

SEPTEMBER 2008

DIALOGUE



WORLD AFFAIRS
COUNCIL
JACKSONVILLE

Bringing the World Closer

GLOBAL ISSUES EVENINGS PRESENT

“The Way We’ll Be”



John Zogby
President & CEO,
Zogby International

Tuesday, Oct. 14, 7:30 p.m.
University of North Florida,
University Center

Sponsored by: Water Street Capital
Co-Hosted with:



Call (904) 280-8162 by October 9 to reserve your complimentary ticket and special Council seating

Premier Members and Sponsors are also invited to a special pre-event reception hosted from 6:30–7:15 p.m. at the UNF University Center. RSVP to (904) 280-8162 by October 6

President’s Message

The interaction of representatives of some 200 large and small nations in the Olympic Games in Beijing has been another vivid reminder of how complex and interconnected our world has become. The Russian military intervention in Georgia during the games was a clear warning that we are far from reaching the Olympic ideal of "One World, One Dream" and that we face new struggles and continuing global challenges ahead.



Jonathan Howe

As Presidential and Congressional election campaigns intensify this fall, there will be increased focus on the international issues our newly elected leaders will face. Council presentations this year, which begin on September 16, are designed to provide helpful insights about some of these critical global economic, political and security challenges. Ambassador **Martin Indyk** is

an expert on the perennial Arab-Israeli tensions and the dangers posed by Iran’s quest for nuclear weapons. International pollster **John Zogby** will be joining us a few weeks before our national elections and will undoubtedly have some thoughts about the new global challenges as well as enlightening us on how the world sees the United States. He will share his thoughts both at our business luncheon downtown and at a global issues evening at UNF.

Shortly after the November elections, commentator **David Brooks** will share his insights on the global outlook for the new President. On December 3rd, ConocoPhillips’ Senior Vice President for Project Development **Luc Messier** will discuss the looming challenges of achieving energy security and protecting climate change. We are still in the process of confirming a promising schedule for the

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GLOBAL BUSINESS LUNCHEONS PRESENT

“Public Opinion at Home and Abroad”

John Zogby
President & CEO, Zogby International

Monday, Oct. 13, Noon-1:30 p.m.
at the River Club

Sponsored by: Water Street Capital
Media Sponsor: The Jacksonville Business Journal

Cost: \$45 (Council Members) \$65 (Non-Members)
\$1,000 (Table Sponsor)

Staffing Update

I am very sad to relay this message to you—Ellen Wawrzyniak is stepping down from her role as the Council’s Education Director.

The decision was a difficult one for her, and was solely influenced by a variety of family demands that really need her full attention. However, she is likely to continue working with the Council on a contract basis to handle the internal accounting work. This will keep her tied to us and hopefully an opportunity to return in the future.

Ellen has been a very special member of the Council’s team and will be greatly missed.

If you know of anyone who might be a perfect match for the Council, do forward that information to Trina at wacjax@bellsouth.net. The job is full-time.

Sandy Cook

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TRAVEL THE WORLD

Baltic Sea and Northern Fjords

As a World Affairs Council member, you have access to a unique travel program that offers all the highlights of touring plus access to political leaders and other local experts for unique behind the scenes views and briefings.

UNF Professor and Council member, Dr. Pamela Zeiser will be leading her second trip to the Baltics, aboard the luxurious 230-guest Le Diamant from June 22-July 4, 2009. This comprehensive exploration

of the scenic grandeur of the Norwegian Fjords, the great ports of Scandinavia and the reborn former Soviet republics of Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia features the treasures of St.



Petersburg and a special early opening visit to the world-renowned Hermitage Museum. Enjoy a pre-program land option in the picturesque medieval port of Bergen, Norway. In Gdansk, birthplace of the Solidarity Movement, hear a special lecture by Nobel Peace Prize laureate and former president of Poland, Lech Walesa.

To learn more about this and other exciting travel opportunities, call the Council office at (904) 280-8162.

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second half of the year, but are very pleased that one of those speakers will be highly regarded Lt. General **Douglas Lute**, the White House Deputy National Security Advisor for Iraq and Afghanistan. Another speaker will be Pakistani Ambassador and scholar **Husain Haqqani**.

There is much more to come so please renew your membership now and help us bring the world closer to better prepare ourselves and our teachers and students for the complex and challenging world ahead.

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

MEMBERSHIP

Priority Seating!

All Council Members will now have access to Priority Seating at Global Issues Evenings events. Premier Members will continue to receive this benefit and will be escorted from the Reception directly into the lecture hall. Other Council members will check in at the Membership Table first, and then will be allowed to enter the event through a special "members only" entrance. As our speaker series continues to reach capacity, this is one of the many benefits of being a World Affairs Council Member. To take advantage of this offer, please contact the Council's office at (904) 280-8162.

On another note, please remember to tell your friends about the World Affairs Council. You are our best source for new members! Please let the office know if you would like to send information to a friend.

We are looking forward to seeing you at our upcoming events.

Jeanie Taras

EDUCATION

Ambassador McAfee Scholarship

This past April, The World Affairs Council of Jacksonville awarded its first ever Ambassador McAfee Scholarship to Christine Conley, a student at the University of North Florida.

Christine recently returned from a student exchange program in Montevideo, Uruguay. Christine will continue her studies at UNF with a major in International Business and a minor in Spanish. We wish Christine continued luck in her future endeavors.



COUNCIL FALL & WINTER CALENDAR

Sept. 16, 7:30 p.m.

Martin Indyk
UNF, University Center

Nov. 18, 7:30 p.m.

David Brooks
UNF, University Center

Sept. 25, 7:30 p.m.

The Capitol Steps
UNF, Fine Arts Center

Dec. 3, noon

Luc J. Messier
The River Club

Oct. 13, noon

John Zogby
The River Club

Jan. 13, 7:30 p.m.

Ambassador
Husain Haqqani
UNF, University Center

Oct. 14, 7:30 p.m.

John Zogby
UNF, University Center