bosnian Serbs. The 2001 film Behind Ene-



my Lines is loosely based upon his experiences. Captain O'Grady was helping enforce the NATO no-fly zone policy in the skies over Bosnia when a Soviet-made anti aircraft missile slammed into his F-16. Captain O'Grady tells his incredible story of how he survived in hostile territory for six days before being rescued by the US Marines in his book, <u>Return With Honor</u>. He has also published Basher Five-Two, a children's edition of his original story. His courageous story has also been documented on the Discovery Channel presentation, Behind Enemy Lines. In addition, Scott O'Grady has been featured on CNN's Voices of the Millennium, and Then and Now, series that focus on the most influential personalities of the past 25 years.



Friday, March 24, 2023 | Morning Program | Denver Country Club Coffee 9:30 am - 10:00 am

Program 10:00 am - 11:30 am | Optional Lunch 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

# WHAT IS BITCOIN? PRESENTED BY, BRYAN COURCHESNE.

Bryan will be educating us on what cryptocurrencies and Bitcoin are. He will explain Bitcoin in a way that is simple and easy to understand. You will leave understanding what Bitcoin is and be

able to talk to anyone about the topic! Bitcoin is a new investment asset that has become an important part in people's net worth. Following the presentation there will be an open Q&A. Impacted by the housing meltdown during the Great Reces-

sion, Bryan, a Florida entrepreneur relocated to New York City to trade options in the pit of the exchange. Within a few years he was managing a desk of brokers as the head of equity derivative sales at a Broker-Dealer. During that time he became an Options Principal and General Securities Principal holding the Series 4,7,24,55,63, and currently the Series 65. In 2018 Bryan worked with regulators to create DAIM as the first of its kind Registered Investment Advisor for digital assets. As the CEO of DAIM, he and his team advise and manage digital asset positions for individuals and corporations.

## GUESTS ENCOURAGED FOR THESE PROGRAMS



Wednesday, March 29, 2023 | Regular Evening Program

**Denver Country Club** 

Optional Dinner: 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm (\$60 p/person)

Program: 7:30 pm (promptly) to 9:00 pm

### THE RETURN OF THE SPOOFERS!

The Burden of Spoof Players, a troupe of Denver area lawyers and judges, return with more new songs, skits, satire, and silliness. With the able accompaniment of pianist Hank Troy of the Queen City Jazz Band and trumpeter Colorado Supreme Court Justice Rich Gabriel, the Spoofers will offer some topical lampoons of personalities and events in the news. As always, it's too soon to know what the show will be all about. However, international, national and local politicians and celebrities and their gaffes are always ripe for satire. And remember: if you're not in the audience, you might be a target for spoofery.

### **GUESTS ENCOURAGED FOR THIS FUN NIGHT!**



Friday, March 31, 2023 | Morning Program Denver Country Club Coffee 9:30 am - 10:00 am

Program 10:00 am - 11:30 am | Optional Lunch 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

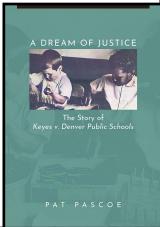
### A DREAM OF JUSTICE: PRESENTED BY, PAT PASCOE.

Pascoe details Denver's desegregation battle, beginning with the citizen studies that exposed the inequities of segregated schools and Rachel Noel's resolution to integrate the system, fol-

lowed by the momentous pro-integration Benton-Pascoe campaign of Ed Benton and Monte Pascoe for the school board in 1969. When segregationists won that election and reversed the integration plan for northeast Denver, Black, white, and Latino parents filed Keyes v. School District No. 1. This book follows the arguments in the case through briefs, transcripts, and decisions from district court to the Supreme Court of the United States and back, to its ultimate order to desegregate all Denver schools "root and branch." It was the first northern city desegregation suit to be brought before the Supreme Court. However, with the end of court-

ordered busing in 1995, schools quickly resegregated and are now more segregated than before Keyes was filed. Pascoe asserts that school integration is a necessary step toward eliminating systemic racism in our country and should be the objective of every school board. A Dream of Justice will appeal to students, schol-

ars, and readers interested in the history of civil rights in America, Denver history, and the history of US education. Pat is a professional writer and former teacher, Pat Pascoe served twelve years in the Colorado State Senate, where she focused on education policy. She is the author of A Dream of Justice and Helen Ring Robinson.





Friday, May 19, 2023 | Morning Program
Denver Country Club
Coffee 9:30 am - 10:00 am
Program 10:00 am - 11:30 am
Lunch 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

WHAT'S NEW AT THE DENVER MUSEUM OF NATURE & SCIENCE: PRESENTED BY, GEORGE SPARKS.

George Sparks, President & CEO at the Denver Museum of Nature & Science will speak about all that is new and happening at the Museum. From current exhibits to museum expansions, George will satisfy your curiosity by diving into what makes the Denver Museum of Nature & Science such a sought after destination. George Sparks has been the President/CEO of the Denver Museum of Nature and Science since November 2004.

He spent 24 years in the electronics measurement business at Hewlett-Packard and Agilent Technologies. His career included marketing, sales, and general management of global businesses in software, systems, and services.

Friday, May 26, 2023 | Denver Country Club Presentation 10:00 am - 11:00 am Hors D'oeuvres & Drinks & Sharing of Memori

Hors D'oeuvres & Drinks & Sharing of Memories: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm COST: FREE (Donations Encouraged)

# DENVER ECLECTIC'S FINAL SOIREE! MODERATED BY TOM NOEL.

Please join us for one last celebration of Denver Eclectics! Tom Noel will host a presentation and celebration of all that Lee Everding has accomplished over the years with Denver Eclectics! She has reached many throughout the decades of Denver Eclectics. This event will be open to all current, past members and past presenters. The more, the merrier! We do have a request of you. We are asking for any pictures at Eclectics events, memories, and moments that you would like to share with Lee and the group! This will be used for a slideshow to share with Lee and everyone at this celebration of the fun experiences we have all had over the years. We encourage you to share with us all that she has given to so many through the years!





PLEASE JOIN US FOR THIS FINAL FAREWELL TO OUR AMAZING LEADER, LEE EVERDING AND TO ALL OF OUR GOOD FRIENDS WE MADE THROUGH THE DECADES!



### **SCHEDULE:**

10:00 am - 11:00 am: Presentation w/Tom Noel

11:00 am - 1:00 pm: Hors D'oeuvres & Drinks & Sharing of Memories

PLEASE NOTE: Everyone is invited for the celebration, which will include complimentary Hors D'oeuvres & Drinks

"It is not how much we have, but how much we enjoy, that makes happiness"

~ Charles Spurgeon