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Ambassador Zhou and Congressman Falemovaega to address Hinckley Forum Monday, October 5th

The Hinckley Institute of Politics is pleased to host the **Chinese Ambassador to the United States, Zhou Wenzhong, and United States Congressman Eni Falemovaega (D-American Samoa)**, Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment to **speak on U.S. and Chinese Relations**. This year, marks three decades of U.S. - Chinese diplomatic relations, and Ambassador Zhou and Congressman Falemovaega will discuss the anniversary, examine the evolution of this relationship, and provide details of what to expect in the future.

The Hinckley Forum, co-sponsored by the Tanner Humanities Center: "The Future of U.S. China Relations" will be held on Monday, Oct. 5, 10:45 a.m. Hinckley Forums are free and open to the public.

Fall 2009 Hinckley Fellow: Former OK Gov. Frank Keating

The Hinckley Institute of Politics hosted Former Oklahoma Governor Frank Keating as a 2009 Hinckley Fellow. Governor Keating won national acclaim in 1995 for his compassionate and professional handling of the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal building in Oklahoma City. In the aftermath of the tragedy, he raised more than six million dollars to fund scholarships for the nearly 200 children left with only one or no parents. Governor Keating spoke at a Hinckley Forum co-sponsored by the J. Willard

Marriott Library's September project, was interviewed on KSL News Radio and by KSL's Doug Wright, spoke to a group of over 100 high school students and met with local government, business, and community leaders.

Governor Keating also provided the keynote address for the 6th annual Dialogue on Democracy dinner sponsored by The Utah Coalition for Civic, Character and Service Learning, the Lieutenant Governor's Commission on Civic and Character Education, the Salt Lake City Mayor's Office, and the Hinckley Institute of Politics.

The Governor's Commission on Strengthening Democracy

The Hinckley Institute continues to staff the Governor's Commission on Strengthening Democracy and encourages you to attend the upcoming meetings.

The Governor's Commission will meet on **Thursday, October 1, 2009** at the **Hinckley Institute of Politics, OSH 253**. Governor Gary Herbert will speak to the Commission. Meetings are free and open to the public. For more information on the Governor's Commission on Strengthening Democracy click [here](#). Finally, Acting Chair of the Governor's Commission and Hinckley Director Kirk Jowers, testified before the Government Operations Interim Committee on campaign finance reform measures recommended by the Commission. For related media coverage, click [here](#).

Hinckley Intern Profile: Fall Semester

The Hinckley Institute of Politics has a full compliment of great UU students participating in internships internationally, Washington D.C. and offices throughout Utah. Twenty-eight Hinckley Interns are in Washington, DC working for Utah's Congressional delegation, Health & Human Services, U.S. Department of State, non-profits, lobbying and advocacy firms. Internationally the HIP has 15 interns across the globe in countries such as Australia, Scotland, Russia, India, Peru, and China. In Utah 22 students are serving internships in various state and municipal government offices, on political campaigns and non-profit organizations.

The Hinckley Institute is currently accepting applications for **spring 2010 international, Washington D.C., and local internships**. For more information, click www.hinckley.utah.edu

October 2009 Hinckley Forums

The Hinckley Institute of Politics will host a wide variety of informative and intriguing Hinckley Forums this month. All forums take place in the Hinckley Caucus Room (Orson Spencer Hall Room 255) unless otherwise noted and are free and open to the public. For more information regarding upcoming Hinckley Forums, click [here](#). Also, check out the [online audio](#), [podcasts](#), [video on demand](#), [pictures](#), and [media coverage](#) of past Hinckley Forums.

**Thurs. Oct 1
2:00 p.m.**

**Marriott Library
Gould Auditorium**

***The Governor's Commission on Strengthening Utah's
Democracy***

Governor Gary Herbert will address the Commission and the Commission will deliberate and make recommendations regarding Utah's campaign finance, lobbying, and election laws.

Mon. Oct 5

U.S. and Chinese Relations: The Chinese Ambassador and

10:45 a.m.

Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment mark the three-decade anniversary of U.S.- Chinese formal diplomacy and will examine the evolution of this relationship and what to expect in the future.

The Honorable Zhou Wenzhong, Chinese Ambassador to the United States

Congressman Eni F.H. Faleomavaega, senior Member of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs and Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment

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Tues. Oct 6

11:00 a.m.

Careers in the CIA

Matt Berrett, Director, Office of Middle East and North Africa Analysis

Wed. Oct 7

1:00 p.m.

'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' Turns 15: LGTB in the Military Today

Ken Verdoia, Senior Producer for Public Affairs with KUED-TV

Dan Choi, LGBT activist and Iraq veteran

Valerie Larabee, Executive Director, Utah Pride Center

Sarah Hjalmarson, Army Medic on "inactive" status, student majoring in Health Promotion and Education

Cliff Rosky, Associate Professor of Law at the University of Utah's S.J. Quinney College of Law

Jeff Keyes, Writer, actor, activist and philanthropist, and Iraq War veteran

Fri. Oct 9

11:45 a.m.

Making a Difference through Service and Humanitarian Outreach:

Working with Leper Outcasts in India

Padma Venkataraman, 2009 International Humanitarian of the Year; founding-member, Women's India Association; President, UN Women's Guild

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Tues. Oct 20

2:00 p.m.

Finding Your Political Voice, Your Purpose Your Passion

Patricia (Patti) Russo, First Vice President, The Women's Campaign School, Yale University

Wed. Oct 21

10:45 a.m.

Should Incentives Be Used to Increase the Human Organ Supply

Sally Satel, M.D. author, *When Altruism Isn't Enough: The Case for Compensating Kidney Donors*

Wed. Oct 21

Noon

Global Citizenship

Adrian Wride, Student Leader, Bennion Center

Judy Zone, Executive Director, YouthLINC

Howard Lehman, Professor, Political Science Department

Presented by – *The Lowell Community Service Center*

Wed. Oct 21

1:30 p.m.

1989: The Year that Changed Europe- and the World

The Honorable Balázs Bokor, Consul General of the Republic of Hungary

in Los Angeles

**Fri. Oct 30
12:55 p.m.**

***Candidate Debate – Salt Lake City Council Dist. 3
Phil Carroll v. Stan Penfold***

**Fri. Oct 30
2:00 p.m.**

Policing America
Robert C. Wadman, Professor, Criminal Justice Department, Weber State University; author, *Police Theory In American: Old Traditions and New Opportunity*; former Chief of Police Wilmington, NC (1991-1994), Aurora, IL (1989-1991), Omaha, NB (1982-89)

Hinckley Journal of Politics: Featured Article

Disparities in Veteran Death Benefits by *Brian Wotring*

Abstract: Under the Department of Veterans' Affairs (VA), the National Cemetery Administration (NCA) works to ensure that America's veterans are properly honored through a series of benefits provided to the veteran's family upon his or her death. While the NCA is one of the highest rated government agencies in terms of customer satisfaction, many of the benefits are underfunded, outdated and have been allowed to diminish over time, creating disparities between those who received the benefits 30 years ago and those who receive them today. In addition to these benefits, the State Cemetery Grants Program, a program run by the NCA to assist states with establishing veteran cemeteries, has also created a number of inconsistencies by allowing residency requirements and fees. However, changes to benefit policy by the NCA and lawmakers can correct these disparities, closing the gap in veterans' death benefits. To read the Journal click [here](#).

Hinckley Institute in the News

The Hinckley Institute is a central source of discussion and commentary surrounding many local, national, and international issues. To read media coverage of Hinckley Forums, interns, and events, as well as articles featuring the insight and commentary of Hinckley Institute Director Kirk Jowers, click [here](#).

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