



## Russia and the West

Our March speaker will be retired Army Brig. Gen. Peter Zwack, former United States defense attaché to the Russian Federation.

For more than 25 years, Gen. Zwack personally interacted with Russians at multiple levels, including defense, security, academic, policy, veterans and private citizens, enabling him to develop a unique, hands-on perspective of Russia and Eurasia. The period included the strife in Crimea and Eastern Ukraine and culminated with his defense attaché assignment in Moscow from 2012 to 2014.

Recently retired, Gen. Zwack now is senior Russia-Eurasia fellow at the Institute of National Strategic Studies, National Defense University, Washington, DC, as well as an adjunct fellow at the Pell Center, Salve Regina University, Newport, RI. As such, he regularly consults, writes and lectures within the Department of Defense, think tanks, and academic institutions on contemporary Russian and Eurasian security issues.

Gen. Zwack enlisted in the Army in 1980 and received his officer's commission at Fort Benning, GA. He subsequently served 34 years in military intelligence with assignments in West Germany, South Korea, Kosovo, Afghanistan and Russia. He was the Army intelligence chief in Europe (2006-2008) and in Afghanistan (2008-2009). He also has commanded soldiers at the company, battalion and brigade levels.

Gen. Zwack earned master's degrees in national security studies at the Naval War College, Newport, RI, and in strategic intelligence at the Defense Intelligence College, Washington, DC.

## Welcome, New Members

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

John K. & Nancy L. Class III, Mechanicsburg; Louis & Carol P. Cocheres, Camp Hill; Whitney Grespin, Culpeper, VA; Anne Dunne-Hayes and Rhyannon Hayes, Etters; Shirley McCormick, Harrisburg.

## A Chance to Visit Cuba

The FPA is hosting a nine-day, people-to-people tour of Cuba, January 14-22, 2018. We will visit several cities, including Havana. The cost is \$4,250. Applications are due by May 12. An information session is scheduled for March 14 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Browsing Room of the New Cumberland Public Library, 1 Benjamin Plaza, New Cumberland. Or you may contact Phyllis Skok after March 7 at [jes\\_pss@verizon.net](mailto:jes_pss@verizon.net) for more information.

## March 23 Dinner Arrangements

**Place:** Radisson Hotel Harrisburg  
Governor's Ballroom (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:** Caesar Salad  
Garlic Rosemary Pork Loin  
Key Lime Pie

*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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