

## **GREAT DECISIONS 2021**

ALPs at the JC Library Thursdays, 6-7:30 PM, February 3→March 25 Offered by the Adult Learning Programs (ALPs) of Quimper Unitarian Universalist Fellowship



**The Foreign Policy Association (FPA)** is celebrating its 102<sup>nd</sup> year. Its roots were in support of President Woodrow Wilson's advocacy of the League of Nations after WWI. Its mission is to serve as a catalyst for developing awareness, understanding, and informed opinion on U.S. foreign policy and global issues. Through its balanced, nonpartisan programs and publications, the FPA encourages citizens to participate in the foreign policy process.

FPA's **Great Decisions Program** is America's largest foreign affairs education and discussion program. Launched in Portland, Oregon in 1954, the program gained media attention, was picked up by local schools, and soon gained national attention. Each year, the FPA selects eight timely global topics and produces a briefing book, a DVD, and multiple online resources to engage and inform participants. FPA staff then seeks to poll and widely publicize what foreign policies participants support.

2021 dates and topics are:

- Feb. 4 Global Supply Chains & National Security
- Feb. 11 Persian Gulf Security Issues
- Feb. 18 Brexit & the European Union
- Feb. 25 Struggles Over the Melting Arctic
- Mar. 4 China's Role in Africa
- Mar. 11 The Korean Peninsula
- Mar. 18 Roles of International Organizations in a Global Pandemic
- Mar. 25 The End of Globalization?

The **Great Decisions 2021 Briefing Book** (optional) is available for purchase (\$27) through Library Curbside Pickup while supplies last or online at <a href="http://www.fpa.org/great\_decisions/">http://www.fpa.org/great\_decisions/</a> where it is also available in E-book editions. To access a reference copy, email Kim Tingelstad at <a href="http:kingelstad@jclibrary.info">ktingelstad@jclibrary.info</a>.

Additional Resources for Each Topic are also available at:

- https://fpa.org/great\_decisions/?act=gd\_topics
- https://jclibrary.info/programs-events/greatdecisions-2021/

The **Great Decisions 2021 Ballot** is the means by which the FPA polls participants about their policy preferences. After participating in a topic discussion, please visit <u>www.fpa.org/ballot</u> and tell the FPA what you think. The FPA compiles these opinions and shares them in briefings with staff of the White House, State Department, Pentagon, and many other agencies. This is your chance to have your voice heard.

For further information about the Great Decisions 2021 program, contact facilitator Joyce Francis at <u>joyce.francis.pt@gmail.com</u>.