

# THE HAUENSTEIN CENTER FOR PRESIDENTIAL STUDIES

AT GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

*We are as eager as all of you are to resume the Hauenstein Center's thought-provoking in person events. Though in these tumultuous times, in order to comply with the Governor's executive orders, the CDC recommended guidelines, and Grand Valley's current policies, we plan to offer live webinar presentations from our exciting Fall lineup of speakers listed below. The very first opportunity we have to go back to in person events, we will do so, so stay tuned!*

## COMMON GROUND INITIATIVE

Our **Common Ground Initiative**, the first comprehensive forum for progressives and conservatives to meet in the academy, challenges scholars, cultural critics, and political leaders from the left and right to articulate their principles while exploring the possible common ground between their respective camps.

Our speakers have included Cornel West & Robby George, Christopher Hitchens & Peter Hitchens, Amity Shlaes, Annette Gordon-Reed & Peter S. Onuf, Richard Norton Smith, Danielle Allen, General Wesley Clark, Jon Meacham, H.W. Brands, David Brooks, and Michael Beschloss.

The series reinforces the Hauenstein Center's mission: *to raise up a new generation of men and women committed to the ethical, effective leadership and public service that Ralph W. Hauenstein exemplified throughout his life.*

## The **Wheelhouse** Talks

The **Wheelhouse** Talks are for thinking leaders and leading thinkers. We host speakers who are eager to share their leadership philosophy and experience with students and the community.

Our free and accessible forums evoke personal stories of challenges met and overcome. Throughout the series, shared leadership values — integrity, energy, community, and vision — are center stage.

The **Wheelhouse** Talks are a signature program of the Peter C. Cook Leadership Academy, which has become a center of leadership excellence in the Midwest.



Chris Wallace

**THE GREATEST GENERATION**

**7 PM, Wednesday, September 2, 2020**

On September 2, 1945, World War II finally ended. That was the day the Proclamation Signing of the Declaration aboard the U.S. Navy battleship, the USS Missouri, officially ended the world’s worst war. As we approach the 75th anniversary of that historic day, it remains vital to honor those who served. The Hauenstein Center is proud to join the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation, Gerald R. Ford Library and Museum, and partners in a two-day celebration of the Greatest Generation. We end our celebration on September 2 with a 6 PM flyover above the Grand River in downtown Grand Rapids flyover (B-17, B-25 & C-47), following which Chris Wallace, journalist and host of Fox News Sunday, will give an online presentation about his recently published book, Countdown 1945: The Extraordinary Story of the Atomic Bomb and the 116 Days That Changed the World, at 7 PM.



**Please use this link to join the webinar for the event session:**

**<https://zoom.us/j/85069779163>**



CLA Alumni Panel

**LEADING THROUGH CHANGE**

**4 PM, Friday, September 11, 2020**

In times of crisis and uncertainty, not unlike those seen during the COVID-19 pandemic, leaders from all backgrounds step up to lead their communities. With Millennials firmly the largest generation in the labor force, it is their time to weather the economic damage of the virus and guide our nation through a period of rapid economic change. With graduates across the globe, the Peter C. Cook Leadership Academy provides the foundation for these emerging leaders. Join our new cohort of fellow candidates for the first Wheelhouse Talk of the academic year, as we welcome back four distinguished CLA alumni to our stage. In a conversation moderated by CLA Fellow Candidate, Alex Agbabian, a panel of alumni — Josh Lunger, Jon Cook, Nicole Horne, and Claudia Pohlen — will share their personal and professional lessons in life and leadership with our fellow candidates and the community.

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## COMMON GROUND INITIATIVE



PAULA MONOPOLI

### CENTENNIAL OF THE NINETEENTH AMENDMENT

7 PM, Thursday, September 24, 2020

Everyone knows the ratification of the Nineteenth Amendment, in August 1920, dramatically expanded women's right to vote. Women had only acquired that right in certain states. Now it promised women in our republic change in their political, civil, and social status. What most Americans don't realize is the degree to which the Nineteenth's constitutional meaning was debated. To celebrate Constitution Day and the centennial of the Nineteenth Amendment, the Hauenstein Center for Presidential Studies in partnership with the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation welcomes Paula Monopoli of the University of Maryland School of Law. In her new book, *Constitutional Orphan: Gender Equality and the Nineteenth Amendment*, Professor Monopoli explores the role of suffragists in the constitutional development of the Nineteenth Amendment. Drawing on historical sources, case analysis, and legal scholarship, she will offer broader ways in which the Nineteenth could be interpreted and used today. The former director of the Hauenstein Center, Gleaves Whitney, who is currently the executive director of the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation will moderate the discussion.



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## The Wheelhouse Talks



EVA FELDMAN, MD, PHD

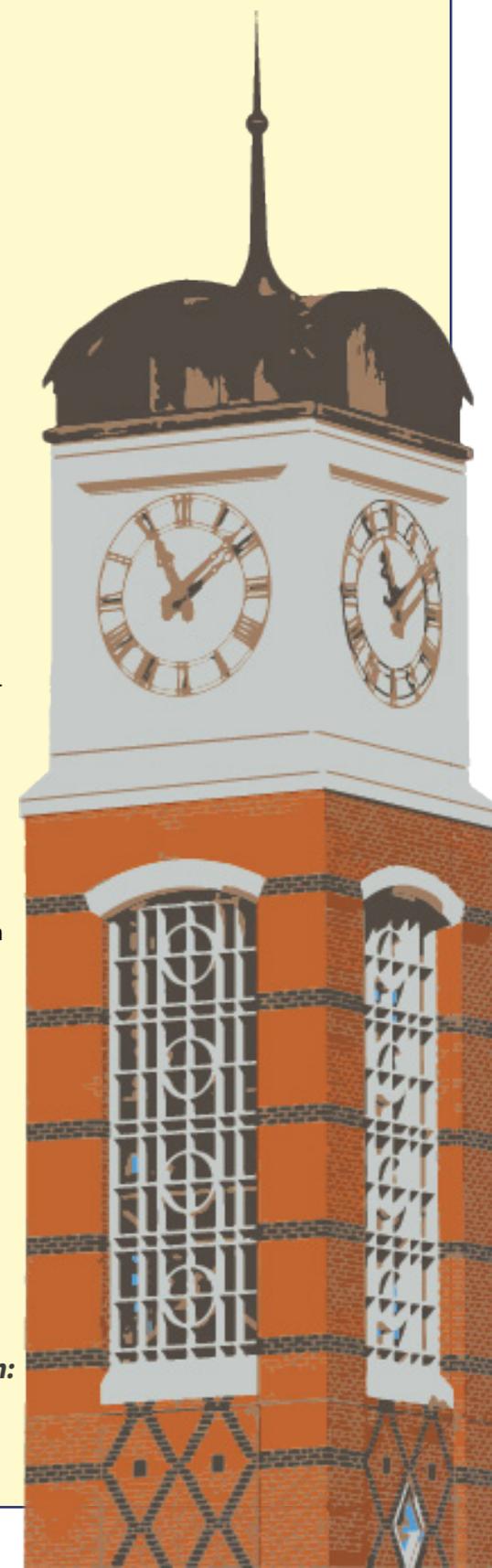
### THE LEADERSHIP THREAD BETWEEN RESEARCH AND PRACTICE

4 PM, Friday, October 9, 2020

With over 400 peer-reviewed articles, 50 plus book chapters, and continued funding from the National Institutes of Health for more than 30 years, Dr. Eva Feldman is more than an accomplished leader in the healthcare industry. In her own words, she serves as a bridge between basic science in the lab and clinical science with patients, focusing on those with neuromuscular diseases. Dr. Feldman joins our Cook Leadership Academy fellow candidates and community members to discuss balancing clinical work while leading a research team, sharing lessons in leadership gained through a trailblazing medical career.

Please use this link to join the webinar for the event session:

<https://zoom.us/j/82733858472>





TENTH ANNUAL PROGRESSIVE/CONSERVATIVE SUMMIT  
2020 ELECTION PANEL  
7 PM, Thursday, October 22, 2020

In a society of 24-hour news cycles and political pundits, weaving through information becomes an increasingly complex task, especially in the wake of COVID-19 and the advent of our digital lives. Our current presidential election cycle has been, in some ways, subverted by the COVID-19 pandemic. As we continue to adjust to our hybrid lives of online and in-person, we become easily siloed in an echo chamber of our own beliefs. What are we to make of our continued political polarization in the digital age? The Hauenstein Center is pleased to collaborate with Grand Valley's Department of Political Science to present a panel discussion on the 2020 presidential election, moderated by Darren Walhof. The panel will feature four experts in the greater Grand Rapids area: Polly Diven, Michelle Miller-Adams, Matt McLogan, and Pat Miles.

**Please use this link to join the webinar for the event session:**

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ARI WEINZWEIG

The Power of Beliefs in Business  
7 PM, Thursday, November 12, 2020

Although most of us don't realize it, our beliefs have a major impact on how things go in our lives. What we believe may or may not be true, but unknowingly most of us will behave in ways that reinforce our beliefs anyway. In this presentation, Ari Weinzweig, Co-Founder and CEO of Zingerman's Community of Businesses, will take a look at how the impact of our beliefs likely plays out in our day-to-day experiences in the workplace. Whether we accept it or not, what we believe about ourselves, our organization, and others will significantly impact the work that we do. By becoming more mindful of our beliefs – by altering our beliefs – we can change the way we see our work and the world. The Hauenstein Center, along with our many community partners, welcomes Ari Weinzweig to share his personal and professional lessons in life and leadership.



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## COMMON GROUND INITIATIVE



### PANEL DISCUSSION AMERICA'S NEW NORMAL: NAVIGATING A GLOBAL PANDEMIC

**7 PM, Thursday, November 19, 2020**

“When will our lives get back to normal?” This question puzzled experts in the initial stages of the COVID-19 pandemic. However, it was soon evident our global economy would not return to normal, at least not in the sense we as citizens knew. By looking to leaders across society, the United States must use a holistic approach to establishing our new normal. The Hauenstein Center, in partnership with the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation and the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library and Museum, is pleased to present

a panel of West Michigan leaders to discuss America’s “new normal.” Panelists will share their perspectives on COVID-19, the 2020 election, and other seismic shifts in our economy and society in recent years. The

panel will feature Tasha Blackmon, President and CEO of Cherry Health; Paul Isely, professor of economics at Grand Valley; Winnie Brinks, State Senator of Michigan’s 29th District; and Jeffrey Polet, professor of political philosophy at Hope College. Gleaves Whitney, executive director of the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation will moderate this panel discussion.

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## COMMON GROUND INITIATIVE



### KASEY PIPES THE RESURRECTION OF RICHARD NIXON – OUR ELDER STATESMAN

**7 PM, Thursday, December 10, 2020**

In August of 1974, Richard Nixon became the first and only president to resign from office. Nevertheless, within a decade of his resignation, Nixon found himself advising on campaign strategy, foreign policy, and U.S-Soviet summit meetings. He even represented the U.S at state funerals. Serving informally during the Reagan, Bush, and Clinton Administrations, Nixon became a valued elder statesman. Kasey S. Pipes, former advisor to President George W. Bush and Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, joins the Hauenstein Center, the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Foundation, and Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library and Museum to discuss his recent book, *After the Fall: The Remarkable Comeback of Richard Nixon*. Karl Rove notes, “Pipes shows the former president was far more active in helping shape America’s grand global strategy – and more successful – than previously realized, even as he suffered political exile. The story is a must for anyone wanting to understand Nixon’s life after Watergate.”

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