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Dr. Chris Corpora

Understanding the Situation in Syria

Christopher A. Corpora, Ph.D. is a Professor of Practice in Intelligence Studies at Mercyhurst University. He is an intelligence and international security expert with over 25 years of experience in the field and over a decade of teaching – most recently as an Associate Professor at the National Intelligence University. He served as a senior advisor and consultant with multiple U.S. government

agencies and private companies, focused on countering transnational threats -- global illicit trafficking, transnational organized crime, corruption and violent extremism. Previously, he served as the Team Lead/Chief of Party for support to the Syrian Opposition with the U.S. Department of State's (DOS) Bureau for Conflict and Stabilization Operations (CSO). Dr. Corpora also served as Team Lead/Chief of Party for CSO's Maldives post-coup engagement, Senior Advisor for anti-corruption to ISAF and Deputy Director for Anti-Corruption at the U.S. Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan. Prior to joining CSO, he served as a Senior Advisor to the Federal Bureau of Investigations – helping redesign the Directorate of Intelligence and establish the FBI's first, focused program to work with state and local law enforcement investigative fusion centers. Dr. Corpora began his career as Counterintelligence (CI) Special Agent with the U.S. Department of Defense and worked in this role for nearly 15 years, culminating in an assignment with the Office of the Director of National Intelligence as its first Chief of CI Collection. Throughout his career, he has worked with and supported multiple private and public sector efforts to address the myriad threats associated with illicit trade and transnational organized crime in at-risk regions and has deployed over 10 times to various conflict and post-conflict regions.

Dr. Corpora is a noted nontraditional security threats expert – ranging across the spectrum from counterterrorism through money laundering/threat finance to countering violent extremism – focusing on their effects in developing, conflict and post-conflict regions. He is an accomplished, career national security professional with over 25 years of military, civilian government and private sector experience – including key positions with DIA, ODNI, FBI and U.S. Department of State. He has published and presented dozens of scholarly essays, articles and book chapters and is an active senior fellow and scholar in several research and policy institutes, most notably the Terrorism, Transnational Crime and Corruption Center (TraCCC) and an alumni of the Woodrow Wilson Center's Junior Scholars Training Seminar. His most recent publication is "The tangled relationship between organized crime, terrorism and proliferation," in Michael Tanji's 2009 edited volume Threats in the Age of Obama. He received his Ph.D. from American University's School of International Service in 2005. He is the proud father of three wonderfully talented daughters.

Supporting Cast:

President: Stephanie Williams

Greeter: Brady Louis

Invocation: Korin Giles

Pianist: Bruce Gingrich

Song Leader: Colin Devault

Sgt at Arms: Jim Hynes

Speaker Intro: Diane Chido

PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

Lunch Meeting at the SHERATON BAYFRONT

11:30 am - Buffet Opens

12:00 pm - Meeting

NOVEMBER 27:

NO MEETING

Happy Thanksgiving!

DECEMBER 4:

NO MEETING

Rotary Holiday Party at 21 La Rue Dix

DECEMBER 11:

Scott Stewart

Placing Corporate Espionage in Context



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DISTRICT SITE: ROTARYDISTRICT7280.ORG



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REMINDER:

Salvation Army Kettle will be at
this week's meeting on
WED, NOV 20th



50/50 Raffle



Please bring **\$2** for our 50/50 raffle
Proceeds are donated to the Foundation.

Congratulations! TO NICK AND HANNAH CIANCI

*... on the birth of their first baby, Nicholas Adrian Cianci was born on Nov. 13th.
Everyone is doing well and Nick indicates he and Hannah are in love with the little guy!*



Operation Christmas Child

Thank You!

Thank you to the Rotarians for donating the funds to send 75 boxes for Operation Christmas Child. The Villa Interact appreciate your help and support. The Interact students will soon visit our club to share their experiences. Thanks to Karen Burton Horstman and Lisa Graff for their leadership to the Interact Club.



WORLD AFFAIRS INSTITUTE

Message from a student who attended the World Affairs Institute. Thanks to Jim Hynes for working to make this happen for these students. They will visit our club soon to share with the club.

Dear Rotary Club of Erie:

Hello. My name is Alexa Pierce and I am a current senior at Collegiate Academy. On Wednesday, November 13th, I participated in the 49th World Affairs Institute for Student Leaders in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I want to sincerely thank you for making this opportunity possible for me through your sponsorship. It truly was an amazing and unforgettable experience that I am glad to have had. Every aspect of the event I very much enjoyed, and I hope students in the future who participate have the same superb, positive experience as I.

Thank you once again.

*Warm Regards,
Alexa Pierce*



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Rotarian's will be ringing the bell for the Salvation Army at Boscov's:

Thursday, December 5
9:30 am to 8:00 pm

MANY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

One hour shifts and we will be at Boscov's - entrance facing Peach St.

Please sign up at the meetings
-or contact -

Brenda Bennett:

bbennett@drivingneeds.com



HAPPY



HOUR



TAP HOUSE

4th & State · Erie, PA

Wed., November 20 · 5:30 PM

-Save the Date Happy Hour-

December 18: SNEAKY PETE'S

***Make Your
Reservation!***



***Rotarians: No Charge
Guest: \$30***

HOLIDAY PARTY

Wed., December 4th · 6:00 - 10:00 PM

21 LA RUE DIX at 21 West 10th Street

6:00 - 10:00 pm

*Make your reservation with Gary Flick at agflick1@neo.rr.com or at our weekly meetings.
Hope to see you and yours there*



Rotary in Review

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Dr. Guiyou Huang, Guest Speaker



Tom Tupitza
"Why I Give to Rotary"



Dr. Erinn Lake, Dean, School of Education,
Edinboro University, introducing President Huang.



Dr. Guiyou Huang,
President Edinboro University



L - R: Dr. Erinn Lake, Guest Speaker Dr. Huang,
Rotary President Stephanie Williams



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