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## **Robert A. Levy, Ph.D.**

*Chairman, Cato Institute*

*Friday, February 5, 2010*

*Naples Beach Hotel, Everglades Dining Room*

Bob Levy is chairman of the board of directors at the Cato Institute. He joined Cato as senior fellow in constitutional studies in 1997 after 25 years in business. Levy also sits on boards of the Institute for Justice, the Federalist Society, and the George Mason Law School. He received his Ph.D. in business from the American University in 1966, then founded CDA Investment Technologies, a major provider of investment information and software. After leaving CDA in 1991, Levy went to George Mason University, where he was chief articles editor of the law review. He received his J.D. degree in 1994. The next two years he clerked for Judge Royce Lamberth on the U.S. District Court and Judge Douglas Ginsburg on the U.S. Court of Appeals, both in Washington, D.C.



For many years, Levy was an adjunct professor of law at Georgetown University. His writing has appeared in the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, *Washington Post*, *National Review*, and many other publications. He has discussed public policy on national radio and TV programs, including *ABC's Nightline*, *Fox's The O'Reilly Factor*, *MSNBC's Hardball*, *NBC's Today Show*, and *PBS's Newshour*. Levy's latest book, co-authored with William Mellor and published in 2008, is *The Dirty Dozen: How 12 Supreme Court Cases Radically Expanded Government and Eroded Freedom*. Levy served as co-counsel in District of Columbia vs. Heller, the successful Second Amendment challenge to D.C.'s gun ban.

## **Guest Ticket Request for February 5, 2010**

### **Robert A. Levy, Ph.D.**

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**Tickets are Non-exchangeable and Non-refundable**

## **Dr. Peter J. Pronovost**

*Professor, Department of Anesthesiology & Critical Care Medicine  
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and Medical  
Director, The Center for Innovations in Quality Patient Care  
Friday, February 19, 2010*

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**1986**  
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**1989**  
 Tom Shea  
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 Joe B. Cox  
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 William C. Sinclair  
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 John M. Passidomo  
**1995**  
 Donald J. York  
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 Raymond Mueller  
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 Carol E. Girardin  
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 Thomas E. Ingram  
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## Naples Beach Hotel, Everglades Dining Room

Peter J. Pronovost, MD, Ph.D. is a practicing anesthesiologist and critical care physician, teacher, researcher, and international patient safety leader. Dr. Pronovost is a Professor in the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine (Departments of Anesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine, and Surgery); in the Bloomberg School of Public Health (Department of Health Policy and Management) and in the School of Nursing. He is also Medical Director for the Center for Innovation in Quality Patient Care, which supports quality and safety efforts at the Johns Hopkins Hospitals. In 2003, Dr. Pronovost established the Quality and Safety Research Group to advance the science of safety. Dr. Pronovost holds a doctorate in clinical investigation from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.



The author of more than 270 articles and chapters in the fields of patient safety, ICU care, quality health care, evidence-based medicine, and the measurement and evaluation of safety efforts, Dr. Pronovost is also a frequent speaker on the topics of quality and safety leadership and implementation of large scale change.

Dr. Pronovost has won several national awards for his research, including the 2004 John Eisenberg Patient Safety Research Award. He was also one of 25 individuals awarded a coveted MacArthur Fellowship in 2008, known popularly as the "genius grant." *Time* magazine named Dr. Pronovost one of the world's 100 "most influential people" in 2008 for his work in patient safety - specifically a checklist for intensive care unit procedures inspired by the airline industry's routine safety checklist.

## Guest Ticket Request for February 19, 2010 Dr. Peter J. Pronovost

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**Tickets are Non-exchangeable and Non-refundable**

## Refund and Guest Ticket Policies

*If members are unable to attend a luncheon, they may notify the office by e-mail, mail or phone by 5:00 PM the prior Friday in order to qualify for a refund of \$20 per luncheon. Due to our guarantee to the hotel, we are unable to issue a credit after the deadline. However, we still appreciate knowing if you are not going to use your ticket for purposes of honoring guest ticket requests. Credits will be issued to members at the end of the season.*

*Guest tickets are processed in the order received and will be sold on an as available basis. The availability of guest tickets is contingent upon members notifying the Forum Club office of their inability to attend a luncheon. If space becomes available, guest tickets will be released. As always guest tickets are non-refundable and non-*

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**DR. ROBERT A. LEVY****February 5, 2010**

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**DR. PETER J. PRONOVOST****February 19, 2010**

Professor, Department of Anesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and Medical Director, The Center for Innovations in Quality Patient Care

**JOHN G. STUMPF****March 5, 2010**

President and CEO, Wells Fargo &amp; Company

**MICHAEL B. YANNEY****March 19, 2010**

Chairman, Burlington Capital Group, LLC (To be joined by a U.S. Russian Embassy member)

**CHARLES LEWIS***returnable.***A Brief History of the Forum Club**

The Forum Club originated in the summer of 1984, when a man named William Gentry wrote letters and visited some 25 business and professional leaders in Naples and Marco Island. Gentry was nearing retirement from his job as Marco Island Bureau Chief for the Naples Daily News and he thought a club that would present prominent and well informed speakers would be a good project for his retirement years.

The first organizational meeting of the Club was held at The Naples Beach Hotel on November 9, 1984. One of the early, major supporters was the hotel's owner, Henry B. Watkins, Jr., and the Watkins family has remained vital to the Club's success to the present day. Of the twenty people at the first meeting, fourteen agreed to serve on the initial Board, which established an original initiation fee of \$25! It also set the future course of the Club as non-profit and non-partisan.

The initial officers were elected, including Leonard Llewellyn as president, Henry Watkins, president-elect, Brenda Wilson, vice president and the aforementioned Bill Gentry as executive director and secretary. The initial dues were set at \$75 annually. A vital decision was made by the founders that the Club would pay travel and hotel expenses for the speaker and their spouse, but would not pay an honorarium. The Forum Club has never paid a fee or honorarium to any of its distinguished speakers. Finding it more challenging and satisfying to invite speakers through efforts by members, who reach out to friends and colleagues.

The first formal program of the new Forum Club took place on February 1, 1985, when a group of ninety-eight members and forty-five guests gathered in the Sunset Terrace Room of the Naples Beach Hotel to hear the Director of Public Affairs at the Kennedy Space Center speak on "Our Future in Space."

Over the past 18 years, the Club has attracted many outstanding guests, including three Supreme Court Justices (Harry Blackmun, Byron White and Clarence Thomas). The Club also prides itself on identifying and presenting speakers before they become household names. A good example would be General Norman Schwarzkopf, who gave a program about the Middle East to The Forum Club on February 2, 1990---some six months before he took command of the Desert Storm operation in the Persian Gulf.

In 1988, Bill Gentry initiated a new program for the Club by inviting students from each area high school to the luncheon meetings as guests of a sponsoring Club member. In 1992, the Board of Directors established the William S. Gentry Student Scholarship Award in his memory that is presented each year to one senior from each Collier County high school. The criteria include academic excellence, and community civic responsibility of the chosen students. The Naples Daily News has been proud to sponsor the students and their administrators for lunch since the inception of the award.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

The Forum Club's mission is to:

- *Provide a congenial meeting atmosphere for members to enjoy prominent speakers in fields such as*

**April 9, 2010**

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