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IR EVENTS

Reading: *The King of Corsica*

Monday, April 28, 2008

4:30pm

Swank Room (Baker Hall 255B)

Join us as German author Michael Kleeberg reads from his book *The King of Corsica*.

In this fictive biography of Baron Theodor von Neuhoff, Kleeberg unveils a sweeping and tragicomic tale about the pageantry and peril of political life in baroque Europe.

Michael Kleeberg was born in Stuttgart in 1959. He grew up in Böblingen and Hamburg, where he later studied Political Science and Visual Communication. After extended stays in Rome, Berlin and Amsterdam, he moved to Paris in 1986 and was Director of an advertising agency there until 1994. He now lives in Berlin and works as a writer and translator from French and English.

This event is sponsored by the Modern Languages Department and Global and International Relations Program.

OTHER EVENTS

Cultural Event: Indian Classical Music Concert

Saturday, April 26, 2008

6:00pm (doors open at 5:15pm)

Bellefield Hall, 315 S. Bellefield Ave, Pittsburgh

AID Pittsburgh & Silk Screen present an Indian classical music concert by sensational sitar virtuoso Irshad Khan, a revolutionary musician who has enchanted audiences in over 30 countries.

Tickets: \$75, \$40, \$20. Student discount (with valid ID): \$5 off on all levels. Under 5 yrs – FREE.

For tickets, visit: <http://pittsburgh.aidindia.org>. Online ticketing provided by Sulekha.com.

Tickets also on sale at: University Center, CMU; Kohli's Indian Imports (S. Craig Street); William Pitt Union (UPitt). For more info, please visit <http://pittsburgh.aidindia.org> or www.silkscreenfestival.org.

Lecture: How Government Works Series: “Congress and the Engineer”

Tuesday, April 29, 2008

12:00pm

Baker Hall 129

A series of occasional seminars via videoconferencing from Engineering and Public Policy's Washington D.C. office.

"Congress & the Engineer" Rachel Radell, AAAS/ASCE Fellow.

THE TALK: In the legislative process, it is a challenge to create strong policy when politics are involved. Rachel Radell describes how this works from her perspective as an engineer and a Congressional fellow.

THE SPEAKER: Rachel Radell is currently working for Senator Feinstein (CA) on Space and Science issues. In addition to those issues, she has been assisting on Climate Change, the Clean Water Act, transportation/ infrastructure, disaster mitigation, renewable energy, biofuels, and many other topics relating to the environment. Prior to working for Senator Feinstein's office as an AAAS/ASCE Fellow, Rachel worked as a Project Controls Engineer and Structural Engineer for Bechtel Corporation.

Rachel received her Bachelors of Science degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering from the University of California, Berkeley.

Moderator: Sue Markland Day, Washington Office Director, EPP.

RSVP by April 28, noon at <http://www.doodle.ch/7tiz7upbbguhd89g>

Luncheon/Discussion: “Ethical Realism: A 21st Century Foreign Policy”

Tuesday, May 6, 2008

12:00pm – 1:45pm

The Duquesne Club, Main Dining Room, 325 Sixth Avenue, Downtown Pittsburgh

In Cooperation with the American Council on Germany Pittsburgh Eric M. Warburg Chapter; sponsored by the Carnegie Bosch Institute.

America faces a world more complicated than ever before. Our foreign policy should reflect the times, recognizing our real strengths and weaknesses and the changing dynamics around us. As we move forward into the 21st century and into a new presidency, what might this foreign policy strategy look like? What values would it reflect? What is the way forward?

Dr. John Hulsman is co-author — with Anatol Lieven — of *Ethical Realism: A Vision for America's Role in the World*. Previously Senior Fellow at the Heritage Foundation, he was appointed in 2006 as the first Alfred von Oppenheim Scholar in the newly founded Alfred von Oppenheim Centre for European Studies at the German Council on Foreign Relations in Berlin. He is contributing editor to *National Interest* and a frequent commentator in print and broadcast media. He holds an M.A. in Modern History and a Ph.D. in International Relations from the University of St. Andrews.

For details or to register, visit <http://www.worldaffairspittsburgh.org/programs.jsp>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Truman Scholarship Information Session

We will have a **one hour** Harry S. Truman Scholarship info session on **April 30th at 4:30**. We will begin promptly at 4:30, beginning with instructions and guidelines regarding the policy statement for the Truman application. As applications are submitted during a student's junior year, current sophomores and freshmen are invited to attend.

If you are receiving this award and info session announcement for the first time, a short description and url for this nationally prestigious award are at the end of this message.

Several items at this point:

- 1) Please contact Judy Zang at jzang@cmu.edu to RSVP and to get the meeting location. If you intend to enter the upcoming Truman Scholarship competition, we expect you to attend this April 30th info session -- contact Judy Zang if there's a problem.
- 2) Please refer to the list below as a reminder of *what to prepare/bring to the info session*.

WHAT TO BRING WITH YOU TO THE TRUMAN INFO SESSION -- APRIL 30th at 4:30

- 1) your knowledge of the Truman website - <http://www.truman.gov/>
- 2) list of people you plan on asking for recommendation letters (three kinds of letters required, see website)
- 3) topic(s) for your policy statement
- 4) abstract of why you are pursuing the Truman (only several sentences long)
- 5) statement about how you envision being a change agent (again, no more than a paragraph)
- 6) updated resume

Must be a junior, U.S. citizen, interested in a career in the public sector. Funding is for graduate or professional schools in the United States or foreign countries. Winners receive up to \$30,000 for 2-3 years of graduate study. Each institution may nominate up to four students.

Notification of Application Intention: immediately

Campus Deadline: November 20, 2008

Foundation Deadline: TBA (beginning of February), 2009

Campus Representative: [Judy Zang](#) (8x1969) or [Stephanie Wallach](#) (8x5702)

International Development Career Fair (Washington DC)

Wednesday, May 7, 2008

1:00pm - 7:00pm

Academy for Educational Development, 1825 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC

The Washington D.C. Chapter of the Society for International Development is pleased to announce its Ninth Annual Career Fair.

The Career Fair will feature:

- A Plenary Panel featuring development professionals discussing career opportunities and major trends in the field of international development
- Breakout Panels for mid-level and entry-level professionals
- An Exhibitors' Fair where attendees may meet and network with potential employers
- Networking reception and informal discussion with senior recruiters

Please [click here](#) for the agenda and for registration.

The Fair will provide opportunities for entry-level professionals and mid-level professionals to advance their careers. Graduating college students and recent graduates are encouraged to attend to learn more about the industry.

The Career Fair will be an excellent opportunity to network and learn more about jobs in the field of international development. Last year's Fair featured diverse exhibitors from various sectors of international development, including the American Red Cross, Chemonics International, the Shaw Group, the Peace Corps, USAID Global Development Alliance, and many others.

The Career Fair has reached capacity in previous years. Please register early to guarantee your participation.

Fulbright Information Session

The Fellowships and Scholarships Office will be holding information sessions regarding the campus application process for Fulbright grants. The remaining information session will be held on:

- Monday, April 28, 4:30 - 5:30 pm, UC Peter

RSVP for the info session: jzang@cmu.edu or ascott@andrew.cmu.edu.

Fulbright grants cover one year abroad in over 150 countries to study, research, or teach. Eligibility: Seniors, graduate students and alumni. U.S. Citizenship required. For more information, visit <http://www.fulbrightonline.org>.

Mandatory Pre-Departure Orientation for Study Abroad

The Study Abroad Pre-departure orientation is REQUIRED for students studying abroad for credit. Students studying abroad over the summer 2008, fall 2008 or Academic Year 2008-09 should attend a Pre-departure Orientation this spring. You will NOT receive study abroad credit unless you attend ONE pre-departure session. Please attend - even if you have not yet been accepted. You must attend the full two hours of the orientation. If you have not yet been accepted but think you may be going abroad, attend to be sure you get the orientation.

This orientation will prepare you for both cultural and practical issues regarding study abroad. You will get all the paperwork you need to register for study abroad.

Pizza and drinks will be served.

Please RSVP to goabroad@andrew.cmu.edu for ONE pre-departure orientation- please put the date of attendance in the subject line.

Final predeparture date for the spring 2008 semester:

- **Monday, April 21st, 5-7pm, Connan Room, UC**

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