

TALL IX #4
Agenda
Washington D.C. & New York
April 23 - 30, 2005
Revised: Friday, May 12 2005; 8:30 am\kw

Saturday, April 23, 2005

Presiding: Dr. Jim Mazurkiewicz

Business Casual

Go to "Group Check-In":

10:50 a.m. Depart Houston IAH - George Bush Interc. Continental Flight #358

2:50 p.m. Arrive Washington DC/Reagan National

Metro to Hotel: Holiday Inn Capitol, 550 C Street SW, Washington, D.C. (202) 479-4000
Departs 4:11pm NATIONAL AIRPORT METRO STATION: Board **YELLOW LINE** towards MT. VERNON SQUARE; Arrive L'ENFANT PLAZA METRO at **4:22 p.m.** Directions: **WALK 1 apx. block E** on D ST. SW; **TURN LEFT** on 6th ST SW; **WALK 1 apx. block N** on 6th ST SW; **TURN RIGHT** on C ST SW; **WALK** short distance E on C ST SW = total walking 0.21 miles.

on your own until 8:00 pm

Presiding Members: Danny Sosebee & Cord Willms

Business Casual

8:15 p.m. Meet in Lobby for bus.

8:30 p.m. **"Washington After Dark" tour** - Bus will pick us up at the hotel. Step off to visit: Jefferson Memorial, Kennedy Center, Marine Corps Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Vietnam & Korean Veterans Memorial. View from Coach: Capitol, Library of Congress, House & Senate, White House, etc.

11:00 p.m. Return to hotel

Sunday, April 24, 2005

Free Day Suggestions -The National Cathedral, Arlington National Cemetery, The Holocaust Museum, The National Zoo, Mount Vernon, Old Town Alexandria, George Town, Union Station, The Kennedy Center, The Smithsonian, Monticello, or anything else you find interesting.

Monday, April 25, 2005

Business Attire

Presiding Members: Kody King and John Smith

6:45 a.m. Depart Hotel Lobby for Meeting hosted by **H.R. Bert Pena, Partner** of Hunton & Williams LLP; 1900 K Street, NW - 12th Floor

Hotel to Hunton & Williams: 1900 K Street, NW, WDC (202) 955-1860:
Departs 6:11am L'ENFANT PLAZA METRO STATION: WALK short distance W on C ST SW; **TURN LEFT** on 6TH ST SW; **WALK 1 APX block S** on 6TH ST SW. **TURN RIGHT** on D ST SW. **WALK APX 1 block W** on D ST SW. Total walking=0.21 miles.
Board GREEN LINE towards GREENBELT; **Arrive GALLERY PLACE CHINATOWN METRO STATION at 6:14 am; Departs 7:01 a.m.**
Board RED LINE towards Grosvenor Arrive FARRAGUT NORTH METRO STATION at **7:05 a.m.** **WALK** a short distance S on CONNECTICUT AVE NW. **Bear RIGHT** on K ST NW. **WALK APX 2 blocks SW** on K ST NW = total walking 0.23 miles.

7:30 a.m. **Ambassador Clayton Yeutter**, Former U.S. Secretary of Agriculture & Counsel to Hogan & Hartson - International Trade, Food and Agriculture

. **Bert R. Pena**

8:45 a.m. Depart for USDA , Jamie L. Whitten Building, Room 104-A (Katherine Hill - Office of Communications; USDA (202) 690-4750) **(NOTE: Security Check-Extra Time Required)**

Metro to USDA: Departs 8:58am FARRAGUT WEST METRO STATION: WALK APX 1 block E on K ST NW. **TURN RIGHT** on 18th ST NW. **WALK APX 1 block S** on 18th ST NW. **TURN LEFT** on I ST NW = total walking 0.29 miles.
Board ORANGE LINE towards NEW CARROLTON and arrive **SMITHSONIAN METRO STATION at 9:03 a.m.** **Take MALL EXIT**, When it opens to street/Mall, take a right & cross Jefferson Street, Whitten Building directly to your right.

Presiding Members: Trey Teaff and Joshua Walker

9:30 a.m. "Bio Security/Bio Terrorism" **Tim Johnson, USDA**

9:50 a.m. "Greeting to TALL IX" **Secretary of Agriculture Mike Johanns USDA**

10:15 a.m. "Animal ID" **Andrea Morgan**
Assoc. Deputy Administrator for Veterinarian Services, Animal & Plant Health Svc., USDA

10:30 a.m. "New Farm Bill/US Subsidies" **Jim Little**
Administrator Farm Service Agency, USDA

11:00 a.m. "Food Stamp Program" **Melissa Rothsteen**
Assistant to the Deputy Administrator for Nutrition Programs , USDA

11:30 a.m. "Trade Policy" **Jim Butler**
Deputy Under Secretary, Farm & Foreign Agriculture Service, USDA

12:00 Lunch on Your Own In USDA Cafeteria - (Stay Together As Group)

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12:40 p.m. Depart USDA Cafeteria for EPA

Depart for US Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters - Ariel Rios Building; 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, (202) 564-9816/ 564-7960; Georgia Bednar - Ast. to Counselor to the Adm. **(NOTE: Security Check but you are on list to enter bldg.)**

Departs 12:55 pm SMITHSONIAN METRO STATION: Cross Jefferson Street & enter SMITHSONIAN STATION.

Board ORANGE LINE towards VIENNA/FAIRFAX-GMU arrive **FEDERAL TRIANGLE METRO STATION at 12:57 pm. WALK APX 2 blocks N** on 12th Street NW. **Go to North Side Entrance - 12th Street between Penn. Ave & Constitution Ave** = walking distance 0.20 miles.

Presiding Members: Matt Williams and July Danley

1:30 p.m. **EPA Round Table Discussion**

Jon Scholl, Counselor to the Administrator for Agriculture Policy,
Beth Sauerhaft PhD, Special Assistant to the Agricultural Counselor,
Anthony Britten, Special Assistant for Pesticides-Office of Prevention, Pesticides & Toxic Sub.
Jeri L. Berc PhD, Policy Staff - Office of Water,
Brent A. Fewell, Senior Advisor - Office of Water

3:00 p.m.

3:15 p.m. Depart for CNN "**Crossfire**": George Washington Univ (GWU) - Jack Morton Auditorium, Media & Public Affairs (MPA) Building; 805 21st Street NW **(corner of 21st and H)**

To CNN: Departs 3:21 pm FEDERAL TRIANGLE METRO, Walk APX 2 blocks S on 12th ST NW.

Board ORANGE LINE Towards VIENNA/FAIRFAX-GMU; **ARRIVE 3:26 pm FOGGY BOTTOM. WALK APX 2 Blocks E** on I ST NW. **WALK APX 1 Block S** on 21st Street NW = total walking 0.26 miles. **(MPA Building is corner of 21st & H).**

3:50 p.m. NO LATER THAN - Be in Lobby of CNN and distribute tickets (open seating) (NOTE: Security check required)

4:10 p.m. Doors Close

4:30 - 5:00 Program - Live

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To Chef Geoff: Departs 5:22 pm FOGGY BOTTOM METRO STATION, WALK APX 1 block N on 21st ST NW. TURN LEFT on I ST NW. WALK APX 2 blocks W on I ST NW = total walking 0.26 miles.

Board BLUE LINE towards LARGO TOWN CENTER METRO STATION arrive 5:26 pm METRO CENTER STATION. WALK APX 2 blocks S on 13th ST NW = total walking 0.19 miles.

Presiding Dr. Jim Mazurkiewicz and assisted by Eric Opiela and Dean Nelson:
TALL Will Host a Social and Dinner for U.S. Congressional Staff Members and Agriculture Commodity Representatives

6:30 p.m. Social/Reception - Meet TALL IX

*Restaurant Chef Geoff - Wine Room; 1301 Pennsylvania Avenue - W DC
(on 13th Street between E & F Streets) (202) 464-4461*

7:30 p.m. Dinner

10:00 p.m. **Adjourn for evening**

Back to Hotel: Departs 10:48 pm FEDERAL TRIANGLE METRO. WALK APX 1 block E on Pennsylvania Ave NW. TURN RIGHT on 12th ST NW. WALK APX 1 block S on 12th ST NW = total walking 0.20 miles.

Board BLUE LINE towards LARGO TOWN CENTER METRO STATION arrive 10:51 pm L'ENFANT PLAZA METRO STATION. WALK APX 1 block E on D ST SW. TURN LEFT on 6th ST SW. WALK APX 1 block N on 6th ST SW. TURN RIGHT on C ST SW. WALK a short distance E on C ST SW = total walking 0.21 miles.

Tuesday, April 26, 2005

Business Attire

Breakfast On your own

Presiding Members: Jeff Camp and Charles Looney

6:45 a.m. Depart Hotel Lobby for Pentagon Tour

To Pentagon: Departs 7:09 am L'ENFANT PLAZA METRO STATION. WALK a short distance W on C ST SW. TURN LEFT on 6th ST SW. WALK APX 1 block S on 6th ST SW. TURN RIGHT on D ST SW. WALK APX 1 block W on D ST. SW = total walking 0.21 miles.

Board YELLOW LINE towards Huntington arrive 7:15 am PENTAGON METRO STATION. Walk out of tunnel you are at Visitor Center (Betsy Whalen - Office of the Assistant Sec. Of Defense for Public Affairs (703. 695-3845)

7:30 a.m. **Arrive Pentagon Visitor Center/Security Check-In
(2 forms of ID: DL, Passport, Credit Card)**

Tuesday, April 26, 2005 - Continued

Hotel to Ford’s Theatre: Departs 6:39 pm L’ENFANT PLAZA METRO STATION. WALK a short distance W on C ST SW. TURN LEFT on 6th ST SW. TURN RIGHT on D ST SW. WALK APX 1 block W on D ST SW.

Board BLUE LINE towards FRANCONIA arrive 6:43pm FEDERAL TRIANGLE METRO STATION. WALK APX 2 blocks N on 12th ST on NW. TURN RIGHT on E ST NW. WALK APX 1 block E on E ST NW = total walking 0.30 miles.

7:15 p.m. Arrive at Ford’s Theater: 511 Tenth Street, NW 202/638-2367
“Big River - The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn”Musical Production (Group #:33763)

7:15 p.m. Seating begins

7:30 - 10:15 Performance
(brief intermission - light snack/drink can be purchased, on your own)

10:30 p.m. Metro back to Hotel

Theatre back to Hotel: Departs 11:08 pm from FEDERAL TRIANGLE METRO STATION. WALK APX 1 block W on E ST NW. TURN LEFT on 12th ST NW. WALK APX 2 blocks S on 12th ST NW = total walking 0.30 miles.

Board BLUE LINE towards LARGO TOWN CENTER METRO STATION arrive 11:11 pm L’ENFANT PLAZA METRO STATION. WALK APX 1 block E on D ST SW. TURN LEFT on 6th ST SW. WALK APX 1 block N on 6th ST SW. TURN RIGHT on C ST SW. WALK a short distance E on C ST. SW = total walking 0.21 miles.

Wednesday, April 27, 2005

Business Casual

Breakfast On your own

Presiding Members: Steve Donnell and Tuffy Loftin

*****PLEASE ALLOW YOURSELF ENOUGH TIME TO CHECK OUT OF HOTEL - *****

7:00 a.m. Meet in Hotel Lobby with luggage

7:30 a.m. Load Bus and Depart For Maryland Tours and New York City

7:45 a.m. Homework Assignments & Talks, News Releases, etc. on the Bus

9:30 a.m. Arrive and Tour *Waffle Hill Farm/Black Angus Operation*, Churchville,MD
21028 3330 Cool Branch Rd.; (c) 410/ 808-7615; (h) 410/ 734-7380
Ned Sayre, Owner/Operator; LEAD Maryland Alumnus

11:30 a.m. Lunch on site (hosted by TALL)

Wednesday, April 27, 2005 - continued

- 12:15 p.m. Load Bus & Depart for “*Bonita Farm-a thoroughbred farm for all seasons*”Breeding, foaling, breaking, training, racing; A Bonita Farm Partnership P.O. Box 366; 3747 Harmony Church Road; Darlington MD 21034; 410/734-6906 - family owned and operated, **Bill Boniface** - GM & Partner
- 12:30 p.m. Arrive and Tour Facilities
- 2:00 p.m. Depart and travel to New York City
- 5:00 p.m. **Arrive at Milford Plaza Hotel; 270 W. 45th St., NY, NY; 10036(212) 869-3600**
- 7:00 p.m. Meet In Hotel lobby & walk to Le Madeleine, 403 W. 43rd Street (212) 246-2993/ Garden Room; (Tony Edwards - Owner/from TX)

Presiding Members: Michael Tolbert and Marc Hartzendorf

- 7:30 p.m. Dinner/Program **Robert A. Lewis**
Chief Marketing Representative - New York State Department of Agriculture & Markets
- 10:30 p.m. **Adjourn for Evening**

Thursday, April 28, 2005

Business Attire

Breakfast - on your own.

Breakfast/Brunch: Sponsored and provided by Ms. Myra Gordon at Hunt’s Point Market 9:15 a.m. If you desire something before, - on your own.

Presiding Members: Mike Fanning and Travis Reynolds

- 6:15 a.m. Assemble in Hotel Lobby
- 6:30 a.m. Depart Bus to Hunts Point Cooperative Market, Bronx
- 7:45 a.m. *Observe Meat packing operation* **Michael Mosner**
Mosner Veal & Lamb
- 8:40 a.m. Board bus
- 8:45 a.m. *Fruits and Vegetables Inspection, USDA* **Bob Robinson**
- 9:00 a.m. USDA Assistant Officer, Fruits and Vegetables Inspection
(Will board bus at Produce Market tollbooth & give talk on bus)
- 9:15 a.m. *Brunch provided and Hunts Point Presentation*
- 11:00 a.m. **Myra Gordon**, Executive Director
Hunts Point Terminal Producer Cooperative Association, Inc.
. **Ira J. Cohen**, World Wide Marketing Consultants
- 11:30 a.m. Bus leaves Hunts Point Market for Harlem

Thursday, April 28, 2005 - continued

Presiding Members: Jim Phillips and Jim Ed Fleld

Lunch to be paid by your individual donation:

- 12:00 Noon Lunch at Community Kitchen (soup kitchen and food training program),
Ephram Wise, Assistant Director West Harlem Community Kitchen
"Food Change", 252 W. 116th Street, New York (Harlem)
"Food Change and Their Roll in Providing Access to Food in Low Income NYC
Communities"
- 1:00 p.m. Depart for Rabobank at 245 Park Avenue, NY NY; 10167
- 1:20 p.m. Arrive at Rabobank Headquarters for presentations - (Release bus)
38th Floor Conference Room
- 1:30 p.m. "Welcome & Overview of Rabobank Presence in Food & Agribusiness"
..... **Charles Hallock**, Industry Specialist, Grain & Oilseeds
- 1:45 p.m. "Corporate Banking" **Pieter Koode**
Dept. Manager & Managing Dir. - Financial Sponsors Group-Rabobank International
- 2:15 p.m. "Food & Agribusiness Research Dept." **Alejandro Reca**
Executive Director - Food & Agribusiness Research - Rabobank International
- 3:15 p.m. Break_____
- 3:30 p.m. "Venture Capital" **Peter Calamari**,
Vestar Capital Partners
- 4:15 p.m. Q/A
- 4:30 p.m. Adjourn - As a group walk back to hotel (15-20 minute walk)
- 5:00 p.m. **Evening and Dinner on your Own**
Grand Central Station is an excellent place to relax and have dinner
It is next door to Rabobank.

Friday, April 29, 2005

Business Casual: Beakfast - on Your Own

Presiding Members: Phil Jensen and Rachel Myers

- 7:45 a.m. Assemble in Hotel Lobby
- 8:00 a.m. Bus Departs Hotel for Orange County
- "NYC Watershed Issues" **Larry Van De Valk**
Director, LEAD New York Program - Cornell University
- 10:00 a.m. "Wheat Grass Entrepreneurship and Marketing" **Harley Matsil**
Owner/Operator Perfect Foods; 2 Hawks Nest Rd.; Monroe NY 10950
(914) 651-2012
- 11:30 a.m. Depart for Cheryl Rogowski's
- 12:00 noon "Lunch at Rogowski Farm" **Cheryl Rogowski**
5 Kobylaski Lane, Pine Island, NY 10969 (845) 258-4574
Dr. Mazurkiewicz to do a radio interview

Friday, April 29, 2005 - continued:

2:00 p.m. Depart for Ruskiewicz Onion Farm and DeBuck's Sod Farm

Presiding Members: Eric Opiela and Dean Nelson

2:30 p.m. "Tour Sod Farm" **Leonard DeBuck**
120 DeBuck's Dr.; Pine Island, NY 10969; (845) 258-4131
and **Paul Ruskiewicz & John Ruskiewicz** about Onion Farming

3:30 p.m. Depart for Bellvale Dairy Farms

4:00 p.m. "Bellvale Dairy Farms" **Albert Buckee III**, Owner/Operator
75 Bellvale Lakes, Rd; Warwick, NY 10990 (845) 986-5900

5:30 p.m. Depart for Dinner at Chateau Hathorn

6:00 p.m. Dinner - "Business Etiquette" **Larry Van De Valk**
33 Hathorn Road; Warwick, New York 10990; (845) 986-6099

8:30 p.m. Depart New York City "Purchase of Development Rights - PDRs"
Larry Van De Valk (on bus)

10:00 p.m. Arrive Milford Plaza Hotel

Saturday, April 30, 2005

Business Casual

Breakfast - On Your Own

Presiding: Dr. Jim Mazurkiewicz

*****PLEASE ALLOW YOURSELF PLENTY OF TIME TO CHECK OUT OF HOTEL *****

7:00 a.m. Meet in Hotel Lobby with Luggage

7:15 a.m. Depart Hotel for Laguardia Airport

10:29 a.m. Leave Laguardia Airport Continental Flight #1033

1:22 p.m. Arrive Houston - George Bush IAH

1) Bring an all weather coat and umbrella—can be very, very cool.

2) Wear comfortable (but closed-toe) shoes. A lot of walking!

3) On all escalators stay to your right unless you are running or walking up or down. They will run over you, if you're standing still (like we do in Texas) on the left side of the escalator.

4) Price of food is inflated in DC and NY. Please notice which meals you will be responsible for.

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