

News Alert from World Trade Center Delaware

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Town Meeting: U.S. Foreign Policy Forum

Who: Ambassador Charles Shapiro
Senior Advisor for Economic Initiatives
Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs
U.S. State Department

When: Thursday March 3, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time

What: Forums to Provide an Opportunity to the American Public to Exchange Views on U.S. Foreign Policy
"Connecting the Macroeconomic Results with the Microeconomy"

Where: Widener University School of Law, Wilmington, DE

Sponsored by: People to People International – Delaware Chapter
World Trade Center Delaware
Widener University School of Law

Town Meetings: U.S. Foreign Policy Forums allow participants' concerns to be heard by Washington.

The objective of the Foreign Policy Town Meetings is to provide an opportunity for the exchange of views between the U.S. Department of State and the American public. This is an opportunity for participants to be heard by Senior U.S. policy-makers and have their views carried back to Washington. The format of the forum will consist of a 30-minute address followed by a question and answer period.

On Thursday, March 3, Ambassador Charles Shapiro will appear at Widener University School of Law to speak to members of the student body and of the Delaware Chapter of People to People International. Ambassador Shapiro will speak on "Connecting the Macroeconomic Results with the Microeconomy."

Ambassador Charles Shapiro advises the Assistant Secretary on Western Hemisphere economic initiatives related to trade, poverty reduction, and financial inclusion. In previous assignments, he served as U.S. Ambassador to Venezuela and as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Western Hemisphere Affairs.

Ambassador Shapiro joined the Department of State in 1977. His foreign postings include Venezuela, Chile, Trinidad and Tobago, El Salvador and Denmark, and he has held a variety of Washington assignments. Ambassador Shapiro was the recipient of a Presidential Meritorious Service Award in 2005 and has received various Department of State performance and honor awards.

This event is a limited seating event and is only open to Widener Law Students and members of People to People Delaware Chapter; reservations are required. You may contact the World Trade Center Delaware at (302) 656-7905 or visit www.ptpde.org or www.wtcde.com for more information regarding the forum.

The **World Trade Center Delaware** is a nonprofit organization that assists small and medium-sized companies in expanding their markets overseas, while at the same time raising awareness of international issues and their importance in regards to international growth. As part of the World Trade Centers Association (WTCA) network, members are linked with 284 member organizations in more than 75 countries.

People to People International was originally founded by President Dwight D. Eisenhower to foster contact, communication, and the exchange of ideas between citizens of the United States and other lands; to improve individual understanding, to bridge international barriers; and to establish a force for friendship to assist mankind in his quest for peace. Within this broad framework, the Delaware Chapter shall be committed to the principle of cooperation with groups and organizations of similar orientation whenever possible, and shall initiate chapter programs and projects which will contribute to the respect for the dignity of man and world peace. (Article II, Delaware Chapter Bylaws)

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