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June 2016 Luncheon Meeting
Mimi's Café
10515 N. Mopac Expy Nb., #O, Austin, TX 78758
11:30 a.m.; Tuesday, June 14, 2016

Ambassador Thomas Boyatt

"American Diplomacy at Risk"

June Menu:

Trio of seasoned deviled eggs:

Eggs mimosa, bacon and chives,
zesty remoulade with pickles and capers

Iced or hot tea, coffee, soft drinks, juices, hot chocolate, lemonade

Choice of:

A – Mediterranean Salad with Roasted Chicken (artichoke hearts, tomatoes, cucumbers, feta, Kalamata olives, roasted red peppers, red onions, pepperoncinis, crispy bacon, mixed greens, red wine shallot vinaigrette)
(can be made vegetarian without the chicken and the bacon)

or

B – Grilled Atlantic Salmon (with a light Chardonnay Dijon sauce, sautéed garlic spinach; with a choice of baked cheesy gratin or roasted potatoes)

or

C – Mushroom and Brie Burger (with sautéed whole cap mushrooms, caramelized onions, melted Brie, on grilled sourdough; with a choice of thin-cut russet fries, mixed fruit, or house salad)

or

D - Grilled Chicken Breast (with add-ons and garnishes by the chef)

Dessert: French silk mud pie (deep dish with flaky handmade thick crust)

RSVP: Please confirm your attendance and menu choice by noon on Tuesday, June 7.

- By mail to TFSG, P.O. Box 50246, Austin, TX 78763-0246, or
- By e-mail to Joe McLean at jmclean@computermoms.com, or
- By phone to Karen Jacks at 512-238-1909

Lunch begins at noon. Members \$24, guests accompanied by members \$30. No new reservations after 12 noon on Tuesday, June 7. No-shows or cancellations after this date will be billed for their lunch. AFSA and DACOR members may attend one luncheon, except for the December luncheon, at the member price.

Driving directions to Mimi's Café are attached.

Checks made out to TFSG and mailed in advance is our preferred payment method (P.O. Box 50246, Austin, TX 78763-0246). Please include your menu choice. Please also include a phone number or email address so we can confirm your reservation. All reservations are confirmed, so if you do not get a confirmation, please contact us.

Memberships are \$30 per person for three years or \$12 per person per year. Memberships make excellent gifts for people who have spent years overseas and their family members. Some members who live at a distance move from dual membership to membership for one spouse, and we appreciate their support and their staying in contact.

About Our Speaker:

Ambassador Thomas Boyatt was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1933. He received his B.A. in 1955 from Princeton, and an M.A. from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy. From 1956-59 he served in the United States Air Force.

Entering the Foreign Service in 1959, Boyatt served as Vice Consul in Antofagasta, Chile (1960-62); Assistant to the Under Secretary of the Treasury (1962-64); Economic Officer in Luxembourg (1964-66); and Political Counselor at the Embassy in Nicosia, Cyprus (1967-70). He returned to Washington as Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of State for the Near East. He was Director of Cyprus Affairs (1971-74), and named a member of the Senior Seminar in Foreign Policy the following year. In 1975 Boyatt became Minister-Counselor at the American Embassy in Santiago, Chile. Mr. Boyatt was chosen to be Ambassador to Upper Volta in 1978, and in 1980 he was nominated and confirmed as United States Ambassador to Colombia. In 1983 Ambassador Boyatt was promoted to the personal rank of Career Minister of the Foreign Service. He speaks Spanish, French, and Greek.

Ambassador Boyatt received the State Department's Meritorious Honor Award in 1969 "for heroism in helping injured passengers to safety and negotiating passenger release with Syria" during the 1969 hijacking by Palestinian guerillas of a TWA plane on which he was a passenger. He received the William R. Rivkin Award "for intellectual courage, creativity, disciplined dissent, and taking bureaucratic and physical risks for peace on Cyprus..." in 1970, and in 1979 was given the Christian A. Herter Award "for extraordinary contributions to the practice of diplomacy." In 1999 he received the Foreign Service Cup for post-retirement contributions to the Service, and the lifetime

achievement award from the American Foreign Service Association (AFSA) in 2001. Several foreign governments have also decorated him.

Retiring in 1985, Ambassador Boyatt became Vice President of Sears World Trade and President of US Defense Systems (USDS) in 1990. From 1984-88 Boyatt was a Trustee of Princeton University. He has been a member of the Advisory Boards of the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton and the Patterson School at the University of Kentucky, and is currently a Director of the Institute for the Study of Diplomacy at Georgetown University. He teaches at the Foreign Service Institute throughout the year, is President of the Foreign Affairs Council, an umbrella group composed of 11 organizations which support the Foreign Service, and Treasurer of AFSA-PAC. In August 2004 Ambassador Boyatt was appointed by Secretary Powell to be a member of the State Department Leadership and Management Advisory Council. He is a member of the American Academy of Diplomacy and several corporate and non-profit boards. He is married to Maxine Shearwood and they have five children.

2016 Events of Interest:

Foreign Service Day

A number of years ago, the U.S. Senate passed a resolution naming the first Friday in May as Foreign Service Day.

May 6 is Foreign Service Day 2016. We hope to post a few suggestions on our website for ways that retired FS members, their families and friends, and the families of serving FS members around the world can help Americans celebrate and become more aware of our United States Foreign Service. Please let us have your suggestions.

Austin is home to several groups who bring in experts on various aspects of national and international affairs, and some of their upcoming major speakers/events are listed on their websites. Please share this list with your friends.

Clements Center Events (University of Texas at Austin):

(<https://www.clementscenter.org/>)

Strauss Center Events (University of Texas at Austin):

(<https://www.strausscenter.org/>)

Kozmetsky Center Events (St. Edward's University):

(<https://www.stedwards.edu/kozmetzky-center>)

LBJ Library:

(<http://www.lbjlibrary.org/events/all>)

GlobalAustin:

(<https://globalaustin.wildapricot.org/Upcoming-Events>)

Since 1962, GlobalAustin has been hosting international visitors to the greater Austin area, introducing them to the vitality of Central Texas. Through the U.S. Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program, we have welcomed thousands of international visitors interested in Austin's economy, architecture, environment, city government, technology, and entrepreneurial innovative culture. In 2015 alone, we hosted 63 foreign delegations with 330 international visitors from 80 countries.

With the support of nearly 1,000 volunteers, we not only arranged meetings for our international visitors, but also held Citizen Diplomacy receptions and home visits for dozens of them. In cooperation with some 30 other non-profits, we continue to publish the online International Calendar of Austin and send out weekly lists of upcoming international events in the Austin area. For years, GlobalAustin has provided scholarships for area students to pursue study abroad and provided countless international students and their spouses at the University of Texas with orientation to life in Central Texas.

We continue promoting Austin as a welcoming city for international visitors, no matter their area of interest. There are many ways to volunteer, network, and enjoy being part of "connecting Austin to the world, one handshake at a time." Join our email list at [GlobalAustin](#) to receive updates on all we do, or, better yet, become a member and help us show off Austin to the world.

TFSG Information:

Our speakers send us suggestions for the bibliographies we prepare to accompany their speech. We post the bibliographies on our website, www.TFSG.org/luncheons/html, and mail copies to members with U.S. addresses but without access to email. The website contains all past bibliographies. Several members share our website with family and friends and we encourage all members to do so. The website also lists publications, writings, and speeches by past speakers and present TFSG members. We review the "Links" page on the website several times per year for needed additions or deletions, and suggestions are always welcomed. Send corrections for any page on the website to John at jsw69intadv@hotmail.com.

Members are encouraged to invite guests to any of our first four luncheons of the year. There are always door prizes, such as books, coupons for free meals, lottery tickets, chocolates, and prizes tied to special days such as Valentine's Day.

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