

# The Passport

World Affairs Council of the Monterey Bay Area (www.wacmb.org)

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# Liberalism and Its Discontents: A Conversation with Francis Fukuyama

Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies, Stanford University

Monday, November 14, 2022

11:30 am: Registration 12:00 pm: Luncheon 1:00 pm: Program \*\* Monterey Marriott, 350 Calle Principal, Monterey\*\*

Classical liberalism is in a state of crisis. Developed in the wake of Europe's wars over religion and nationalism, liberalism is a system for governing diverse societies that is grounded in fundamental principles of equality and the rule of law. It emphasizes the rights of individuals to pursue their own forms of happiness free from encroachment by governments.



how this profoundly affects our current political discontents, from immigration to the invasion of Ukraine

In addition to being one of America's leading public intellectuals, Francis Fukuyama is the Olivier Nomellini Senior Fellow at Stanford University's Freeman

Spogli Institute for International Studies, and Director of the Ford Dorsey Master's in International Policy, also at Stanford. A political scientist, political economist, and international relations scholar, Dr. Fukuyama has written widely on issues in development and international politics. His best-selling book *The End of History and the Last Man* (Free Press, 1992) has been printed in over twenty foreign editions. Dr. Fukuyama received his BA in Classics from Cornell University and his PhD in Political Science from Harvard.

We are honored to have renowned political philosopher Francis Fukuyama speak at our November luncheon. He will draw upon his new book, *Liberalism and Its Discontents* (Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2022), to discuss how liberalism has been pushed to new extremes by both the right and the left in recent decades. The result, he will argue, has been a fracturing of our civil society, placing our democracy in increasing peril. In his remarks, Dr. Fukuyama will touch on

Please note: Dr. Fukuyama's talk will be at the Monterey Marriott. Please see page 2 for further information about this new venue.

# Monterey County Gives! and Academic WorldQuest

Monterey County Gives!, aka MCGives!, kicks off on November 10. What, you ask, is MCGives!? It's a fundraising program for nonprofit organizations in Monterey County that is run by the Community Foundation for Monterey County, the *Monterey County Weekly*, and the Monterey Peninsula Foundation. Founded in 2009, MCGives! adds additional prorated funds to every dollar raised by a participating organization in support of its "Big Idea." Last year, WACMB raised more than \$6000 through MCGives!

So what's our Big Idea? It's not just an idea any more: WACMB is bringing Academic WorldQuest to Monterey County high schools. What, you ask, is Academic WorldQuest? It's the flagship youth education program of the World Affairs Councils of America (which is the umbrella organization for the more than 90 World Affairs Councils across the United States). Structured as a fun, fast-paced team competition for high school students, Academic WorldQuest tests players' knowledge of current international politics, geography, global economics, history, and world cultures. The program fits nicely with WACMB's longtime support for local students who are interested in international affairs. WACMB will use funds raised through MCGives! to sponsor Monterey County's first annual Academic World Quest competition, which will be held in February 2023. We will also pay to send Monterey County's winning team to Washington, DC, to compete in the national championships in April 2023.

How can you support this Big Idea through MCGives!? It's easy! Beginning November 10, just go to www.montereycountygives.com and follow the directions there to make a donation

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online in support of WACMB's sponsorship of Academic WorldQuest.

If you'd rather send a check, make it payable to Community Foundation for Monterey County and write WACMB in the Memo line or on an attached note. (Please do NOT make your check out to WACMB.) Mail your check to CFMC, Attn. MCGives!, 2354 Garden Road, Monterey, CA, 93940.

Don't delay! The program runs from November 10 through December 31. Also remember: the more we donate, the more our donations will generate additional funds. So be generous! For further information, go to

www.montereycountygives.com or look for the fundraising brochure early in November in the *Monterey County Weekly*.

## Information About November's Luncheon at the Marriott

The Monterey Marriott is a new venue for WACMB luncheons. It is located at 350 Calle Principal in downtown Monterey, right across Del Monte Avenue from the Monterey Conference Center. The luncheon will be held in Ferrante's Bay View Ballroom, which is located on the 10th floor of the Marriott and offers sweeping views of Monterey Bay. Find the elevators to the left as you enter the lobby of the Marriott from Calle Principal.

Paid parking is available nearby in the city's parking structures. The East and West Garages are found on Tyler Street between Del Monte Avenue and Franklin Street. The Calle Principal Lot is located at 468 Calle Principal; its upper level can only be accessed from Pacific Street. Be very careful about street parking in the downtown area: the two-hour maximum is strictly enforced.

## RESERVATION FORM Reservations due November 10. Luncheon is at the Monterey Marriott.

Registration: 11:30 am	Mail form and check to:	Members @ \$64
Luncheon: 12:00 pm	WACMB, PO Box 83, Monterey, CA 93942	Guests @ \$69
Program: 1:00 pm	or register online at www.wacmb.org	Total \$
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Note: No re	efunds or credit will be given for cancellations receive	ed after the due date

### Discussion Groups

WACMB Discussions Groups now have their own email: <a href="mailto:discussiongroup@wacmb.org">discussiongroup@wacmb.org</a>
Please use it for any Discussion Group-related communications.

The WACMB monthly Discussion Group will meet virtually at 5:00 pm on Monday, November 7, when it will address the topic of "Economic Effects of the Invasion of Ukraine." All WACMB members are invited to participate. If you have never attended this Discussion Group, email a request to receive log-in information. Background materials for each meeting are posted on the WACMB website at <a href="https://www.wacmb.org/discussion-groups/">https://www.wacmb.org/discussion-groups/</a>

The WACMB/OLLI Discussion Group will meet virtually on Monday, November 14, at 4:00 pm. Registration through OLLI is required for this Discussion Group. Go to https://olli.csumb.edu to sign up.

## LUNCHEON MENU

- Potato Leek Soup
- Marina Korean Chicken Entree
   Salad Topped with Almonds, Rice
   Noodles, and Crispy Wontons, and
   Dressed with Sesame Vinaigrette
  - Freshly Baked Bread
  - Salted Caramel and Kailua Cheesecake
    - Coffee, Decaf, and Tea

#### VEGETARIAN OPTION

Falafel Salad with Hummus, Feta, and Olives, Dressed with Basil Vinaigrette and Served with Naan

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Benefactor	. \$1,000
Sponsor	\$500
Sustaining	\$150
Dual	\$80
Single	\$50
Student/Enlisted *	\$20

The Dual level and above include two memberships.

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WACMB, PO Box 83, Monterey, CA, 93942
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\* Student rates are for full-time students at accredited colleges, universities, or graduate schools, as well as for enlisted military personnel in Grades E1 to E4.

#### **Vaccination Requirements**

- All those attending WACMB in-person events must show proof of full Covid-19 vaccination, including a booster.
- To prove your vaccination status, you can present either your vaccination card or your State of California QR code.
- You only need to present such proof once. Your documentation will be noted, and that box will be automatically checked for future meetings.
- For the time being, no auditors will be permitted to attend any WACMB in-person meetings. This is to ensure that every person in the room has been vaccinated and boosted.
- Thank you for your cooperation with our efforts to keep our members healthy!

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