



# North County Chapterline

San Diego World Affairs Council

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## The Prez Sez

by Bob Felt

Now that we're approaching the holiday season, I think it appropriate we take stock of how we've done in this fiscal year so far. I've been absolutely delighted at seeing the attendance at our general weekly meetings, and I'm sure our speakers appreciate the audience as well as the challenging and intelligent questions following their talks.

I have scheduled a Board meeting for December 3. Let me know of issues you'd like raised. I know we'll be talking about the issue of membership and the declining rolls over the past few years and how we go about reversing same. Although Neil has had good news lining up speakers after a few periods of anxiety we can always use your ideas and recommendations; we welcome your input.

Finally if the Board decides to have a formal annual luncheon we'll want to have a prominent speaker, and here again let us know your ideas as to topic and speaker you feel can best present the topic.

We all wish you the very best holiday season.

### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION for 2010

#### North County Chapter, Membership Application

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# Chapter's News

- ◆ Please keep Leon Bloom ([leonbloom@sbcglobal.net](mailto:leonbloom@sbcglobal.net)) or Jim Young ([mmyoung11@cox.net](mailto:mmyoung11@cox.net)) informed of address changes.
- ◆ Details of SDWAC and NCC events can be seen on [www.sdwac.org](http://www.sdwac.org). SDWAC office phone number is (619) 325-8200.



## North County Chapter

### December, 2009 Programs

10:00 AM, Thursdays at  
THE REMINGTON CLUB, 16916 HIERBA DRIVE, Rancho Bernardo\*

Everyone is welcome to attend and participate in these meetings - no charge, no need to reserve.

**Dec. 03: Mr. Dustin Sharp, J.D.** will discuss "**The Challenges of Transitional Justice.**" This presentation will explore how nations and communities attempt to respond to the horror of massive human rights violations and lay the groundwork for long-term peace and justice. We will examine the complementarity and conflict between the often overlapping demands that nations face in the wake of large-scale human rights abuses, including retribution, reconciliation, reintegration, restitution, memory, and accountability. This will include an overview of the traditional range of transitional justice tools and interventions that have evolved in response to massive human rights violations (tribunals, truth commissions, reparations, memorials, etc). Dr. Sharp is a Senior Program Officer at Institute for Peace & Justice, USD.

**Dec. 10: Ms. Tatyana Zhukova** will describe "**Kazakhstan: From The Outside Looking In**" by exploring Kazakhstan's President Nazarbayev, his family, and political groups that dominate the country. Special attention will be paid to a number of important political cases of 2009. She will also discuss the impact of the global crisis on the economy of Kazakhstan and a few economic projects challenging the Republic. She will then describe the life of an average Kazakh citizen. Finally, after living in the US for two years, Ms. Zhukova will share personal impressions of her country after a two-month visit there this summer and some of her new perceptions of her homeland country.

**Dec. 17: Dr. David Felsen** will update us on Italy: "**When in Rome - Italy and its Place in the Era of Globalization.**" Italy is one of the principal democracies of Western Europe and a long-time U.S. ally and friend. It is a member of important international bodies such as the G-8 and G-20 global economic groupings. Yet in spite of this, there has been scant attention paid to and little understanding of recent political, economic and social events in Italy. Dr. Felsen, an expert on Italy's politics and society, will talk about Italy's place in today's globalized world. He will go over some of Italy's critical historical moments, some of its current domestic political and social realities, as well as its place in today's global economy. He will also look at where the country is heading over the next few years.

**Dec. 24 and Dec. 31: No Meeting - Holiday**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** Call Neil Weinstein (858) 759-3389 or [neilwein@yahoo.com](mailto:neilwein@yahoo.com) or [vjoksimovich@gmail.com](mailto:vjoksimovich@gmail.com).

\*Remington Club, Phase II, is located behind Von's Market . (Please do not park in the Club's parking area).

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