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DOUGLAS A. WISSING

Wednesday, September 28, 11:45am
at the University Club

Douglas Wissing will discuss his reporting in insurgency-wracked Afghanistan and his newest book, *Hopeless but Optimistic*, which is based on his most recent embed with US troops—his third in the war-torn country.

This is a close-up of the American war in Afghanistan. It’s Afghan life on the streets - the culture and institutions that anneal them; the poetry that enriches them. It includes the perspectives of cynical military lifers and frightened short-timers; true believers and amoral grabbers; Americans and Afghans trying to make sense of two counties surreally contorted by war-birthed extractive commerce. His is a story that arcs from cynicism to a hard-won equanimity.

Mr. Wissing has contributed to a range of news media and journals including *The New York Times, Independent on Sunday (UK), Asia Times, Foreign Policy, Forbes Life, National Geographic Traveler, CNN.com*, as well as the BBC and NPR radio networks. Among his ten books, he is the author of “Funding the Enemy: How US Taxpayers Bankroll the Taliban” and “Pioneer in Tibet: The Life and Perils of Dr. Albert Shelton”. He has also spoken widely on the Afghanistan war, from Brian Lamb’s C-Span Q&A show to the Jerry Doyle Show.

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