

Concerned about the economy?

The Columbia University Club of Southwest Florida invites all alumni from the Ivy League Schools and their guests to attend a university-sponsored event – a luncheon and presentation -- to be held Friday, February 15 at The Strand Country Club in Naples.

12:00 noon Lunch

1:00 p.m. Program – “Outlook for the Global Economy and Financial Markets”

Prof. Richard H. Clarida will examine policy choices faced by federal and global central banks. He will also discuss economic issues that the next president of the United States will face.

Richard H. Clarida is the C. Lowell Harriss Professor of Economics at Columbia University. From February 2002 until May 2003, he served in the administration of President George W. Bush as assistant secretary of the treasury for economic policy. In that position, he was chief economist for the Treasury Department, reporting directly to the treasury secretary and advising him on a wide range of economic policy issues, including U.S. and global economic prospects, international capital flows, corporate governance, and the maturity structure of the U. S. debt. On May 12, 2003, Treasury Secretary John Snow presented Professor Clarida with the Treasury Medal in recognition of his record of outstanding service to the Treasury Department. From 1997 until he entered the Bush administration, Professor Clarida was the chair of the Department of Economics at Columbia University. Earlier in his career, **he taught at Yale University** and served in the administration of President Ronald Reagan as senior staff economist with the President’s Council of Economic Advisers.

Professor Clarida has published numerous articles in leading academic journals on monetary policy, exchange rates, interest rates, and international capital flows. He is frequently invited to present his views and research to the world’s leading central banks including the Federal Reserve, the ECB, and the Bank of England. He has also served as a consultant to several prominent financial firms. Since July 2006, Professor Clarida has advised PIMCO, a global asset manager, on global economic strategy. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the National Bureau of Economic Research. He is director of the NBER Project on G7 Current Account Imbalances.

Professor Clarida graduated with the highest honors from the University of Illinois in 1979 and **received both his master’s degree and Ph.D. in economics from Harvard University** in 1983. He is married with two children and lives in Southport, Connecticut.

Reserve your seat now! RSVP required by February 11. The cost for Ivy League associates and their guests is \$30. Please send your check (payable to CUC of SWFL) with names of those planning to attend to:

CUC of SWFL
P. O. Box 770403
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Questions? Call Dudley Ferrari at 239-254-1434. Or visit the Columbia University Alumni Relations Web site: **alumni.columbia.edu**

Directions: **The Strand** is located at the NW intersection of Immokalee Road and I-75 Exit 111. Let the guard know that you are attending the Columbia University Club event.