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Afghanistan: Political Order and The Prospects for Peace

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Thursday, May 23, 2019

11:30 am: Registration ~11:50 am: Luncheon ~12:45 pm: Program

**** Palo Corona Park HQ, Carmel Valley Road (formerly Rancho Canada) ****

In recent months, there has been a flurry of movement in the Afghan peace process after years of frustrated efforts. Is peace finally at hand, and is it sustainable?

Dr. Naazneen Barma will assess the prospects for peace in Afghanistan, the current draft peace framework, and the complex governance challenges that would follow such a deal. She will describe how past international attempts to broker peace in Afghanistan contended unsuccessfully with the underlying political realities in the country, which were forged by decades of conflict. She will also discuss whether Afghan elites have constructed a political order in which traditional, patronage-based governance stymies statebuilding and democratization. Drawing on her most recent book, *The Peacebuilding Puzzle: Political Order in Post-Conflict States* (Cambridge University Press, 2017), Dr. Barma will



suggest a series of principles necessary for achieving a peaceful political order in post-conflict Afghanistan.

Naazneen H. Barma is Associate Professor of National Security Affairs at the Naval Postgraduate School. Her work focuses on international engagement in post-conflict and developing countries. Dr. Barma received her PhD and MA in Political Science from the University of California, Berkeley, and her MA in International Policy Studies and BA in International Relations and Economics from Stanford. Dr. Barma is one of the founders and a co-director of Bridging the Gap, an initiative devoted to enhancing the policy impact of international affairs scholarship.

(See page 3 for reservation information)

Thursday, May 2

4:30 pm

Board Meeting: Sally Griffin Center, 700 Jewell Ave., Pacific Grove. Open to members.

Monday, May 13

4:00 - 5:30 pm

Discussion Group: MPC Social Science Building Room 101. Parking \$3.00 in Lot D.

Monday, May 20

4:00 - 5:30 pm

OLLI Discussion Group: CSUMB at Ryan Ranch, 8 Upper Ragsdale Dr.

Thursday, May 23

11:30 am - 2:00 pm

Luncheon: *Afghanistan: Political Order and the Prospects for Peace*, by Naazneen H. Barma

WACMB In Profile: Board President Larry Johnson

Welcome to WACMB In Profile, the first in an occasional series of profiles of members of our organization. The World Affairs Council of the Monterey Bay Area is full of interesting people who have done and are doing interesting things. WACMB In Profile will let you get to know some of them better. For this inaugural column, we begin at the head of the organization.

WACMB Board President Larry Johnson is a lifelong Californian and a proud graduate of UC Santa Cruz (you may have noticed that he bleeds Banana Slug Yellow), where he studied Politics with an emphasis on Public Opinion and Social Psychology. He put his degree to work during a long and distinguished career in radio. Larry was a co-founder of the UCSC radio station (KRUZ, now KZSC); Founder, Program Director, and DJ at KTYD in Santa Barbara; DJ at KNDE in Sacramento; DJ and Public Affairs Programmer at KSJO in San Jose; and Public Affairs Programmer both at KOME in San Jose and at Double 99 in San Francisco and Santa Cruz.

In addition to his wide-ranging work with radio stations, Larry has taught Radio Programming and Production at CSU Los Angeles, Humboldt State University, and San Jose State University. Some of the best parts of his career were playing a role in the birth of the Progressive Rock radio format, and founding and participating in radio stations. Now Larry gets to indulge his lifelong interest in current events and world affairs by serving as WACMB Board president and moderator of the WAC/MPC Discussion Group. (For more information about WACMB Discussion Groups, see the next column.)

Larry's wife, Kathleen Baker, is an active volunteer who has done some wonderful work in

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our community. She is a co-founder of Gathering For Women – Monterey, a resource center and community for homeless women on the Monterey Peninsula. She is also involved in the Master Gardeners Program and Monterey's Neighborhood Improvement Program. Larry's daughter, Erin, lives in the Seattle area, where she works in Human Resources in the technology sector when she's not out traveling around the world.

Want to Get Involved?

WACMB is always looking for volunteers to help keep the organization running smoothly. If you'd like to get more involved with your organization, whether on a committee or on the board, we welcome you! Please let us know by sending an email to wacmb@redshift.com.

DISCUSSION GROUPS

WACMB offers two discussion groups that are free and open to the public. Each month, the group will select the topic for the following month's discussion.

MPC: May's topic is "The Israeli-Palestinian Conundrum." Over fifty years after the founding of Israel, tensions remain. Can common ground be found between the two sides?

Meetings are on the second Monday of the month, from 4:00 - 5:30 pm in Room 101, Social Sciences Building. Parking is available for \$3 in Lot D.

OLLI/CSUMB: Meetings are on the third Monday of the month, from 4:00-5:30 pm at the CSUMB Ryan Ranch location. Parking is free at the door. Note: please RSVP for this group at either csumb.edu/olli or (831) 582-5500 so that you can receive course communications.

Come join the conversation!

RESERVATION FORM

Reservations due May 17 for May 23 presentation

Registration 11:30 am

Mail form and check or credit information to:

Members @ \$31 _____

Luncheon 11:50 am

WACMB, PO Box 83, Monterey, CA 93942

Guests @ \$40 _____

Program 12:45 pm

or fax reservation form to (831) 643-1846

Total \$ _____

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If you look closely at the Reservation Form at the top of this page, you'll notice a new line at the bottom: "Note: No refunds or credit will be given for cancellations received after the due date."

You can make and cancel luncheon reservations at any time up until the end of the day on the due date, which is always listed on the reservation form. We agree to pay the luncheon venue for the number of reservations we have at that point. If you cancel a reservation after the due date, your WACMB is still contractually obligated to pay for that unused lunch.

Therefore, in order to be fiscally responsible, we will no longer be able to issue refunds or credit for any cancellations that are made after the due date.

Thank you for understanding why we have implemented this change. As always, members' comments are welcome. Send your thoughts to wacmb@redshift.com.

LUNCHEON MENU

- Asian Salad
- Teriyaki Salmon
- Roasted Red Potatoes and Seasonal Vegetables
- Fresh Rolls and Butter
- Chef's Choice Dessert
- Coffee

VEGETARIAN OPTION

- Vegetable Stir Fry



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