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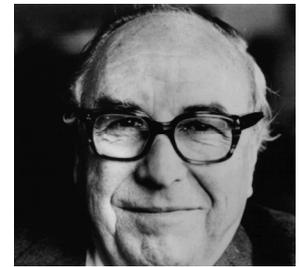
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## *A NOTED BRITISH STATESMAN REFLECTS ON CHURCHILL*

*Please Join Us for Lunch with Roy Jenkins, One of Britain's Leading Public Figures, As He Talks About and Signs Copies of His New Biography of Sir Winston Churchill*

In an event to be covered by C-SPAN, one of the most influential personalities in 20th-century British political life will share his insights about a Prime Minister whose courage and eloquence are both legendary and freshly pertinent. Born in 1920, Roy Jenkins entered the House of Commons in 1948 as a member of the Labour Party and soon became one of the most redoubtable figures in Parliament. In 1964 he was appointed Minister of Aviation, and from 1965 to 1967 he served a distinguished term as Home Secretary. As Chancellor of the Exchequer (1967-70) he imposed a stringent austerity plan to address his nation's financial crisis. In 1971, defying a Labour majority, he supported Britain's entrance to the European Community. A few years later he was serving as President of the European Commission. In 1981 he helped found the Liberal Democratic Party as an alternative to Conservative and Labour policies. In 1987, shortly after he was created a life peer, Lord Jenkins became Chancellor of the University of Oxford, a post he still holds. Copies of his new volume on Churchill will be available for purchase and inscription.



**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14**

*Lunch 12:00*

*Program 12:30 - 1:30*

**15 DUPONT CIRCLE NW**

*ESU Members \$40*

*Non-Members \$45*



## *CNN's BILL PRESS: IS IT TRUE THAT ALL THE WORLD'S A SPIN ROOM?*

*Please Join us for a Sprightly Conversation with the  
Co-Host of One of Television's Most Engaging Programs*

Most of us know Bill Press as the left-leaning co-host of *CROSSFIRE*, where he debates the issues of the day with such adversaries as Robert Novak and a wide spectrum of fascinating guests. But Mr. Press is also a nationally syndicated columnist, and when he's not on the air he reflects upon the broader implications of the work that he and his fellow journalists find so compelling. One result is a new book - *Spin This!* - whose title alludes to another show, *The Spin Room*, which Mr. Press co-hosted with Tucker Carlson in the aftermath of Election 2000. During a luncheon forum to be co-hosted with the Woman's National Democratic Club and The Shakespeare Guild, Mr. Press will chat about the English that politicians, PR specialists, and advertisers have been putting on our language for as long as we've had leaders like Richard III and Henry V - and observers like the Swan of Avon to record their words and deeds.

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27**

*Cash Bar 11:30*

*Lunch 12:30*

*Program 1:00 - 2:00*

**1526 NEW HAMPSHIRE AVE.**

*ESU and Guild Members \$25*

*Non-Members \$30*

*FOR ORDER FORMS, SEE THE BACK PANEL.*

## The ESU and its Mission

Since 1920, when it was created in response to a related organization in Great Britain that had been founded at the conclusion of World War I, THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING UNION OF THE UNITED STATES has endeavored to foster social and cultural cohesion through the resources and cherished traditions of a language that has become increasingly indispensable as a means of international communication. The ESU now girdles the planet, with a stately London address at Dartmouth House, and those who belong to any of its local, regional, and national societies are nourished by a vibrant global network.

Through a rich array of entertaining and edifying events, and through such imaginative initiatives as an annual Shakespeare competition for secondary-school students, a variety of scholarships for research in noted academic and artistic settings, and an inexpensive tutoring service for those who seek better command of a discourse that is not native to them, the Washington area's branch of the ESU is doing its part to promote a heritage that continues to link those who share a vital core of common interests and mutual aspirations.

We'd be honored to have you align yourself with this noble legacy either by joining us or by renewing an existing affiliation. Simply provide the information called for in the Order Form at right, and submit your completed application, along with a check payable to the English-Speaking Union, to 1526 New Hampshire Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20036. Below is a detailed enumeration of membership levels and benefits.

### **ASSOCIATE (Individual \$35, Dual \$45)**

Event notices, membership directory,  
ESU branch newsletter

### **SUBSCRIBER (Individual \$75, Dual \$100)**

All ASSOCIATE-level benefits plus free subscriptions to  
national and international ESU publications

### **CONTRIBUTOR (Individual \$125, Dual \$150)**

All SUBSCRIBER-level benefits plus two free tickets for regular ESU  
events and discounted prices for designated special occasions

### **DONOR (\$250)**

All CONTRIBUTOR-level benefits plus two additional tickets for  
regular events, a free ticket for a designated special occasion,  
and recognition in selected print materials

### **BENEFACTOR (\$500)**

All DONOR-level benefits plus four additional tickets for regular  
events, two free tickets for a designated special occasion,  
and prominent mention in selected print materials

### **PATRON (\$1,000)**

All SUBSCRIBER-level benefits plus free dual-admission tickets  
to all ESU gatherings, prominent mention in selected print  
materials, and acknowledgment at all special occasions

### **SPONSOR (\$2,500)**

All PATRON-level benefits plus four or more free  
guest tickets for all ESU gatherings

## The Gift of Membership

The holidays are approaching, and we encourage you to consider bestowing a membership in the English-Speaking Union on someone who'd enjoy attending our events or taking part in volunteer activities like our ENGLISH IN ACTION service. You'll not only offer a special treat to a loved one; you'll be able to apply to your own dues a 10% rebate on every gift you provide.

As you'll see if you check our new Web site at [www.esuwdc.org](http://www.esuwdc.org), the branch of the ESU that serves the National Capital region has presented a number of enticing programs in recent months. In June we co-sponsored a symposium on *The Globalization of English*, with SIR DAVID FROST as our principal guest. In July we hosted a special edition of *SPEAKING OF SHAKESPEARE* with stage and screen actor MICHAEL YORK. In October we saluted actress JEAN STAPLETON during an evening that also featured such figures as playwright RHODA LERMAN, Arena Stage artistic director MOLLY SMITH, and NPR hostess LINDA WERTHEIMER of *All Things Considered*. We're now arranging future gatherings with ecologist LESTER R. BROWN, journalist MARVIN KALB, sociolinguist DEBORAH TANNEN, and the BBC's JONATHAN DIMBLEBY.

## Order Form

I wish to order \_\_ member \_\_ non-member tickets for November 14.

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I wish to enroll or renew my membership at the \_\_\_\_\_ level.

I wish to provide a Gift Membership at the \_\_\_\_\_ level to the person whose name and contact details follow my own below. It is my understanding that I may deduct 10% of the price for this donation from the amount I remit to cover my own membership.

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