



## Update on Arab-Israeli Conflict

Our January gathering will feature a point-counterpoint discussion on the Arab-Israeli conflict between two Middle East experts from the Strategic Studies Institute at the United States Army War College in Carlisle:

- Dr. Christopher Bolan, research professor of Middle East security studies, and
- Dr. Larry P. Goodson, professor of Middle East studies.

Dr. Bolan teaches graduate-level courses on contemporary national security issues and the Middle East in both online and resident programs. He is an adjunct faculty member at Gettysburg College, teaching courses on international relations and U.S. foreign policy. For six years, he was a senior foreign policy advisor and analyst on Middle Eastern and South Asian affairs for Vice Presidents Al Gore and Dick Cheney. He participated in senior interagency deliberations at the level of assistant secretary, regularly attending Principals and Deputies Committee meetings of the National Security Council and preparing hundreds of policy briefings/papers for senior officials at the White House, Pentagon, Congress, and U.S. embassies overseas. He served 30 years in the U.S. Army in various command, staff, and instructor positions.

Dr. Goodson holds the General Dwight D. Eisenhower Chair of National Security at the War College, where he teaches courses not only on the Middle East but also on South Asia. A leading academic specialist on Afghanistan and Pakistan, he is often called upon to advise senior military and policy leaders. He is the author of the New York Times bestselling *Afghanistan's Endless War: State Failure, Regional Politics*, and the *Rise of the Taliban* (2001) and the forthcoming *Pakistan: Understanding the Dark Side of the Moon*, as well as numerous chapters and articles. Most recently, he has co-authored (with Thomas H. Johnson) the monograph *U.S. Policy and Strategy Toward Afghanistan After 2014*, published by the U.S. Army War College Press.

## Welcome, New Members

The Foreign Policy Association is proud to welcome the following new members:

Richard J. Bono, York; Diane Chido, Carlisle; Joseph Cowan, Bressler; Col. Brian and Mary Foster, Carlisle; George Grode, Wormleysburg; Geoffrey S. and Amy K. Mangelsdorf, Carlisle; Frances W. Sanders, Hanover; Samir Srouji, Wormleysburg; Ann L. Stauffer, Harrisburg, and Neil Weber, Harrisburg.

## January 26 Dinner Arrangements

**Place:** Radisson Hotel Harrisburg  
Governor B (Hotel)  
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:** Soup  
Mediterranean Talapia  
Peanut Butter Ripple Cake

*Those with special dietary needs may request a substitution when making a reservation. If you order a substitute meal, remember to pick up a coded tag at the table and put it by your place. Alternate meals will be 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: \$24**  
**We welcome non-members to attend dinners.**  
**The non-member cost: \$27**

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

**For Reservations Contact:** Ron Pontius at:  
[ronpon@comcast.net](mailto:ronpon@comcast.net) or (717) 991-0899

You can also click on the reservations link on the FPA web site: [www.fpa-harrisburg.org](http://www.fpa-harrisburg.org)

**Note: Reservations by telephone must be made by 10 PM on the Monday before the Thursday meeting; or if by e-mail, by 9 AM Tuesday before the meeting.**

When making or canceling a dinner reservation, be sure to give your complete *name, address and phone number*. We need that information to notify you if a meeting is canceled due to inclement weather or for other reasons. If you come for dinner as a walk-in without a reservation, the hotel may not be able to provide you with the meal listed above.

**NOTE: We bill no-shows.**

No-shows will be billed unless there are sufficient walk-ins to meet the reservation number given to the Radisson.

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