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Dr. Mae C. Jemison to Deliver 17th Fribolin Lecture

KEUKA PARK, N.Y.—Medical doctor, astronaut, linguist, former medical missionary in West Africa, television broadcaster, and leading woman entrepreneur.

All describe Dr. Mae C. Jemison, who will deliver the 17th Carl and Fanny Fribolin Lecture Friday, April 29 at Keuka College. One of the highlights of May Day Weekend, the lecture will begin at 6:30 p.m. in Norton Chapel. It is free and open to the public.



The lecture series carries the names of Geneva resident Carl Fribolin, an emeritus member of the College's Board of Trustees and the recipient of an honorary doctor of humane letters degree in 2004, and his late wife.

Jemison, who received a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from Stanford and a doctorate in medicine from Cornell, was a general practitioner in Los Angeles, Calif., before spending two-and-a-half years (1983-85) as Area Peace Corps medical officer for Sierra Leone and Liberia in West Africa.

Jemison served as a NASA astronaut for six years. On Sept. 12, 1992, Jemison blasted into orbit aboard the space shuttle Endeavour, becoming the first woman of color to go into space. As the science specialist on the STS-47 Spacelab J flight, a U.S./Japan joint mission, she conducted experiments in life sciences, material sciences, and was a co-investigator of the Bone Cell research experiment.

She resigned from NASA in 1993 and founded The Jemison Group Inc., which is dedicated to the research, development and implementation of advanced technologies to alleviate the massive burdens of developing nations in areas of healthcare, food production, and the environment. Company projects have included consulting on the design and implementation of solar thermal electricity generation systems and the use of satellite-based telecommunications to facilitate health care delivery in West Africa.

Her new corporation, BioSentient, is a medical technology company that develops and markets mobile equipment worn to monitor the body's vital signs and train people to respond favorably in

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stressful situations.

In 1994, Jemison founded—and currently chairs—The Dorothy Jemison Foundation for Excellence. A program of the foundation—*The Earth We Share*—is an annual international science camp for students (ages 12 to 16) from around the world.

She serves as Bayer Corp.'s national science literacy advocate, and is a member of the board of directors for Scholastic Inc. and Valspar Corp. She sits on the Texas Governor's State Council for Science and BioTechnology Development and was elected into the National Academy of Sciences' Institute of Medicine in 2001.

Jemison has presented to the United Nations on the uses of space technology, appeared weekly as host and technical consultant of the *World of Wonder* series on the *Discovery* channel, appeared in an episode of *Star Trek: The Next Generation*, and was the subject of the *PBS* documentary *The New Explorers*. In 1993, she was one of *People* magazine's "World's 50 Most Beautiful People."