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CHINA'S RISING POWER:

The South China Sea

Professor Michael Glosny

Naval Postgraduate School

Wednesday, November 16, 2016

11:30 am registration ~ noon luncheon ~ 1:00-2:00 program

Rancho Canada, Carmel Valley Road

Our guest, Michael Glosny, is a specialist in Chinese foreign policy and East Asian security in the Department of National Security Affairs at the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS). Professor Glosny has just completed a book manuscript assessing China's rising power and its international implications. He will draw on his forthcoming publication and ongoing research to discuss China's evolving foreign policy with special attention to China's growing presence in the South China Sea.



vital waterways that comprise the South China Sea. Professor Glosny will discuss recent developments and how they reflect China's new role on the world stage.

Michael Glosny is concurrently an Assistant Professor at NPS and an Adjunct Senior Research Fellow at the Institute for National Strategic Studies at the National Defense University in Washington, D. C. He received his Ph.D. from the Massachusetts

Institute of Technology. He has also been an international security program fellow at Harvard University's Belfer Center for Science and Technology and a fellow at Harvard's John M. Olin Institute for Strategic Studies.

Rival countries have wrangled over territory in the South China Sea for centuries, but China's more assertive policy in recent years has dramatically increased tension in the region. China, Vietnam, the Philippines, Taiwan, Malaysia and Brunei all have competing territorial and jurisdictional claims over

(Please see page 3 for reservation details.)

Calendar of Events

Thursday, November 3	Board meets in small Conference Room, McCone building, MIIS. Open to members.	4:30 pm
Monday, November 7 & 21	OLLI Great Decisions Discussion Group, meets at 8 Upper Ragsdale Drive, 2nd Floor, Ryan Ranch .	4-5:30 pm
Wednesday, November 9	WAC Book Club meets at Monterey Public Library, Community Room reviewing <i>The Constitution Today: The Lessons for the Issues of Our Era</i> , by Amar, Akhil Reed	5-6:30 pm
Monday, November 14	<i>Migration: Here and There</i> . Discussion Group meets in Room 101, Social Science building, MPC.	4-5:30 pm
Wednesday, November 16	<i>China's Rising Power: The South China Sea</i> . Luncheon and presentation at Rancho Canada, Carmel Valley Road	11:30-2 pm

September program report ...on
*America's Foreign Language Deficit:
A National Security Threat?*

Welcome to the World's Language Capital!

That's how our September luncheon speaker, Col. Dino Pick, chooses to describe the Monterey Bay area. And he should know. Col. Pick is the retired Commanding Officer of the Defense Language Institute and currently Deputy City Manager for the City of Monterey, which coined the moniker.

According to Col. Pick, language translation is a \$33 billion global market growing annually in strong double digits. And America is not beginning to meet that demand. Language training in the U.S. has been declining since 1995. Only 7% of our students are in language study programs. And less than 1% of those students can speak the language they are studying fluently. The private sector business community wants more translators, a clear signal to Col. Pick that this strong growth will continue.

Describing Monterey as "The Language Capital of the World", Col. Pick pointed to linguists trained in 25 languages by the DLI, to yearly graduates from the MIIS, renowned for its language programs, and to the cybersecurity program at the Navy Postgraduate School. Language Line Services, a local company, recently was purchased for \$1.5 billion by a French company who will headquarter the service here in Monterey.

The Colonel concluded by mentioning the DLI Foundation, which will soon offer free online language classes. Check out www.dli-foundation.org.

Ron Nelson

BOOK CLUB

WAC's reaching out to all bibliophiles with its newest learning program designed to promote the presentation, discussion and study of international affairs—a monthly Book Club. The next meeting will be November 9 in the large meeting room of the Monterey library from 5-6:30. This month's selection is *The Constitution Today: The Lessons for the Issues of Our Era*, by Amar, Akhil Reed. Doug Wilhelm's in charge. Call 831-620-0876. It's free and open to the public!



WACMB SCHOLARS

On Tuesday, October 18, 2016, Naomi Terman, WAC Scholarship Chair, identified six scholarship winners at the annual WAC Scholarship Event held at Rancho Canada Country Club in Carmel Valley. Guests enjoyed meeting face to face with the local scholars as well as listening to an interesting and timely lecture on *Foreign Policy and the Presidential Election: A Nonpartisan Assessment* delivered by NPS Professor John Arquilla.

WAC Scholarships were issued to Garrett Long and Nicholas A. McCullough (MPC). Julia Barnett and Azalea Esmeralda Power (CSUMB), Jonathan Miller and Nicholas A. Stulk (MIIS). Garrett Long is now enrolled at CSUMB. All plan to seek future careers connected to international affairs and/or related subjects. Professors nominated the winners for the highly competitive and merit based \$1000 awards. The funds were deposited into each student's college account at the beginning of the 2016 fall semester.

Contributions from WAC members, corporate and community friends supported the 2016 WAC Scholarship Fund. These donations ensured the existence of this year's scholarships and continued this esteemed program.

Mrs. Terman ended the presentation ceremony by thanking the 2015-2016 fiscal year Scholarship Committee volunteer members: Fred Lawson, Cynthia Harris, Doug Wilhelm, Jerry Sullivan, and President Gail Sheridan for their dedication and many hours of detailed work. They reviewed numerous applications, resumes, and single page essays describing each candidate's passionate interest in a particular international issue.

RESERVATION FORM

**November 16, 2016
Registration 11:30 am
Luncheon at noon
Program 1 pm**

Reservations due November 11, 2016

Mail form & check or credit information to:
WAC - P.O. Box 83, Monterey, CA 93942
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Great Decision!

Plan ahead! Topics for the *Great Decisions 2017* program, sponsored by the Foreign Policy Association and reviewed by WACMB each week in February and March, have just been released. Subjects to be covered by their briefing book and our discussion programs are: (1) *The Future of Europe* (2) *Trade and Politics* (3) *Conflict in the South China Sea* (4) *Saudi Arabia in Transition* (5) *U.S. Foreign Policy and Petroleum* (6) *Latin America's Political Pendulum* (7) *Prospects for Afghanistan and Pakistan* and (8) *Nuclear Security*.

See you there!

Rancho Canada

for those who've been wondering.....

Rafael Payan, General Manager of the Monterey Regional Park District, writing in the *Carmel Valley Voice* says that when the 140-acre Hatton Ranch is turned over to the Trust for Public Land and integrated into the adjacent 4,700 Palo Corona Regional Park "Many of Rancho Canada's existing facilities will be retained and adaptively re-used. The large clubhouse will continue to be used for community events and private functions."

Whew! WACMB

LUNCHEON MENU

House Salad with Ranch Dressing

Classic Roasted Turkey
*with Cranberry Sauce
House Made Stuffing
& Gravy*

*Garlic mashed potatoes &
Green Beans*

Chef's Choice Dessert

(vegetarian)

Pasta Primavera



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