

# GLOBAL LINK

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## BOOKFAIR IS COMING! WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP?

For the past year, volunteers have been working hard to prepare for AAFSW's 48th Annual BookFair. It's an enormous job to collect, sort, box and price thousands and thousands of books. Some are rare and valuable and become part of Collectors' Corner. Preparing to present Art Corner poses a different challenge. Some items need cleaning. Some are fragile. We try to record as much as possible about the provenance and age of each object. Everything must be priced. We must also incorporate Stamp Corner, including coins.



**October 17-26**

A successful BookFair is crucial to AAFSW as the single largest source of funding for everything that the organization does. Here's how you can help:

**DONATE:** To donate to BookFair, please contact Robin Jones (TEL: 202 223 5796).

**VOLUNTEER:** If you'd like to help during BookFair,

please complete and send in the volunteer registration form on page 5. We need help in every area so take your pick! Please send the form in by September 15th to give Diplomatic Security time to produce our special identification badges. This is our final request for assistance.

**HELP DISTRIBUTE PUBLICITY:** Enclosed with this issue of "Global Link" is a flyer for BookFair '08. Please try to find a good place to post it—your apartment laundry room, local library, exercise club or supermarket. If you make copies (black and white is fine) of the flyer, you can distribute them all the more widely. You will multiply the BookFair Committee's efforts when you distribute publicity.

**COME TO BOOKFAIR!** BookFair '08 opens on Friday, October 17th from 2 to 5pm in the Exhibit Hall of Main State (HST) for employees, their escorted guests, retirees and their spouses. During the week, October 20-24, this same group of people will be admitted from 11am to 3pm. BookFair is open to the general public on two weekends: October 18/19 and 25/26 from 10am to 4pm each day. VISA, MASTERCARD and checks accepted. Last day, books half price.

As always, we look forward to seeing you. Thank you kindly!

Mette Beecroft  
AAFSW BookFair Chair  
(1999 to 2008)

### WELCOME TO NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS

Susan G. Goldman  
Angelika M. Greer  
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### THANK YOU TO THESE GENEROUS DONORS

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### Time to Renew!

Check the address label on this issue of *Global Link* to see when your membership expires. If it says 08, then the October issue will be your last *Global Link*. Don't delay--renew now! A renewal form was published in the Summer edition, or you may also renew online at [www.aafsw.org](http://www.aafsw.org). Please also note our new address, below!



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## From the President's Desk...

By the time you receive this issue of *Global Link*, the 10th anniversary of the bombing of our two Embassies in Nairobi

and Dar es Salaam on August 7, 1998 will have passed. Many of us lost friends and colleagues, and diplomatic life took on a harder security edge after this terrible loss.

I think it is timely to reflect and consider a tax deductible donation to the Federal Employee Education and Assistance Fund's (FEEA) Diplomatic Fund established after the East Africa bombings to provide college scholarships to the seven young children who lost a diplomatic parent to terrorism between 1998 and 2003. Five of those children come from Foreign Service families.

FEEA has now started a Fallen Diplomats Campaign to raise \$750,000 in private donations to provide full college scholarships to the seven children in, or about to enter, college who lost a diplomatic parent to terrorism in the East Africa bombings of 1998 and the Islamabad church bombing in 2003. If this fundraising goal is reached, then FEEA hopes to extend eligibility to children whose may lose a parent to terrorist acts while on diplomatic missions in the future. Sadly, such an ongoing fund will likely be necessary.

FEEA is a non-profit organization founded in 1986. In addition to the Diplomatic Fund, FEEA provides scholarships for the children of federal employees killed in the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing and the 9/11/01 terrorist attack on the Pentagon. Information on making donations can be found on their web site, [www.feea.org](http://www.feea.org).

On a brighter note, AAFSW's move to 4001 N 9th Street in Arlington (Ballston area) is effective August 1. We will be organizing an Open House in early October and hope that our members will have time to stop by, join us for refreshments and see our new digs. We hope to see many recent returnees from overseas as well our long time DC area residents, active and retired! Bring a FS friend and encourage them to join AAFSW. Once the date and time are

finalized, we will spread the word via email, so please call or send Margaret your email information, ([office@aaafsw.org](mailto:office@aaafsw.org)) if it has changed. Our phone number (703 820-5420) will remain the same.

I regret to inform you that as reality of soaring gas prices, we need to begin charging for our pick up service for books donated to BookFair. Beginning August 1, 2008, we are asking for a tax deductible \$10.00 donation if we pick up your books. This donation will be used to defray the costs of car rental and fuel.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and I hope to see you on September 23 for our fall program kick off. Remember, we are starting at 10:15 rather than 10:30 to give you more time to socialize and chat with friends after the program!

## FSYF SEEKS PRESIDENT

Foreign Service Youth Foundation President

General Responsibilities:

The FSYF President is a member of the Board and Executive Committee and the chief volunteer for FSYF, providing leadership to the Board of Directors. The President must encourage and lead the Board in strategic planning. The President guides and mediates Board actions with respect to organizational priorities.

The President is responsible for ensuring that the Board of Directors is aware of and fulfill its governance responsibilities; complies with applicable laws and bylaws; conducts board business effectively and efficiently; and is accountable for its performance.

In order to fulfill these responsibilities, subject to FSYF's bylaws, the President presides over the Board and Executive Committee meetings, proposes policies and practices, sits on various committees, monitors the performance of Directors and Officers, proposes the creation of committees; appoints members to such committees; and performs other duties as the need arises and/or as defined in the bylaws.

This is a volunteer position in Washington, DC.

For more information about FSYF, visit [www.fsyf.org](http://www.fsyf.org). Please send your inquiry to Melanie Newhouse at [fsyf@fsyf.org](mailto:fsyf@fsyf.org)

## FOREIGN-BORN SPOUSES SEPTEMBER EVENT

Tour of the Capitol Building

Capitol Hill, Russell Senate Office Building # 201  
Corner of Constitution Avenue and 1st. Street NE  
Wednesday September 12th 2007, 10: 00 AM

You are cordially invited to join us on a guided tour of our nation's Capitol. Since the 1800s, the Capitol has been the scene of memorable events as well as the daily work of legislators and staffers.

Please arrive promptly at 10.00 AM to allow ample time to be screened by security. You must bring a photo ID in order to gain entry to the building, and then you will be required to go through a metal detector. Once we have all passed through security, we will report to Senator Biden's office at 10.30 AM. We will have a guided tour of the Capitol that will include the Senate in session. A staff member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee will spend 30-60 minutes with us to discuss Congress's role in foreign policy and take questions.

We should expect to spend around 2.5 hours on the Hill. After the tour, we can all go for lunch.

Dos/ Don'ts:

No liquids or food allowed in the Capitol

When our tour arrives in the Senate gallery, we will be required to hand over our cell phones. There will be a safe place to leave them, as well as any other items prohibited in the Senate gallery

No talking once while the Senate is in session

No photos allowed in the Senate, but may be allowed during the rest of the tour

There is a limited space! If you are interested in attending, please call or e-mail as soon as possible. Sheila Switzer 703-569-8867 sswitzer9@verizon.net or Carmen Geis 703-503-9117.

Parking near the Capitol Hill buildings is a problem, so we suggest that you take the Metro. The Metro stop nearest to the Senate side is Union Station on the Red Line. The Russell Senate Office Building is north of the Capitol, on the corner of Constitution Avenue, and First Street NE. You may want to share a taxi from Union Station. If you prefer to drive, we suggest parking in the Union Station parking lot.



The FBS June event took place at Twin Oaks, and included an elegant lunch hosted by Mrs. Wu as well as a presentation by Elizabeth Brownstein of her book "Lincoln's other White House." From bottom left: Mrs. Wu, Cindy Taylor, Elizabeth Brownstein (author), Sheila Switzer, Ana Maria Taylor, Archana Dheer, Carmen Geis. Second row: Charlotte, Susan Madden, Miriam Messin, Sara Massouz, Huda Karamans. Third row: Judy Antipass Rene Parker, Elizabeth Sachero, Angelika Greer, Lisa Wilkinson, Ruth Wagner, Florence Keene. Fourth row: Sri Solat, Marsha Cuadrado, Anita Castello, Elena Herrera.

# Program

## LAST CALL FOR SOSA NOMINATIONS!

The deadline for receipt of nominations for the 2008 AAFSW Secretary of State Award for Outstanding Volunteerism Abroad (SOSA) is September 12, 2008.

Don't miss this opportunity to nominate U.S. government direct-hire employees, family members, and members of household in your overseas communities who are performing outstanding volunteer service.

Take the time to recognize the amazing volunteers who strive to improve the quality of life for those in the local community or within the Mission.

Individuals or posts may submit as many nominations as they deem worthy.

For specifics on eligibility and the nomination and selection process, please refer to State 045833 dated April 30, 2008. You can access the cable text on the AAFSW website at <http://www.aafsw.org/aafsw/awards/sosa2008.htm>.

You can also request a copy from your CLO or Management Officer at post. For additional information, please contact AAFSW at [office@aafsw.org](mailto:office@aafsw.org).

A SOSA winner will be selected from each geographic bureau and will receive a cash award of \$3000, a certificate signed by the Secretary of State, and a pin commemorating the awards ceremony which will take place in the Harry S. Truman Bldg. on December 9, 2008.

BOOKFAIR '08



October 17-26

## BOOKFAIR'08 WINE & CHEESE EVENT

The Associates of the Foreign Service Worldwide (AAFSW) are pleased to announce their Third Annual BookFair "Wine & Cheese" Please join us on Thursday, October 16, 2008 from 6-8 PM. This special event will be held the evening prior to the opening of AAFSW BookFair at the Department of State (C Street entrance).

This is an opportunity to purchase posters, books, records, and art objects from a large selection and to enjoy wine and hors d'oeuvres. The cost is \$10.00 per person. Please RSVP using the form below.

### BOOKFAIR '08 WINE AND CHEESE EVENT

Please RSVP no later than Friday, October 3, 2008. This event takes place on Thursday, October 16 from 6-8 pm at the Department of State (C Street entrance).

Please send this form and check made out to AAFSW for \$10 per person to:

AAFSW  
4001 North Ninth Street  
Suite 214  
Arlington, VA, 22203

You may also RSVP at [www.aafsw.org](http://www.aafsw.org).

### OCTOBER 16 BOOKFAIR WINE AND CHEESE EVENT

Name (as you wish it to appear on the name tag)

Passport or Driver's License #, Expiration Date, and Date of Birth

Telephone

List name of guests, with ID#, Expiration Date and Date of Birth

# YES, I WANT TO HELP AT BOOKFAIR '08!

Please note the changed volunteer procedure:

- (1) We have eliminated two days of set-up shifts in hope of getting more volunteers for BookFair itself (October 17-26).
- (2) To volunteer even a few hours during the 15-day set-up period, from October 2 through October 16, **please call Robin Jones directly in the Bookroom at 202 223 5796**. Your help is URGENTLY needed for the set-up period.
- (3) To volunteer from October 17 through October 27, **please circle the shift(s) when you will be available**. Please do your best to honor your commitment because we depend on you. Let's have a profitable and well-staffed BookFair '08!

**Please sign up no later than 9/15 to allow for special BookFair badges from Diplomatic Security and scheduling.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a Department of State badge?

Yes  No

If you do not have a Department of State pass, please give:

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License (with state) or Passport #: \_\_\_\_\_

*This information is required by Department of State Security.*

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
<b>OCTOBER</b>					17 Family Day Opening Day 2-5 PM  Set-up 9-1 BF 1-5:30	18 Public Opening Day 10-4  BF 9:12:30 BF 12-4:30
19 Public Day 10-4  BF 9-12:30 BF 12-4:30	20 Building Pass Holders Only 11-3  BF 9-12:30 BF 12-4	21 Building Pass Holders Only 11-3  BF 9-12:30 BF 12-4	22 Building Pass Holders Only 11-3  BF 9-12:30 BF 12-4	23 Building Pass Holders Only 11-3  BF 9-12:30 BF 12-4	24 Building Pass Holders Only 11-3  BF 9-12:30 BF 12-4	25 Public Day 10-4  BF 9:12:30 BF 12-4:30
26 Public Day Last Day 10-4  BF 9-12:30 BF 12-4:30	27 Clean-up Day 9-? One shift until job is done.	I would like to assist: <input type="checkbox"/> Cashiering <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> I need a seated job</span> <input type="checkbox"/> General Duties as assigned (no heavy lifting) <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> I would like to carpool</span>  <i><b>Please note:</b> The times given are for periods when volunteer work is scheduled,                      not for hours when the BookFair is open to customers.</i>				

Please circle the shift(s) when you wish to work. The more the merrier!

Remove the form, fold and place a stamp in the designated spot and return promptly. Parking fees will be reimbursed for those who volunteer on any day October 20th through 24th.

BOOKFAIR '08  
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## SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

The Phillips Collection in the 21st Century: A Global Conversation Through the Arts

Tuesday, September 23, 10 AM-12 PM

We are going to have the great pleasure and opportunity of meeting the new Director of the Phillips Collection. Dr. Dorothy Kosinski comes to Washington from the Dallas Museum where she served as a member of the Senior Management team contributing to cross-museum discussions, initiatives and strategic plans. In 2003 she served as Director of the Centennial publication and exhibition, resulting in a highly-acclaimed, over 450-page book and an innovative 15,000 square-foot installation celebrating the Museum's collections.

Dr. Kosinski is Head of the Department of Painting and Sculpture, which embraces the European and American collections, and comprises the largest, and one of the most active departments in the museum in terms of exhibition and acquisition activities. During her twelve years at the Dallas Museum, her energetic work resulted in over twenty exhibitions many of which circulated internationally and are accompanied by scholarly catalogues.

In addition to these many accomplishments, Dr. Kosinski spent over twelve years in Basel, Switzerland where she was active as a curator, scholar and university instructor. As curator and administrator of the Douglas Cooper Collection, her scholarly engagement resulted in exhibitions at the Kunstmuseum Basel, the Tate Gallery London, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston and the Los Angeles County Museum of Art. Her versatile scholarship further occasioned

major commissions to curate other exhibitions in Basel, Wolfsburg, London and Prague.

Dr. Kosinski is most aware of the new artistic concepts currently being discussed in the museum world, which in turn she hopes to adapt and continue the outstanding and creative work of her predecessors that have given a special "star quality" to the Phillips Collection.

## A FOND FAREWELL

Letter from Barbara Gordon  
Program Chairman (1991-2008)

Dear Members and Colleagues of the AAFSW:

It has been a pleasure, opportunity, and honor to serve for these many years on your Board as Chairman of the Program Committee.

I love and respect the many friends and acquaintances I have made during these years.

It seems the right time to retire at the end of this year so that a new chairman can take over in time to organize the 2009 March program.

I will always be willing to assist in any way I can, and I shall continue to be an enthusiastic member of this organization.

Sincerely, nostalgically and wishing all of you every success in your important work,

*Barbara Gordon*

### SEPTEMBER 23 PROGRAM: THE PHILLIPS COLLECTION IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Please reply no later than Tuesday, September 16, 2008. The event takes place on Tuesday, September 23rd from 10:00 AM to 12 noon at the Department of State (C Street Entrance.) Please send this form and check made out to AAFSW for \$15 per person to:

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4001 North Ninth Street, Suite 214  
Arlington, Virginia 22203

You may also reserve and pay online at [www.aafsw.org](http://www.aafsw.org).

### SEPTEMBER 23 PROGRAM

Name (as you wish it to appear on the name tag)

Date of Birth and Passport or Driver's License Number:

Telephone

Name of guest(s), D.O.B.'s and Passport or Driver's License Numbers:

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