

US-China Peoples Friendship Association



22nd Washington Seminar on U.S.-China Relations

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In Business, Culture, and Friendship*

April 21 to 22, 2016

Kellogg Conference Hotel at Gallaudet University
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PROGRAM

Wednesday, April 20

5:30-7:00 pm	Registration	Kellogg Conference Hotel 2 nd floor
	▪ Ms. Barbara Cobb, Registrar, USCPFA	
5:30-7:00	Welcome reception/meet and greet	Break Lounge
7:30	USCPFA-Southern Region meeting	Atrium

Thursday, April 21

7:00-8:30 am	Breakfast (complimentary for hotel guests)	Bistro
8:00	Registration	Atrium
	▪ Ms. Barbara Cobb, Registrar, USCPFA	
9:00	Welcome and tour instructions	Atrium
	▪ Ms. Diana Greer, National President, USCPFA	
9:30	Departure from hotel (bus boarding at 9:15 am)	Main hotel entrance
	▪ Bus service provided by Miljen Transportation	
10:00	Tour of the U.S. Institute of Peace	2301 Constitution Ave. N.W.
10:45	Departure from the U.S. Institute of Peace	
11:00	Tour of the George Washington University Confucius Institute	2147 F St. N.W.
11:15	Departure from the George Washington University Confucius Institute	
11:30	Self-guided tour of the U.S. Supreme Court	1 First St. N.E.
	Lunch (on your own before or after docent lecture)	Cafeteria, ground floor
	Film: <i>The Supreme Court</i> (24 minutes, runs continuously)	Theater, ground floor
12:30 pm	Docent lecture (30 minutes, join the line in the Great Hall on 1 st Floor at 12:15 pm)	Courtroom, 1 st floor
1:30	Departure from the U.S. Supreme Court (on foot, cross First St. N.E. and enter the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center)	
2:00	Tour of the U.S. Capitol (gather around the <i>Statue of Freedom</i> in Emancipation Hall of the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center)	
	▪ Hosted by Senator Robert Corker's office	
3:45	Departure from the U.S. Capitol	
4:00	Arrival at Kellogg Conference Hotel	
5:45	Departure from hotel (bus boarding at 5:30 pm)	Main hotel entrance
6:00	Arrival at Embassy	3505 International Pl. N.W.
6:30	Dinner reception at the Embassy of the People's Republic of China (business attire expected)	
	▪ Hosted by Mr. Li Kexin, Minister, Embassy of the People's Republic of China	
7:45	Departure from Embassy	
8:00	Arrival at Kellogg Conference Hotel	

Friday, April 22

7:00-8:30 am	Breakfast (complimentary for hotel guests)	Bistro
8:00	Registration <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ms. Barbara Cobb, Registrar, USCPFA	Atrium
8:30	USCPFA Center for Teaching about China (CTAC) opens <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ms. Kitty Trescott, Coordinator, CTAC	
9:00	Welcome and greetings <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ms. Diana Greer, National President, USCPFA	Auditorium
9:15	Keynote address: <i>Confidence, Vitality, and Opportunities in China-U.S. Relations</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mme. Li Xiaolin, President, The Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries	
9:45	<i>Emerging Trends in China</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mr. Ralph Winnie, Jr., Director of the Eurasian Business Coalition's China Program, The Eurasia Center	
10:30	Break	
10:45	<i>China's Foreign Aid and Investment Diplomacy—A Challenge to the U.S. and the West</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dr. John Copper, Distinguished Professor Emeritus of International Studies, Rhodes College	
11:30	<i>From Frenzy to Friendship: The History of US-China Peoples Friendship Association</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dr. Paul Trescott, Author	
12:00 pm	Book signing by Dr. Paul Trescott	
12:30	Lunch	Atrium
	Introduction of special guests <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ms. Diana Greer, National President, USCPFA <i>Chinatown in Transition</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dr. Dwan Tai	
2:00	<i>Ching Ming: Conversations with Three Ghosts</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ms. Donna Fuller, Member, USCPFA-RichmondMs. Carole Louie, Member, USCPFA-Richmond	Auditorium
2:15	<i>Chinese Gardens</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ms. Rosemary Slowiak, Member, USCPFA-Minnesota	
2:30	<i>The Washing Away of Wrongs—Forensic Practices in Imperial China</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dr. Woon Chow, Clinical Fellow, Vanderbilt University Medical Center Division of Neuropathology	
3:00	Break	
3:15	<i>Business, Partnership, and Friendship Work</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mr. Robert Edwards, President, USCPFA-Southern RegionMs. Nancy Li, Board Chair, USCPFA-Houston	
4:00	<i>The Silk Road Initiative</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mr. Ralph Winnie, Jr., Director of the Eurasian Business Coalition's China Program, The Eurasia Center	
4:30	Closing remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ms. Diana Greer, National President, USCPFA	
7:00	Dinner at Chalin's Restaurant (optional/dutch)	1912 I St. N.W.

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

Dr. Woon Chow has been an active member of the USCPFA-Richmond for the past six years. He was born and raised in Hong Kong, and immigrated to the United States at the age of nine. He and his family eventually settled in Virginia, and he had lived in the Richmond area for 25 years. He obtained his undergraduate degrees from Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) in biomedical engineering and physics, but his love of history encouraged him to earn a minor in that subject as well. He stayed at VCU to pursue medical and graduate studies, earning his M.D. and Ph.D. in 2011. After completing his residency training in general pathology at VCU Medical Center, he recently moved to Nashville, Tennessee, to pursue subspecialty training in neuropathology at Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

Dr. John Copper is the Stanley J. Buckman Distinguished Professor Emeritus of International Studies at Rhodes College in Memphis, Tennessee. He has written more than thirty books on Asia and international affairs, contributed to another forty, and has published over seventy academic journal and magazine articles. Dr. Copper has testified several times before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and House Foreign Affairs Committee and its Sub-Committee on Asia and Pacific Affairs. He was a member of the Board of Governors of the East-West Center (appointment made by the White House and Secretary of State) from 1983 to 1989. He is currently a member of the editorial board of the journal *Asian Affairs*. He has spent more than thirteen years in Asia teaching and doing research. Dr. Copper is featured in several *Who's Who* listings, including *Who's Who in Asian Studies*. In 1997, he was the recipient of the International Communications Award.

Mr. Robert "Bob" Edwards is USCPFA-Southern Region President and Co-President with wife Jan of the Chattanooga chapter. He has been an active participant in China's opening since studying there in 1983. After working for two decades in international business, he returned to the classroom to create Tennessee's first Mandarin Chinese program for middle and high school students in Sewanee, Tennessee. He now teaches Chinese at McCallie School. Together with his wife Jan Zhan, he has organized numerous student and governmental travel groups to and from China. He is now preparing for a delegation visit from Wuxi, Chattanooga's sister city since 1982. This relationship was made possible by former USCPFA National President Jean Troy who established the Chattanooga chapter in 1978.

Ms. Donna Fuller resides in Richmond, Virginia, where she has been a real estate associate broker and residential real estate appraiser for over thirty years (and counting). Her passion with China began with the adoption of her adorable grandchild Katie just over ten years ago. She joined USCPFA three years ago to begin her study of all things Chinese. She recently partnered with Love Without Boundaries by making bibs and tiny taggies for babies recovering from cleft palate surgery, before they are put up for adoption or returned to their homes.

Ms. Nancy Li is founder and President of Easton Resource Development, Inc., an education consulting and PR firm based in Houston, Texas. She also serves as Council Member of the Houston Mayor's Office for International Trade & Affairs Council, Board Trustee of the Houston Holocaust Museum and Foundation, and Board Chair of the USCPFA-Houston. She is Guest Professor at Texas Lone Star College. Ms. Li has a number of China connections. She directs the USA offices of Heilongjiang Province's Qiqihar City Municipal Government and of Qiqihar University, and serves as Professor at Qiqihar University and Guest Professor at Qiqihar Medical University. She is Council member of Heilongjiang Provincial Association of International Exchange of Personnel and Honorary Chair of Heilongjiang Provincial Overseas Friendship Association. She is the Official Representative of the Commerce Department of Hainan Province, and is Senior Consultant to Tianjin Normal University.

Mme. Li Xiaolin is the President of the Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries (CPAFFC). She is concurrently the Honorary President of the Friendship Foundation for Peace and Development (CPAFFC affiliate), President of the Friendship Art Exchange Association (CPAFFC affiliate), President of the China International Friendship Cities Association, and Vice President of the China-U.S. People's Friendship Association. She joined CPAFFC in 1975 after graduating from the English Department of the Foreign Languages College, Wu Han University. She successively held the posts of Director of the American Division, Deputy Director-General, Director-General of the Department of the American and Oceania Affairs, and Vice President of CPAFFC. From 1990 to 1992, she served as First Secretary in the Chinese Embassy in the United States. In 2003, she was elected member of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC). She became President of the CPAFFC in September 2011. In 2013, she was elected member of the Standing Committee, and Deputy Director-General of the Foreign Affairs Committee under the National Committee of the CPPCC.

Ms. Carole Louie is an interior designer, a medium, a past-life regression therapist, and a writer. Twenty-four years of conversations with her father's ghost taught her about her Chinese heritage and inspired her book, *Conversations with a Hungry Ghost: Memoir of a Reluctant Medium* (to be published in late 2016). *Ching Ming: Conversations with Three Ghosts* is a short story based on her memoir.

Ms. Rosemary "Romi" Slowiak is a Community Arts Activist. She is advisor to the Minnesota China Friendship Garden Society, marshaling community input and artist engagement with a garden-in-process with St. Paul's Sister City, Changsha. She traveled to Changsha in October 2016 with the China Garden Society and the St. Paul Mayoral Delegation. Formerly, she was transportation and urban planner for consulting firms and regional government. She has lived in Malaysia. She was Founding Executive Director of the East Side Arts Council, and manager of a multi-cultural arts festival and fundraiser CABARET! that features Hmong and Chinese dancers, artists, and emcee. She supports classical music concerts and classes. She loves badminton and she practices Mulan Chuan. She received her B.A. from Cornell University and Masters of Urban and Regional Planning from George Washington University.

Dr. Dwan "Diane" Tai was the visionary behind the creation of the Washington DC Chinatown community, and she organized that community for the building of the Friendship Archway, the largest such arch in the United States. She is a successful commercial real estate broker and President of Award International, Inc., and the Allies Building Community, Inc., engaging in strategic planning, investment management, marketing, executive coaching, and hosting a monthly Meetup. She has traveled to Europe and Asia broadly for investment and business purposes and has served as a member delegate to the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East, representing the United States.

Dr. Paul "Bart" Trescott is Professor Emeritus of Economics at Southern Illinois University, where he began teaching in 1976. He received a Ph.D. from Princeton in 1954. In 1983 to 1984, he and wife Kitty taught at Peking University on a Fulbright appointment. They have returned to China numerous times for lecturing and research. Dr. Trescott's books include textbooks in microeconomic theory and in money and banking, a history of the American banking system, and a study of the monetary system of Thailand. In 2007, he published *Jingji Xue—The History of the Introduction of Western Economic Ideas into China*. His most recent book (available for sale at the Seminar's Center for Teaching about China table) is near to the heart of USCPFA, *From Frenzy to Friendship: The History of the US-China Peoples Friendship Association*.

Mr. Ralph Winnie, Jr. has extensive experience in international affairs, international business development and trade, and domestic and international tax policies. His most recent positions include Director of the China Program for the Eurasia Center and Vice President of Global Business Development for the Eurasian Business Coalition. Mr. Winnie's speaking engagements have included The World Bank, The Woodrow Wilson Center, and Columbia University. His articles—with topics including U.S.-China trade issues—have appeared in such publications as the *Washington Post*, the *Diplomatic Courier*, and *Tax International*. Mr. Winnie received his LL.M. in taxation from Georgetown University Law Center in Washington, D.C. He is a member of the District of Columbia Bar Association and the New York Bar Association, and is admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court and several federal courts. Mr. Winnie makes his home in Hawaii and in Washington, D.C.

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The US-China Peoples Friendship Association (USCPFA), founded in 1974, is a private, membership-based, non-profit educational organization with chapters throughout the United States. USCPFA is dedicated to developing and maintaining ties of friendship and mutual understanding between the peoples of China and the U.S. Among its many activities, USCPFA is involved in educational programs and services such as biennial Washington seminars on U.S.-China relations; classroom teaching materials on China; a broad array of study tours to China; business, educational, and cultural exchanges; and development and ongoing support of sister-city and sister-state relationships.

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