

SEPTEMBER 2010

DIALOGUE



WORLD AFFAIRS
COUNCIL
JACKSONVILLE

Bringing the World Closer

GLOBAL BUSINESS LUNCHEONS PRESENT

“The Resurgence of the American Railroad System”



Michael J. Ward
Chairman and CEO, CSX

Tuesday, October 5, 2010
Noon-1:30 p.m.
The River Club

Sponsored by: Water Street Capital and McGuireWoods LLP
Media Sponsor: Jacksonville Business Journal
Co-hosted with: The Gate Governors Club

Cost: \$50 (Council Members) \$75 (Non-Members)
\$1,000 (Table Sponsor)

Reserved Seating Available for Sponsors and Ambassador's Circle Members

GLOBAL ISSUES EVENINGS PRESENT

“Turkey Between Two Worlds: Is the World Ready for Islamic Democracy?”



Stephen Kinzer
Award-winning Correspondent and Author

Tuesday, October 12, 2010
7:00-8:00 p.m.
University of North Florida,
University Center

Sponsored by: Water Street Capital
Media Sponsor: Florida Times-Union

Co-Hosted with:



Call (904) 280-8162 by October 8 to reserve your complimentary ticket and special Council seating

Premier Members and Sponsors are also invited to a special pre-event reception hosted from 6:00–6:45 p.m. at the UNF University Center
RSVP to (904) 280-8162 by October 8

Chairman's Message



Jonathan Howe

Fall is an exciting time in Jacksonville as many members return from summer vacations and some of our favorite organizations begin new seasons in earnest (e.g. our own World Affairs Council, the Jaguars, the Symphony, and our schools and colleges). We think you will thoroughly enjoy the Council's offerings this year as we expand the number of Global Business Luncheons at the River Club and cover a wide range of thought provoking topics in the Global Issues Evenings at UNF. As you know, our seven confirmed evening speakers will address issues such as global sustainability, Turkey, global health care, the digital age, the changing nuclear equation, Russia and

US security challenges and the future US role in the world. We also hope to have several “surprise” speakers.

As a way of increasing dialogue among members and speakers and adding additional value to membership, we want to give those who join at the highest levels of membership more opportunities to have direct conversations with our speakers. This fall, special evenings are planned with **Hunter Lovins** and **T.R. Reid**. In addition, **Bill** and **Dori Walton** will be hosting a reception for UNF Professor **Parvez Ahmed**, who was recently appointed to the Jacksonville Human Rights Commission. With a number of celebrated authors in the lineup, we also hope to foster local discussion groups and book clubs that will help us better prepare for and more fully digest the content of talks by our provocative speakers.

Our educational outreach to high school students will expand again this year as we extend the Great Decisions seminar program to ten high schools with assistance from **UNF**, **JU**, **FSCJ** and **Edward Waters**. This effort also includes an International Crisis Management Exercise in which the students play the key positions in the National Security Council. Let us know if you can sponsor a Great Decisions high school.

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AMERICAN FUSION

October Fusion with the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra



Thursday, October 14, 2010
Private Reception at 6:30 p.m., Concert at 7:30 p.m.
Special Council Member/Sponsor Rate: \$42.50/ person
Series Pass for all four Fusions: \$150/ person
Times-Union Center

The journey begins with some down-home cookin' and home-spun music. Copland gets the dance going with music from Rodeo. Still's pioneering work gives a symphonic dimension to the blues, inspired by Dunbar's dialectic poems. Gershwin incorporates a wealth of blues and jazz idioms into Porgy and Bess, which he considered to be his finest work.

Call (904) 280-8162 or visit www.worldaffairscounciljax.org to learn more and purchase tickets

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YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

Building Leadership and Cross-Cultural Awareness



Jacksonville YPs Dialogue with Delegates from North Africa and the Middle East on June 5

The Young Professionals (YPs) are kicking off their inaugural YP Mentor Program this September following a successful launch of a pilot program last

season. YP members selected to participate in this program will be partnered with one of the Council's Board or Advisory Board members between September 2010 and May 2011. The mentor-protégé relationship will cover topics such as business and personal development, as well as community involvement.

The YPs and IVCJax co-hosted a group of eleven visiting delegates from North Africa and the Middle East in June for their 5th Global Exchange. More than fifty attendees dialogued about religious and political differences and similarities, cultural diversity and the relevance of non-profit and non-governmental organizations cross-culturally.

Daniel R. Gilham

FALL 2010 CALENDAR

Sept. 27, 6:00 p.m.

AC, Benefactor and Sponsor Reception With Hunter Lovins The Haskell Building

Oct. 28, 6:00 p.m.

AC and Sponsor Reception With Dr. Parvez Ahmed Home of Bill & Dori Walton

Sept. 28, noon

Hunter Lovins The River Club

Nov. 3-5

WACA National Conference Washington, D.C.

Sept. 28, 7:00 p.m.

Hunter Lovins UNF, University Center

Nov. 15, 6:00 p.m.

AC, Benefactor and Sponsor Reception With T.R. Reid The River Club

Oct. 5, noon

Michael J. Ward The River Club

Nov. 16, noon

T.R. Reid The River Club

Oct. 12, 7:00 p.m.

Stephen Kinzer UNF, University Center

Oct. 14, 6:30 p.m.

JSO American Fusion Times-Union Center

Nov. 16, 7:00 p.m.

T.R. Reid UNF, University Center

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE, FROM PAGE 1

A number of you will be receiving membership renewal requests in September and October. Please rejoin at the highest level possible. It makes a huge difference in what we are able to do throughout the year. Please also reserve your places for the luncheons, receptions and evening presentations for this season and spread the word among your friends. We know from recent feedback that the large turnouts of our loyal members and your insightful questions make a very positive impression on the speakers we bring to Jacksonville. Your participation also means a lot to all of us who share the goal of becoming better informed about global challenges.

Admiral Jonathan T. Howe, USN (Ret.), Chairman
World Affairs Council of Jacksonville

MEMBERSHIP

Pause and Pass

PAUSE for a few minutes to review the recently mailed Council Calendar of Events. With such a fabulous line up of speakers, you will surely want to **PASS** on to your friends and neighbors the list of world-class speakers we have lined up for this year and encourage them to join!

We need all members to brag about the Council, bring friends to our wonderful events, pause to consider the opportunities that membership offers and pass on your enthusiasm to others.

If you didn't receive the calendar, please call the office at (904) 280-8162.

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EDUCATION

Kicking-Off Great Decisions 2010-2011



UNF's Jeff Michelman and Ponte Vedra High's Marisa Leonard Plan Their 2010-2011 Season

Twenty-two Council Board members, high school teachers, university and college faculty and sponsors attended the annual Great Decisions Planning Session on August 19 at the Haskell Building. Excitement and enthusiasm for the growing success of the program prevailed as the group dialogued about past experiences and ideas to further enhance the program for participating Northeast Florida high school students. The Great Decisions program has

quickly grown to include ten high schools, spanning three counties (Duval, St. Johns and Nassau), with faculty from all four of Jacksonville's four-year higher education institutions involved as facilitators. We would like to welcome our newest participating schools: Yulee, Hilliard Middle-Senior and Raines. Thanks also to those continuing with the program: Episcopal, Fletcher, Forrest, Nease, Ponte Vedra, Ribault and Stanton. Membership dollars, WorldQuest proceeds and the generous contributions from sponsors and strategic partners make this program possible. Many thanks to **EverBank**, the **Jacksonville Business Journal**, the **Emily Balz Smith Foundation**, the **Rotary Club of South Jacksonville** and **Oceanside Rotary** for their support.

Vanessa K. Harper