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Meet the U.S. Ambassador to Azerbaijan and his activist wife

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Washington, D.C. – August 14th, 2013 -- This week U.S. Ambassador Richard and his wife Faith Morningstar are to give a special presentation at Marion Music Hall.

MARION — According to *Wicked Local*, The Sippican Historical Society and Elizabeth Taber Library present a special lecture by Richard L. Morningstar, United States Ambassador to the Republic of Azerbaijan, and his wife, Faith P. Morningstar.

The discussion will be held at 7 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 14, in Marion Music Hall, located at 164 Front St. It is free and open to the public. The Ambassador's lecture will focus on the issues of greatest interest in the relationship between the United States and Azerbaijan. Morningstar, a former board member of the Democracy promotion and human rights group Freedom House, will speak about the Azerbaijani women's issues on which she is working.

The Ambassador was appointed by President Barack Obama, and sworn in by Secretary of State Hillary Clinton July 20, 2012. Prior to his appointment, he was the Secretary of State's Special Envoy for Eurasian Energy.

Having begun his career as an attorney, he also spent many years as a corporate professional, then as a lecturer at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard and Stanford Law School. He has also taught at Brown University and Boston College Law School.

Morningstar is a developmental psychologist with a primary interest in the development of respect and has created and implemented educational programs designed to increase children's positive regard for both themselves and others.

The presentation will be offered free of charge, though donations are gratefully accepted. No reservations are necessary. For more information, call the Sippican Historical Society at 508-748-1116.

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