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## SPRING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Wednesday, March 13, 2002, 5:30 p.m.

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1856th Stated Meeting—Cambridge

Communication: "John Adams and the Good Life of the Mind"

Speaker: **David McCullough**

"John Adams and the Good Life of the Mind" was the subject of a communication by author and essayist **David McCullough** at the March Stated Meeting held at the House of the Academy in Cambridge.

McCullough is the author of *John Adams*, the best-selling biography of the second president of the United States and founder of the American Academy. His books, which include *The Johnstown Flood*, *Brave Companions*, and *Truman*, have been praised for their narrative sweep, their scholarship and insight into American life, and their literary distinction.

McCullough is the recipient of the Pulitzer Prize and is twice winner of the Francis Parkman Prize of the American Historical Association and the National Book Award. In a productive career, he has also been an editor, teacher, and lecturer, as well as a familiar presence on television as host of *The American Experience* and narrator of numerous documentaries, including *The Civil War*.

Thursday, March 21, 2002, 5:30 p.m.

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1857th Stated Meeting—Library of Congress, Washington, DC

Communication: "Congress and the Supreme Court"

Speakers: **Senator Charles Schumer** of New York and **Judge J. Harvie Wilkinson III** of the US Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, Charlottesville, VA

This spring the Library of Congress will host an Academy Stated Meeting in Washington, DC. The program will focus on the changing relationship of Congress and the Supreme Court and its implications for the balance of power in this country.

Among the topics to be considered are the emergence of the Court's new jurisprudence of federalism, which has begun to circumscribe congressional power, and the uncertainties regarding the confirmation process and the criteria for evaluating presidential nominees to the federal bench.

This Stated Meeting is part of a long-term Academy study of Congress and the Supreme Court (see "Academy Update," p. 10).

**Charles Schumer**, Senator from New York, is a member of the Judiciary Committee and has held congressional hearings on the confirmation process.

**J. Harvie Wilkinson III**, Chief Judge of the Fourth Circuit, has ruled in a number of cases involving the legality of congressional enactments and state statutes.

The meeting will begin with the program at the Library of Congress at 5:30 p.m., followed by a reception.

*For reservations, call Julia Nelson at 617-576-5034.*

Wednesday, April 10, 2002, 5:30 p.m.

1858th Stated Meeting—Cambridge

Communication: "Education Reform: A Report Card"

Speaker: **Marshall H. Smith**, William and Flora Hewlett Foundation and Stanford University

Moderator: **Jerome Kagan**, Harvard University

Commentator: **Jerome Bruner**, New York University

The April Stated Meeting at the House of the Academy will focus on the evaluation of educational reforms at the primary and secondary level.

**Marshall H. Smith**, program director for education at the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation and professor of education at Stanford, has been a leader in the effort to advance this nation's education agenda. In the late 1980s and early 1990s he articulated a framework for standards-based school reforms. Smith has written extensively on national and state educational policy, educational equality,

and the use of technology for learning. He taught at Harvard University, the University of Wisconsin, and Stanford University, where he was dean of the School of Education. Throughout the 1990s he served as both undersecretary and acting deputy secretary of the US Department of Education.

**Jerome Kagan** is the Daniel and Amy Starch Professor of Psychology at Harvard University and an authority on the cognitive, social, and emotional development of children.

**Jerome Bruner**, formerly a professor of psychology at Harvard and Oxford Universities, is currently University Professor at New York University. He has made significant contributions to our understanding of perception, learning, memory, and other aspects of cognition in young children.

The meeting will also honor two distinguished Academy Fellows: **Howard Hiatt**, for his leadership of the Academy's Initiatives for Children program over the past decade, and **Fred Mosteller**, for a lifetime of contributions to the evaluation of education reforms.

The meeting will begin with the program at 5:30 p.m., followed by a reception and dinner.

*For reservations, call 617-576-5032.*

Wednesday, May 8, 2002, 5:30 p.m.—Annual Meeting  
1859th Stated Meeting—Cambridge

Speaker: **E. L. Doctorow**

This year's Annual Meeting will feature a communication by novelist **E. L. Doctorow**, the Lewis and Loretta Glucksman Professor in American Letters at New York University.

Doctorow served as senior editor of the New American Library from 1959 to 1964 and as editor-in-chief of Dial Press from 1964 to 1969. Since 1969 he has devoted his time to writing and teaching.

Doctorow is known for his skillful blending of fiction and fact into the reconstruction of eras in

American history. His first work was the Western novel *Welcome to Hard Times*. He won wide recognition for *The Book of Daniel*, based on the Rosenberg case in the 1950s. His other works include *Ragtime*, set in the decade prior to World War I; *Loon Lake*, portraying American life during the Depression; and *Billy Bathgate*, the story of Dutch Schultz and other Prohibition-era gangsters.

The meeting will begin with the program at 5:30 p.m., followed by a reception and dinner. *Black tie is optional*.

*For reservations, call 617-576-5032.*

**Saturday, May 18, 2002**

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1860th Stated Meeting—Irvine, California

Communication: "Global Climate Change and the Making of a Report to the President of the United States"

Speaker: **Ralph Cicerone**, Chancellor, UC Irvine

Commentator: **F. Sherwood Rowland**, Donald Bren Research Professor of Chemistry and Earth System Science, UC Irvine

In the spring of 2001, President George W. Bush issued an unusual special request to the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) for an analysis of current scientific thinking on global warming. The NAS selected **Ralph Cicerone** to chair the committee. By June 6, the report was finished, and Cicerone hand-carried it to the White House. At the Spring Stated Meeting of the Western Center, he will discuss the findings of the report in a communication entitled "Global Climate Change and the Making of a Report to the President."

An internationally known atmospheric scientist, Cicerone is the Daniel C. Aldrich, Jr., Professor of Earth System Science and Chemistry at UC Irvine, as well as its fourth chancellor. His research in atmospheric chemistry and climate change has involved him in shaping science policy at the highest level, with both national and international agencies.

In 1997 Cicerone received the prestigious United Nations Environment Program Ozone Award for his research on protecting Earth's fragile ozone layer. In 1999 the Franklin Institute honored Cicerone's contributions to the understanding of greenhouse gases and the depletion of the ozone layer by presenting him with the Bower Award and Prize for Achievement in Science; the prize also recognized his public policy leadership in protecting the global environment.

The commentator for the evening will be **F. Sherwood Rowland**, Donald Bren Research Professor of Chemistry and Earth System Science at UC Irvine. Mr. Rowland was the corecipient of the 1995 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his research in atmospheric chemistry, particularly the formation and decomposition of ozone.

The meeting will take place at the Beckman Center on the University of Irvine campus.

*For information and reservations, call 949-824-4553.*