



# 台灣人公共事務會沙加緬度分會

## 年會及特別來賓演講通知

### Formosan Association for Public Affairs Sacramento Chapter

### FAPA 沙加緬度分會年會

**時間：** 2013 年 6 月 23 日，星期日，上午 10 時 30 分  
10:30 am 報到；11:00 am 午餐；12:00-5:00 pm 開會

**演講題目：** FAPA Behind The Scene (FAPA 的幕後成就)

**特別來賓及演講者：**

The Honorable Congressman Steve Chabot (Chair of the Asian Subcommittee)  
FAPA 總會 Coen Blaauw 昆布勞

**地點：** Veterans Memorial Building at Carmichael Park  
5750 Grant Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 (請參考以下地圖)

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## **CONGRESSMAN STEVE CHABOT (R-OH)** **"One of Taiwan's Top Three Best Friends In Congress"**

Congressman Steve Chabot represents Ohio's First District, which encompasses most of Cincinnati and its western suburbs. Chabot was first elected to Congress in 1994.

Congressman Chabot is a long-time member of the House Foreign Affairs Committees and chairs the Asian Subcommittee. (In that capacity he saw to it that on April 25, 2013, the Taiwan Policy Act, the biggest piece of legislation in the U.S. Congress since the 1979 Taiwan Relations Act) was passed unanimously by the Asian Subcommittee.

His contributions to Taiwan are too numerous to mention. It is safe to say that Congressman Chabot supports and co-sponsors all Taiwan related legislation initiated by Taiwanese American organizations such as FAPA. He is also a founding member and former co-chair of the Congressional Taiwan Caucus.

### **Some highlights:**

Of all members of Congress, Chabot has been the most active in the campaign to call for medical parole for former president Chen. In late April, he traveled to Taiwan with the sole purpose of visiting Chen and to lend his support to medical parole for Chen. After his trip, the Taipei Times wrote: "Chabot said that during the visit Chen's hands visibly shook and he stuttered when he spoke, adding that he and Faleomavaega were very worried about his situation...Chabot said that as Chen's friend, he was worried and said that Chen's human rights should be respected."

At recent Congressional Taiwan hearings, Rep. Chabot spoke out strongly in support of the release of former Taiwan president Chen Shui-bian. He stated that with Chen's continued incarceration, Taiwan risks becoming known world-wide as a "Banana Republic" adding "I think the fact that the Taiwanese government has decided to move itself into the direction of the criminalization of politics is unfortunate."

Chabot is also a long-time friend of FAPA. Last December he traveled all the way from Cincinnati to San Jose to speak at FAPA's 30 year anniversary dinner banquet, and left two hours later to take the red-eye back to Cincinnati, Ohio.

During an interview with the FAPA newsletter some years ago, Rep. Chabot stated: "I am not a big fan of the "One China Policy." Personally, I lean much more towards the "One China, One Taiwan Policy." I feel a lot of Members of Congress feel this way too."

In remarks at a U.S.-China-Taiwan Symposium at the City University of NY he followed through on that notion: "I have therefore said many times before that I believe that the United States should abandon the outdated and irrational One China Policy. It is a relic of the Cold War. - The Cold War is over. - So we do not need the One China Policy anymore. - Period."

When asked whether he believes that the people of Taiwan should have the right to determine their own future, he stated: "I think people should decide their own future. I think it is a basic human right and I think human dignity calls for that....."

Rep. Chabot has been to Taiwan several times. In the 113th CONGRESS (2013-2014), Rep. Chabot cosponsored the following Taiwan-related House Resolutions:

1. H.R.419 : Taiwan Policy Act of 2013 - Sponsor: Rep Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana [FL-27] (introduced 1/25/2013) Cosponsors (14)
2. H.R.772 : To promote peaceful and collaborative resolution of the South China Sea dispute. Sponsor: Rep Faleomavaega, Eni F. H. [AS] (introduced 2/15/2013) Cosponsors (12)
3. H.R.1151 : To direct the Secretary of State to develop a strategy to obtain observer status for Taiwan at the triennial International Civil Aviation Organization Assembly, and for other purposes. Sponsor: Rep Royce, Edward R. [CA-39] (introduced 3/14/2013) Cosponsors (61)

## 美國眾議員史蒂夫夏柏特 (R-OH) "台灣在美國國會中的三個好朋友之一"



眾議員史蒂夫·夏柏特代表俄亥俄州的第一選區，其中包括俄亥俄州辛辛那提市和其西郊。夏波在 1994 年首次當選國會議員。

眾議員夏柏特是眾議院外交事務委員會長期的成員，現為亞洲小組委員會主席。在他的能力領導下，亞洲小組委員會於 2013 年 4 月 25 日一致通過「台灣政策法案」，此法案為自 1979 年的「台灣關係法」以後在美國國會最大的立法。

眾議員夏柏特對台灣的貢獻不勝枚舉。他支持所有台美人組織如 FAPA 發起和台灣有關的立法。他也是國會台灣連線一個創始成員和前台灣連線共同主席。

所有國會議員中，眾議員夏柏特是最積極的呼籲讓陳前總統保外就醫。在 4 月下旬，他到台灣唯一目的是拜訪陳前總統以表示他支持陳前總統保外就醫。他此行結束後，台北時報報導："夏柏特說，在他訪問期間，陳前總統的雙手振抖、說話結巴，他和同行的國會議員法萊奧馬瓦加很擔心他的情況.....夏柏特說，以一位朋友立場，他是擔心的，他說陳前總統的人權應受到尊重。"

在最近國會台灣聽證會，眾議員夏柏特發言強烈支持台灣前總統陳水扁的釋放。他說，台灣繼續關押陳前總統，正冒著成為聞名世界的「香蕉共和國」之風險，他另說，我認為事實上，台灣政府已決定走入政治定罪的方向是不幸的。

眾議員夏柏特也是 FAPA 一個長期的朋友。去年 12 月，他特別老遠從辛辛那提到加州聖荷西來參加 FAPA 的 30 週年紀念並在晚宴上發言，兩個小時後即連夜飛回辛辛那提。

若干年前在接受 FAPA 通訊採訪時，眾議員夏柏特表示：我不是「一個中國政策」的愛好者，我個人傾向「一個中國、一個台灣政策」的方向，我覺得很多國會議員也覺得如此。在紐約城市大學舉辦的美國、中國與台灣之研討會上，他的言論更遵循該概念："我已經說了很多次，我認為美國應該放棄過時的和非理性的一個中國政策，這是冷戰的遺物，現在冷戰已經結束了，所以我們並不需要一個中國的政策了。"

當被問及他是否認為台灣人民應該有權利決定自己的未來，他說："我認為，人們應該自己決定自己的未來，我認為這是人類的基本權利，我認為人的尊嚴要求如此..."

眾議員夏柏特曾多次訪問台灣。在今年國會他已共同提案了三個和台灣有關的法案與決議。