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1/1/15 Excursion Tour to the 126th Rose Parade, themed "Inspiring Stories" Pasadena, California

Special CCC Event Reserved Seating ~ Breakfast prior to parade at Pasadena home of Mrs. Nina Stimson, mother of Cas Stimson, 2015 Fiesta El Presidente *Photo Credit: Fritz Olenberger, courtesy Old Spanish Days*

1/14/15 Rear Admiral Herman A. Shelanski Director, Assessment Division (OPNAV N81), USN War of 1812 and Today's Navy





2/2/15 Robert F. Hemphill

Former Business Executive & Author, Dust Tea, Dingoes and Dragons: Adventures in culture, cuisine and commerce from a globe-trekking executive CFR Reception host ~ Union Bank Community Partners Center



2/16/15 Dante Di Loreto

Producer of cable/broadcast television films (GLEE), winner of Primetime & Daytime Emmy Awards. Interviewed by John Palminteri, Senior Reporter for KEYT, KCOY and KKFX. Pictured with Carol Kallman & John Palminteri





2/26/15 70 Years On: Boots on the Sands of Iwo Jima

In Partnership with Pierre Claeyssens Veterans Foundation

Fourth Annual WWII Symposium

Speakers: BGen. Fred Lopez,

Strategic Implications and Ground Battle;

Col. Phil Conran, AAF Battle;

Lt. Stephen E. Penner, Navy Battle.

Honorees: Cpl. Benedict E. Bellefeuille, USMC;

LtCol. Robert P. Beckham, USMC; Cpl. Joseph Hale, USMC; PhM2 Kenneth E. Morehouse, USN.

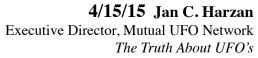
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3/12/15 John M. Owen IV

Professor of Politics and a Faculty Fellow at the Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture, University of Virginia. Author, *Confronting Political Islam: Six Lessons from the West's Past* CFR Reception hosts ~ Lynn & Ed George







4/23-24/2015 ACFR 20th Annual Conference Washington, D.C.

Reception at the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany Conference Venue: National Press Club (pictured above), Awards Dinner at The Cosmos Club The Partnership Approach: How Business & Government Advance U.S. Foreign Policy Priorities

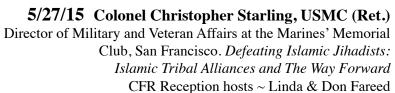


5/6/15 Blaine Harden

North Korea Expert and Author

The Great Leader and the Fighter Pilot

CFR Reception hosts ~ Missy & Patrick DeYoung





6/15/15 Charlotte Ponticelli

Program Director & Advisor American Committee on Foreign Relations. International and Governmental Affairs Expert.

The Situation of Women in Afghanistan: Priorities,

Challenges and Possibilities

CFR Reception host ~ Bob Hanrahan



7/16/15 Dirk Rosen

Executive Director and Founder Marine Applied Research & Exploration. *The Magnificent Ocean Wilderness* of the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary CFR Reception host ~ Marine Applied Research & Exploration



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8/3/15 Rachel Stohl Senior Associate with The Stimson Center. Managing Across Boundaries Initiative How Conventional Arms and Drones Work CFR Reception host ~ The Santa Barbara Botanic Garden

8/19/15 Lori Jensen Nelson

FBI Supervisory Special Agent, Office of Public and Congressional Affairs, Los Angeles Field Office Identity Theft



9/4/15 Brian & Angela Aggeler

Brian Aggeler, Coordinator for Economic and Development Assistance, U.S. Embassy Islamabad, Pakistan and his wife Angela Aggelar, Counselor for Public Affairs CFR Reception host ~ Union Bank Community Partners Center



9/9/15 Vietnam: The War and Its Veterans 50 years On... In Partnership with The Pierre Claeyssens Veterans Foundation

<u>History Speakers:</u>

Build-up & History 1950's-1964 ~ Capt. Fred Clough, US Army Main Battles & History 1965-1969 ~ Capt. Joe Danely, US Army Decline & Evacuation 1970-1975 ~ BGen Fred Lopez, USMC Aftermath/Healing 1975 ~ Major Jose Ramirez, USMC



Photo Credit: Joe Danely

Branch of Service Speakers: USAF ~ Col. Phil Conran ARMY ~ Sgt. Peter Bie COAST GUARD ~ Carol Fritz NAVY ~ LTJG Steve Penner CIA ~ Hazel Blankenship MARINES ~ Capt. Dennis Peterson WOMEN IN VIETNAM ~ Lt. Col. Pat Rumpza

Summary: Lt. John Blankenship







10/5/15 Ninth Annual China Town Hall Webcast

Moderator Stephen A. Orlins, President, National Committee United States-China Relations

With: **Robert Rubin**, Former Secretary of the Treasury Mayor Sheldon Day (Thomasville, Alabama)

Mr. Daniel Rosen, founding partner of Rhodium Group

Chinese Investment in the United States

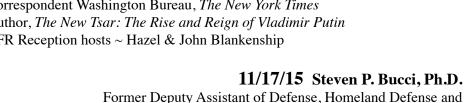
On-Site Speaker Ira Kasoff Senior counselor and member of APCO's International Advisory Council China at a Crossroads?

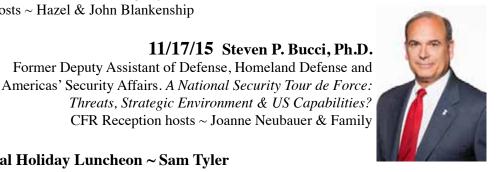
CFR No-Host Dinner with Ira Kasoff

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10/26/15 Steven Lee Myers Correspondent Washington Bureau, The New York Times Author, The New Tsar: The Rise and Reign of Vladimir Putin CFR Reception hosts ~ Hazel & John Blankenship





12/8/15 Annual Holiday Luncheon ~ Sam Tyler Longtime Documentary Film Producer and Director Documentary Preview: West of the West - Tales from California's Channel Islands; with Pianist Gil Rosas, Montecito Union School Chorus

1/25/16 Marilyn Brant Chandler DeYoung Author Remarkable Women of California An intimate look into the lives of women who shaped California's history during the 19th & 20th centuries





2/1/16 Excursion Tour to Ronald Reagan Library **Dr. Robert Gates**, Former Secretary of Defense, Author. A Passion for Leadership: Lessons on Change and Reform from Fifty Years of Public Service Dinner in the Air Force One Pavilion

2/3/16 Launch of the 2016 Santa Barbara CFR Season CFR Reception host ~ Sheila & Frank McGinity



3/1/16 General William J. Begert (USAF, Ret.)

Rebuilding Today's US Air Force An in-depth look at the requirements and innovation necessary for the USAF to remain on the leading edge CFR Reception hosts ~ Meg & Dan Burnham



3/31/16 Russ Haft

E-Commerce Developer & Manager The Case of the Disappearing Digital Legacy Resolving issues that arise with Estate Planning and the inclusion of personal digital assets



4/11/16 Ambassador Jeffrey D. Levine (Estonia, (Ret.) Thoughts on Foreign Affairs CFR Reception host ~ Betty Brown,

co-hosts Martha Hickey and Mary Ellen Hickey



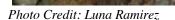
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4/21-22/2016

ACFR 21st Annual Conference Washington, D.C. Dr. Hamdullah Mohib, Ambassador

Host Afghan Embassy Reception. Conference Venue Center for Strategic and International Studies How Are Extremism and Authoritarianism Impacting U.S. Foreign Relations?





4/26/16 Christos Nicola

Adventurer. Author. The Secret of Priest's Grotto (Ukraine) The tale of a 1943 'safe cave;' premiered on the National Geographic's Adventure Magazine and NBC Today show.

5/9/16 The Forgotten War, Korea 66 Years On...

In Partnership with Pierre Claeyssens Veterans Foundation Special Guest Los Angeles Korean consul general Lee Keycheol Front row honorees: Lt. Col. Jack Harris; Sgt. John Suzuki; PFC Frank Heintz; PFC Margarito Delgadillo, Army; Maj. Gen. Phil Conley, USAF. Back row: presenters Brigadier General Fred Lopez USMC Ret.; Lt. John Blankenship, USN, Ret., Co-Founder and President, Pierre Claeyssens Veterans Foundation; Bill Brown, Santa Barbara County Sheriff; Ret., Capt. Joe Danely, US Army, Ret. and Col. Phil Conran, USAF



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L to R: Bogart, Taylor, Segil, Sohn



5/31/16 In partnership with the School of Business & Economics, CSU, Channel Islands and National Association of Corporate Directors, Southern California Chapter

The Global Economy and Corporate Governance Implications Global Economy Presentation by **Dr. Sung Won Sohn**,

Martin V. Smith Professor of Economics at California State University Channel Islands & Director of Institute for Global Economic Research (IGER).

<u>Corporate Governance Panel</u> moderated by **Dr. Karen Bogart**Board member Mohawk Industries, Michelman, & Monolithic Power
Systems. <u>Panelist</u> **Larraine Segil** Director Board of Fortune 200
Telecom giant, Frontier Communications (NASDAQ; FTR) as well as
a private global mid cap company and a variety of startup companies

in Southern California. <u>Panelist</u> **Dr. Larry Taylor** current Chairman of The Creighton Group, an international governance research organization and the Tone-at-the Bottom Institute, a corporate governance advocacy organization.



6/8/16 Sebastian Junger

Journalist, best-selling author & documentary filmmaker Author TRIBE, On Homecoming and Belonging The use of history, psychology and anthropology to resolve issues faced by Veterans returning home from war



VP Research Center for European Policy Analysis Author Breaking Rockefeller: The Inside Story of the Ambitious Rivals who Toppled an Oil Empire CFR Reception hosts ~ Lad Handelman & Linda Seals

