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C. ERIC "RICK" ESTBERG

— Author of the new book, *Berlin Daze* —

A linguist's life stationed 100 miles behind the Iron Curtain in walled West Berlin

As a "Cold Warrior," Rick Estberg spent seven years literally on the front lines as an intelligence professional, separated by only a few miles from hundreds of thousands of Soviet and East German soldiers. Through exciting, intriguing, humorous, entertaining, and even sometimes bawdy recollections, Rick's memory bank never seems to run dry. Whether it was accidentally getting locked inside the closed Tempelhof Airport, being asked by an East German to help him escape across the Wall, sitting all of 30 feet from a notorious spy for two years, meeting former Nazi SS officers at their old (and his own U.S. Army) barracks, saluting Russian army privates while clearing checkpoints at the edge of Berlin, or editing an underground newspaper, there seems to have not been a single week in those years in Berlin when something noteworthy wasn't taking place. Rick has over 40 years of service in the Department of Defense. He holds degrees in German, education, history, and international relations. He and his wife live near Annapolis. His next project is a novel about the odd man who killed John Wilkes Booth and his adventures in post-Civil War San Francisco.

REGISTRATION

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27 March 2019—10 a.m-11:45 a.m., program followed by lunch noon-1 p.m.

CACI Inc., Maryland Conference Center | 2720 Technology Drive | Annapolis Junction, MD 20755

Registration Fee, inclusive of lunch, is \$25 for members and guests.

Please mail your check to NCMF, PO Box 1682, Ft. Meade, MD 20755 or register online at www.cryptologicfoundation.org. For further details please call the NCMF office at 301-688-5436.



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About Our Presentation

C. Eric “Rick” Estberg served as a linguist at the Army Field Station Berlin in the late 1970s prior to joining NSA in 1980. Within three years he had returned to Field Station Berlin, for an extended assignment. Over the course of a nearly 40-year career at NSA, Rick has held numerous positions, including linguist/reporter, senior policy staff officer, Director’s speech writer, Brookings Fellow, Chief of Staff at the Interagency OPSEC Support Staff and Intelligence Advisor at NATO Headquarters in Brussels. Presently he is the Country Desk Officer for an important NSA third party. Rick graduated from Ripon College in Wisconsin with a BA in German, a BA from University of Maryland in history, and an MA in international relations from Boston University. His awards include the Agency’s Meritorious Civilian Service Award. In his spare time he is active in local theater groups and has appeared in a dozen productions in and around Annapolis over the past six years.



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Our Vision

We are a foundation established to support the National Cryptologic Museum in its effort to inform the public about the contribution made to the national security of the United States by the signals intelligence and information assurance services, and to commemorate the men and women who have participated in these important activities. Our objective is to support Museum endeavors and help build a new world-class institution.

We will assist the Museum with advisory support and with the acquisition and display of memorabilia and artifacts that explain the role played by cryptology in peace and war. We will also aid the Museum in facilitating research into now-unclassified materials about signals intelligence and information assurance.

We will provide financial support to the Museum by seeking to attract both corporate and individual members to the Foundation. We will sponsor a variety of programs to expand and inform our membership and to increase interest and participation in the Museum and its development.

In all of our activities, we will proceed in accordance with the highest ethical standards and consistent with the requirements of a not-for-profit institution.



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