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**“Finding Truth in the Age of Alternative Facts” series continues Oct. 16**

Public invited to free events

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — The Lincoln Land Community College (LLCC) Academy of Lifelong Learning and the Illinois State Museum invite the public to the upcoming presentation series “Finding Truth in the Age of Alternative Facts.” Events will be held Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. on Oct. 16 and Nov. 20 in the Thorne Deuel Auditorium at the Illinois State Museum, 502 S. Spring St., Springfield.

The moderator for the programs will be Jim Leach, news director of News/Talk 94.7 and 970 WMAY. An RSVP is requested by calling 217-786-2432.

This month’s program is entitled “Pants on Fire” – Participants will uncover big and little lies in everyday interactions. Panelists include Bethany Bilyeu, Psy.D., LCPC, director, University of Illinois Springfield (UIS) Counseling Center; David Brady, senior software engineer, match.com; Lucinda Caughey, associate professor of computer science, LLCC; Siobhan Johnson, deputy director human resources, Illinois Department of Public Health; and Shane Overby, detective, Springfield Police Department.

**Final Program in the Series**

Nov. 20: “Who’s Checking the Fact Checkers?” – In this presentation, participants will discover methods of finding truth on the internet and in other media. Panelists include Chris Krug, publisher, TheCenterSquare.com; Kate Schott, interim editor, The State Journal-Register; Tia Carol Jones, managing editor, Chicago Defender; Rachel Otwell, multimedia journalist, NPR Illinois and ProPublica’s Local Reporting Network; and John O’Connor, political writer, the Associated Press.

For more information and panelist biographies, visit [www.llcc.edu/all-newsletters-and-special-events](http://www.llcc.edu/all-newsletters-and-special-events).

The Illinois State Museum is open Monday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and Sunday from 12:00 noon until 4:30 p.m. The Museum is located at 502 South Spring Street in Springfield on the Capitol Complex. Museum admission: $5 for adults ages 19-64; free admission for youth, seniors, and veterans.