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"Freedom of Speech, a Necessary Condition for Democracy" will be the title of a lecture to be given by Professor Daniel T. O'Reilly on Friday, January 17 at 7:30 P.M. in the Boardroom of Cariboo College.

Professor O'Reilly is writing his doctoral thesis on the topic of Freedom of Speech. In the lecture, Professor O'Reilly will discuss the ideas of the contemporary American philosopher, Alexander Meiklejohn, who died in 1964. Meiklejohn maintained that in a democracy, a citizen maintains two roles in the state; that of ruler and that of ruled. As a ruler, every citizen must listen to every issue of public concern in order to make an informed decision. This entails an absolute right for anyone to say anything on issues of public policy.

Professor O'Reilly is immensely qualified to speak on the topic of Freedom of Speech. He received his Master of Arts in Philosophy from the University of British Columbia in 1980 and is currently working on his doctoral thesis in the area of social and political philosophy especially on Freedom of Speech. Professor O'Reilly has taught philosophy at U.B.C. and computing at Vancouver City College. He is currently teaching philosophy and micro-computing at Cariboo College.

Professor O'Reilly was born in Ontario, is married and has one child. During recent years he has been actively involved with the Vancouver Y.M.C.A. as a committee member and exercise instructor.

Admission to the Friday, January 17th lecture at 7:30 P.M. in the Boardroom of Cariboo College is free. Coffee will be served prior to a Question Period.

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