

## **YOU Need a Raise!**

# Fighting Growing Income Inequality and the Policies that Foster It

#### A Public Policy Forum Featuring:

Speakers:

Hedrick Smith Pulitzer Prize-winning author of "Who Stole the American Dream?"

Thea Lee Deputy Chief of Staff, AFL-CIO President's Office
Dean Baker Co-director, Center for Economic and Policy Research

Lori Wallach Director, Public Citizen's Global Trade Watch

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Moderator:

Solon Simmons GMU Interim Dean, School for Conflict Analysis and Resolution

Chair: Sandra Klassen National Affairs Committee, Fairfax County Democratic Committee

#### Please Join us for the Discussion

The incomes of most Americans have stagnated over the last thirty years while the incomes of the top 1 percent have shot up. In fact, almost all of the income growth since the recovery from the recession has gone to the top 1 percent. Recovery from the recession has been slow because most Americans have not participated in the recovery, and policies have not been implemented that reverse this trend.

This forum will: 1. Examine causes of growing income inequality including the interconnections and impact of corporate engineered laws and policies on labor, taxes and trade that redistribute wealth upward; 2. Illuminate the ever-widening drag on national economic growth and the social, financial, political costs to our democracy and quality of life resulting from income inequality; and 3. Propose policy corrections that would allow all Americans to enjoy the benefits of economic growth.

6 pm Pre Forum book sales and signing of "Who Stole the American Dream?" by Hedrick Smith

### Thursday, October 17, 2013, 7-9 PM

The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA) 4301 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA 22203

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