



The United States, ISIS, and the War for the Soul of Islam

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December 11th Meeting Dinner Arrangements

Place: Radisson Penn Harris Hotel
Governor B
Camp Hill Bypass & Erford Road
Camp Hill, PA 17011

Time: **5:30 PM:** Social Hour (Cash Bar)
6:30 PM: Sit Down Dinner
7:30 PM: Presentation w/ Q & A

Menu: Fruit Cup, Turkey, Pumpkin Pie

Those with special dietary needs may request a substitution when making a reservation. Remember, if you order a substitute meal to pick up a coded tag at the table and put it by your place. Alternate meals will be only chicken unless chicken is the main course – then fish will be the alternate or vegetarian, which will be Chef's choice (typically non-meat pasta).

The cost for FPA members: \$23.00.
We welcome non-members to attend dinners.
The non-member cost is: \$26.00

There is no charge for anyone to attend the program presentation only, beginning at 7:30 PM.

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