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Interfaith Coalition Event

Tuesday, November 14, 2023
from 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm
in the Multi-purpose Room of the Williams Center
280 Central Ave, Fredonia, NY 14063

Thank You!
Your attendance
tonight has been
appreciated!



Event Agenda

4:30 pm

Panelist will all meet and greet each other and light refreshments will be available for panelist and attendees

5:00 pm - 5:10 pm

Opening remarks by President Kolison, SUNY Fredonia

5:10 pm - 5:15 pm

Introduction of Panelists by Andy Karafa, PhD | Dean of College of Liberal Arts & Sciences

5:15 pm – 5:45 pm

Panel discussion

5:45 pm – 6:20 pm

Q & A with Moderator | Shazad Mohammed, PhD | Associate Professor, School of Business

6:20 pm – 6:25 pm

A token of appreciation given to panelists | Janeil C. Rey, PhD | Dean of College of Education, Health Sciences, and Human Services

6:25 pm – 6:30 pm

Closing remarks | Kaustav Misra, PhD | Dean of School of Business

Individual Speaker Dates for Spring 2024:

Dates:

January 23, 2024: Bishop Leecroft Clarke - Christianity - Pentecostal

February 23rd: TBD

March 26, 2024: Linda Dunn - Judaism

April 23rd: TBD

Time:

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Location:

Williams Center Blue Lounge
280 Central Ave, Fredonia, NY 14063



Judaism

Linda Dunn

Temple Beth El | Dunkirk, NY

Linda Dunn has been President of Temple Beth El in Dunkirk, NY since April 1989. Prior to that she taught temple's youngest class Sunday school, and frequently wrote holiday plays for students to perform for the congregation. She was awarded the Lakeshore Women's Services Coalition, Jean Webster Children's Services award, in 1989, "for various concerns for the education and welfare of children in the Community. She is a former board member and board president for the Chautauqua Day Care Project, Inc., an organizer and sponsor for SPIE (Student Parents Involved in Education) and also a past chair and organizer of the Interfaith Holocaust Commemoration Committee. The committee brought Holocaust awareness and education to area schools and the community for twenty-five years. Linda was recognized for her service on the Rural Ministry BOD with the Prophet's Hope award. She organized the Albert A. Dunn Day of Poetry and Prose at SUNY Fredonia in memory of her late husband who had taught in the English Department. Linda has a B.A. in English Literature from Hofstra University. She briefly taught senior English and Art at a rural high school in Virginia. She has three grown children and five grandchildren.

Christianity (Pentecostal)

Bishop Leecroft Clarke

Healing Word Ministries Church of God
Jamestown, NY

Bishop Leecroft Clarke, is the Senior Pastor of Healing Word Ministries Church of God. He is a gifted and anointed man of God who lovingly and passionately encourages people to reach their full potential in Christ through his teaching and ministry. Bishop Leecroft cares deeply for people and desires for the church to radiate the love of Christ in all their ministry efforts and relationships. His journey to ordained ministry in the Church of God of Cleveland, TN has taken him through seasons of ministry to youth, men, and currently to all those who struggle with addiction. His desire to see people healed and made whole through the transforming power of the gospel drives every aspect of ministry at Healing Word Ministries Church of God. His wife Rosemarie Clarke is an evangelist and prophetess. God uses her to pray in mighty and prophetic ways, bringing people deeper into the hope and love of Jesus through the Gospel.

Coalition Leaders:

Dr. Kaustav Misra, Dr. Andy Karafa
and Dr. Vicki T. Sapp

Coalition Members:

Jacob Czelusta, Kathy A. Forster,
Dr. Janeil Rey, Dr. David Stringham,
Mark P. Suida, Kathryn Thies,
David M. White, Christina Deochand

Coalition Moderators:

Dr. Shazad Mohammed
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Panelist Bios

Muslim

Dr. Hyder Alam
Chautauqua County

My name is Dr Hyder Alam, practicing Internal medicine physician with interest in Diseases of Gastrointestinal tract. I have been practicing medicine in Chautauqua County since 1998. I feel proud to serve this wonderful community. I am married and blessed with 3 daughters, one son and 3 grandchildren. I enjoy traveling, music, movies and Cricket. My best time is time spent with family.

Christianity (Catholic)

Sean B. Duggan

Born in Jersey City, NJ. Obtained BM at Loyola University, New Orleans, MFA at Carnegie Mellon University and MA Theo at Notre Dame Seminary, New Orleans. Entered Benedictine order in 1982; ordained a priest in 1988. Member of piano faculty, University of Michigan 2001-04 and SUNY Fredonia 2004-present.

Sikhism

Dr. Gurmukh Singh

Dr. Gurmukh Singh was born in a tiny village in the state of Punjab, North India. He obtained his Ph.D., M.S. Honors, and B.S. Honors degrees from the Panjab University, Chandigarh, India. After teaching for six years in India, Dr. Singh migrated to the USA as a Visiting Scientist in fall 1985. After serving for 20 years at the University of Buffalo, Dr. Singh joined as a SUNY Fredonia faculty member in the Department of Computer and Information Sciences in fall 2005. He is a winner of the Robert Kasling Lecture Award 2007. He belongs to the Sikh Religion.