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CEDARVILLE, OHIO -- Syndicated political columnist, Fox News contributor and New York Times best-selling author Jonah Goldberg will lecture and host a book signing at Cedarville University's Jeremiah Chapel Tuesday, Oct. 9 at 7:30 p.m.

The event is open to the public and free of charge. People attending, however, must register at cedarville.edu/jonahgoldberg.

Goldberg, senior editor of the National Review, will lecture on his newly released book, "Suicide of the West: How the Rebirth of Nationalism, Populism, and Identity Politics Is Destroying American Democracy."

"One of the goals of the Center for Political Studies is to function like a bridge between Cedarville and the political world: to expose students to political ideas as well as send students to the Washington D.C. semester," said Dr. Mark Caleb Smith, professor of political science and director of the Center for Political Studies. "Not everyone who is popular has something of depth to say, but Goldberg always has an interesting take on issues."

According to Smith, Goldberg evaluates the essential nature of politics by examining the underpinnings of liberal and conservative ideologies, economic policy and the changing role of modern-day media.

"Bringing a speaker of this caliber to Cedarville exposes the speaker to our university but also introduces our students to someone who is different from what they would typically experience here," continued Smith. "Goldberg is really good at forcing students to think about what they believe and why. He holds some unconventional opinions, not to be shocking, but to challenge in a good way."

Smith noted that Goldberg is conservative but not what you would typically expect. "He is funny and well-read, always asking the hard questions even about conservative beliefs. The community will enjoy him, even if they do not agree with everything he says."

Located in southwest Ohio, Cedarville University is an accredited, Christ-centered, Baptist institution with an enrollment of 4,193 undergraduate, graduate, and online students in more than 150 areas of study. Founded in 1887, Cedarville is recognized nationally for its authentic Christian community, rigorous academic programs, strong graduation and retention rates, accredited professional and health science offerings, and leading student satisfaction ratings. For more information about the University, visit www.cedarville.edu.