

FREEDOM SCHOLAR TO SPEAK AT ROCKY MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

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BILLINGS -- Dr. Michael Ledeen, the Freedom Scholar at the Foundation for Defense of Democracies, will be a guest speaker at Rocky Mountain College, Monday, Oct. 20, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. in Losekamp Hall.

Dr. Ledeen is also a National Review Editor, and former National Security Advisor under President Ronald Reagan.

Dr. Ledeen will also address the Downtown Rotary Club at its noon luncheon at Crowne Plaza.

“We are privileged to welcome such an international scholar and a devout patriot to our College,” said Michael Mace, RMC president. “While he may be controversial to some, he is fiercely admired by others who welcome his candor and service to the country.”

While visiting RMC, Dr. Ledeen will address one of Rocky’s Freshman Experience classes, which has been studying Machiavelli’s “Prince,” as well as Ledeen’s own book, “Machiavelli on Modern Leadership.”

He will be the guest of honor at a President’s Dinner in Prescott Hall, preceding his public lecture. His topic will be “The Real War” and it will address issues in the Middle East.

A former Freedom Scholar with the American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy, Dr. Ledeen is a contributing editor at the National Review Online, has been published in The Wall Street Journal, The American Spectator, International Economy, Commentary and the Washington Times, as well as appearing as a guest on PBS’s NewsHour and CNN’s Larry King Live.

Dr. Ledeen is author of 16 books; the most recent include “Machiavelli on Modern Leadership: Why Machiavelli’s Iron Rules Are as Timely and Important Today As Five Centuries Ago,” “Tocqueville on American Character: Why Tocqueville’s Brilliant Exploration of the American Spirit Is as Vital and Important Today As It Was Nearly Two Hundred Years Ago,” and “Freedom Betrayed: How America Led a Global Democratic Revolution, Won the Cold War, and Walked Away.” His most recent book is “The Iranian Time Bomb: The Mullah Zealots’ Quest for Destruction.”

Dr. Ledeen has served as Commissioner, U.S.-China Commission, 2001-2003; Consultant, NSC, State and Defense Departments, 1982-1986; Senior Fellow, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), 1982-1986; Special Adviser to the Secretary of State, 1981-1982; Senior Staff Member, Georgetown University Center for Strategic and International Studies, 1977-1981; Rome correspondent, The New Republic, 1975-1977; Visiting Professor of History, University of Rome, Italy, 1975-1977; Instructor and Assistant Professor of History, Washington University, 1967-1974.

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