

21Club
Social, Dinner and a Talk

Tuesday
September 24, 2013



[Student Union Building](#)

UNM Campus

Social: 5:30 [Sandia Room](#) (#3019)
Wine, Beer, Hors d'œuvres.

Plated Dinner: 6:30 [Scholars Room](#) (#3018)

Tequila lime chicken (a lightly breaded chicken breast steeped in a tequila lime sauce); a house salad, wild rice pilaf, glazed baby carrots with butter and dill, dinner rolls and butter, cheese cake for dessert, iced tea, water and coffee. A portobello mushroom stuffed with poblano chile, shallots and garlic and topped with southwestern cheese is available [on request](#).

Talk: 7:30 [Scholars Room](#) (#3018)

Rich Wood

Associate Professor of Sociology

Religion and Progressive Politics: Oxymoron or our own Blinders?

Rich Wood will discuss findings of his work on religion and spirituality within progressive political movements, particularly the American “faith-based community organizing” model that became famous due to Barack Obama’s brief engagement with it before he entered electoral politics. Talk will highlight recent research into the political profile and religious underpinnings of this field, including its impressive diversity across racial/ethnic, socioeconomic, and immigrant-native divides that typically undermine progressive movements in American history. What does this research teach us about how we might build a more sustainable and vigorous movement to deepen democracy in America in the decade ahead?