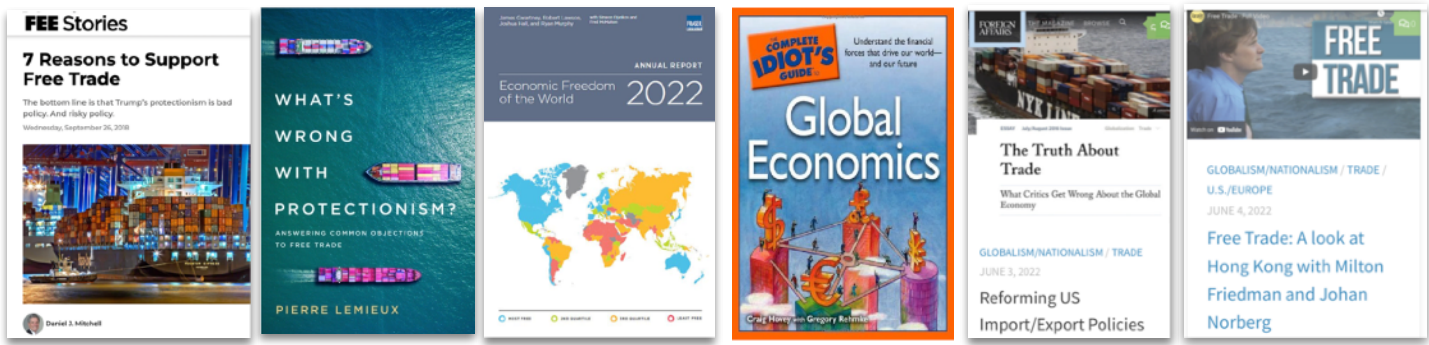


# ECONOMIC FREEDOM & IMPORT/EXPORT REFORM



## ECONOMICS - VALUES - ETHICS - DEBATE

- Friday, October 28, 3:45-8:30 pm, \$25 students/\$15 siblings..
- Twin Lakes Fellowship, 1150 S Bell Blvd, Cedar Park, TX 78613
- Fee/donation: \$25 students/\$15 siblings. Alumni, Parents no charge.
- To Register: [Austin Rhetoric Club](#) or Greg Rehmke, [grehmke@gmail.com](mailto:grehmke@gmail.com)

Also LD session: ethics of property rights vs economic interest of community.

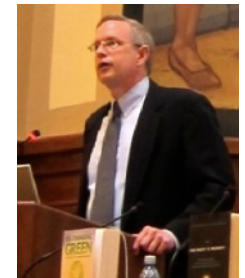
Economic principles are central to debates over U.S. trade policy. Current U.S. regulations of imports and exports are complicated, often opaque, and influenced by special interest groups, raising costs for American producers and consumers.

Face masks, baby formula, medical devices, pharmaceuticals, to batteries, cars and furniture, are among thousands of goods whose trade is regulated (see the 308-page [2021 Trade Policy Agenda and 2020 Annual Report](#)). U.S. companies looking to export and U.S. retailers looking to market international goods, turn to trade policy lawyers and law firms for guidance. It is hard to discover much less follow current and fast changing trade regulations.

Economist Dan Mitchell asks [Can anybody identify a nation that has prospered by moving to protectionism \(b/t: the USA in the 1800s is not a good answer\) or a nation that has suffered because of trade liberalization?](#)

- Also discussion of LD/Value topic on the right to property vs.

economic interest of the community. John Stossel's video: [Little Pink House](#) reviews the Kelo v. New London case and the movie based on the events. Where are the limits on *eminent domain* as local officials push development projects against the wishes of homeowners? And when can communities prevent development projects of land owners wishing to build new homes or apartments? Are there ways to build roads and pipelines without resorting to *eminent domain*?



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