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## February Luncheon Meeting

Carrabba's Italian Grill  
11590 Research Blvd., Austin, TX 78759  
11:20 a.m.; Tuesday, February 11, 2014

### Dr. Philip I. Levy

Senior Fellow on the Global Economy  
The Chicago Council on Global Affairs

## "Diplomacy, International Economics, and Foreign Policy"

### February Menu:

House salad or cup of soup  
Fresh bread with an Italian dipping sauce  
Iced tea, coffee, soft drinks

### Choice of

Chicken Bryan (Wood grilled chicken with goat cheese, sun dried tomatoes, and a basil lemon butter sauce), mashed potatoes

*or*

### Vegetarian option

Pasta Sostanza (Tagliarini, sautéed mushrooms, artichoke hearts, spinach in a tomato basil sauce topped with seasoned breadcrumbs)

Dessert: Chef's choice

*RSVP: Please confirm your attendance and menu choice by noon on Wednesday, February 5*

*- By mail to TFSG, P.O. Box 50246, Austin, TX 78763-0246 or*

*- By e-mail to [jmclean@computermoms.com](mailto:jmclean@computermoms.com) or*

*- By phone to John at 512.797.0538*

*Via mail with a check made out to TFSG is our preferred method. In all cases, please include a phone number so we can confirm your reservation. All RSVPs will be confirmed. If you do not get a confirmation, please contact us.*

*Lunch begins at noon. Members \$24. Guests of members \$30. No new reservations after 12 noon on Wednesday, February 5. No-shows or cancellations after this date will be billed for their lunch. Checks may be made out to TFSG and mailed to P.O. Box 50246, Austin, TX 78763-0246. Checks mailed in advance are greatly appreciated.*

*Memberships are \$30 for three years or \$12 per year.*

### **About the Speaker:**



Phil Levy is senior fellow on the global economy at The Chicago Council on Global Affairs. Previously he was associate professor of business administration at the University of Virginia's Darden School of Business. He was formerly a resident scholar at the American Enterprise Institute and taught at Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs. From 2003 to 2006, he served first as senior economist for trade for President Bush's Council of Economic Advisers and then as a member of Secretary of State Rice's Policy Planning Staff, covering international economic matters. Before working in government, he was a faculty member of Yale University's Department of Economics for nine years and spent one of those as academic director of Yale's Center for the Study of Globalization.

His academic writings have appeared in such outlets as *The American Economic Review*, *Economic Journal*, and the *Journal of International Economics*. He is a regular contributor to *Foreign Policy* magazine's online *Shadow Government* section and writes on topics including trade policy, economic relations with China, and the European economic crisis. Dr. Levy has testified before the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Joint Economic Committee, the House Committee on Ways and Means, and the US-China Economic and Security Review Commission. He received his PhD in Economics from Stanford University in 1994 and his AB in Economics from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor in 1988.

Further information about The Chicago Council on Global Affairs is at [www.thechicagocouncil.org](http://www.thechicagocouncil.org).

TFSG appreciates the assistance of the Austin Council on Foreign Affairs for its sponsorship of Dr. Levy's visit.

### **Directions to Carrabba's Italian Grill:**

Note: Research Blvd. is the eastbound Hwy 183 access road. If you approach the restaurant from Jollyville Road, you enter the parking lot from the rear. Or, if you miss that turn, drive straight to Duval, turn right onto Duval and right again onto the Hwy 183 access road, and enter the parking lot from the front. There is plenty of free parking close to the restaurant.

#### From the Northwest

Drive east on Hwy 183. Exit at Duval, cross Duval, turn right into the large parking lot at Outback Steakhouse. Carrabba's is on the left, Outback Steakhouse on the right.

#### From the North

Drive south on Mopac. Exit at Braker Lane and turn right onto Braker. Drive underneath Hwy 183 and turn right at the next light onto Jollyville Road. Drive about 400 yards past Balcones Woods Drive and turn right at the Carrabba's/Outback Steakhouse sign into the parking lot. The restaurant is about 50 yards ahead on the right.

#### From the South

Drive north on Mopac or Loop 360, then west on Hwy 183. Exit at Braker Lane and turn left onto Braker. Turn right at the next light onto Jollyville Road. Drive about 400 yards past Balcones Woods Drive and turn right at the Carrabba's/Outback Steakhouse sign into the parking lot. The restaurant is about 50 yards ahead on the right.

#### From the East

Drive west on Hwy 183. Exit at Braker Lane and turn left onto Braker. Turn right at the next light onto Jollyville Road. Drive about 400 yards past Balcones Woods Drive and turn right at the Carrabba's/Outback Steakhouse sign into the parking lot. The restaurant is about 50 yards ahead on the right.

### **Other Upcoming Luncheons:**

All TFSG luncheons are on the second Tuesday of even-numbered months. Suggestions for restaurants are always welcome.

- April 8, 2014: Robert J. Silverman, President of AFSA, and Lawrence Cohen, AFSA Vice President for Retirees, "Perspectives on Opportunities and Challenges for U.S. Diplomacy in the Middle East"
- June 10, 2014: Professor Peter Awn, Columbia University, "You Can't Eat Ideology: The Future of Political Islam"
- August 12, 2014: TBA
- October 14, 2014: TBA
- December 9, 2014: Sixth Annual Fun Festival Luncheon

AFSA and DACOR members may attend any one of the first five TFSG luncheons in a calendar year at TFSG member prices.

**In Memoriam:**

Rose Taylor, TFSG member and wife of Russ Prickett, will be honored by a concert on Sunday, January 26, at 2 p.m. at UT's Bates Recital Hall. According to the obituary in the Austin Statesman, Rose Taylor, UT Professor of Music Emeritus, was an amazing woman, wife, singer in five languages, teacher, and role model for many music students. All are welcome to attend the concert.

**Announcements:**

A trade-or-toss table will be set up at the February luncheon for members wanting to trade or toss books or magazines that are in excellent condition.

We welcome suggestions for speakers. When you nominate someone, please add biographical information and suggestions on how best to approach him or her.

If you know of potential members, please email them our website address, [WWW.TFSG.ORG](http://WWW.TFSG.ORG). Then call and invite them as your guest to our next luncheon.

Please browse through the website regularly yourself. Corrections and additions are always welcome. In particular, we want to keep our EISs (Enhanced Information Sheets) up to date. As new speakers and their subjects are listed, please send your suggestions for EIS information to [suzakna@gmail.com](mailto:suzakna@gmail.com).

Doris and Naomi, our Contact Coordinators, hope that you will share with them some of your biographical information and the name of a contact person for you.

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