



Jerry & Esther Krueger
Wisdom in Senior Education (WISE) Program
Spring 2026 Schedule

Tuesday, February 3 at 2 p.m.

Topic: The Casements and Rockefeller Gardens

Speaker: Sara Dionne

Built in 1913 by the Reverend Harwood Huntington and sold to John D. Rockefeller in 1918, the Standard Oil billionaire, The Casements became his winter home until his death in 1937. The Casements was named for its charming casement windows. Today, it offers a unique setting for events and is the "Crown Jewel" of Ormond Beach.

Tuesday, February 10 at 2 p.m.

Topic: Falcon Hope Center

Speaker: Rabecka Collins, Director, Falcon Hope Center

The Falcon Hope Center at DSC exists to remove any barriers for students looking to further their education. Learn about their mission to prepare, empower, and support DSC's student population in achieving their educational, professional, and personal goals.

Tuesday, February 17 at 2 p.m.

Topic: Preparing Students for the Future in the Entertainment Industry

Speaker: Jake Niceley, Professor, MA, Music Production Technology

This presentation will spotlight the Music Production Technology program at DSC and explore how artificial intelligence is shaping the music industry today and what its continued evolution means for the future.

Tuesday, February 24 at 2 p.m.

Topic: The History of Daytona Beach in Pictures

Speaker: Mark Lane, Columnist, Author and Freelancer

Raised in Daytona Beach, Mark has worked many beats at the Daytona Beach News-Journal since 1980. He currently writes a column and prepares a regular Sunday page of local vintage photos.

Tuesday, March 3 at 2 p.m.

Topic: AI-Powered Scams

Speaker: Paul Wheeler, Chief Information Security Officer/ Local Agency Security Officer at DSC

Artificial Intelligence is giving scammers powerful new tools to make fraud look and sound real. This session will show you how AI is being used in voice cloning, phishing emails, deep fakes, and impersonation scams. We'll share practical tips to help you recognize the warning signs. Awareness is your best defense against these high-tech tricks.

Tuesday, March 10 at 2 p.m.

Topic: Ormond Beach Historical Society

Speaker: Jayne Fifer, Board of Directors

Meet the Dead as they Come Alive! Reenactors from Pilgrim's Rest Cemetery tell their stories of life in Ormond Beach before us.

No Meeting During Spring Break March 17th

Tuesday, March 24 at 2 p.m.

Topic: The Journey of Grief and Loss

Speaker: Vonshelle Beneby, MPS, Mdiv

Grief is typically our response to loss. Vonshelle will delve into different types of loss and help us examine and understand our personal grieving process and coping strategies.

Tuesday, March 31 at 2 p.m.

Topic: Cooking with Costa

Speaker: Chef Costa Magoulas and Dr. Eve Magoulas

This meeting will be hosted at the Mori Hossieni College of Hospitality & Culinary Management on the main DSC campus.

Tuesday, April 7 at 2 p.m.

Topic: Embry-Riddle, A Century of Innovation, Determination, Service and Education

Speaker: Dr. P. Barry Butler, President of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

From its founders' vision 100 years ago to teach the world to fly, through its pivotal role in World War II, to its place today as a leader in aviation and aerospace higher education, Embry-Riddle boasts a storied history and inspiring future.

Tuesday, April 14 at 2 p.m.

Topic: Halifax River Audubon Society

Speaker: Bob Kellog, Board Member

Spring bird migration is in full swing during the month of April here in Florida. Bob will share about our special migrating bird visitors and our resident native bird species found in Volusia County. He will also discuss locations for excellent bird watching opportunities, what migrating species to watch for, and how to enjoy the spectacular wonder of birding in Volusia County and throughout Florida.

Tuesday, April 21 at 2 p.m.

Topic: Manufacturing in Volusia County

Speaker: Jayne Fifer, Former President at Volusia Manufacturers Association

Discover the variety of manufacturing, from the earliest days in Volusia County to the present. Be surprised not only by the variety, but also the number of manufacturers in Volusia County.

WISE participants/members are asked to pay \$30 (individual) or \$50 (couple) as a contribution to cover the costs of programming once a calendar year. However, inability to pay should not be a barrier to participation in WISE. Payment may be made in person or via this secure link. For more information, call (386) 506-3195 or visit www.DaytonaStateFoundation.org.

All programs, unless otherwise noted, are held at the Daytona State College Advanced Technology College Campus 1770 Technology Blvd, Daytona Beach (on Williamson Blvd. north of LPGA Blvd.).

WISE members have established a scholarship fund that provides support for students in need of financial support as they pursue an education at Daytona State College.

Please contact Emily Elliott, Director of Development & Community Engagement, at (386) 506-3195 or by email to Emily.Elliott@DaytonaState.edu for additional information or mail payment to: Daytona State College Foundation, 1200 W. International Speedway Blvd., Daytona Beach, FL 32114.

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