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## Letter from the President

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Our Great Decisions seminars, held on each Wednesday evening this past February and March at the Newport Public Library, was a great success this year. These seminars, based on a program produced each year by the Foreign Policy Association, are a major educational effort by CIV to promote greater understanding of the issues affecting U.S. security and foreign relations. Attendance at the sessions was greatly improved, thanks in large measure to better publicity due to the efforts of many members who contributed to our promotional success. The Great Decisions organizing committee, headed by Judy Terry, deserves great credit for recruiting excellent speakers and making the many arrangements that resulted in the success of this important CIV undertaking.

I want to recognize our organizational and corporate sponsors whose support is gratefully acknowledged. This includes our long-time association with Salve Regina University whose support has also included our use of their facilities on campus in the past and the Newport Public Library for the use of their facilities this year. New sponsors this year include Newport Collaborative Architects, Northeast Engineers and Consultants, Inc., Finn Wealth Management, Corrigan Financial, Inc., Middletown, RI, and William Raveis Chapman Enstone Real Estate. We welcome these new corporate members and look forward to a mutually beneficial association.

Looking ahead, we will have our annual spring social event, the members reception, at Sea Shai Hibachi Restaurant on 2nd June, Monday at 6:00PM. This year we will be honoring the Black Ships Festival's and Japan America Society's 25th Anniversary and the 50th Anniversary of the Newport/Shimoda Sister City relationship. Interesting plans are in the works, so save the date. Last year we honored the Amica Insurance Tall Ships RI 2007 event at our spring reception. Those who attended that reception will remember our spectacular location overlooking the Harbor, great fun, and the making of many new friends. It was a memorable event then and it will be great fun once again. Please join us!

Best regards,  
Peter Tarpgaard





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#### Editor's Note

Your comments, suggestions, and articles of interest are welcome. Write to:

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## Members Website Corner

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR A WEBMASTER!

Discussions are underway with a local college for possible assistance with our great website.

In the meantime, the site is not being maintained so we have provided officers and committee members personal email addresses until we are up and running again. Please enjoy all the great resource information we have on the site presently until we have our new Webmaster - and possibly a redesign. As this is a time consuming job, the Board is discussing the possibility of a stipend for maintenance services.

If you or anyone you know is interested, please contact Judy Terry at judyterry05@cox.net

## Committee Chairpersons

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*Hibachi Garden*  
Japanese & Korean Cuisine



## ***SAVE THE DATE***

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP SPRING RECEPTION

Monday June 2, 2008, from 6:00 - 9:00 PM

at the SEA SHAI HIBACHI GARDEN

14 Long Wharf Mall, Newport, RI

Honoring the 25th Anniversary of the Black Ships Festival and the Japan America Society  
& Newport/Shimoda Sister Cities 50th Anniversary

Bring your special hors d'oeuvres to share & sample some excellent house appetizers

Complimentary Exotic Fruits Punch provided

Cash bar

Your international students and friends are welcome

Our Spring Members' Reception will be held this year at a new venue with a difference. It is still free admission and we expect a jam packed fun-filled event. We will be honoring the Black Ships Festival and Japan America Society for their excellent work on their anniversaries and the Newport Shimoda Sister Cities. Organization members will have just returned from Shimoda in Japan where they will be honored by that city's corresponding organizations and will share their experiences with us.

Dr. and Mrs. Lee, owners of the Hibachi Garden and Sea Shai Restaurant have very kindly offered us their downtown Japanese restaurant in Long Wharf Mall for our event. They will be providing us several platters of their house appetizers and we are to bring our own delightful appetizers as usual. We are so grateful to them for making their gracious venue available to us at no cost to our members and providing us with some free parking. There will be a cash bar along with a complimentary fruit punch. We are working on an entertainment program that will be fun and educational.

We encourage all members to attend as it will be a lively evening. We also recommend that our members patronise the Hibachi Garden and Sea Shai by way of thanks to the Lee family for their extraordinary generosity.

### ***ENTERTAINMENT REPORT***

Following is an introduction to our new entertainment chair, Marika Terlecky, and what she hopes to accomplish.

"I have the pleasure of serving you as the new Entertainment Chairperson. Allow me the opportunity to share some of my thoughts and ideas as we move forward into the future. I am a strong believer in team effort, collaboration and partnerships. The chairpersons of Membership, Corporate Sponsors, and Entertainment working closely together promote mutual goals of increased membership and sponsorship. By adding cultural appreciation elements to our program, entertainment with an educational component will be achieved.

As a new member, I've thoroughly enjoyed the Great Decisions Seminars, which increases public awareness of international policy, events and global issues. By offering more cultural/social events we hope to further promote international relations and understanding through cultural activities, food and practises - and have fun as well !

I welcome any ideas and feedback from our members as we develop additional cultural events. You are welcome to call me at 846-2460."

Marika Terlecky, Chairperson

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# SPONSORSHIP REPORT

## BLACK SHIPS FESTIVAL

This year it is the Newport/Shimoda Sister Cities' 50th Anniversary and the 25th Anniversary of the BLACK SHIPS FESTIVAL and JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY in July 2008. To celebrate these anniversaries, there will be a delegation from Rhode Island visiting Shimoda in May and in return an official delegation will be visiting Newport from Shimoda in July.

The Japanese delegation will probably arrive in Newport sometime on July 17th from NYC and leave on July 21st. The mission of CIV is to foster international relations. If you would like to sponsor/host and welcome into your homes, one or two of our Japanese visitors for approximately 5 days, should the JAS need our assistance, contact Peggy at 846 1640 or [peggyphelan@aol.com](mailto:peggyphelan@aol.com). They have a fairly full schedule; however, it's estimated that the host family would only have to provide occasional meals for their guests, and some transportation to events.

## INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS

The current DIILS class consisting of 8 peacekeepers and 5 international lawyers (MLDP) held their welcome reception at the Harbor Island Conference Center on April 25th. A graduation luncheon will be held on May 29th at the Officers Club. The fall class commences on October 13th and graduates on November 20th for the Peacekeepers and the MLDP class commences on October 13th and graduates on December 19th. At this point, about 30 in total are expected. An email will go out from Dana Scott in September asking for sponsors.

The current Naval Command College 2008, Naval Staff College 2008 and Naval Staff College 72 classes are winding up their courses and preparing for their June graduation. Sponsors are needed in the NSC class for Algeria, Indonesia, Kuwait, Lebanon, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Turkey and Yemen and in the NCC class for Algeria, Kenya, Malaysia, Morocco, Nigeria, Thailand and Yemen. To sponsor at the NSC/NCC classes you must have an email address. Contact Cindy Martin at [cynthia.martin@nwc.navy.mil](mailto:cynthia.martin@nwc.navy.mil) if you are interested in sponsoring

The new SWOS classes will start again in the Fall of '08. If any CIV members would like to sponsor a student at SWOS, contact Peggy Phelan at 846 1640 or [peggyphelan@aol.com](mailto:peggyphelan@aol.com)

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## GREAT DECISIONS SERIES DRAWS A CROWD

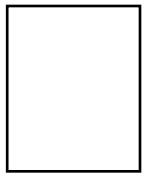
The Newport Public Library was the venue for this year's well-attended Great Decisions Series. The Community Room was nearly full for most of the talks. Attendees appreciated the library's central location. CIV is grateful to the library staff for their unstinting support of the recently concluded Series.

Kudos to Judy Terry and Dana Scott, co-chairpersons, publicity chair Paul Marshall, and CIV members John Bagwill, Nancy Caswell, Barbara Fenlon, Barbara Fontaine.

"End Game" presented by Mr. Qussay Al-Attabi drew a record crowd eager to hear remarks made by the Iraqi citizen living in RI. Honorable mentions for filling the room go to Professor Chris Robertson for his talk on Latin America and CDR Carl Gillis and a panel of NWC international officers for their presentation "European Union at 50".



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**Membership Renewal and New Member Application** *(Make out checks to CIV)*

Mail to: **Council for International Visitors, P.O. Box 3032, Newport, RI 02840**

**Membership year:** 1 October through 30 September. |  Membership Year \_\_\_\_\_

Single \$20.00     Family \$30.00     Donation \_\_\_\_\_ *(Please help with our operational cost)*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please indicate areas you would be interested in helping with:**

- Newsletter     Finance     Special Events     Membership     Sponsorship     Great Decisions  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Our appreciation is extended to all of you who have chosen to renew your membership and to those who have become our new members! As a result of the highly successful rejuvenation effort, we are now at a total of nearly 100 for the year. Our goal is to increase the membership by a minimum of 25% for the coming year. We solicit your help in making this goal a reality. Carry a membership brochure in your pocket at all times and be ready to sign up potential members anywhere you happen to be. If you need some brochures containing membership applications ask your Chairman or any member of the Board of Directors. You may also find membership information and a blank application on-line by visiting [www.newportciv.org](http://www.newportciv.org)

We would like to communicate by electronic mail more frequently and realize this mode of operations will become more and more prevalent in the years to follow. If you would like to receive your information electronically, please provide us with your e-mail address. No lists will be provided to any other organization. It will be used exclusively for CIV matters.

George Wardwell, Chair