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2017 FELS TALK – BREAKING NEWS: JOURNALISM AND DEMOCRACY IN THE 21ST C

FELS, the Foundation for Educators at Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School, will present its annual FELS Talk on Wednesday, April 5, 2017, at 7pm in the Virginia Kirshner Auditorium at Lincoln-Sudbury, 390 Lincoln Road, Sudbury, Massachusetts.

The featured topic this year is **Breaking News: Journalism and Democracy in the 21stC**. The evening will feature a slate of educators and journalists from a variety of media, discussing the current state of professional journalism, the multiple media outlets from which readers, watchers and listeners have their news delivered, how media literacy is challenged today, and how the First Amendment's guarantee for a free press is upheld in this new era of journalism. The panelists will offer grassroots, state, national and global perspectives. They will exchange thoughts on the rapidly changing media landscape, how it offers many opportunities and also poses many challenges.

As of press time, the six panelists for the evening are (subject to change):

Isaac Feldberg, Correspondent in the Living/Arts department of *The Boston Globe*, Staff Writer for *Tastemakers Magazine*, and a third-year journalism major at Northeastern University.

David Grace, History Faculty Member, Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School. In addition to Modern European History, his research and teaching focus is on US foreign policy and security issues which he teaches in his World Crises course at LSRHS.

Louise Kennedy, Senior Editor, Education, WBUR. Louise oversees *Edify*, WBUR's new home for coverage on all media platforms, whether on air, online or in person, about education and learning at all stages of life.

Anne Mostue, Bloomberg News Radio Anchor, Reporter and Producer. Anne reports on biotech and finance and co-hosts the Baystate Business Hour, interviewing CEOs on Friday afternoons.

Rachel Rohr is Managing Editor of The GroundTruth Project, a nonprofit media organization, founded by veteran foreign correspondent Charles Sennott, and dedicated to supporting a new generation of international correspondents and to adding increased knowledge and understanding on critical global issues through their enterprise journalism

Alice Waugh, Founder and Editor of *The Lincoln Squirrel*, an online newspaper she created in 2012. She began her career at the *Sudbury Town Crier* before earning her master's degree in journalism from UC-Berkeley.

Julie Dobrow, Senior Fellow, Media and Civic Engagement, Tisch College of Civic Life at Tufts University, will moderate the evening. Julie teaches in the Eliot-Pearson Department of Child Study and Human Development, in the Environmental Studies and the Film and Media Studies Programs at Tufts University. She also serves as the Director of the Center for Interdisciplinary Studies.

The format for the evening will be approximately an hour of directed questions from the moderator, followed by opportunities for audience questions.

Admission will be \$10 per person. All proceeds will benefit the Foundation for Educators at Lincoln-Sudbury, www.FELSGrant.org. FELS is a non-profit organization that awards enrichment grants to Lincoln-Sudbury High School faculty and staff to pursue their professional and personal interests and passions. FELS was founded in 2000 to offer parents a tangible way to show their appreciation to the L-S professional staff for the unflagging dedication, tireless effort, and genuine caring they routinely offer our children. The FELS Talk was designated The Faye Goldberg-Scheff Memorial Lecture in 2012, to honor the memory of Goldberg-Scheff, a cherished member of the FELS Board.