EmpowerU Calendar of Events

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EmpowerU Studio at Frame USA
225 Northland Blvd.
Cincinnati, OH 45246

Tuesday, March 3, 7:00–8:30 PM
Surveillance capitalism is the business model that fuels tech titans such as Google and Facebook. It may seem free, but it's not. If you're not paying with money, you're paying with data. Surprise-you are not the customer, you are the product. How is this data being misused? Join technology leader “Doomsday” Dave Hatter who joins EmpowerU again to help us keep up with the latest information to keep us all on top of our Tech Game.

Thursday, March 5, 7:00–8:30 PM
Learn about the single most costly levy, Issue 7, in the History of Hamilton County ($3.2 billion). SORTA proposes to raise the sales tax by 0.8% in order to increase funding for Metro Bus Service and infrastructure. Key questions remain: Can the City & County work together, is 25 years too long and is this too much money? Join Sorta’s Brendon Cull and Cam Harding who will discuss the levy.

The Cheviot Gazette’s Bill Monnier will discuss his personal perspective on your questions.

8:05–8:30 PM—Meet Charmaine McGoffey the endorsed Democratic candidate in the Primary for Sheriff of Hamilton County.

Ohio Sunshine Laws State Certification Training

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Wednesday, March 18, 10:00 AM-1:00 PM
EmpowerU partners with the Ohio State Auditor to present Sunshine Laws Certification Training. The Sunshine Laws Certification program is a three-hour certification training session provided to all elected officials, and or their appropriate designees, as well as members of the general public. In these days of “The Gang of Five” and actions taken in Clermont County to destroy public records there has never been a more important time for Citizens to understand how to hold their elected officials accountable. This three hour class will prove to be invaluable.

Flying the VP and Other Special Air Missions

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Thursday, March 3, 7:00–8:30 PM
This fascinating presentation by Don Brown will take you inside the life and reality of becoming part of the 89th Airlift Wing that is based at Andrews AFB. Being a pilot for the White House makes you more involved than flying. Learn what it takes to be selected to serve. What happens when you are on call or given short notice? How about sudden decisions, and extensive briefings? Security? Don has been honored for flying some of the most important of our public servants. Good Stories.

Tuesday, March 4, 7:00–8:30 PM
Desperate enslaved people of the pre-Civil War South did not let their terrible experiences crush them, but acted on their yearning to breathe free, by devising all kinds of ways to escape from bond-age. Some of the methods were quite ingenious. From hiding in plain site, to disguising to piloting a ship under Confederate cannons, brave people on the run used all their daring abilities. Millie Henley of Historical Connections will wear 1860’s attire as she tells us stories of some of the most incredible ways enslaved people devised to get their freedom. Bring the Kids!

(This class will not be presented virtually)

The SECURE Act & Your Retirement

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Tuesday, March 17, 7:00–8:30 PM
The Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement Act of 2019, better known as the SECURE Act was signed into law on December 20, by President Trump. The SECURE Act will make it easier for small business owners to set up “safe harbor” retirement plans that are less expensive and easier to administer. The Act pushes back the age of retirement and allows changes to contributions. Learn how to better balance your personal needs and how to pass on wealth to future generations with changes to this law. Robert W. Buechner will join us for a good overview.

Doug Brownlee on Baseball Play Ball!

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Wednesday, March 25, 7:00–8:30 PM
It’s time to Play Ball! Do you love baseball? Do you know everything there is to know about the game, and the Reds in particular? Enjoy an evening of baseball, facts, figures, fun, and stats. Join us for an in-depth talk given by Doug Brownlee who talks baseball history. Baseball is his field and he knows it well. He has been with the Reds in good times and bad since his first game at Crosley Field in 1956. Doug gives tours at the Reds Hall of Fame and it will be very difficult to stump Doug on any baseball trivia. Get ready for Opening Day and join us in the studio for Peanuts, Cracker Jack and a Cold Beer.

Clever & Unusual Escapes from Slavery

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Thursday, March 26, 7:00–8:30 PM
In the context of the American Civil War, Millie Henley will present an overview of some of the clever and unusual methods used to escape from slavery. It is not just about runaways, but also their support system. The state of Ohio is well known for providing assistance to individuals on their escape to freedom. From more mainstream methods such as the Underground Railroad to more unorthodox ways of escape, come listen to the story of this part of American history.

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Thursday, April 9, 7:00–8:30 PM
Mary Cunningham who, with her husband William in the 1870's, were in the business of aiding many Cincinnati medical students in their studies by providing them with cadavers, which they purchased from New York. They were grave-robbing body snatchers! Irish born Mary was a fun-loving woman that liked her whiskey and was rough around the edges. A beloved husband William, known as the “Ghouls of Cincinnati,” had passed away. Mary, dubbed as “Alligator Jaws” will enlighten you of the history of body-snatching which was a very lucrative market in Cincinnati during that time.

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Tuesday, April 28, 7:00–8:30 PM
Neil Young is one of the most influential songwriters and guitarists of his generation. Young arrived in the U.S. in the mid-1960s and co-founded the band Buffalo Springfield. He earned fame both as a member of Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young (CSNY) and as a solo artist. Young’s passion for music includes writing and recording such timeless songs as “Hey Hey, My My”, “Rockin’ in the Free World”, “Heart of Gold” (#1 Hit, “Ohio”, and “Needle and the Damage Done”.

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Tuesday, April 28, 7:00–8:30 PM
Join Master of Ceremonies 55KRC’s Brian Thomas as we host the Informed Citizen Plaque. Thanks for being an Empowered Citizen and thanks for attending EmpowerU Sessions! Please tell your friends. They can add their email address online at www.empoweruohio.org to receive emails.

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Thursday, April 9, 7:00–8:30 PM
Lorain, Ohio residents recently came to a City Council meeting with their mouths taped shut, as dozens of people sent a strong message at the meeting that they demanded to be able to speak in a public conversation. Lorain, Ohio does not allow public comments at its meetings. What is happening in your community? Matt Miller-Novak from Godby Law Firm will teach an important First Amendment course that will focus on the constitution right of citizens speaking during public participation portions of local government meetings. What are the legal precedents and what is the government’s ability to manage participation? Remedies?

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Thursday, May 12, 5:45–8:00 PM
Join Master of Ceremonies 55KRC’s Brian Thomas as we welcome Sheriff Richard J. Jones to EmpowerU’s Season Ending Event. Our friend Chris Monzel will also be there and we are awarded Empowered Citizens. With much of our 19th Semester devoted to discussing protecting citizens, Butler County’s Sheriff certainly gets it. Whether discussing important topics like immigration, overdose deaths or how to protect our children at school, don’t miss Sheriff Jones. This is a rain or shine event (if it rains we move inside). Please bring a covered dish, a dessert or a food item to share + bring a lawn chair. EmpowerU will provide Hamburbers and Hot dogs. This is going to be BIG!

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Tuesday, March 31, 7:00–8:30 PM
This is a follow-up to our highly successful class last semester...Got an idea that the world needs to know about? Now is your chance to tell a crowd of people at our second class this evening on April 2. Pass this notice around to your friends and family—you know—to those who like to get up and talk. Six people will be invited to speak for 15 minutes at our session and the winner will receive $100.00. Your idea should be a BIG idea—something that would be a positive change for your City, County, The World (or anything in between). This night will be held Monday, March 23, 2020 from 5:00-9:00 PM. Email danu@empowersouthio.org to audition. You’ve been thinking that you wanted to speak for awhile. Now is your time to shine!

EmpowerU Studio at Frame USA
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Tuesday, April 14, 7:00–8:30 PM
Bill Seitz is one of the most important leaders in the Ohio State Government in his current role as Majority Floor Leader of the Ohio House of Representatives. Long a Friend of EmpowerU, Bill has spoken to us on many subjects. Tonight Bill will host a “Crossfire” session on the Ohio Statehouse by talking to us about four important Ohio issues that are being discussed at the time of our session. Each of these four issues will be discussed for 15 minutes, with extensive questions and answers. One of these issues sure to be discussed will be EdChoice. Tonight you can pick the brain of one of Ohio’s most important leaders.

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Many of our classes are hosted virtually. This means you can come to the event in person, or join us through Zoom live online. Look for the virtual logo listed by each class. Go to our site, read our class description, then click the link. Most virtual classes are recorded and can be watched later.

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Thursday, April 2, 7:00–8:30 PM
Lessons learned from current research on active shooter (killer) incidents will be shared to prepare an individual to avoid, deter or delay an active shooter (killer) incident. If you and your family are caught in one of these incidents, what should you do? What blame, are the patterns to such crimes? You’ll learn response considerations for the concealed carry individual, and what kind of training is available. What do you do to maximize your chance of survival? Businesses will want to consider legal considerations of workplace violence (WPV) and active shooter (killer) incidents. COL. Bob Cutajar leads us on this very important topic. Please attend.

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Thursday, April 2, 7:00–8:30 PM
We spend over $7 billion each year on the state’s K-12 public education system. The state has 5 school choice programs as well, giving some Ohio families an option on how, when, and where their students are educated. Ohio Meden, Executive Director of a network of Ohio schools and parents, will share some history on Ohio’s education system, the statewide scholarships available to students, and how her organization is fundamentally changing the conversation on parent empowerment in today’s primary education system. This dialogue will help you navigate many of the questions you have about State programs, such as the Ed Choice Scholarship.

Glendale Lyceum Outdoor Pavilion
865 Congress Avenue
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tickets online at www.empoweruohio.org to receive emails.

Why the Free and Fair Election is in Jeopardy
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Tuesday, March 31, 7:00–8:30 PM
You’ve seen Steve Coogan’s Show, and also on The Mark Levin Show. Learn first hand about Dr. Robert Epstein’s 2015 report in PNAS entitled “The Search Engine Manipulation Effect (SEME). What is the possible impact that large internet content companies can have on the outcomes of elections? How will Google influence our next election? Dr. Epstein’s new research has now been downloaded more than 200,000 times since it was reported. Learn how Search Engine Manipulation is now determining the outcomes of upwards of 25 percent of the world’s national elections. How sensitive is election voter manipulation? Dr. Robert Epstein will join EmpowerU (only) for a live webinar hookup for this extremely important topic—get your questions ready!

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