



# The Passport

World Affairs Council of the Monterey Bay Area ([www.wacmb.org](http://www.wacmb.org))

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## The Climate Crisis: A Major Challenge for the World

**Mike Clancy**

**Former Technical and Scientific Director,  
Fleet Numerical Meteorology and Oceanography Center**

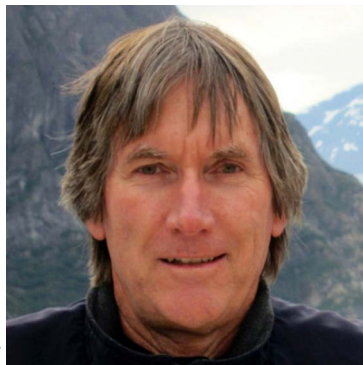
**Tuesday, February 25, 2020**

**11:30 am: Registration 11:50 am: Luncheon 12:50 pm: Program**

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

Human-induced climate change is a major challenge for the world. It has reached a crisis point and, if left unchecked, may threaten the very existence of civilization itself. Unfortunately, the governments of the world have failed to act decisively to halt climate change. With global causes and global consequences, climate change must be addressed as a global problem through international coordination, cooperation, and burden sharing. In his presentation to the World Affairs Council, Mike Clancy will provide an overview of climate change and its consequences; he will explore the relevant science, review international agreements, and discuss technologies and strategies for mitigation.

Mike Clancy earned a BS in Oceanography from Florida Institute of Technology in 1973 and an MS in Meteorology from the University of Miami in 1975. He worked for



Science Applications International Corporation in the late 1970s and the Naval Research Lab in the early 1980s. He joined the US Navy's Fleet Numerical Meteorology and Oceanography Center (FNMOC) in Monterey in 1983, and became its Technical and Scientific Director in 2005. Mr. Clancy has authored over 100 publications in meteorology, oceanography, and information technology, and received over 50 professional awards, including the Navy's highest civilian award, which he received prior to his retirement from federal service in 2011. Mr. Clancy was inducted into the FNMOC Hall of Fame in 2015. He is a member of the Monterey Chapter of the Citizens' Climate Lobby (CCL) and a frequent lecturer on climate change.

*(See page 3 for reservation information)*

**Mondays, January 27 - March 23**

**4:00 - 5:30 pm**

***Great Decisions* at MPC and OLLI. See page 2 for further information.**

**Thursday, February 6**

**4:30 pm**

**Board Meeting: McCone Building Conference Room, MIIS. Open to members.**

**Tuesday, February 25**

**11:30 - 2:00 pm**

**Monthly Luncheon at Palo Corona: Mike Clancy on *The Climate Crisis***

## WACMB in Profile: Gabby Walters

Gabby Walters describes herself as a “news junkie,” and no wonder, given her life’s trajectory. Born in Chicago, she graduated from the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana with degrees in English and Speech. After stints teaching high school English in Phoenix and working for The Asia Foundation in San Francisco, she was recruited by the US Information Agency (USIA), and set off to see – and write about - the world.

Gabby was first sent to Washington, DC, for an intensive course in French to prepare for her first assignment at the US embassy in Paris. After two years, she took her French to Geneva, where she worked at the US Mission to the European Headquarters of the United Nations during the Arms Control and Disarmament talks as well as the Kennedy Round of trade negotiations. Gabby was stationed in Geneva for nearly three years, and was then posted back to DC, where she remained for the rest of her career. She first did editorial work in USIA’s book program; then she moved over to the magazine division, where she worked for more than a decade on the Agency’s magazine for sub-Saharan Africa. This gave her the opportunity to travel to Africa to cover stories there and assess the effectiveness of USIA’s magazine program in the region. One memorable trip took her to South Africa during apartheid. Partway through her tenure in DC, she was awarded a fellowship for a year’s study at Georgetown University’s School of Foreign Service.

After retiring from USIA in 1992, Gabby focused on the joys of retirement, doing as little as possible except for playing tennis, reading, entertaining, and traveling to visit friends all around the world, including a trip to Burma long before it opened to the West. One particular trip changed Gabby’s life: a 1997 visit to her old friend and colleague Mary Boyken in lovely Carmel-by-the-Sea, just three blocks from the ocean. Trading DC’s cold snowy winters and hot humid summers for the mild climate of the Monterey Peninsula, Gabby moved west to join Mary. They later moved to Quail Lodge in Carmel Valley, and are now at the Park Lane in Monterey.

Gabby’s many years of government service gave her a deep interest in both domestic and international politics and issues, so the World Affairs Council was a natural fit for her. She spent twelve years on the board, including six

years as secretary. Although she’s now retired from the board, she continues to feed her addiction to international events through various WAC programs. When she’s not attending luncheon talks or traveling around the country to visit family and friends, Gabby can be found reading – she says that she subscribes to more magazines and newspapers than she could ever read – or surfing the internet, and loving every minute of it!

## Schedule for the Great Decisions Program

The annual Great Decisions series, produced by the Foreign Policy Association of America, is the country’s largest discussion program. WACMB presents this *free* program at two locations: Monterey Peninsula College (MPC) and the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) at the Ryan Ranch location of California State University Monterey Bay (CSUMB).

**The MPC program** meets from 4:00-5:30 in Room 101 of the Social Sciences Building. Parking is available for \$3 in Lot D. Its schedule is as follows:

Jan. 27: Climate Change and the Global Order

Feb. 3: India and Pakistan

Feb. 10: Red Sea Security

\*\*No meeting on February 17

Feb. 24: Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking

Mar. 2: US Relations with the Northern Triangle

Mar. 9: China's Road into Latin America

Mar. 16: The Philippines and the US

Mar. 23: Artificial Intelligence and Data

**The OLLI/CSUMB program** is held at the CSUMB building, 8 Upper Ragsdale Drive at Ryan Ranch. Free parking is available. Participants must register in advance for the series at <https://olli.csumb.edu/courses>, or by calling (831) 582-5500. Its schedule is as follows:

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## RESERVATION FORM

*Reservations due February 20 for February 25 presentation*

Registration 11:30 am

Luncheon 11:50 am

Program 12:50 pm

Mail form and check or credit information to:

WACMB, PO Box 83, Monterey, CA 93942

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- Michael Carbaugh and Suzette  
Cavanaugh Singer
- Lorraine Comanor
- Jack and Marilyn Erickson
- James Gabbe
- Susan Hocevar
- Robert and Rae Janzen
- Robert Nelson

## LUNCHEON MENU

- Caesar Salad
- Oven-Roasted Salmon with  
Tarragon Butter Sauce
- Whipped Potatoes
- Seasonal Vegetables
- Fresh Rolls and Butter
- Chef's Choice Dessert
- Coffee

## VEGETARIAN OPTION

- Portobella Mushroom Steak  
on a Bed of Polenta



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