Facebook co-founder to speak in Syracuse

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SYRACUSE - A co-founder of Facebook will kick off the fourth season of The Famous Entrepreneurs Series in November.

Chris Hughes, who also worked extensively in online organizing for President Obama's 2008 campaign, will be the series' first speaker Nov. 17. FES is a lectures series that aims to spark more entrepreneurship in the region.

Hughes founded Facebook in 2004 with Harvard University roommates Mark Zuckerberg and Dustin Moskovitz.

Other speakers in the fourth season include Tom Kelley, general manager at IDEO Product Development; Vijay Govindarajan, a professor at Dartmouth College; and Marilyn Carlson Nelson, chairwoman and former CEO of the Carlson Cos.

Speakers for the past seasons included C.K. Prahalad, Carly Fiorina, Michael Treacy, Richard Teerlink, Jon Luther, Rod Beckstrom, Mark Thompson, Anne Mulcahy, David Barger, Dov Seidman, Ron Heifetz, and Doug Hall.

Season memberships to the series range in price from \$500 to \$10,000. For more information, visit www.fes-cny.org.

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