

Dear Senior Fellows and Friends,

You are cordially invited to the Club Room, L'Enfant Plaza Hotel restaurant, on Tuesday, May 23, at 6:30 p.m. for dinner and conversation with National Journal correspondent Brian Friel.

Those who follow Government Executive's "Management Matters" column are familiar with Brian's work. Brian got my undivided attention this year with two articles, [Work Auditions](#) and [The Trust Factor](#).

One of his own favorites is [You Can Manage Your Way Out](#) (complete with man bursting from large paper bag). Brian's wit and balanced approach are in keeping with his employer's promotion of excellence in government. Such qualities help foster courage and create an atmosphere in which leaders of good will, like you, want to overlook differences and develop solutions that work.

Between now and the 23rd, think about what you want to know, and come with questions for Brian. For example:

- * Do you feel a sense of mission? If so, how would you describe it?
- * How do you pick the subjects for your columns?
- * If you could change one thing in the public sector, what would it be?

Hope you'll want to be part of this evening! Please RSVP using the reply function on this page. As always, you are welcome to bring a colleague or significant other--merely send me the address to which the Evite should go--this assists with head count. Your reply and payment must be received before May 21. You may use the PayPal link or mail me a check. Please plan to arrive between 6 and 6:30.

Regards,

Kitty Wooley