



Afghanistan: 2014 and Beyond

Colonel Shokoor Azizpoor

Colonel Shokoor Azizpoor was born in Kabul, Afghanistan. His father was an Air Force officer in Kabul. He graduated from the military high school in then attended the military university in Kabul. After graduating in 1988, he became a member of the Second Division north of Kabul in Parwan Province.

When the Taliban took control in 1996, Colonel Azizpoor joined the Northern Alliance forces from Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, and Turkmenistan in Pangshir Province and served in this capacity until 2001, when he returned to Kabul. Upon his return, he worked with the technical center that maintained equipment and provided armoured and artillery training as well as logistical support.

From 2005-06, Colonel Azizpoor attended the U. S. Marine Staff College. After returning to Afghanistan, he worked in the Operations Center of the Joint Chief of Staff Planning Office within the Afghanistan Ministry of Defense. After working in this capacity, he worked at the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) headquarters Tripartite Joint Intelligence Center between NATO, Pakistan, and Afghanistan.

His latest assignment has been serving as Battalion Commander in Farah Province with the 5th Battalion, 2nd Brigade, 207 Corps.

International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) Mission and Security Statements

In support of the Government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, ISAF conducts operations in Afghanistan to reduce the capability and will of the insurgency, support the growth in capacity and capability of the Afghan National Security Forces (ANSF), and facilitate improvements in governance and socio-economic development in order to provide a secure environment for sustainable stability that is observable to the population.

In accordance with all the relevant Security Council Resolutions, the main role of ISAF is to assist the Afghan government in the establishment of a secure and stable environment. To this end, ISAF forces conduct security and stability operations throughout the country together with the Afghan National Security Forces and are directly involved in the development of the Afghan National Security Forces through mentoring, training and equipping.

December 12th Meeting

Dinner Arrangements

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

NOTE NEW START TIMES

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

Menu: Soup, Baked Ham with Fruit Chutney, Cheesecake

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: \$22.00.
We welcome non-members to attend dinners.
The non-member cost is: \$25.00

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

For Reservations Contact: Ron Pontius at:
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You can also click on the reservations link on the FPA web site: www.fpa-harrisburg.org

Notes: 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, we cannot guarantee that the hotel will be able to provide you with a meal.

NOTE: We bill "No-shows"

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

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