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#### Monday, September 2, 2013 Althouse Hall, Room 106, 7 p.m. Syria: What Next?

**Panelists: Neil Diamant**, professor of Asian law and society; **Joseph Sestak**, General Omar N. Bradley Chair of Strategic Leadership; **Edward Webb**, assistant professor of political science and international studies; **Russell Bova**, (moderator), professor of political science and international studies

A panel discussion focused on the issues arising out of the Syrian civil war, in particular the recent apparent use of chemical weapons by the Assad regime and the likelihood of a military response by the United States. The situation highlights a number of perplexing issues regarding how the conflict affects other countries in the Middle East, the outcomes of the Arab uprisings, the substance and binding character of international law, along with a number of domestic U.S. constitutional and political issues.

# Tuesday, September 3, 2013

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m. *Sex, Identity and Intimacy in a Porn Culture* Gail Dines, founding member, Stop Porn Culture

In this multi-media presentation, Dines explores how masculinity and femininity are shaped by a consumer-driven image-based culture and how pornography reproduces a gender system that encourages social and economic inequality and promotes a rape culture. A book sale and signing will follow. **Note: This presentation contains explicit images.** 

#### **Tuesday, September 10, 2013** \* Stern Center, Great Room, 6:15 p.m. *Not My Life*

**Robert Bilheimer**, president, Worldwide Documentaries *Not My Life* is a film that depicts the cruel and dehumanizing practices of contemporary human trafficking. Bilheimer, who directed and produced the film, will make general remarks and conduct a questionand-answer session at the end of the film. This event is one of a series on "Hidden Dangers: Emerging Global Issues of the 21st Century" sponsored with the World Affairs Council of Harrisburg, PA.

## Wednesday, September 11, 2013

Weiss Center, Room 235, 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Webstream Viewing of USAWC Presentation *What Should the United States Do About Syria?* 

# Panelists from U.S. Army War College: James

MacDougall: Moderator; Larry Goodson: "The Policy Challenge Posed by Syria;" W. Andrew Terrill: "Internal Dynamics of Syria;" Richard Winslow: "Regional Effects of Syrian Civil War;" Christopher Bolan: "U.S. Strategy toward Syria"

## Thursday, September 12, 2013

Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m. Constitution Day Address Surveillance Post-Snowden

James A. Baker, former head of the Office of Intelligence Policy and Review, Department of Justice

During his 17-year career in the Department of Justice, Mr. Baker provided the Attorney General, the U.S. intelligence community, and the White House with legal and policy advice on a range of national security issues and also conducted oversight of the intelligence community, including the FBI, on behalf of the Attorney General.

# Tuesday, September 17, 2013 ♦

## Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m. *Absolute Apology, Absolute Forgiveness*

**David Eng**, professor, University of Pennsylvania Eng will address how the atomic bombing of Japan and the postwar politics of reparations are both connected to a longer history of native dispossession in the New World, uranium mining of indigenous lands, and more recent colonial violence and militarism in the Cold War transpacific.

#### **Tuesday, September 24, 2013 ♦** Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.

#### African Genomic Variation

Sarah Tishkoff, professor, University of Pennsylvania

Tishkoff will discuss the results of recent analyses of genome-scale genetic variation in geographically, linguistically, and ethnically diverse African populations for the purpose of reconstructing human evolutionary history in Africa and the genetic basis of adaption to diverse environments.

## Friday, September 27, 2013

Allison Hall (Former Allison Church), 3 p.m. *Citizenship and Partisanship* 

James Gerlach '77, US representative PA 6th District Lisa Jackson, 2013 Rose-Walters Prize Winner for Global Environmental Activism Joseph Sestak, General Omar N. Bradley Chair in Strategic Leadership (2013-14)

Professor Douglas Edlin, political science, will moderate a panel discussion that will explore how partisanship is related to the rights and responsibilities of citizenship in the contemporary constitutional framework of the United States. This event is one of several celebrating the inauguration of Nancy A. Roseman as the new president of Dickinson College.

## Tuesday, October 8, 2013 ♦

Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m. *The Anti-Racist Democratic Genome?* 

Jenny Reardon, director, Science & Justice Research Center, UC, Santa Cruz

The opening decade of this millennium witnessed genome scientists, policy makers, critical race theorists and world leaders proclaiming the antiracist democratic potential of human genomics. These views stand in stark contrast to the 1990s concern that genomics might create new forms of racism. This lecture explores this shift, both why it happened and what it reveals about emerging challenges for understanding issues of race and racism in the genomic age.

Thursday, October 10, 2013 \*

Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.
FAVELA: Four Decades of Research in Rio
Janice Perlman, founder and president, The Mega-Cities Project: Innovations for Urban Life Perlman, author of the recent book FAVELA, will share her experience, findings, and photographs from field research in Brazil, starting as a student and continuing until the present.

#### Wednesday, October 16, 2013

Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m.

Carlisle Mayoral Candidates Forum

## Mayor William Kronenberg (R), Tim Scott (D), Roger Spitz (I)

The three mayoral candidates will debate the issues confronting Carlisle, Pennsylvania with Michelle Crowley, president and CEO, Greater Carlisle Area Chamber of Commerce, as the moderator.

## Thursday, October 17, 2013

Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m. *Wholehearted Leadership* 

Kevin Kruse, entrepreneur and bestselling author

Job satisfaction around the globe is at a record low, which both reduces companies' profits and negatively impacts the quality of human life. Based on an analysis of surveys of 10 million workers in 150 countries, Kruse shows how growth, recognition and trust are the three primary drivers of emotional commitment and satisfaction.

## Wednesday, October 23, 2013

Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m. *Emancipation Proclamation: Myths and Realities* 

James Oakes, professor, City University of New York, The Graduate Center

The Emancipation Proclamation is so shrouded in mythology that even today, 150 years later, we are unable to answer the simplest but most important question: What did the proclamation actually do?

## Friday, October 25, 2013

Althouse Hall, Room 106, 4 p.m. *The Inevitable Defeat of Mister and Pete* 

Film Screening and Discussion Amy Nauiokas '94, an executive producer of the film

*The Inevitable Defeat of Mister and Pete* follows 14-year-old Mister (Skylan Brooks) and nine-year-old Pete (Ethan Dizion) during a sweltering New York City summer, after the arrest and detention of Mister's mother (Jennifer Hudson) forces the unlikely duo to forage for food while dodging child protective services and the destructive scenarios of the Brooklyn projects. Nauiokas will answer questions from the audience after the screening.

## Tuesday, October 29, 2013 Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m. *China-India Future Relations* Mark Frazier, professor, New School for Social

#### Research

Will India and China cooperate or compete? Officials and experts have asked this question for over a century, and more often than not were wrong in their predictions. This lecture explores why the predictions were wrong and suggests new ways of thinking about Sino-Indian relations.

## Thursday, October 31, 2013 \*

Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m. *Asia's Looming Hotspot* Michael McDevitt, U.S. Navy (Ret.)

Rear Admiral McDevitt will discuss the increasingly contentious dispute between China and Japan concerning sovereignty over the Senkaku/Diaoyu Islands in the East China Sea and the implications this dispute has for U.S. foreign policy. This talk is one of a series on "Hidden Dangers: Emerging Global Issues of the 21st Century" sponsored with the World Affairs Council of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

## Monday, November 4, 2013

Penn State Dickinson School of Law Lewis Katz Hall, 6 p.m.

#### Leadership to Restore the American Dream

Joseph Sestak, Former Congressman and a Former U.S. Navy Three-Star Admiral and 2013-14 General Omar N. Bradley Chair in Strategic Leadership

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#### Thursday, November 7, 2013 \*

Anita Tuvin Schlechter Auditorium, 7 p.m. Joseph Priestley Lecture

#### White House Arrest and the Climate Crisis

James Hansen, former director, NASA's Goddard Institute for Space Studies

A scientist's view of the climate crisis: why the

public does not see it, why governments fail to address it effectively, and options for how young people might respond to the intergenerational injustice of human-made climate change.

## Tuesday, November 12, 2013

#### Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m. Uncorking the Past: The Quest for Fermented Beverages

Patrick McGovern, scientific director, University of Pennsylvania Museum

McGovern will describe how enterprising our ancestors were in concocting a host of fermented beverages from a vast array of natural products (honey, grape, barley, rice, sorghum, chocolate, etc.) and explain the profound effects these beverages have had on our cultural and biological development. A book sale and signing will follow.

#### Thursday, November 14, 2013 \*

Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m. *Putting out the Fires* 

Andrew Hyde '81, partnership manager, CSO, Department of State

New forms of politics and new types of technologies have unleashed new kinds of conflicts in disparate parts of today's world. Hyde, a Metzger-Conway Fellow, will explore how U.S. foreign policy must evolve to confront these challenges and seize the opportunities they present.

## Tuesday, December 3, 2013

Stern Center, Great Room, 7 p.m. *Washington Gridlock* 

## David Pryor, former U.S. Senator, Arkansas (D)

Many public commentators are of the opinion that the election of President Obama in 2008 ushered in a new era of extreme partisanship. Senator Pryor will discuss and evaluate the state of politics in our nation's capital.

- Denotes a program that is part of the Clarke Forum's Meanings of Race theme
- \* Denotes a program that is part of the Clarke Forum's Leadership in an Age of Uncertainty Series



