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## **Alumni eNews – June 2010**

Dear SIPA Alumni,

With the academic year officially ended, SIPA Alumni Relations will spend the summer months focusing on alumni programming for the coming fall. We welcome your input to help with our planning.

If you attended Alumni Day on May 1, 2010, and have **5 minutes** to spare, we kindly ask that you fill out our [survey](#). Your input will be used to influence our future programming

If you didn't attend Alumni Day, we still welcome your input. To let us know what kind of programming you would like to see more of, simply email us at [sipaalum@columbia.edu](mailto:sipaalum@columbia.edu).

We look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes,  
**SIPA Alumni Relations**

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## **News at SIPA**

### ***SIPA NEWS* May 2010 Issue Focuses on Migration and Displacement**

Our latest issue of *SIPA NEWS* has hit the presses and should be arriving at your mailbox shortly. You can view the PDF [here](#).

### **SIPA Alumnus Received Distinguished Columbia Alumni Medal**

SIPA alumnus Roger Baumann (IF '84, MIA '85) was the recipient this year of Columbia's Alumni Medal. The Alumni Medal is the highest honor bestowed by the Columbia Alumni Association for distinguished service to the University. Candidates must be alumni of the University. [More](#)

### **SIPA Graduate Focuses on Building Peace**

Recent alumna Monique Tuyisenge-Onyegbula (MIA '10) has already witnessed four wars in Rwanda, Cote d'Ivoire, Iraq and Afghanistan. Her goal: to help bring peace to communities

affected by violence. [More](#). Listen to an interview with Tuyisenge-Onyegbula on *PRI*'s [“The World”](#).

**Game Change: Obama and the Clintons, McCain and Palin, and the Race of a Lifetime**  
Authors Mark Halperin and John Heilemann discussed their best-selling book *Game Change*, a behind-the-scenes look at the 2008 presidential election. The discussion was moderated by Columbia University's Alan Brinkley and co-hosted by SIPA and the Graduate School of Journalism. Watch the discussion [here](#).

### **SIPA Adjunct Lecturer Co-authors New Book on Professional Development**

Caroline Ceniza-Levine, SIPA Adjunct Lecturer of Professional Development and partner of the coach and consulting firm [SixFigureStart™](#), is the co-author of the upcoming book *How the Fierce Handle Fear: Secrets to Succeeding in Challenging Times* (Bascom Hill Books, 2010). The book offers tips and strategies to make the most of your time and efforts in this challenging job market in order to succeed. The book was inspired by Ceniza-Levine's career workshops on fear and career transition.

## **Highlights of Upcoming Events and Programs**

### **6/12/10 London: USA vs. England World Cup Watching Party**

It's almost time for World Cup football (soccer) action! Come watch the United States take on England with your friends and the UK Texas Exes!! UKTE is hosting a huge game watching celebration at Ye Olde Cock Tavern in London with drink specials, food specials, and lots of special people on Saturday, June 12 from 6:00pm onwards. For details, view the Facebook [invite](#).

### **6/16/10 Hong Kong: Invitation to an Evening with CAA Vice President Donna MacPhee**

Join CAA for delicious drinks and scintillating conversation with Columbians past and present. The evening will feature special guest Donna MacPhee '89CC, vice president for alumni relations and president of the CAA. RSVP [here](#).

### **6/17/10 NYC: Speed Dating Soiree at the CU Club**

Are you between the ages of 25 and 40 and single? Then come to the Columbia Club's All Ivy Alumni Speed Dating event and meet other eligible singles. The cost is \$45. Event includes two free drinks and appetizers. Reservations are required and space is limited. Sign up today! To reserve your place, please contact the Columbia Club Office at 212-719-0380 or [events@columbiaclub.org](mailto:events@columbiaclub.org). Indicate Speed Dating on subject line. The event will be held at the Columbia Club of New York.

### **6/22/10 Sydney: CAA of Australia Women's Networking Event**

CAA of Australia is hosting a Columbia women's networking event, hosted in conjunction with the Wharton School on Tuesday, June 22nd from 6:00-8:00pm at the Zeta Bar in Sydney, Australia. For questions and to sign up, please contact Christine Grima '02 SIPA at [cgrima@kreabgavinanderson.com](mailto:cgrima@kreabgavinanderson.com)

## **6/24/10 DC: SIPA DC Policy Forum Discussion on America's Role in Sustainable Development**

The SIPA DC community invites alumni to a thought-provoking Policy Forum discussing "What is America's Role in Sustainable Development?" to be held on Thursday, June 24 at the University Club of Washington, DC, starting at 5:30 pm. There will be a moderated panel at 6:00pm, allowing for discussion and networking at a reception to follow. For details and to RSVP, click [here](#).

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## **Alumni Career Programs & Events**

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### ***SIPALink***

SIPA's Office of Career Services (OCS) encourages you to use **SIPALink**, an online recruitment database. Follow the links below for online job and internship postings, employer information sessions, and much more. Some recent jobs are highlighted below. Register to find out more: <https://www.myinterfase.com/cusipa/student/>.

- Fund-raiser/Grant Writer, Foundation for Global Collaboration and Peace (New York)
- Primary Health Care Operations Specialist, Management Systems International (Iraq)
- Economics Team Leader, Conversation International (Monrovia)

Please see **SIPALink** for more detailed descriptions and application instructions.

### **06/21/10: The New Retirement Model: Rewirement: Finding Fulfillment, Fun and Funds in the Future**

Author and senior advisor at The Conference Board, Jeri Sedlar, leads this webinar about learning where, how, and why the traditional model of retirement is being redefined. Discover the reasons of moving beyond a paycheck before you retire. Webinar will be held on Monday, June 21, from 12:00-1:00pm. [More](#).

## **Recent Alumni Events**

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### **5/20/10 NYC: Alumni Happy at the Boat Basin**

Over 100 SIPA alumni and the SIPA graduating class of 2010 celebrated the end of the school year at the Boat Basin in New York City. Click [here](#) to view a video of the event and to see pictures.

### **5/20/10 Moscow: Alumni Happy Hour featuring Columbia Professor Paul Thurman**

CAA of Moscow proudly presented Columbia Professor Paul Thurman at the Buddies Café in Moscow to discuss the recently passed U.S. health care bill.

### **5/22/10 NYC: PEPM Hosts 10-Year Class Reunion**

On May 22, the PEPM Class of 2000 had their 10-year reunion, reuniting alumni as far away as Bosnia, Estonia, China and Mexico. The keynote event for the day was a panel discussion on “Macroeconomic Policy after the Financial Crisis,” featuring Columbia’s Francisco Rivera-Batiz, Graciana del Castillo and Ronald Findlay. The panel was chaired by PEPM’s Director, Guillermo Calvo. This was the first reunion of its kind for PEPM. For more information, contact David Caughlin ([dc2170@columbia.edu](mailto:dc2170@columbia.edu).)

### **5/24/10 NYC: ISP Network Discussion on Climate Change after Copenhagen**

The ISP network hosted an off-the-record dinner conversation with Janos Pasztor, Director of the United Nations Secretary-General’s Climate Change Support Team at the Restaurant Trattoria Dopo Teatro.

### **5/27/10 London: Policy Event: A Nuclear Iran: Threat or Distraction?**

The alumni clubs of Columbia, Georgetown, Sciences Po and Tufts collaborated on the sixth international affairs event themed around a nuclear Iran in London at the Charing Cross Hotel.

### **6/02/10 Paris: Joint Happy Heure**

The Columbia Club of France hosted a joint social mixer with the Columbia Business School Club, the INSEAD Club and the Harvard Club at Wine by the One in Paris.

### **6/09/10 Sydney: Farewell Reception for U.S. Consul General Judith Fergin**

CAA of Australia met with Consul General Judith Fergin as her term is ending. The reception took place at the U.S. Consul General’s Residence in Sydney, Australia.

### **6/10/10 Brussels: Alumni Reception with Ambassador Howard Gutman ‘77CC**

The Columbia Alumni Association and the Columbia Club of Belgium held a reception with Howard Gutman ’77CC, U.S. Ambassador to the Kingdom of Belgium at the Ambassador’s Residence.

## **Alumni Notes**

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Have you logged onto [Alumni Connection](#) yet to update your [class note](#)? What are you waiting for! All you need is your UNI and Password. (If you forgot them, you can access them [here](#).) Below are some recent postings. Post your note today and stay connected with more than 16,000 alumni in 155 countries.

**Cecile Brunswick** (MIA, 1954) writes, “I’m pleased to announce the publication of two of my works on paper in the spring issue of the international online publication ON THE ISSUES MAGAZINE; they illustrate the article “Blow the Whistle on Sexual Violence”. To read it, please access [here](#) to view the above article.

**Jeffrey Kashida** (MIA, 1976) recently accepted a position at Koto Inc. located in Los Angeles, CA as CEO/President. Jeffrey recently was employed at JHK INT’L as Partner/Director. “It is not exactly a change because I remain a partner for JHK Int’l Partners. The new company is a U.S. company, a group of #1 collectible toy companies? in Japan. We manufacture and supply collectible toys under major licensors of the U.S. entertainment industry, including Marvel, DC Comics, Sony Pictures, Paramount Pictures, Microsoft, Sega, Activation, etc.”

## Giving to SIPA

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Through contributions to SIPA's Annual Fund, donations for student fellowships, or participation in SIPA's annual global leadership awards dinner, you can help to foster the link between academic excellence and the practice of public policy that makes SIPA unique. For information on how you can contribute to SIPA's mission, please click [here](#).

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