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"China and the Iran nuclear negotiations: convergent interests and parallel diplomacy with the US"

John Garver is Professor in the Sam Nunn School of International Affairs at the Georgia Institute of Technology.

He is the author of nine books and over 100 articles and monographs dealing with China's foreign relations. His books include: *China and Iran: Ancient Partners in a Post-Imperial World*, *The Protracted Contest*, *China-Indian Rivalry in the Twentieth Century* and *Face Off: China, the United States, and Taiwan's Democratization*, (2006, 2000, 1997), *Nationalist China and U.S. Cold War Strategy in Asia*, and more. He has served on the editorial boards of journals such as *China Quarterly* and *Journal of Contemporary China*, and is a member of the National Committee on U.S.-China Relations.

Dr. Garver directed a university study program in China in 1983, then went on to set up and direct the first China-based summer study program in the University System of Georgia as well as a multiplicity (Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, China) summer study program. He has lived in various parts of China, has traveled widely throughout Eurasia, has conducted formal research in a number of Asian countries, is fluent in Chinese and taught that language to his two children.

Dr. Garver has received numerous prestigious grants such as the Fulbright Foundation and the Chiang Ching-kuo Foundation.

INTRODUCTION—Firooz Israel
INVOCATION—Randy Martin

Virginia Hepner, President & CEO
Woodruff Arts Center

Virginia Hepner became President and CEO of the Woodruff Arts Center on July 1, 2012. Previously, she was with Wachovia bank for 25 years serving in leadership roles such as Executive Vice President and Head of US Corporate Finance. She also has served in interim director positions for a variety of non-profit organizations including The Atlanta Ballet, Brand Atlanta, Inc., and Young Audiences. She has also been a business consultant and partner in a private real estate investment entity and a Director of State Bank & Trust Company and State Bank Financial Corporation.

Hepner has been active in community service for many years, and currently serves on several boards including the Metro Atlanta Chamber, Midtown Alliance, The Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta Endowment Board and the Scheller College of Business Advisory Board at Georgia Tech. She is a member of the International Women's Forum and Rotary International.

Hepner is the recipient of the 2015 Lettie Pate Whitehead Evans Award honoring exemplary for-profit corporate board service by a female director. Past honors include the City of Atlanta Phoenix Award, Image Film Festival Community Award and the Outstanding Partner Award from The Home Depot.

Hepner has a BS in Finance from The Wharton School and attended the JL Kellogg School of Northwestern. She is a graduate of Leadership Atlanta, the Georgia Regional Leadership Institute, and the MAACC Arts Leadership Program. She and her husband have two children.

INTRODUCTION—Phil Smith
INVOCATION—Tony Callaway



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UPCOMING PROGRAMS

FEBRUARY

- 2 Dr. Mark Becker, President, GSU
9 Real Estate Forecast Panel
16 **STAR Student Day**—Dr. Dan Sims
23 Hon. David Walker and Robert Bixby, IOUSA -
National Fiscal Policy and the Presidential Race

UPCOMING EVENTS:

April 22—The annual Division One Gala will be a “Spring Fling!” We will celebrate “Denim and Diamonds at Maggiano’s in Buckhead. Tickets only \$65 per person. More information coming! To RSVP, contact Gloria Tippin, gtippen@milner.com.

MEMORIAL AND HONOR GIFTS to the Annual Campaign.

The 2015 Annual Campaign raised almost \$173,000! Thanks to all our wonderful members who made a contribution. The following individuals designated their annual gifts in Honor or Memory of someone.

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| | In Honor Of |
| Nancy Bedford | Burt & Martha Vardeman |
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search for a Kiwanis member. Go to kiwanisatlanta.org and then click on “Member Area” on top right. For first time users or if you forgot password: Click on “New and Existing Users: retrieve login and/or reset password” and follow instructions to retrieve password. Write down your ClubRunner user name for next login!

INTERCLUBS

Mon., Jan 18, Druid Hills, Noon, Petite Auberge Rest. Chuck Bruce, chucksaudio@mindspring.com

Fri., Jan 23, Northside, 12:15 pm at First Presbyterian Church. Mike Halpin, mhalpin@wpba.org

Tue., Feb 2, Peachtree, 7:30 am, Landmark Diner, 3652 Roswell Road. Bob Wiggins, 404.552.1707.

Mon, Feb 8, Buckhead, 12:30-Seasons 52, 3050 Peachtree St. Karen Carlisle, kcarlis5@kennesaw.edu

Thu, Feb 11, Marietta, 12:15-Marietta Conf Ctr, 500 Powder Springs St. **RSVP by 2/5** to Jim Schulz, jschulz@merrittwatson.com



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