

## SLADE GORTON INTERNATIONAL POLICY CENTER

### Keeping up with Slade – Past, Present and Future

#### *Past: Everything old is new again*

The Chronicle wrote recently about the infamous Hamilton Uncle Sam Billboard in Lewis County, the legality of which Slade, as Washington’s Attorney General, argued against. Now, almost 50 years later, the Hamilton Billboard is in the legal crosshairs again. Slade, who was interviewed by reporter Brittany Voie, told her “Sounds like you’ve got a story with legs.” Follow the story [here](#) and [here](#).

*Apple Cup, Oly-Style* – Olympia saw the revival last week of a rivalry that dates back to 1969 when the offices of Attorney General “Subpoena” Slade Gorton and Governor “Dangerous” Dan Evans faced off in a softball-showdown (Slade would want you to know the AGO won that game 12-6, and the series 4-0). When the current AGO and Governor’s office brought back the competition on September 25, Slade threw out the first pitch. Did the AGO keep its perfect record intact? Yes, they did Slade proud - the final score was 27-8, bringing the AGO winning streak to 5-0.

#### *Present: He doesn’t slow down*

On October 10, Slade moderated the “Pacific Energy Summit: The U.S. Energy Revolution and the Asia-Pacific’s Energy and Environmental Challenge.” The Summit, by the National Bureau of Asian Research (NBR), served as a platform for a strategic conversation is on how to maximize the benefits for the Asia-Pacific of the new energy era and strengthen leadership across the region to make progress toward a cleaner energy future.

This year NBR released an update to its [Report of the Commission on the Theft of American Intellectual Property](#), on which Slade served as Commissioner. The report has continued to generate interest in Congress and the Administration. Here’s what Slade said upon its release: “The theft of American intellectual property by Chinese state-backed hackers continues unabated despite promises to the contrary. The costs to the U.S. economy remain the range of \$200–600 billion dollars.”

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On September 28, the Gorton Center hosted Johanna Kao, Senior Advisor for Asia, International Republican Institute, for a briefing on the current political environment in Myanmar. Want to be notified of these events in the future? Let us know at [info@sladegortoncenter.org](mailto:info@sladegortoncenter.org).



Kent Patton, Ethan Talbott, Johanna Kao, Caleb Huffman, Alex Wirth, Maggie Douglas, Richard Harris

### *Future: And he doesn't intend to slow down*

The fifth annual Statesmanship Luncheon, co-sponsored by the Gorton and Ruckelshaus Centers, has been set for January 16. This year's distinguished panel will feature past Governors Evans, Locke and Gregoire in a discussion on the timely topic of Statespersonship in the Governor's Mansion: A New Role for the States? Details to follow, but you can get on the waiting list at [info@sladegortoncenter.org](mailto:info@sladegortoncenter.org). (See [video](#) of last year's event, "Statespersonship in D.C. – Prospects for Collaboration in 2017," with U.S. Representatives Suzan DelBene, Derek Kilmer and Dan Newhouse.)

Also in January, Slade's tenure as Washington's 3-term Attorney General will be honored at a Symposium at the UW Law School. Stay tuned for details; for more info, email us at [info@sladegortoncenter.org](mailto:info@sladegortoncenter.org).

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## Passing the Baton to a new Generation: The Gorton Center Global Leaders Program

Bridging the past to the future is the Gorton Center's Global Leaders Program (GLP). We received a record number of applications this year, resulting in an outstanding group of young people who embody Slade's vision of bipartisanship, leadership, and a drive for knowledge. The Gorton Center is pleased to announce the new class:

[See bios for the GLP Class of 2017–18.](#)

Visit the Gorton Center [Facebook](#) page to see some great pictures of the celebration!



*Left to right (from top):*

**Rachel Paik** — Class of 2018, University of Washington, studying International Studies

**Caleb Huffman** — Class of 2018, University of Washington, studying Political Science and Communication

**Rachel Platin** — Class of 2018, University of Washington, studying Economics and Political Science

**David Edwards** — Class of 2018, Seattle University School of Law, studying for Juris Doctor

**David Kirichenko** — Class of 2018, University of Washington, studying Economics and Political Science

**Quillan Robinson** — Class of 2018, University of Washington, studying International Studies and Political Science

**Haleema Bharoocha** — Class of 2018, Seattle University, studying Sociology

**Nicholas DeMuro** — Class of 2018, University of Washington, studying International Studies and Political Science

**Kathryn Hudak** — Class of 2018, University of Washington, studying International Studies

**Connor Whitney** — Class of 2018, University of Washington, studying Law, Societies, and Justice; and Political Science

**Madison Jones** — Class of 2019, Seattle University School of Law, studying for her Juris Doctor

**Tucker Link** — Class of 2017, Western Washington University, Political Science, American Policy and Public Policy

**Supriya Gorthy** — Class of 2018, Northeastern University in Seattle, studying M.S. in Project Management

**Justin Collins** — Class of 2018, University of Washington, studying International Studies

**Lien Pham** — Class of 2019, University of Washington, studying Communication

**Ethan Talbott** — Class of 2018, University of Washington Evans School of Public Policy and Governance, studying Public Administration

**Margaret Douglas** — Class of 2019, University of Washington Evans School of Public Policy and Governance, studying Public Administration

**Alexander Wirth** — Class of 2018, University of Washington, studying International Studies

**Ernie Tao** — Class of 2018, University of Washington, studying Biochemistry and Political Science

**Kai Frenay** — Class of 2018, University of Washington, studying International Studies

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The 2017-18 Fellows already have been busy, with many attending a reception in September, a briefing on Myanmar (see above), and their first official session with Slade in October.



GLP alums have been keeping busy too, furthering their academic and career aspirations. Here are a few standouts.

*Kudos to...*

...**Benjamin C. Lee (GLP '14-15)** is among 11 UW students and alumni awarded a 2017-2018 U.S. Fulbright Program Scholarship. In 2015, Ben also became the first UW student in years to win a Carnegie Endowment for International Peace Junior Fellowship in 2016. Ben received the Sally Gorton Leadership Award for outstanding achievement in his GLP class.



... **Francis Wilson (GLP '15-16)** has accepted a position as Antitrust and Competition Analyst for Charles River Associates. Francis will do research and analysis for corporate mergers and acquisitions. Francis was the third recipient of the Sally Gorton Leadership Award for outstanding achievement in that class.

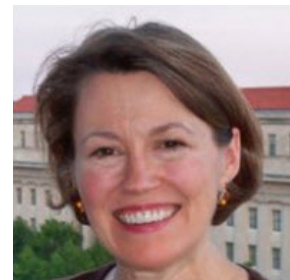


... **Desiree Phair (GLP '16-17)** recently passed her bar examination and has a new position at Lighthouse Law Group, PLLC. Desiree was the recipient of the first GLP Special Award for Outstanding Writing.



## Team Gorton – Where Are They Now?

Former Slade Senate staffer **Heidi Biggs Brock**, now CEO of the Aluminum Association, appeared recently on CNN as the U.S. Department of Commerce released its preliminary finding that imports of certain aluminum foil from China are benefiting from unfair government subsidies. Catch her appearance [here](#).



GLP and Gorton alums, keep us posted on your activities at  
[info@sladegortoncenter.org](mailto:info@sladegortoncenter.org)!

## Save the Date!

Get ready to celebrate Slade's 90th next year! Watch for details of events and opportunities to honor him. If you have pictures or anecdotes, send them to us at [info@sladegortoncenter.org](mailto:info@sladegortoncenter.org)!

For all event information and RSVP, please e-mail [info@sladegortoncenter.org](mailto:info@sladegortoncenter.org).

Stay in touch with Slade, and *please consider supporting* his ongoing legacy through the Gorton Center and the Global Leaders Program!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mariana".

Mariana Parks

President, Gorton Center at NBR

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