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# Wrongfully Imprisoned Boxer To Speak At Bridgewater College

For nearly 30 years, amateur boxer Dewey Bozella sat in a prison cell for a crime he did not commit.

On Wednesday, the 2011 Arthur Ashe Courage Award recipient will talk about overcoming adversity and looking toward the future during a presentation at Bridgewater College's Cole Hall. The talk begins at 7:30 p.m.

In 1983, Bozella was found guilty of murdering a 92-year-old woman and sent to Sing Sing Prison in New York to serve 20 years to life. In 2009, new evidence proving Bozella's innocence surfaced, and the athlete was cleared of all charges and released from prison.

Wednesday's event, sponsored by the W. Harold Row Endowed Lecture Series and part of the college's Constitution Day activities, is free and open to the public.

- Emily Sharrer

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